



THE FALCON FLYER



News and Highlights – Week 20: 1/26/2026

Principal's Notes:

Hello Figarden Families,

I hope you are enjoying the weekend while staying safe and well in the cool foggy weather.

We will have our January Family Engagement hour on Monday. There will be two sessions. One at 8:30 a.m. and one at 1:10 p.m. This month's topic is the CalKIDS program. This is a free college savings account set up for your child, but you must claim it. Come to this session to learn all about the program and how to claim your student's account.

We will be celebrating Second Quarter Awards this week. Letters were sent home with students last week who are receiving awards. In addition to the awards ceremonies, students will receive the brag tags they have earned for their math facts, numbers, letters, sounds, and meeting their typical iReady goals. We will also be celebrating all the students who met 50% of their iReady stretch growth goal with a special event.

Congratulations, to all the students who made the girls' and boys' basketball teams. We will officially kick off both seasons with games the first week in February.

This week, Figarden is participating in the Great Kindness Challenge and Crayola Creativity Week. The Great Kindness Challenge theme for this year is, "Show Us Your Kindness". Students will be given a Kindness checklist as well as some kindness ideas that will be taped to each classroom door for students and staff to take one and conduct the random kindness act.

Crayola Creativity week has a focus for each day with a video, thinking sheet, and a creation for the students to make for the day's theme. I look forward to seeing all our students participate in these exciting additional opportunities to spread kindness across our campus and to showcase their Creativity.

Way to go Falcons! I am so proud of all the learning and growing that our Falcons are doing so that they can all *Achieve Their Greatest Potential*.

Thank You,

Principal Lopez

Family Engagement Hour

Topic: **CalKIDS**, a state program that gives eligible students free money for college and career training



Monday, January 26, 2026

8:30 a.m. and 1:10 p.m.

Figarden Room 5

Q2 Awards Assemblies

Grade	Date	Time
First Grade	Thursday, January 29th	8:15 a.m.
Second Grade	Thursday, January 29th	9:00 a.m.
Third Grade	Thursday, January 29th	9:45 a.m.
Fourth Grade	Friday, January 30th	8:15 a.m.
Fifth Grade	Friday, January 30th	9:00 a.m.
Sixth Grade	Friday, January 30th	9:45 a.m.



Jan. 26

Family Engagement Hour @ 8:30 a.m. and 1:10 p.m.

Jan. 26-30

**The Great Kindness Challenge
Crayola Creativity Week**

Jan. 27

Early Dismissal Day

Jan. 29 & 30

Quarter 2 Awards Assemblies



Feb. 1-28

Black History Month

Feb. 3

Early Dismissal Day

Feb. 9

No School: Lincoln's Birthday

Feb. 16

No School: President's Day

Feb. 17

SSC Meeting @ 3:00 p.m.

Feb. 24

Early Dismissal Day



Figarden Elementary

Office Hours 7:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Please call to make an appointment.

Principal: Cari Lopez Vice Principal: John-Michael Delacerda

Office Manager: Trisha Hogaboom Office Assistant: Monique Mitchell

MONDAY 1/26



Hurry, hurry! Don't be late! School Begins at 8:00 a.m.

TK/K Dismissal @ 1:05 p.m.

Grades 1-6 Dismissal @ 2:05 p.m.

Great Kindness Challenge Week: Show Us Your Kind

Crayola Creativity Week

Family Engagement Hour in Room 5

Session 1 at 8:30 a.m.

Session 2 at 1:10 p.m.



TUESDAY 1/27

Early Dismissal

TK and Kinder at 12:00 p.m.

Grades 1-6 at 1:00 p.m.



WEDNESDAY 1/28

THURSDAY 1/29

Q2 Awards Assemblies

Grade 1: 8:15 a.m.

Grade 2: 9:00 a.m.

Grade 3: 9:45 a.m.



AWARDS DAY!

FRIDAY 1/30

Figarden Spirit Day: Wear your Figarden/Bullard Blue!



AWARDS DAY!

Q2 Awards Assemblies

Grade 4: 8:15 a.m.

Grade 5: 9:00 a.m.

Grade 6: 9:45 a.m.

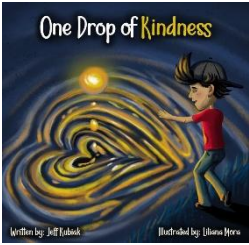
January Character Trait: FAIRNESS



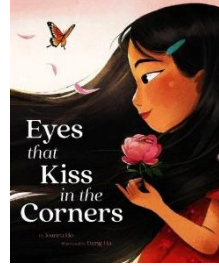
We are Falcons!

F= Focused Learners
A=Always Work Hard
L=Lead by Example
C=Character Counts
O=Outstanding Effort
N=Never Give Up
S=Successful

January Books of the Month




Kindness...for some, it comes so easy, but for others, it can be a struggle. The answer often lies in a person's story. Interestingly, Gus lives in a town that holds a mysterious secret which finally gets unlocked by something that was hidden away. By unlocking this secret, you too can join the ripple effect of kindness that Gus, along with his school and town, is experiencing with the rest of the world! This book, along with each of you, will change our world as we know it. It only takes *One Drop of Kindness* to fill a heart with love.



A young Asian girl notices that her eyes look different from her peers'. They have big, round eyes and long lashes. She realizes that her eyes are like her mother's, her grandmother's, and her little sister's. They have eyes that kiss in the corners and glow like warm tea, crinkle into crescent moons, and are filled with stories of the past and hope for the future. Drawing from the strength of these powerful women in her life, she recognizes her own beauty and discovers a path to self-love and empowerment.

“One drop of Kindness is all it takes to fill a heart with love.”
#Showusyourkind



The Great Kindness Challenge

SCHOOL EDITION


Your Kindness Matters!

We challenge you to complete as many acts of kindness as you can in one week. Have fun and smile big knowing that you are changing the world for good!

Kind Acts

- Smile at 25 people.
- Surprise a friend with a nice note.
- Compliment 5 people.
- Pick up 10 pieces of trash on campus.
- Make a new friend.
- Tell a joke and make someone laugh.
- Be kind to yourself and eat a healthy snack.
- Learn something new about your teacher.
- Draw a picture and give it to someone.
- Help a younger student.
- Give a KIND handshake to greet a classmate.
- Recycle your trash.
- Hug your friend.
- Pick up trash outside your school.
- Cut out 10 hearts & give them to friends.
- Entertain someone with a happy dance.
- Make a kind poster for cafeteria helpers.
- Show appreciation to a counselor or mentor.
- Say "good morning" to 15 people.
- Design a thank you for the PTA/PTO.
- Make a wish for a child in another country.
- Say "thank you" to a crossing guard.
- Invite a new friend to play/hang out with you.
- Send a thank you to your superintendent.
- Offer to help your custodian.

- Sit with a new group of kids at lunch.
- Read a book to a younger child.
- Give an apple or a note to thank your teacher.
- Step up for someone in need.
- Make and display a "KINDNESS MATTERS" sign.
- Carry your friend's books.
- Help your PE teacher with the equipment.
- Make a bookmark for a friend.
- Hold the door open for someone.
- Pat yourself on the back.
- Thank a bus driver or carpool driver.
- Write a thank you on a bandage for the nurse.
- Listen to your teacher the first time.
- Whisper "thank you" to the librarian.
- Help someone up if they fall down.
- Lend a pencil to a friend.
- Learn to say "hello" in a new language.
- Bring a flower to the office staff.
- Show appreciation to your principal creatively.
- Help your teacher with a needed task.
- Be on time for school.
- Say "thank you" to a volunteer.
- Give your friend a high five.
- Make a friendship gift for someone new to you.
- Create your own kind deed.



#GreatKindnessChallenge

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