

# THE LITTLE RAM NEWSLETTER



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## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

November takes us to the middle of the second nine-weeks. Progress reports will be going out next week. Please contact your child's teacher if you have any questions. It is my desire to continue to focus on increasing student achievement and doing whatever it takes to help ALL our students be successful and enjoy coming to school. Take some time to read to your child or have them read to you!



## NATIVE AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH

November is Native American Heritage Month. The Division of Indigenous Education and the Navajo Language & Culture Department have worked together to develop a calendar for the month of November. They invite everyone to participate in the culture and help celebrate being Native and proud. More importantly, they ask that everyone helps to encourage our students to celebrate who they are and to respect each other's cultures.

## CULTURAL FRIENDSGIVING

Our community is lucky to have such a rich variety of cultures. The elementary will host a "Cultural Friendsgiving" to allow us time to embrace and learn about the different cultures represented in our community. We invite people to share the food, clothing, music, and language of their culture with the school community. All are invited to come and experience an evening of sharing and fun. The event will be Thursday, November 17, 2002 from 5:30 - 7:30.



## UPCOMING EVENTS

- 11/7 In-Person Monday
- 11/8 Haircuts Day
- 11/10 Little Ram Family Meeting
- 11/11 No School/Veteran's Day
- 11/17 Cultural Friendsgiving
- 11/21 In-Person Monday
- 11/23 - 11/25 No School/  
Thanksgiving Break

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## CALLING ALL PARENTS!

- Meet once a month
- Games to entertain children
- Food provided
- Opportunity to give input

**We would love for you to join us!**

Next Meeting

**Thursday, November 10th at 5:00 pm**

## NEW STAFF

### Navartha Polepaka 3rd Grade Teacher



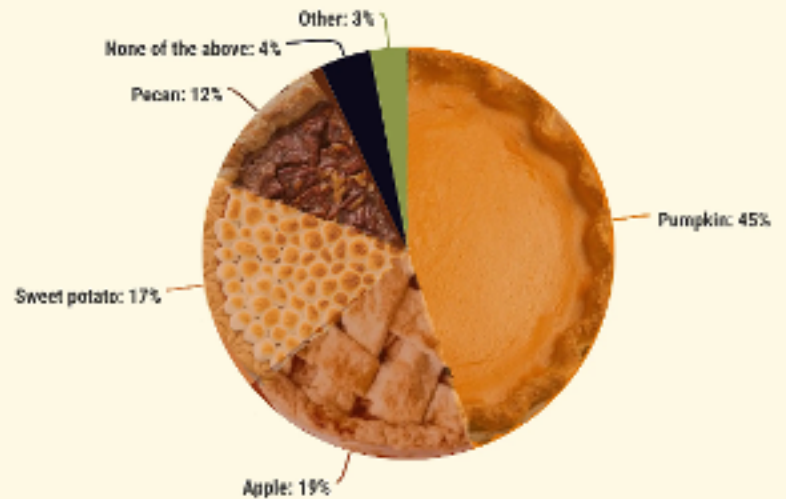
My name is Mrs. Navaratha Rani Polepaka, I am married to an amazing man Mr. Reefath Kumar who is a Pastor, Professor and a National co-Ordinator in Theological college for about 20 years. We are blessed in having amazing kids, Karoz Joshuiel and Ida Fanny who are pursuing their Master's in business administration in Tennessee, USA.

I did my Master's in business administration and have Bachelor's in commerce and Bachelor's in special education too. I have experience of 19 years in Teaching different levels of the students from High school to Elementary. I love Kids. As the saying goes.... Today's children are tomorrow's citizens. I trust and believe that our future leaders lie in them. I prepare myself with passion to reach the students' needs to make effective growth mindset. As this is my first year in Cuba Elementary, I am excited and looking forward to work with same zeal and Passion. I admire my Principal, Vice-Principal and Educational coach and finally my wonderful Colleague teachers.

## OCTOBER STUDENTS OF THE MONTH

Grade	Student
PreK	Bo Ben Pinto
Kindergarten	Naya Toledo
1st Grade	Leandra Maestas
2nd Grade	Eli Charley
3rd Grade	Mesa Castillo
4th Grade	Reynel Trujillo
5th Grade	Tyleen Ignacio

### The most essential pie on Thanksgiving



## SOCIAL WORKER'S CORNER

**November is National Gratitude Month which encourages us to embrace the power of gratitude.**

Gratitude is more than simply saying "thank you." Gratitude's amazing powers can shift us from focusing on the negative to appreciating the positive in our lives. Practicing daily gratitude gives us a deeper connection to ourselves.

Everything in our lives can improve when we are grateful. Research has shown that gratitude can enhance our moods, decrease stress, and drastically improve our overall level of health and well-being.

Examples of celebrating National Gratitude month:

- Start a gratitude journal. Write about someone or something you're thankful for every day. When you read back on what you've written, you'll be able to reflect on the relationships and their accomplishments.
- Share your gratitude with others. Letting someone know you're grateful for their service, or friendship often lifts their spirits.
- Show your appreciation by giving back to your community, neighborhood.

# 1ST NINE WEEKS HONOR ROLL STUDENTS

## Kindergarten

### Mrs. Beyale

Dominic Ignacio	Caring Classroom
Jaytha Tully	Math Master
Logan Garcia	Outstanding Improvement
Josiah Priet	Caring Classroom
Madison Sam	Caring Classroom
Rubie Bridge	Caring Classroom

### Mr. Mediavillo

Amelia Coon	Most Caring Student
Autumn Beasley	Most Dependable
Arya Morales	Excellence in Reading
Arya Morales	Enthusiastic Learner
Chloe Pinto	Most Dependable
Drayden Dominguez	Excellence in Math
Drayden Dominguez	Excellence in Reading
Keenan Rafael	Most Improved Writing
Ilyana Chavez	Best Helper
Ilyana Chavez	Excellence in Math
Lucas Cordova	Helping Hand Award
Maximiliano Crowther	Enthusiastic Learner
Maximiliano Crowther	Leadership Award
Quillan Pinto	Helping Hand Award
Raydin Nez	Kind Classmate Award
Sunny Trujillo	Excellent Effort Award
Sysun Toledo	Artfully Creative Award
Tyson Commanche	Excellence in Math
Tyson Commanche	Most Improved in Writing
Yanet Pinto	Friendship Award

**Cuba Cares Presents 2022-2023  
Motivational Mondays**

Join us Live at 1:30PM on Dates Below  
 Join Zoom Meeting: <https://crgs.page.link/57pR>  
 Meeting ID: 825 4265 1937  
 Passcode: 957673

August 29 - Joshua Mike Bidtah (Multitalented Native American Artist)

September 26 - AJ Pacheco (Office of Congresswoman Teresa Leger Fernandez)

October 17 - Tim Chavez (CISD Director of Technology)

November 14 - Sidney Toledo (Business owner- Toledo Roofing)

December 12 - Matthew Pena (CNM Instructor)

January 23 - Adriano Rodriguez (Interagency hotshot squad leader)

February 27 - Delwin Lewis (CEO @ Creations INK Apparel)

March 6 - Cal Perry (NBC NEWS)

April 17 - Felicia Branch (BSN, RN)

May 8 - Damien Augustine (Counselor Chapter President)

"Can't is not in the vocabulary of those determined to succeed."

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## FALL FESTIVAL

On Friday October 28th, students had a day of fun! Teachers had literacy, math, and science activities related to fall events. In addition to fun class activities students received a pumpkin to take home, played a ring toss game, colored paper masks, had face painting, and other games. Our little ones (PreK - 1st) had a chance to go trick-or-treating around the district and all students participated in Trunk or Treat as they departed for the day.

Thank you to parents and community members that were able to come help or donate treats. It takes a village !



## NURSE'S CORNER

Dear Parents, Guardians & Caregivers,

This month we were able to get both staff and students their flu vaccines if they wanted them. We are starting hearing and vision screening throughout the district and you will be notified if we see that your student needs to be seen by a doctor. If you need help with getting glasses for your student please reach out to the nurse office and we have some resources to get your students glasses if they do not have insurance or need help in getting a 2nd pair. As cold and flu season get started we would like to remind families to keep any students home that show signs of a fever, coughing, or vomiting. We may be sending home with your student an at home Covid test to make sure your student does not have Covid-19 as well. At any time if you have questions please reach out to your school nurse office and we can answer any of your questions.

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Analicia Bridge 505-290-4293

# 1ST NINE WEEKS - HONOR ROLL STUDENTS

# C O N G R A T U L A T I O N S

## 1st Grade

### A Honor Roll

#### Ms. Knell's Class

Keith Bridge  
Maci Castillo  
Kourtney Landeros  
Leandra Maestas  
Cameron Maestas  
Analisa Pacheco  
Nathan Persey  
Jaxon Sam  
Casey Teller  
KC Toledo  
Terance Toledo  
Cheryl Trujillo

#### Ms. Vigil's Class

Jayce Begay  
Laila Benally  
Bianca Chacon  
Alyzza Fontanilla  
Zachary Ivan  
Kathan Gutierrez  
Cheyenne Morales  
Calwina Nelwood  
Leia Nez  
Alejandra Ortega  
Jase Wilson  
Maximillan Toledo  
Quinn Trujillo  
Jayton Woody

### A/B Honor Roll

Lex Billey  
Malakhiy Brown  
Davion Cayaditto  
Aerabella Diaz  
Zanielle Gordo  
Vitalio Maestas  
Epi Nelwood  
Taraq Tsosie  
Cheryl Yazzie

## 3rd Grade

### A Honor Roll

#### Mrs. Navartha

Bently McClellan  
Ysabella Moreno  
Tikarie Roe

#### Mrs. Herrera

Hailey Vigil

### A/B Honor Roll

Ernesto Archeleta  
Alexander Begay  
Cameron Dominguez  
Abrianna Gordo  
Aubrey Herrera  
Lousarah Lopez  
Avery Nelwood  
Leilana Sam  
Nevaeh Garcia  
Eric Garcia  
Cordaruis Toledo  
Kyra Toledo

Lily Brennan  
Mesa Castillo  
Katelynn Chavez  
Landen Chiquito  
Zane Dudley  
Chanelle Jim  
Cadence Kanaley  
Tierra Toledo  
Katelina Yazzie  
Darren Yazzie  
Keyonnah Yazzie

## 2nd Grade

### A Honor Roll

#### Mrs. Chavez

Carleigh Brown  
Alonzo Maestas  
Lukas Maestas  
Wayce Wilson

#### Mrs. Fontanilla

Ryder Griffin  
Lavinia Thompson  
Lonnie Yazzie

### A/B Honor Roll

Maya Brennan  
Dante Fischer  
Jacob Largo  
Dytaien Navajo  
Isabella Pacheco  
Taylor Randall  
Zekeial Sam

Lane Begay  
Alanzo Chacon  
Nikolos Henio  
Alexander McClellan  
Breezy Ramone  
Averyl Toledo  
Bertalis Trujillo  
Briahlyn Trujillo  
Eli Tsosie  
Aliyah Yazzie

## 4th Grade

### A Honor Roll

#### Mr. Nuguit

Amalia Chavez  
Caleb Dominguez  
Quinton Willetto

#### Mr. Haman

Gilberto Randall

### A/B Honor Roll

Hugo Hidalgo  
Shyla Jim  
Wyatt Keetso  
Nokeeski Lovato  
Iliana Ortega  
Blaize Trujillo  
Alice Castillo

Malanie Jim  
Adelina Maestas  
Laramie Maestas  
Ailynn McClellan  
Nyla Morales  
Trinity Takeo  
Reynel Trujillo  
Destinee Wilson  
Kaydence Yazzie

## 5th Grade

### A Honor Roll

#### Mrs. Ortega

Amy Gouripaga

#### Mr. Nic

Bently Sam

### A/B Honor Roll

Micah Bahe

Shania Begay  
Ty Pinto

# Way To Go Rams!