

# Cougar News

## 2011-12: THE YEAR OF THE COUGAR

Things just keep going strong at Clinton this year! We are building great momentum to get us going for a great year for our kids:

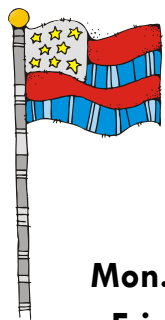
- **Back to School Night** was a big success! Thanks to all of the parents who came to hear from their children's teachers. We had a great turn-out!
- **Student Council's Smencil Sale** was off-the-charts successful! Spooky Smencils were so popular that we had to order MORE to meet the demand!
- **The Fall Fundraiser earned nearly \$5500** for our school's PTO. That money will serve our school well. Already our teachers are planning field trips and assemblies to give students the experience of real-world learning as it relates to our state standards. Thanks to all of our families who participated in the fundraiser!
- Our **new T-Shirts & Hoodies** should be here the first week of November. Fridays are Spirit Days - show your Cougar Pride and wear your Clinton gear!

*Happy Thanksgiving!*

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**REMEMBER** Please do not allow your child to bring Halloween candy to school - and please don't allow them to eat candy before they come to school! It's *frightfully* difficult for kids to concentrate on learning when they're hyped up on sugar!

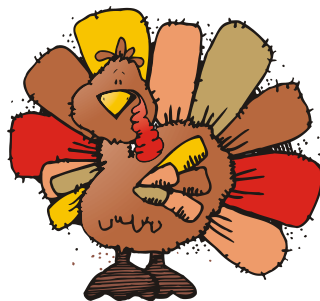
### NO SCHOOL



**Friday,  
Nov. 11**  
Veteran's Day

**Mon., Nov. 21-  
Fri., Nov. 25**

Furlough Days & Thanksgiving Holiday



**"Fall Back" an hour on  
Sunday Nov. 6th**  
Daylight Savings Time Ends



### Don't Forget!

Parent-Teacher Conferences are scheduled for **Nov. 29th — Dec. 6th.**

These are minimum days with **dismissal at 1:00!**

### DON'T BE LATE!

### LEARNING STARTS AT EIGHT!

We are still having quite a few students arrive to school late every day. Remember, school starts at 8:00! It's disruptive for the class and it's unsettling for your children when they arrive late to class. We need your child in class every single minute if we're going to reach our goals this year! Be on time for learning! If you need some tips about how to help your child arrive to school on time, talk with Dr. Mitchell.

Welcome to Clinton, where every Cougar **PRRRS** with Pride!

#### Important Dates:

- © **Oct. 31, 1:00 PM:** ASSEMBLY "The NED Show" to celebrate our school-wide academic achievement and to reinforce our PRRRS program.
- © **Nov. 1 5:00 & 6:30 PM:** Principal's Honor Awards
- © **Oct. 31 & Nov. 1:** K-8 Family Connection, Family Literacy Program @ Doig **NO CLASSES THIS WEEK**
- © **Nov. 1 5:00 & 6:30 PM:** Principal's Honor Awards
- © **Nov. 3 5:30 PM:** Family Math Night
- © **Nov. 4:** Raffle for Ice Cream
- © **Nov. 4:** ASSEMBLY- GRIP (5th Grade)
- © **Nov. 7:** Language Arts Benchmark Window (Gr. 2-6), thru 11/18
- © **Nov. 7-8, 6:00-8:00 PM:** K-8 Family Connection, Family Literacy Program @ Doig (Week 5)
- © **Nov. 8:** Turn in Cougar Cards for 100s Clubs
- © **Nov. 8:** FIELD TRIP Shiplely Nature Center (Gr. 3)
- © **Nov. 8, 8:15-9:45:** Pastries with Principals
- © **Nov. 8:** ASSEMBLY Bowers Museum (6th Grade)
- © **Nov. 10:** Cougar Cards 100s Clubs announced at Flag Assembly
- © **Nov. 10:** 100 Cougar Cards Extended Recess
- © **Nov. 10:** ASSEMBLY Orange County Opera "Tales of Hoffman" (Gr. 1-6)
- © **Nov. 11:** Veteran's Day - NO SCHOOL
- © **Nov. 15:** 200 Cougar Cards Extended Electronics Recess @ Kids Club
- © **Nov. 18:** BE RESPONSIBLE Awards at Flag Assembly
- © **Nov. 21-23:** Furlough Days NO SCHOOL
- © **Nov. 24-25:** Thanksgiving Holiday
- © **Nov. 29:** 1st Trimester Math Final (Gr. 2-6)
- © **Nov. 30:** Make-Up Picture Day

## SUPER COUGARS GO FOR THE GREEN!

We honor each step toward proficiency & maintaining proficiency in both Math and English Language Arts!

On November 1st, Dr. Mitchell will honor nearly 280 Clinton School students in Grades 3-6 for reaching District Goal 1 when they took the CST last spring.

Congratulations to the following Cougars for a job well done!

+ = Met Goal in Math  
 \* = Met Goal in ELA

**3rd Grade**  
 Daniel Avila\*\*  
 Dulce Bolanos\*\*  
 Emmanuel Calderón+  
 Jesus Camacho+  
 Emelie Carpio\*\*  
 Jasmin Carpio+  
 Daniel Castro+  
 Mariah Cervantes\*\*  
 Abraham Curiel\*\*  
 Aldrin Deguzman+  
 Angelica Domínguez+  
 Anyssa Duran+  
 Lorena De Flores+  
 Nathaniel Flores\*\*  
 Saira Fuentes+

Freddy Gómez+  
 Nathan Guzmán+  
 Vicky Ha\*\*  
 Victoria Hernández+  
 William Hin\*\*  
 Montserrat Huerta+  
 Tina Huynh\*\*  
 Emmanuel Jaimes+  
 Liliana Jiménez\*\*  
 Nancy La\*\*  
 Joseph Lariz\*\*  
 Brandon Le+  
 Samantha Lemus\*\*  
 Christopher Lozano+  
 Tiffany Lugo+  
 Amy Macias\*\*

Charly Mar+  
 Alexis Mayoral+  
 Frank Mendoza\*\*  
 Alison Nguyen\*\*  
 Quang Nguyen+  
 Cristina Ortega+  
 Brandon Palma\*\*  
 Christopher Perez\*  
 Delia Perez+  
 Guadalupe Perez\*\*  
 Priscilla Perez\*\*  
 Jeslyn Pham\*\*  
 Xuan Hoi Pham+  
 Tessa Phan\*\*  
 Trish Thy Phan\*\*  
 Christian Saverda+

Thu Tran\*\*  
 Khoa Trinh+  
 Christopher Truong\*\*  
 Jonathan Velázquez\*\*  
 Lesly Vilchis+  
 Jazmin Villasana+  
 Danny Vo+  
 Izbeth Zacarias+  
 Estrella Zamora+

**4th Graders**  
 Nayeli Álvarez+  
 Lizbeth Arceo+  
 Marissa Arvizu\*\*  
 Melissa Ávila\*\*

Cesar Bailón\*\*  
 Abigail Baltazar+  
 Gabriela Barragán+  
 Betsy Barreto\*\*  
 D'Angelo Bond-Zotea+  
 Samuel Camacho\*\*  
 Carlos Castellanos\*\*  
 Kate Charco\*\*  
 Alexandra Cielo+  
 Armando Cielo\*\*  
 Ruben Cielo+  
 David Cuen+  
 Amy Dang\*\*  
 Ángeles Delarosa\*\*  
 Belen Díaz\*\*

# PRINCIPAL HONOR AWARDS

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| Jonathan Díaz**<br>Crystal Domínguez*<br>Jacob Fabián**<br>Julian Fernández*<br>Iván Flores**<br>Jesus Flores**<br>Nicholas Flores**<br>Emily Fuentes**<br>Siuaki Fukofuka*<br>Denisse Gallegos*<br>Ángel García**<br>Angela García**<br>Maritza García**<br>Iván González**<br>Paul Gray**<br>Brenda Gutiérrez**<br>Mikayla Hageman*<br>Ernie Hermosillo**<br>Jonathan Hernández*<br>Lisbeth Hernández**<br>Jonathon López**<br>Tanya López**<br>Marleen Lucas*<br>Amy Luu**<br>Leslie Maldonado**<br>Jason Martínez**<br>Kaylee Mejía**<br>Rocio Mondragón**<br>Jeannine Morales*<br>Ryan Negrete**<br>James Nguyen**<br>Johnson Nguyen**<br>Julianne Nguyen*<br>Kelly Nguyen**<br>Salma Nixon**<br>Anthony Ontiveros**<br>José Pedroza*<br>Omar Peralta*<br>Anayeli Perez*<br>Mary Pham**<br>Tommy Pham**<br>Ashley Piña*<br>Alberto Ponce**<br>Alexis Rodríguez**<br>Angel Sandoval*<br>David Sandoval**<br>Kimberly Santos*<br>Jesus Saucedo*<br>Ingrid Serafin* | Ruben Torres*<br>Antony Tran*<br>Melannie Valdez**<br>Gustavo Velazquez**<br>Jolien Velázquez*<br>Joahan Venegas*<br>David Vidrio*<br>Janai Villegas*<br>Jacob Vivanco**<br>Nancy Vo**<br>Justin Yoth**<br><b>5th Graders</b><br>Joshua Acosta*<br>Perla Aguilera**<br>Alison Aguirre**<br>Sergio Alvarado*<br>Omar Álvarez**<br>Priscilla Amaya*<br>Andy Arroyo**<br>Michelle Arvizu**<br>Zamaraim Bahena**<br>Ashley Carlos**<br>Eduardo Carranza**<br>Emmanuel Castellanos**<br>Patrisia Chamu**<br>Jazmin Cielo*<br>Kevin Cipriano*<br>Anthony Cisneros*<br>Sierra Cituk**<br>Donovan Cobaxin**<br>Leslie Cruz**<br>José Delariva**<br>Frank Duran**<br>Andrew Finnerty**<br>Adam García**<br>Andrew García**<br>Chazz García**<br>Jazminne García**<br>Karla García**<br>Kimberly García**<br>Pamela Gordillo*<br>Silvia Gutiérrez**<br>Angie Hernández*<br>Joana Hernandez*<br>Christopher Hin**<br>Jose Hurtado*<br>Brian Jiménez**<br>Angelina Le** | Tristie Le**<br>Sabrina Luna**<br>Jeremiah Madrigal**<br>Alberto Martínez**<br>Karen Medrano**<br>Abel Mendoza**<br>Ana Nava**<br>Gerardo Navarro**<br>David Nguyen**<br>Kenny Nguyen**<br>Leyna Nguyen**<br>Nina Nguyen**<br>Natalie Ocampo**<br>Joanna Olivarez**<br>Alejandro Paredes**<br>Ariana Perez*<br>Giovanni Perez*<br>Kymberly Perez*<br>Kevin Pham**<br>Tiffany Phan**<br>Eduardo Pulido*<br>Natalie Quijano**<br>Salvador Rangel**<br>Nickolas Rios*<br>Ángel Rodríguez**<br>Elizabeth Rodríguez*<br>Esmeralda Ruiz*<br>Tobias Sanchez*<br>Christopher Santana*<br>Manuel Torres**<br>Giao Trinh**<br>Johnny Vega*<br>Jose Vega**<br>Stephanie Vega*<br>Emily Venegas*<br>Derrick Vilaiphanh*<br>Jonathan Zacarias*<br>Kobe Zavala* | Dereno Bond-Zotea*<br>Sonia Campos**<br>Jamie Carpio**<br>Desiree Castell**<br>Aracely Contreras**<br>Destiny Davis*<br>Roberto Diaz*<br>Brisa Espinoza**<br>Nicole Flaharty**<br>Kimberly Flores*<br>Viviana González*<br>Christian Hernández*<br>Garrett Howard**<br>AJ Jasso*<br>Ana Jiménez*<br>Anh Lam**<br>Natalie Le**<br>Betsy Lobos**<br>Antonio Lucas**<br>Joanna Luna**<br>Angélica Macias**<br>Ingrid Maldonado**<br>Kimberly Millan*<br>Ángel Morel*<br>Jennifer Navarrete**<br>Katia Navarrete*<br>Abraham Negrete*<br>Natalie Nguyen**<br>Lucille Perez*<br>Nicholas Perez*<br>Minh Pham**<br>Ivy Pham**<br>William Pham**<br>Michael Preciado**<br>Luis Prieto*<br>Mauricio Rey*<br>Isaac Reyes*<br>Sarahi Rocha*<br>Jason Roman*<br>Sheyla Romero*<br>Alonzo Rosales*<br>Raimon Sagastume*<br>Miguel Sanchez**<br>Cynthia Antuche**<br>Peter Sarmiento**<br>Leslie Serafin**<br>Jennifer Sosa*<br>Hector Valadez**<br>Roger Valencia*<br>Sandra Zavala** |
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### 6th Graders

- David Alarcón\*  
Andrea Alcalá\*\*  
Jocelyn Amador\*  
Cynthia Antuche\*  
Paula Armenta\*  
Pablo Barragán\*\*  
Esmeralda Barrera\*  
Ronaldo Barron\*\*  
Caitlyn Beltran\*

# MORE DATES

- ☺ **Nov. 29-Dec. 6:** Parent-Teacher Conferences DISMISSAL 1:00
- ☺ **Dec. 1:** Raffle for Pizza Lunch (lunch on 12/2)
- ☺ **Dec. 3 (Saturday):** Santa's Breakfast
- ☺ **Dec. 6:** Turn in Cougar Cards for 100s Clubs
- ☺ **Dec. 8:** Cougar Cards 100s Clubs announced at Flag Assembly
- ☺ **Dec. 8:** 100 Cougar Cards Extended Recess
- ☺ **Dec. 8:** Winter Choral Concert
- ☺ **Dec. 9:** Non-Student Day NO SCHOOL
- ☺ **Dec. 13:** RIF
- ☺ **Dec. 13:** 200 Cougar Cards Extended Electronics Recess
- ☺ **Dec. 15:** 1st Trimester Awards Assemblies
- ☺ **Dec. 16:** BE RESOURCEFUL Awards at Flag Assembly
- ☺ **Dec. 16:** 300 Cougar Cards Lunch with the Principal
- ☺ **Dec. 19-30:** Winter Break NO SCHOOL
- ☺ **Jan. 2:** Local Holiday NO SCHOOL
- ☺ **Jan. 3 (Tuesday):** School resumes



## BREAKFAST WITH SANTA

Saturday, December 3, 2011  
9:00-11:00 AM

A Clinton School Tradition! Come enjoy a pancake breakfast and enter to win a variety of wonderful prizes! Breakfast for kids is \$3, and \$4 for adults. You can even get your picture taken with Santa for just \$2. Look for more information coming home soon!

## FILL A BUCKET...

**Operation Mail Call!** Address a holiday card "To a Soldier," sign it with your child's first name only (to protect their identity), and bring it to our office **by Dec. 7th**. Cards will be collected and shipped out to our troops in various units in Iraq and Afghanistan. This simple gesture makes a huge difference to our men and women in uniform.

# A CLINTON COUGAR PRRRS WITH PRIDE!

## NEW BOOSTER SEAT LAW - JAN. 2012

Car crashes are the #1 preventable cause of death of children and young adults, as well as a major cause of permanent brain damage, epilepsy, and spinal cord injuries.

Starting January 2012, all children must be in an approved car seat or booster seat until age 8 or if the child weighs 80 pounds. (The old law was age 6 or 60 pounds). If your child is under 4'9" tall, they are most at-risk for not meeting this new law. Children under age 8 or 80 pounds may not ride in the front seat of the car unless very specific conditions are met. The cost of one ticket could be more than \$400 per child, and the second offense could be more than \$1000 per child. One point is added to the driving record, which could affect insurance rates.

Call the Community Liaison Division of the Garden Grove Police Department for more information.

Officer Kris Backouris (714) 742-5761



## Be **R**espectful

Show acceptance, respect, and regard for peers, and deference to authority.

In October, we were looking for Cougars displaying respect. Congratulations to each of these students who were specially selected by their teachers:

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| <b>Kindergarten</b><br>Carlos Bailon<br>Diana Anica<br>Thi Pham<br>Luis Aguirre<br>Danika Gonzalez<br>Joanna Fuentes | <b>2nd Grade</b><br>Daniel Gonzalez<br>Nathan Flores<br>Aaron Ly<br>Brian Jimenez<br>Francisco Bahena<br>Ivan Lopez<br>Luis Salazar<br>Valerie Robles<br>Daniel Lopez<br>Jennifer Alvarado |
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In November, we are on the prowl for Responsibility. Awards will be announced on Friday, Nov. 18th at our regular 8:00 Flag Assembly.

## Be **R**esponsible

Behave properly without needing to be supervised.

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| <b>3rd Grade</b><br>Vicky Ha<br>Joseph Lariz<br>Anyssa Duran<br>Hung Phan<br>Joly Campos<br>Christopher Lozano         | <b>5th Grade</b><br>Brian Jimenez<br>Ali Aguirre<br>Manuel Torres<br>Michelle Arvizu<br>Alex Paredes |
| <b>4th Grade</b><br>Kaylee Mejia<br>Joahan Venegas<br>Siuaki Fukofuka<br>Alexis Rodriguez<br>Angrl Diaz<br>Kate Charco | <b>6th Grade</b><br>Cindy Pham<br>Adrea Alcalá<br>Raimon Sagastume<br>Peter Sarmiento<br>Ivy Pham    |