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Tiger families,

February was a great month at TTES and every day we are reminded of the honor it is to serve as the leaders of Tarawa Terrace Elementary. We love reading at TTES, but especially during the month of March when we celebrate Dr. Seuss' birthday and Read Across America Week. Mrs. Dula, our classroom teachers, and our PTA have exciting things planned and we are excited to see all the wonderful things that are students are going to do. Speaking of reading, the virtual book fair is shaping up to be a great success and we encourage you to take a moment every night to read with your child. Helping your child develop a love for reading is a great way to help build a strong academic foundation.

Our Facebook page has all the latest and greatest things that are happening at TTES. Please share with others about our Tarawa Terrace Facebook page.

The Summative Assessments are fast approaching and will be tentatively occurring for students in grades 3-5 during the first few weeks we return from spring break. If possible, please do not schedule doctor appointments during this time. Encouraging your students daily and being actively involved in what they are learning in the classroom will help your student be as successful as possible. Look for more detailed information as the testing dates get closer.

It is hard to believe that we are approaching a year since COVID-19 started. While the global pandemic has caused things to look different, our dedication and to the success of your student has not changed. We work every day to ensure that your child has access to a world class education.

Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions or need to reach for any reason. Please feel free to contact us at the following:

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Thank you for continually supporting your child and helping make TTES an amazing place.

Sincerely,
Leigh Anne Daniel-Faulkner, Principal
James Brown, Assistant Principal



Upcoming March Events!

- **March 1-5** Red Across America Celebration
- **March 3** Early Release Day
- **March 10** Early Release Day
- **March 11** End of 2nd Pre-K trimester
- **March 12** Pre-K Staff Workday – No School for Pre-K students only
- **March 17** Early Release Day
- **March 18** Pre-K Parent Conferences No School for Pre-K students only
- **March 19** PreK-5 Parent Conferences No School for Pre-K-5 students
- **March 24** Early Release Day
- **March 29-April 2** Spring Break - No School for students and Staff





Information Center (Library)

"Oh the places we can go" – What fun! We have been learning about Dr. Seuss as we get ready for our RAA Celebration the first week of March!

Read Across America is celebrated every year to promote reading and celebrate children's author Theodore Seuss Geisel better known as Dr. Seuss!

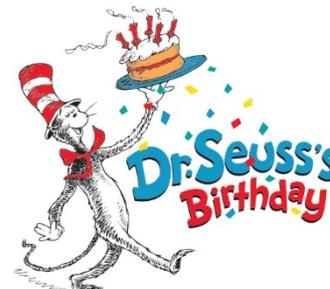
Facts about Dr. Seuss:

1. He served in the Army for two years.
2. He wrote 46 children's books –you may know some of them by heart! The Grinch who stole Christmas, Green Eggs and Ham, Horton hears a Who to name a few!
3. He wrote a story about taking care of our environment. (The Lorax)
4. He never had any children of his own.
5. The last Dr. Seuss book published was "What Pet should I get". His wife found the story after his passing and asked his publisher if they could publish it.
6. Dr. Seuss also used the pen names "Rosetta Stone" and "Theo LeSieg"

Take time and enjoy reading a good story with your child and don't forget all the wonderful RAA celebrations coming up!



Information Specialist



The link below will give you access to the monthly lunch/breakfast menu, free/ reduced lunch application, and to the online meal prepay site!

<https://www.dodea.edu/TarawaTerraceES/meals.cfm>

The link below will take you to our PTA's Facebook page for announcements and important information.

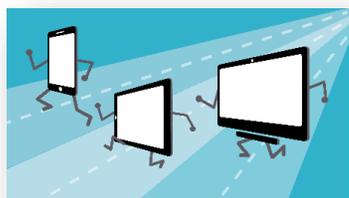
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/TTESPTA/>

The link below will take you to our school's Facebook page. It is loaded with information and several live feeds for you to join!

<https://www.facebook.com/DoDEATarawaTerraceES>

Don't forget to visit TTES web page!

<https://www.dodea.edu/tarawaterracees/index.cfm>



Locker Room News

Kids Heart Challenge is in full swing.

March 19th will be the closing date.

You can register/sign up/donate using our very own Kids Heart Challenge website <http://www2.heart.org/goto/TTES> or search Kids Heart Challenge at your favorite APP Store.

Thank you for supporting the American Heart Association and being heart heroes!

PE Coach



**READ ACROSS AMERICA
SPECIAL READ-ALoud BY
The CAT IN THE HAT!!!
MARCH 3, 2021 AT 2:30**



Join us for a fun reading activity in a **FACEBOOK LIVE EVENT!** Let your children watch the Cat in the Hat read one of Dr. Seuss's great books!

Tarawa Terrace Elementary
School Facebook page

**READ ACROSS AMERICA Celebration (RAA)
March 1-5, 2021**

RAA is celebrated each year in honor of children's author Dr. Seuss! Join us this week as we highlight the importance of reading in our lives!

Monday - Cat in the Hat Day! Dress up like Cat in the Hat!

Tuesday - Fox in Socks Day! Wear some zany crazy socks! (must be on feet)

Wednesday - Green Eggs and Ham Day! Wear your favorite green eggs and ham shirt and/or hat! Be creative! **TTES FACEBOOK LIVE FAMILY EVENT WITH CAT IN THE HAT at 2:30 p.m. The Cat will read a story live!**

Thursday - Trouble in Solla Sollew Day! Wear your clothes mismatched or backwards!

Friday - Wear your favorite book character outfit! (No Halloween outfits!)

The PTA will be providing all students a free book during RAA! The PTA is also funding the prizes and the free books for the two contests! **THANK YOU PTA!**

**RAA CONTESTS!!
Due Wednesday, March 3rd!**

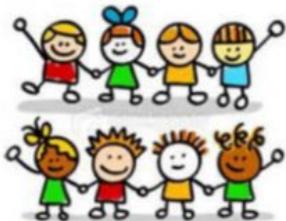
Art Contest - a photo or drawing of yourself with your favorite book and tell me why that is your favorite book! See my examples below! One winner will get a **\$30.00 gift card** and **two other winners will get free books!** Be creative!



Virtual Scavenger Hunt - Complete the Virtual Scavenger hunt and turn in form either via email to Mrs. Dula or to your child's classroom teacher. One winner gets a **\$30.00 gift card** and **two other winners will get free books!** All entries get a pencil or book-mark! **DUE MARCH 3RD!**

<https://sites.google.com/student.dodea.edu/ttes-library/home>

Winners announced Friday March 5th!
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CHILD FIND PRESCHOOL CHILDREN Ages 3-5

Your preschool child is learning and growing in many areas that lead to being
“Ready to Learn”

Sometimes children experience difficulty in their development that may cause problems
when they start school.

Personal-Social Development

1. Has difficulty following routines in Preschool/CDC/Day Care
2. Doesn't respond to adult redirection or interaction
3. Does not play or talk with peers
4. Tantrums frequently in public
5. Does not separate from parents without tantrums

Communication

1. Is difficult for most people to understand
2. Doesn't seem to understand directions
3. Language sounds much different than other children his/her age
4. Adults wonder if the child is hearing them
5. Does not use verbal speech or language to communicate

Learning

1. Doesn't seem to remember what was learned from one day to the next
2. Doesn't seem interested in learning
3. Doesn't want to participate in activities that involve learning and exploring

Motor Skills

1. Seems to fall often/is very clumsy
2. Has great difficulty holding utensils/holding writing or coloring tools
3. Doesn't seem to have strength when coloring/drawing

Self-Help

1. Is not potty trained and all others of the same age seem to be potty trained.
2. Does not put on even simple clothing items
3. Has great difficulty feeding himself or herself

Do any of these concerns sound familiar?

**Call your local elementary school today to request an appointment
for Child Find!**

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Heroes Elementary: 910-449-8000

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