



CLEAR CREEK SCHOOL

COUGAR NEWS

JANUARY 2026

Letter from the Principal

Happy New Year Cougar Families,

State testing is right around the corner and now is a great time to help our students feel confident and prepared. The California state assessments give us valuable information about how students are progressing and where we can continue to support them. You can help at home by encouraging regular attendance, setting consistent routines, and ensuring your child gets plenty of rest—especially as testing dates approach.

We appreciate your partnership in helping our students do their best and show what they've learned this year!

The CC Boys' Basketball team began their season. Please look at the schedule and come out and cheer on our team!

Please join us **Friday 1/9 @ 8:45 am** for our All-School Rally. All families are encouraged to come and celebrate our many student successes. Come for Cougar Cafe, stay for the Rally.

PTC

Cougar Cafe is held Friday mornings starting at 8am. Come get a cup of coffee, hot chocolate and of course a couple of donut holes. Without the support of our PTC events like these would not be possible. If you are not currently active with our PTC, I encourage you to attend the next meeting and get involved.

Our next meeting is on **Wednesday January 21st at 3:00 PM**, we need you there!

Don't Forget Martin Luther King Holiday is 1/19 and Presidents Day Holidays are Feb. 13-16, enjoy the long weekends.

Home – School Communication

Good communication between the school and home is very important to us and we are working to provide numerous ways for this good communication to take place. Please call the school office by 9 am when your child is unable to attend school:

530-273-3664

Save the Date

- 1/5 Welcome Back Cougars!
- 1/8 Writing Tournament
- 1/9 Cougar Cafe & All School Rally
- 1/12 Garden Day: Bats
- 1/13 Board Meeting @ 4:30pm
- 1/16 Cougar Cafe @8-8:30am
- 1/16 Middle School Dance 6-8pm
- 1/19 NO SCHOOL, MLK Day
- 1/21 PTC Meeting @ 3pm
- 1/23 Cougar Cafe
- 1/30 NO SCHOOL, Prof. Dev. Day



Happy
New Year!

Welcome to 2026!

-Duane Triplett

**Superintendent/Principal
Clear Creek School**

CC LIBRARY NEWSLETTER

JANUARY 2026

Thank You Westside Spreading!

Our library received a generous donation of 20 books in December from our wish list from sponsor Suellen Witham & Westside Spreading, in the total of \$302.66.

Thank you for your support of Clear Creek's student and our school library, Westside!

On the Shelves - Soon!

Look for these new books arriving to our new additions shelf later this month - including new releases such as John Jory's *The Humble Pie*, mindfulness books like *What Does it Mean to Be Present?* by Rana DiOrio, fun introductions to history such as *A Really Short History of Nearly Everything* by Bill Bryson - not to mention science & math additions, for example, *World of Rot* by Britt Crow-Miller!



New Year, Same Goals!

Among all the new goals we set for the new year, some things are so important, we should do them every year - including reading! Keep earning those AR points and we'll draw January prize winners: every book you read is an entry into the raffle!

Calendar

- Jan 1 - Happy New Year 2026!
- Jan 5 - Welcome Back from Winter Break!
- Jan 19 - MLK Day - No School
- Jan 30 - PD Day - No School
(May 18 - 21 - Book Fair!)



NevCo Library Reading Challenge!

See the later pages in this school newsletter to print out your Bingo card to play for a free book at your local Nevada County Library Branch!

Printed Bingo cards are also available in our school library - see Mrs G! Challenge ends 1/31/26.





BINGO

read your favorite book	bake cookies!	read a book with a wintery cover	play outside (hopefully in the snow!)	read a book with an animal in it
make a winter craft	have someone read to you	send a card or letter to a friend	read a book with rhymes	enjoy a warm drink
read a book with an animal on the cover	watch a movie you love	 FREE SPACE!	paint or draw a wintery picture	read a book from the library
play a game	read a book with "winter" or "snow" in the title	do something fun at the library!	read a book that makes you laugh	visit the library!
read a book you've never read before	go for a wintery walk with a friend	read a book with a silly title	look at the night sky (but be sure to stay warm!)	read a book in a cozy blanket fort

PREREADER



WINTER READING CHALLENGE

DECEMBER 1 — JANUARY 31

There's a chill in the air, and that means it's time
to get cozy with some good books!

Complete the Library's Winter Reading Challenge
and get a special prize. It's that easy!

- Pick up a bingo card from your favorite library branch plus a free book
- Play bingo: finish five activities in a row, column, or diagonal to complete the challenge
- Return it to your library by January 31st to receive a prize!

Name: _____

Age: _____





BINGO

reread an old favorite	bake cookies!	read a book with a wintery cover	play outside (hopefully in the snow!)	read a book by a debut author
make a winter craft	read a magazine (try Libby!)	send a card or letter to a friend	read a book you chose for the cover	enjoy a warm drink
read a book with an animal on the cover	watch a movie you love	 FREE SPACE!	paint or draw a wintery picture	read a book recommended at the library
play a board game	read a book with "winter" or "snow" in the title	participate in a library program	read a book that makes you laugh	check out something from the Recreation Collection
read the first book in a series	go for a wintery walk with a friend	visit the library!	look at the night sky (but be sure to stay warm!)	read a book in a cozy blanket fort

INDEPENDENT READER

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