



# CHERRYLEE SCHOOL

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# NEWSLETTER



MARCH 2008

## Principal's Message



On February 14<sup>th</sup> we held our 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Jog-a-thon. All of our students and teachers excitedly assembled on the field for a morning of jogging and walking to some fun tunes! I would like to thank everyone who helped to make this event run so smoothly: Mrs. Edwards, Mrs. Bury, teachers, support staff, parents, and students. The Jog-a-thon is our only fundraiser each year, and we are hoping to be very successful with the continued support of our families and community.

Our campus is moving into Spring! Parent Conferences are coming, as well as report cards. Our staff is preparing all the students for State Testing. Into the mix, we will toss in Spring Break. The countdown for 6th grade promotion is starting. Lots to think about. Lots to do.

- Mrs. Mascorro

## Parent Meetings - SSC & ELAC

Our next School Site Council meeting will take place on Tuesday March 11 at 3:00pm in the Library. Our English Language Advisory Committee (ELAC) will meet Wednesday March 12 at 9:20am in the cafeteria. Please join us!



## Jog-a-thon!

A special thanks to all students at Cherrylee for their efforts, both on and off the field, collecting donations. We are still waiting for everybody to turn in their money, so we can find out if Mrs. Mascorro will get SLIMED! (Press Time). See the Calendar of Events for important Jog-A-Thon dates!

## Teresa Pham - EMCSO Spelling Bee Master!

On Thursday, February 21, Teresa Pham, winner of Cherrylee's 6<sup>th</sup> grade Spelling Bee, competed against some of the greatest "orthographers" in the district. A total of 16 spelling bee "champs" (the best from each school) participated in the grueling competition...but they were no match for Teresa! She came away with the 1st place trophy and the title of El Monte City School District Spelling Bee Master!



She will now move on to compete in the L.A. County Spelling Bee to be held on Wednesday, March 19 at Almansor Court in Alhambra at 4:00PM. Come out and support her!

Be sure to read all about her Spelling Bee experience in our student section of the newsletter! (Hint: P-a-g-e-T-w-o)

## Character Trait for the Month



**COURAGE:** Do the right thing, even at the risk of losing friends or being laughed at; Stand up for what you believe in; Be a good role model for others

## Calendar of Events

March	4	Jog-A-Thon Money Due - 3:00PM
		STAR Writing Test - 4th Grade
	6	Monthly Awards Assemblies
	4-6	8:30am, K-3 9:30am
		Consolidated Day
	9	Daylight Savings Time Begins
	10	EMCSO Board Meeting, 6:00PM
	11	School Site Council Meeting
		3:00PM Library
	12	ELAC Meeting, 9:20AM, Cafeteria
		PTA Meeting, 3:00PM, Cafeteria
	13	Jogathon Prize Assembly, 9:15
		Consolidated Day
		Shakey's Lunch w/Principal, 11:30
14, 17-20		Parent Conferences
		(Consolidated Days 1 <sup>st</sup> - 6 <sup>th</sup> )
	17	Happy St. Patrick's Day!
	18	Jog-a-thon Limo Lunch
	19	Parent Conference Night, 4-7pm
	20	2 <sup>nd</sup> Trimester Ends (62 days)
		Spring Begins
	21	Good Friday-Local Holiday
		NO SCHOOL
	23	Happy Easter!
	24-28	Spring Break (NO SCHOOL)
April	7	Reports Go Home (2nd Trimester)

## Monthly Prize Winners!

### Perfect Attendance Drawing



Yesenia Pacheco Annie Do  
Nathaniel Rosales  
Noah Ramirez Katherine Mendoza  
Amaris Soto-Navarrete

### Shakey's Lunch with the Principal (Caught Being Good)

Jacqueline Lopez, Shawn Sanchez  
Maria Cervantes, Nicole Maya



### Best Classroom Attendance (Trophy and Pizza Party)

Mrs. Coleman's Class &  
Mrs. Carson's Class

## Happy St. Patrick's Day!



**Teresa and the Bee** by Teresa Pham



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"That's correct," said Mrs. Ragan. "Teresa, your word is protozoa."

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"I'm sorry. That is incorrect. Please stay seated everyone. Lily, protozoa."

"P-R-O-T-O-Z-O-A!" Lily spelled happily. Everyone cheered.

"Calm down! To win, your word is cochlea," said Mrs. Ragan. I was on the verge of tears.

"WHAT? Ok. Umm.... Cochlea. C-O-K-E-L-I-A?" Lily guessed.

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"Is there another definition?" I asked.

"Uh, yes, it's a tool," Mrs. Ragan responded. Yes! I knew this!

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"That's correct! To win, your word is diacritical."

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"No. I'm calm because I ate a good breakfast, slept like a baby, practiced, and I'm pretty confident that I'll win; but I'm also prepared for the worst."

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*"If your Future is the Pot O' Gold, then Reading is the Rainbow!"*

- Author Unknown



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# ESCUELA CHERRYLEE

LA EXCELENCIA EMPIEZA AQUÍ

# BOLETÍN

MARZO 2008



**Mensaje de la Directora** El 14 de Febrero se realizo nuestro 9º Jog-A-Thon Anual.



Todos los estudiantes y maestras estuvieron en el campo de la escuela, corriendo y caminando al ritmo de música divertida. Nos gustaría darle las gracias a todos los que ayudaron hacer realizar este evento: Sra. Bury, Merrylin Edwards, y todos los maestros, padres y estudiantes que ayudaron el día del Jog-A-Thon. Este será nuestra única recaudación de fondos este año, y esperamos que sea muy exitoso, con la ayuda y el apoyo de nuestras familias y comunidad

Nuestro campo se esta moviendo hacia la primavera! Conferencias para padres llegan pronto, tanto como Reportes de Calificaciones. Los maestros están preparando a los estudiantes para las pruebas del estado. Aparte de eso vienen las vacaciones de primavera. Llega pronto la promoción de los estudiantes del Grado 6. Mucho que hacer. Mucho en que pensar. - Sra.

**Juntas de Padres SSC y ELAC** La siguiente junta del SSC será el Martes 11 de Marzo a las 3PM en la Biblioteca. La siguiente junta ELAC será el Miércoles 12 de Marzo a las 9:20 AM en la cafetería.

**Jog-A-Thon!** Una gracias especial a los estudiantes de Cherrylee por todos sus esfuerzos, tanto en el campo como en la comunidad, recaudando fondos para la escuela.



Todavía esperamos que todos entreguen su dinero para saber si la Sra. Mascorro le tocara "Slime" (Fecha de Prensa) Vea el **Calendario de Eventos para fechas importantes relacionados**

**Teresa Pham - Ganadora de Concurso de Ortografía**



El Jueves, 21 de Febrero, Teresa Pham, ganadora del concurso de Ortografía en Cherrylee, compitió con los mejores deletreadores en el distrito. Un total de 16 escuelas mandaron a sus mejores para participar en este concurso...pero no pudieron competir con Teresa! Salio con el trofeo de 1er lugar y el titulo de Máestro de Ortografía del Distrito Escolar de la Ciudad de El Monte! Ahora competirá en el Concurso de Ortografía del Condado de Los Ángeles el Miércoles 19 de

Abril en Almansor Court en Alambra a las 4PM. Venga a Apoyarla! Teresa escribió de su experiencia en el concurso pero desafortunadamente no se pudo traducir a tiempo. Si gusta una copia

### Característica del Mes

**VALOR:** Haz lo que es justo, aunque arriesgues perder amigos o que se rían de ti. Declararte al favor de lo que crees; Ser un bueno modelo para otros



### Calendario de Eventos

Marzo	4	—	Entregar Dinero del Jog-A-Thon
			Prueba de Escritura - Grado 4
	6	—	Asamblea Mensual de Premios
			4-6 8:30am, K-3 9:30am
			<i>Día Consolidado</i>
	9	—	Cambio de Hora
	10	—	Junta Mesa Directiva EMCSO 6PM
	11	—	Junta Concilio de Sitio Escolar
			3:00PM Biblioteca
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	14, 17-20	—	Conferencias para Padres
			<i>(Días Consolidados)</i>
	17	—	Feliz Dia de San Patricio
	18	—	Almuerzo en Limosina de Ganadores del Jog-A-Thon
	19	—	Noche de Conferencias, 4-7PM
	20	—	Termina el 2º Trimestre (62 días)
	21	—	Viernes Santo/Día de Fiesta Local
			NO HAY CLASES
	23	—	Feliz Pascuas!
	24-28	—	Descanso de Primavera
			(NO HAY CLASES)
Abril	7	—	Reportes de Calificaciones a Casa

### Ganadores de Premios Este Mes!

**Ganadores Rifa de Asistencia Perfecta**

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### Almuerzo con la Directora en Shakey's! (Boletos de Buen Comportamiento)

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### Fiestas de Buena Asistencia! (Trofeo y Pizza)

Clase de la Sra. Coleman  
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**Feliz Día de San Patricio!**



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- Autor Desconocido



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