Thatcher Elementary School

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From the Desk of the Principal:

Dear Families,

As we head into Christmas break, I encourage you to keep learning alive in simple, fun ways. Reading together each day, practicing writing through cards or journaling, and using everyday moments for math-like baking or shopping—can make a big difference. Most of all, enjoy time together, talk often, and let curiosity lead the way.

We look forward to welcoming our students back in the new year! Warmly,

Mrs. Michelle Ferrin

ES Families donated over 4,000 items for our annual food drive. These items wil be taken to Our Neighbors Farm & Pantry







- 3rd Grade Music Concert 9:00 am - Nagy, K. Smith, Payne 10:00 am - Worley, Lewis, Whisman
- 10 TUSD Band/Orchestra @ 6:00 pm at THS Commons
- 11 6th Grade Music Performance 9:00 am - Ruland, Dixson, Garibaldi 10:00 am - Apodaca, Ajeman, Badillo
- 18 Early Release @ 1:15 pm



Winter Break

December 19 to January 2

- 9 Mandatory Friday Early Release 1:15
- 15 5th Grade to Safford Airport (Sherman, Ruland, Quintana)
- 16 Mandatory Friday Early Release 1:15
- 19 Martin Luther King Jr Day No School
- 22 5th Grade to Airport (Davis, Gasca, Luster)



If your child has been sick, please keep them home until they are 24 hours fever/vomit free without the use of medication.

Also, the Nurse's Office is

never in place of a physician's visit. If you feel your child needs more emergent attention, please contact your family physician.

HELP PREVENT THE SPREAD OF ILLNESS



Holden Williams Olivia Greer

> 5th Grade Nick Johnson Orla Patton

4<u>th</u> Grade Elisa Mendez **Wyatt Lines**

6th Grade Jakobi Luk<mark>u</mark>s Tatum Bryce

- -Students should not be on campus before 7:30 am Breakfast & Lunch menus can be found at www.thatcherud.org -
- Lunch money can be added to your student's account at MySchoolBucks.com or by sending cash/check to the Office-

Meet Our Team



Mrs. Kylee Nagy - I have taught at Thatcher for 11 years. I love the kids the most! They are fun and keep me young! Fun Fact: I am an identical twin.

Ms. Debbie Crandall - I have taught for 32 years. I love being with the team that I work with. Fun Fact: Ms. Crandall claims to be "old as dirt!"





Ms. Ruth Luster: This is my 2nd year teaching. There is A LOT that I love about my job... First and foremost, I am so lucky to teach under some incredible leaders who have taken me by the hand and believed in me...

but truly the best thing about teaching 5th graders is watching them grow not just academically, but as people. Because of some of the challenges I've overcome in my own life, I understand what resilience looks like, and I love helping students see that same strength in themselves. At this age, they're beginning to think more independently, ask deeper questions, and discover who they want to be. Being able to guide them, support them, and celebrate their progress, both in the classroom and as young humans... This is what makes teaching truly meaningful for me. One surprising fact about me is that I never had an actual neighbor until I left home at 18 to discover the world beyond the ranch!

Mrs. Tara Garibaldi: This is my 10th year teaching at TES. What I love most about my job is making connections with students! I also love watching students understand concepts that they once didn't understand or once thought was too hard/difficult for them to do. One surprising fact about me is that I can do both my left and my right splits.





ORCHESTRA - STH & 6TH GRADES

Advanced

Mondays & Wednesdays 2:30-3:00 pm

Beginners

Tuesdays & Thursdays 2:30-3:00 pm Instructor: Jan Venzor venzor.jan@thatcherud.org

LEGO ROBOTICS CLUB - 4-6 GRADES

Tuesdays - 2:30-3:00 pm Fridays - 9:30-11:00 am Scrimmage: Oct 31 @ Safford Competition date: Nov 21 Coach: Mrs. Ruland ruland.kelly@thatcherud.org

TES BAND - 5th € 6th GRADES

Mon - Thurs 1:20 - 2:05 pm Concert: Dec. 10 at 6PM at THS. Director: Ruth Young young.ruth@thatcherud.org

AFTER-SCHOOL CHOIR

Mondays & Wednesdays 2:30-3:00 pm

Choir Director: Laura Griffith griffith.laura@thatcherud.org

Concert Dates will be:

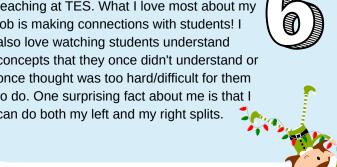
December 1, March 5 & April 29

PHOTOGRAPHY CLUB

Fridays 10:15 - 11:00 am 5th & 6th Grade only - Limited Seats Available ruland.kevin@thatcherud.org

CHESS CLUB

Fridays 8:00 - 8:45 am Grades 4-6 - Limited Seats Available smith.aubrianne@thatcherud.org



MERRY, CHRISTMAR