



The Birney Buzz

1/27/2021

Coach Lord's Wellness Corner



**BE PART OF THE SOLUTION!
JOIN THE WELLNESS TEAM**

New Wellness Committee is forming and we need at least 1 parent to serve on our wellness committee! Please email clord1@sandi.net if you are interested. We would also like to have 4th and 5th grade students who are interested in the wellness committee let us know. Ask your 4th or 5th grade student if s/he would like to be a member of the Wellness Committee.

ATTENTION BIRNEY PARENTS!

PARENT ORGANIZATIONS 6:00 PM

Join Zoom Link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83272229267?pwd=UU15V2ZQcjVVTitvdDBGQW9ZTk1qZz09>

Meeting ID: 832 7222 9267

Passcode: 164407

**Bee Kind
To ALL**



**January 25
To
February 5**

This week we launched the **2021 Great Kindness Challenge** at Birney for the next two weeks. We will end our Kindness Challenge at our **February Family Friday on February 5 from 2:30-3:30**. The Great Kindness Challenge was started by the students of Jefferson Elementary IB Primary Years Program in Carlsbad, as a fellow IB PYP School we celebrate GKC every year!

The key is to perform acts of kindness throughout the celebration – there is a [virtual kindness checklist](#) to help students think of what to do if they're stumped and the [GKC Video](#) is a great way to kick off the two-week celebration of that simple but essential human characteristic, kindness.

**2nd Reporting Period
ends 2/26**

Report Cards are coming soon!

**Conferences Week
3/22-3/26**

HOW TO SUCCEED IN ONLINE LEARNING

1. Teachers are seeing a **DIRECT** correlation between cameras off and poor grades. **Make sure your child is on camera, sound on and participating fully.**
2. **Look over your child's shoulder regularly and check on engagement** - students are masters at opening YouTube or other favorite thing on another tab and switching back and forth.
3. **Check the history on your child's device regularly** or use your internet provider's monitoring services to ensure that your child is on task and not out there on the internet. **SUBMIT ALL ASSIGNMENTS, SYNCHRONOUS AND ASYNCHRONOUS:** Check with your child's teacher regarding assignments that have not been submitted – as we approach the 2nd reporting period, you will want to ensure that your child has the most opportunities to maintain or raise grades.
4. Make sure that your child **completes the ASYNCHRONOUS (offline) work** that the teacher assigns – the school day is still 6 hours even though we spend less time online. There are assignments that your child needs to complete offline, and these will be graded also.
5. **Communicate regularly via email with your child's teacher** to make sure they are doing their best work.

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Family Friday Information

The Zoom link to Family Friday is below:
<https://sandiegounified.zoom.us/j/3971558502>

Password: bees

Next Family Friday: February 5

2021 Birney Calendar

(DATES MAY CHANGE - BLAME IT ON COVID)

1/25-2/5	BIRNEY'S GREAT KINDNESS CHALLENGE VIRTUAL EDITION
1/28	PARENT ORGANIZATIONS 6:00 PM Join Zoom Link: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8327229267?pwd=UU15VZQc-jVVTitvdDBGQW9ZTk1qZz09 Meeting ID: 832 7222 9267 Passcode: 164407
2/4	BIRNEY ELAC MEETING 4 PM https://sandiegounified.zoom.us/s/83695883992
2/5	FAMILY FRIDAY 2:30-3:35 https://sandiegounified.zoom.us/j/3971558502 Password: bees THEME: KINDNESS FEBRUARY IS AMERICAN HEART MONTH
2/12-2/15	4-DAY WEEKEND FOR LINCOLN & WASHINGTON PRESIDENTS DAYS NO SCHOOL!
2/25	PARENT ORGANIZATION MEETING 6:00 PM
2/26	2ND REPORTING PERIOD ENDS TEACHERS PREPARE REPORT CARDS
3/1	3rd reporting period begins
3/12	Family Friday 2:30-3:30

Calling all English Learner families!

Are you interested in helping your EL student succeed in school? We are holding another ELAC (English Learner Advisory Committee) meeting on **Thursday, February 4 at 4:00 p.m.** Here is the Zoom link:

<https://sandiegounified.zoom.us/j/83695883992>

Need information about ELAC? [Click here!](#)

GET ALL THE NEWS FROM BIRNEY!

Birney PTA at <http://www.birneypta.com>
Birney Foundation at www.friendsofalicebirney.org
Birney Facebook
Birney Instagram



Ms. LeeAnn's Library Curbside Checkout

Wednesdays 12-2pm.
Now available TK-5

There is a link for "Birney Curbside Check Out" at website [Miss LeeAnn's Library Land](http://MissLeeAnn'sLibraryLand). You can reserve books up till 11:00 am on Wednesdays through the destiny link. Please contact Ms. LeeAnn at leshenbaugh@sandi.net with any questions. **Library books ordered will be available in front of school where the lunches are!**



Trouble with a device? If your device is not working, first call the Online Learning Support hotline at (619) 732-1400 and walk through with a technician what is wrong. If they cannot fix over the phone, they will tell you what to do.

If you need support with your internet strength, check out the [Family Technology Support](http://FamilyTechnologySupport) website at www.bit.ly/sdusditsupport for all things you need help with in the technology realm AND CALL (619) 260-2460 for help.

Still not signed up for the Parent Portal? Use the Parent Portal to see grades, update your address, email or or phone number.

To get your access code and password for the parent portal, send an email to ahammondwilliams@sandi.net.