

## A message from Dan Trujillo, Principal at Discovery Elementary...

I would like to thank you for all of your help as we competed to win the Clorox Power a Bright Future grant. One of the most gratifying outcomes was the way the San Marcos community came together to support one of its schools. The competition was 45 days long, and we worked for weeks ahead of time preparing to launch our campaign. So, we are sitting on the edge of our seats waiting for the final result. Even though we finished in first place Clorox had yet to upload the text votes for Friday, so we will eagerly wait for official notification of the final result. We are expecting news in early January.

## Book Swap

The first SEES Book Swap was a great success. Students donated 290 books and 130 of these were donated to the library. Another 40 books were given to the kindergarten classes. Each student that donated a book was given the opportunity to pick out a book for free, and many students also bought books for gifts. Over \$118 was raised for the PTO. Thanks to everyone that participated!



## Labels for Education

Our winter collection brought in over 26,000 points! Keep collecting labels, as we will do another collection in the spring! Also, don't forget that you can register your grocery shopping cards at <http://www.elabelsforeducation.com>

## Brand New Fundraising Opportunity

It's here! Now there's a fundraising opportunity, which will allow you to make a donation to SEES with every swipe of your new SEES Capital One Visa card. When you use this Visa card, SEES receives:

- \$50 after your first purchase and
- 1-2% on all other purchases



For more information and to apply for the new SEES Visa, go to [www.cardlabconnect.com/sees](http://www.cardlabconnect.com/sees)

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## Giving Tree

Thanks to all the families that participated in the Kids Korps Giving Tree project. We collected 124 pjs, 68 stuffed animals, 76 books, 1 bag of misc clothes, 1 bag of misc games and toys, all items were donated to needy families.

## Happening This Week

No School until January 9th  
Have a wonderful winter break!

## Upcoming activities

1/9 - School Resumes after Break  
1/9 - 9:15a - PTO Meeting  
1/9 - 6p - Mom's Prep Night  
1/11 - Family Game Night  
1/13 - 3:40p - Garden Committee Meeting

## Mark Your Calendars

1/16 - No School - Martin Luther King, Jr. Day  
1/18 & 1/25 - After School Movies  
1/27 - Flag Salute  
1/27 - Pasta for Pennies Kick Off  
1/28 - Pancake Breakfast

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

### December

25<sup>th</sup> - Shawn Hogan  
28<sup>th</sup> - Tessa Chong  
29<sup>th</sup> - Dee Pope  
30<sup>th</sup> - Bob  
31<sup>st</sup> - Jen Bruce

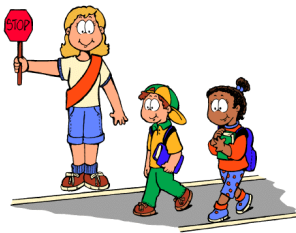
### January

6<sup>th</sup> - Angelina Martinez

## 2011 Speak Up Survey

The deadline to submit your survey is December 23rd. This is a great opportunity to provide feedback about your child's education to impact state level initiatives and in federal policies and programs. Go to

[www.speakup4schools.org/speakup2011/](http://www.speakup4schools.org/speakup2011/).



## Opening for Crossing Guard

SEES is in need of a crossing guard to work on Mondays, Tuesdays, and Fridays from 3:05p-3:35p beginning January 2012. This crossing guard will direct walkers and drivers at the traffic signal on the hill at San Elijo Road and Schoolhouse Way. This is a paid position through the district. If you are interested, please submit your application via <http://www.edjoin.org> and contact Mr. Versteeg, Assistant Principal at 760-290-2604.

## SEES Bulletin Advertising

As we start a New Year, SEES Corporate Sponsorship would like to announce new lower rates for advertising in our Bulletin. Our goal is to partner with our community, and with that, we would like to offer new reduced rates as follows:

1/4 page bulletin ad: \$100  
 1/2 page bulletin ad: \$200  
 Full page bulletin ad: \$300

The SEES Bulletin is sent out once a week, and the ad would run for an entire month. Please contact Anne Browne or Nicole Apostolakos at [seescorporate@gmail.com](mailto:seescorporate@gmail.com) for more information.

## Flag Notes

Students of the Month: The following students were recognized as SEES Students of the Month for showing Appreciation during the month of December.

Allred, Maddie  
 Apostolakos, Sophia  
 Arabe, Cassidy  
 Ayon, Giovanni  
 Bandich, Mason  
 Beck, Harrison  
 Benson, Alex  
 Biltz, Keith  
 Bland, Tegan  
 Bunker, Madison  
 Caballero, Arianna  
 Calkins, Victoria  
 Call, Maile  
 Chandler, Andrew  
 Clouet, Kasey  
 Colucci, Dominic  
 Corbin, Will  
 Dean, Lauren  
 DerSarkissian, Cydney  
 Druxman, Jacob  
 Duignan, Liam  
 Dycus, Sutton  
 Emery, Jonathan  
 Fitzgerald, Loreli  
 Flanagan, Luca  
 Garza, Emily  
 Gomez, Connor  
 Goss, Maile  
 Green, Gabby

Griffiths, Karly  
 Gustaveson, Aiden  
 Hansen, Emitt  
 Harding, Charlotte  
 Hayden Redford  
 Helms, Madisen  
 Huy, Dylan  
 Huy, Sydney  
 Johnson, Jared  
 Jones, Parker  
 Kelly, Ryder  
 Knapp-Scott, Lauren  
 Knowles, Brianna  
 Kolyvayko, Anna  
 Kozar, Carson  
 Lebel, Evan  
 Lehner, Joshua  
 Love-Diggory, Leila  
 Macias, Casey  
 Makarowski, Savannah  
 Mansfield, Nathan  
 Martin, Trevor  
 Maulden, Ella  
 Medina, Edgar  
 Meister, Benjamin  
 Menezes, Brooke  
 Merklinger, Bella  
 Mora, Bella  
 Morales, Kione

Nelson, Amanda  
 Ofek, Eden  
 Oliff, Gia  
 Parlikar, Nandini  
 Pham, Hieu  
 Philbrick, Julia  
 Pinegar, Morgan  
 Ramaley, Emma  
 Remnek, Sophia  
 Rico, Isabella  
 Riley Turner  
 Robbins, Ben  
 Ronoco, Gabrielle  
 Samantha Woodruff  
 Sanchez, Leslee  
 Schlarman, Grace  
 Schwalbe, Brynne  
 Siben, Shea  
 Snyder, Drake  
 Sterlitz, Ryan  
 Thomas, Olivia  
 Tolano, Angelina  
 Tran, Carinna  
 Valle, Cameron  
 Vetlesen, Joshua  
 Walton, Sophia  
 Weenig, Avery  
 Yin, Jayne  
 Zahl, Trip



# SEES BULLETIN

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Running Club: Mr. Versteeg and Mrs. Pope presented certificates, t-shirts and Blackstone Pizza coupons to the following students:

**100 laps or 20 miles**

Jack Lang  
Raina Tartz  
Andrew Chandler  
Maxwell Williams  
Alexandria Coombs  
Ayden Cole  
Michael Gulant  
Morgan Michalik  
Jaynden Schlarmann  
Cade Seymour  
Andrew Hockevar  
Brandon Dolby  
Madison Dolby  
Chase Derarkissian

Camerson Christenson  
Meredith Fry  
Patrick Hillier  
Ainsley Hobart  
Lauren Blut  
Denny Field  
Cade Teets  
Nolan Flodine  
Cameron Burke  
Ethan Pitcairn  
Kein Ton  
Luke Heisler  
Cooper Murphy  
Kevin Sullivan  
Alex Fernandes

Cole Esarey  
Kendra Power  
Megan Wertz  
Brian Marson  
Sebastian Perez

**200 laps or 40 miles**

Ben Friedman  
Evan Wadley  
Charlie Baskes  
Hayden Wertz

**300 laps or 60 miles**

Sean Cornell  
Casey Clouet

Thanks to Mrs. Cornell (Running Club Coordinator) and the other parent volunteers for all their effort coordinating this program, and to Blackstone Pizza for supporting our students.

PE Students of the Month: Mrs. Pope presented a certificate and charms to the PE Students of the Month, Ian Gallagher and Hannah Yates. She also presented Mrs. Helms' class with the Best PE Class Award for the month.

First in Math: Mrs. Kalicki announced the individual students and classes with the most First in Math Stickers.

**Top Students**

1. Max in Mrs. Helms
2. Oliver in Mrs. Helms
3. Rohun in Mr. Faulkner
4. Kevin in Mrs. Cecena
5. Jane in Mrs. Nicol

**Top Classes for the Month**

1. Mrs. Helms
2. Mrs. McCarthy
3. Mrs. Manaktala

**Top Classes Overall**

1. Mrs. Helms
2. Mrs. McCarthy
3. Mr. Faulkner

PTO Announcement: Mrs. Orlando told us that SEES collected over 26,000 Labels for Education. Second grade students collected the most and they will have a Rock and Roll Recess in January. Thank you to Mrs. Bordonaro's brother who works at Pepperidge Farm and donated a ton of labels and to Mrs. Dycus for coordinating this effort!

Birthday Books: The following students donated Birthday Books to the library in honor of their birthdays and received a Shout Out Backwards Spell.

Emma Wong  
Charles Basker  
Lilly Etheridge  
Jayen Shclarman

Ethan Johnson  
Isabella Torrinello  
Zack Volpe  
Gia Oliff

Student Council Announcements: Mrs. Nicol recognized all the students that dressed up for Hippie Day. Emily Clifford, Student Council President thanked everyone for their donations to the food drive. We collected over 1500 items for people in need in San Diego. The classes in each grade that collected the most items were as follows:

First - Mrs. Clarke  
Second - Mrs. Collins

Third - Mrs. Kaiser  
Fourth - Mrs. Nicol

Fifth - Mrs. Cali

Mrs. Kaiser's class collected the most items overall. Thank you to Mrs. Nicol and Mr. Phinney for their efforts coordinating the student council.

Mr. David and a group of SEES students performed the song "Little Drummer Boy". He then led the school in "Jingle Bell Rock."

The student council presented the winners of the Eagle Pass drawing with a Fro Yo Love coupon.