

### Principal's Corner:

Happy Chinese New Year! At the end of January, our amazing C Track Chinese DLI students had the opportunity to perform for our entire student body. We enjoyed watching the Chinese dragon, singing, dancing, and plays. This program was well attended by parents and grandparents, as well as district administration and our board member, Dr. Darrell Robinson. All were impressed by the hard work and dedication of the students and especially our awesome Chinese and English DLI teachers.

This month and next, we look forward to meeting with parents during parent-teacher conferences. The students have worked so hard this year! The students have made tremendous growth in Reading and Math! We are excited to celebrate their accomplishments with you. A and B track conferences will be held February 6-7; C and D track conferences will be held March 13-14.

Starting February 4th, I am going to start a reading incentive for students. We know that reading at home is crucial in order to obtain a love for reading, as well as to develop and further students' reading and comprehension skills. This reading incentive will also apply if students meet iReady minutes in Reading and Math. Students work hard at school on iReady, but can also do this at home. All iReady minutes at home and school will be counted from February to June, as well as minutes read at home (20 minutes per day if you can!) from February to June. If students reach 1 million reading and iReady minutes, students and teachers will turn me into a Human Ice Cream Sundae, complete with ice cream and toppings! I can't wait to see how many minutes the students put in by June! All you need to do is report reading minutes at home to your child's teacher. We will add up the iReady minutes for you. We appreciate your support!

This month we welcomed our new Assistant Principal, Leslie Ewell! Stop by to come and meet her! We love having her here at Foothills!

Thank you for your continued support! We have a great community here at Foothills!

Sincerely,

Cherie Wilson, Principal

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## **Important Dates:**

#### February -

6th-7th A/B Tracks Parent Teacher Conferences.

13th Principals Pride 8:00 a.m. by invitation only

14th - Valentine's Day

18th - President's Day - NO SCHOOL!

22nd- B-Track Off

25th - C-Track On

26th - Cafe Zupa's Spirit Night Mountain View Village 5:00 - 9:00 p.m.

#### March -

4th - PTA Meeting 8:45 a.m.

6th - Principal Pride 8:00 a.m. by invitation only





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# Leslie Ewell

We welcome our new Assistant Principal, Leslie Ewell, here at Foothills Elementary! She grew up in Springville, Utah. She is a mom of 3 children: 2 boys and 1 daughter. Her and her husband live in Springville and have been married for 29 years. She loves to read, camp, hike, and travel. But her favorite thing to do is to spend time with her family playing board games, watching movies, or just visiting.

Mrs. Ewell earned her Elementary Education degree from UVU. She taught 2nd grade for seven years, and 4th grade for two years. While teaching, she earned her Masters Degree in Education from SUU, as well as a Math Endorsement and an ESL Endorsement. She has worked in Nebo School District as an Instructional Coach with a focus on literacy for five years. She loves to learn new things. She earned her Administrative Endorsement from SUU. Recently, she has been working as the Dean of Students at Sage Creek Elementary in Springville. It is a Chinese DLI school.

Mrs. Ewell is proud to say that she just received the five-year clear and is considered cancer free! She learned what 'hard' is going through treatment for breast cancer.

Mrs. Ewell is thrilled to be able to learn from the students, parents, and staff here at Foothills Elementary and in Jordan School District. She is here on Mondays, Wednesdays, and every other Fridays. Stop in sometime to say hi!





