



I WILL ACHIEVE

MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL—Dr. Amanda Guerrero

Fall is in the air and gratitude is in our hearts. Thank you to our teachers who prepared student progress reports and are setting learning goals up for the upcoming quarter. Thank you families who scheduled and attended conferences with teachers this past month and who are working together to support the goals for your child in reading and math. Our data demonstrates some of our students are one to two years behind in some areas. Tracking the students' progress helps teachers make the very best instructional decision for your child. Mrs. Tiara Boye and Mrs. Erlinda Allen are focused this year on reading and math intervention for all students across the school day.

During the month of December, we set aside time with students to share the growth and progress made during this school year's first semester. Students have just completed our Benchmark Assessments through Northwest Evaluation Association (NWEA) and beginning this month, will be tested in both reading and math fluency if they had been attending interventions this quarter. Upon our return in January 2022, SRES Staff will analyze the data from these results to determine new intervention groups and which standards will be taught at each grade level. I would like to thank our teachers, students, and staff for the great job they do each day! Regarding classroom issues, if you have any questions or concerns during the school year, I encourage you to contact your child's teacher. Our teachers are a great resource and will be happy to help you. Please know that I am available to meet with you in person, via email or talk to you over the telephone to discuss any concerns you may have. As always, I invite you to become a member of our School Advisory Committee. Please come and be a part of our school community. Your voice, your ideas, your participation all help in achieving our Mission. Report cards will be going home on Friday, December 17th. Please contact the teacher with any questions. As 2021 ends, we wish the Warmest Holiday Wishes to You and Yours. A happy and healthy New Year to all! The office will be open to visitors from 7:30 AM—4:00 PM. Monday, Dec. 20-Wednesday, Dec. 22, and Monday, Dec. 27- Thursday, Dec. 30, 2021.



Upcoming Events

December

- 8: Early Release
- 8: Jingle Jog
- 6: Education Board Mtg @5:15 p.m. via MS Teams
- 17: End of Semester

Winter Break—No School Dec. 20—Jan. 3

- 23-24: Christmas Observance, Closed for all Staff
- 31: New Year's Observance, Closed for all Staff

January

- 3: Staff Development, **No Students**
- 3 & 17: Education Board Mtg @5:15 p.m. via MS Teams
- 4: Students return to school
- 17: MLK Day, No School
- 19: Early Release

Student of the Month: Victoria Ledezma

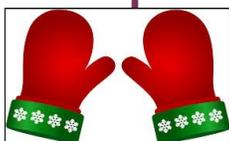
SRES would like to recognize Victoria Ledezma as the student of the month for November. Her teacher, Mrs. Sharma said, "It is a pleasure to have her in class. She has an excellent attitude in class which adds to a positive learning atmosphere. She is cooperative, courteous, and considerate of others. She has been completing her class assignments on time and accurately. I am pleased with the efforts she puts forth to do well in all subject areas. I have enjoyed working with her this year so far." Congratulations to third grader, Victoria Ledezma. We appreciate all of her efforts and wish her continued success!



O'odham/Piipaash Word of the Month

Nyaa xchurk

It is winter.

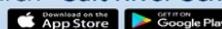


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Today a Reader, Tomorrow a Leader”

- Anonymous



Happy
Holidays

**Healthy Living Holiday Recipe
Cranberry Crumble Bars**

Filling

- 2 cups of Cranberries
- Zest and Juice of 1/2 orange
- 6 tablespoons sugar
- 1 1/2 tablespoons cornstarch
- 2 teaspoons of almond extract
- 1/2 teaspoon of ground cinnamon

Crust

- 1 1/2 cups all-purpose flour
- 1 1/2 cups almond flour
- 1/2 cup sugar
- 1 teaspoon baking powder
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 1/4 teaspoon nutmeg
- Zest of 1/2 orange
- 4 tablespoons of unsalted cubed butter
- 2 Egg whites
- 1 1/2 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 2 teaspoons powdered sugar (opt)

Directions

- 1) Preheat oven to 375 degrees, line 9/13-inch baking pan with parchment paper
- 2) Prepare filling: Mix ingredients well
- 3) Combine dry ingredients, then add butter.
- 4) Lightly beat egg whites and vanilla & add to flour mixture
- 5) Line your pan with the dough, pressing firmly to form the crust
- 6) Pour the filling over the crust and bake for about 40 minutes, or until the top is lightly browned.
- 7) Sprinkle powdered sugar on top and enjoy!

Source— eatingwell.com

Fry Bread is YOU!

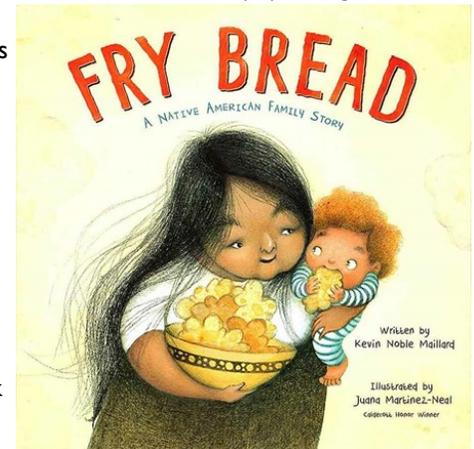
Fry Bread: a Native American Family Story is a book written by Kevin Noble Maillard and illustrated by Juana Martinez-Neal. It has received a ton of book buzz in the literary community and [many awards](#). This book is also nominated for the [2022 Grand Canyon Reader Award in the Picture Book Category](#). For those of you have been a frequent follower of our own school library, you will recall that this award program is something we participate in every single year.

As a school, we read the ten nominated books, talk about them, enjoy them, and in the spring of each year, we vote for our very favorite picture book.

Our votes get sent to the state level, and collectively, with all the other students in all the other participating schools, our votes get included in the final count which will decide which book will win. The authors love this award since the audience for whom they write – young readers-- are doing the choosing!

Fry Bread: a Native American Family Story will be our focus book for December as Grand Canyon Nominee #4. We will read it and enjoy it. Our follow up activities will include talking and sharing about what we know about fry bread. If your family has customs and traditions that include fry bread, please share that story with your child. If your family has customs or traditions with other foods, please share those ideas as well. You can discuss with your child so they will be prepared to share about their family fry bread experience or you can email me directly nancy.yurek@saltriversschools.org so I can include families' input and Community perspectives in our discussions. You can view [a read aloud of Fry Bread](#) or [hear the author read Fry Bread](#), which makes it an extra special reading experience as he interjects with comments about his family featured in the book!

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CONGRATULATIONS TO THE NEW STUDENT COUNCIL OFFICERS!

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| President—Deyleina Lewis | Secretary—Sage Cachora | Historian—Niko Mendoza |
| Vice President—Ianna Schurz | Treasurer—Taylor Belvado | |

4th Grade, Honoring Native American Leaders

In honor of Native American Recognition month, 4th Grade students researched influential Native Americans and wrote their biographies. They learned about several Native American leaders, including the first female archaeologist, Bertha Parker Cody, who discovered an intact skull from an extinct land sloth, which was about 10,000 years old. She became widely known as the first, Indigenous archaeologist.

Students have also learned about the original Navajo Code Talkers, and how they used their indigenous language to create complex codes to help win battles during World War II. Their code was so successful that it has never been broken. Additionally, students were amazed to learn about Ira Hayes, who was O'odham from Sacaton, AZ, and how he helped raise the United States flag at the battle of Iwo Jima.

Learning about prominent Native American figures leads to greater awareness and teaches strength and resiliency. Thank you Mrs. Craddock and Mrs. Bark for creating unique learning opportunities for SRES students!

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