



GOOD NEWS UPDATE

September 28, 2016

Collier Elementary School

Collier had over 350 families as well as the Mayor of Avondale attend our annual math night on Tuesday, September 20.

Country Place Leadership Academy

PTA Membership Dinner and Kids at Hope Destination Night-Home and Family. This month our PTA and PBIS Team put on a fantastic event, our PTA Membership Dinner and the Kids at Hope Home and Family Destination Night. Our amazing PTA in partnership with our Food Service Company put on a free family dinner for any member of the PTA (and anyone who became a member that night!) in conjunction with our regular PTA meeting. We added 44 new memberships. The students and families were also invited to create a project depicting what the Kids at Hope Destination of Home and Family meant to them. Various students, families and classes participated showing off their creativity and celebrating Family. The projects were great including paintings, drawings, collages and stepping stones to name a few. A special thanks to the PTA officers, Dean **Tony Balsama**, Kindergarten teacher **Jacqueline Davis** and all of the staff who assisted or attended! Great job Mustangs!

Leader in Me Lighthouse Team Update Leadership Action Team-**Cody Churlund**, 5th grade teacher, created a pacing calendar for the year for teaching the 7 Habits of Highly Effective People to our students. The calendar includes the Habit or Leadership Concept of the week and also key ideas that can be learned by students and staff.

Environment Action Team-Our Environment Action Team led by Kindergarten teacher **Jacqueline Davis** will be giving our school a Leadership Makeover! They are going to work with students, staff and the community to infuse leadership into our physical environment. The staff is starting with resetting our bulletin boards in preparation for conferences. The team will then begin working on redecorating our office and the entry hallways. **Caroline Nicholson**, 2nd grade teacher, is going to spearhead an effort to get leadership language throughout our school by having grade levels select their favorite leadership quote and displaying it in the hallways.

Drama Club. The drama club is taking the leadership show on the road! The drama club had a successful performance at the 7th and 8th grade Leadership Assembly. They are going to take the show on the road and be guest Leadership Facilitators for the lower grades. They will bring their work by helping **Stephanie Budzban's** 6th grade class learn about being more proactive! A special thanks to sponsor, 7th grade teacher **Kristine Perria**.