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CSD #190 PRINCIPAL'S NEWSLETTER

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▶▶▶ Giving Grace

We are coming out of a very giving season, giving often times the wants of children and adults alike. Hopefully during this giving season we have given our fellow man grace in their shortcomings as we too have shortcomings ourselves. We need to remember to bestow grace on others particularly our children.

Grace means giving children what they need, not what they deserve. It means accepting kids as they are, and understanding their feelings and obstacles. It also means that we provide the unconditional support our children need to make positive changes. Grace, however, must be balanced with accountability or we risk enabling children to excuse unacceptable behavior or failure to achieve reasonable goals. If we balance grace with accountability, we let children know that we expect them to grow and learn.

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▶▶▶ Dear Parents:

We are excited to kick off the 2nd semester here at Colona Grade School. We hope the staff and students were able to enjoy their 2 week break and return rested and ready to go for the last 2 quarters of the school year. The school year seems to fly by so quickly. We are looking forward to all the exciting opportunities that the second half of the year will bring!

UPCOMING DATES

Teachers Institute, staff return: 1/2

Students Return from Break: 1/3

School Board Meeting: 1/11 @ 6:30pm

Martin Luther King Jr Day - NO SCHOOL: 1/15



▶▶▶ Getting to know: Miss Carlson- Elementary PE Teacher

My name is Brooke Carlson and I am the new Physical Education teacher here at Colona Grade School. I recently graduated from Monmouth College this December with a Bachelor of Arts Degree with an endorsement in Physical Education. I grew up in Knoxville, IL and I have always wanted to teach in a small community. I previously worked at the YMCA for 4 years and I always loved being able to create a safe and fun environment with kids while making games and exercising fun. Some of my favorite activities to do are hiking and running, especially in Colorado. With that being said, I am very excited to be working here at Colona Grade School. Colona is a great environment where it feels like a big family. I have always had a passion for being physically active.

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