

# *Ramona Tiger Times*

January 2021

## *Welcome Back*

A new year brings opportunities to reflect on the past and to forge ahead with renewed commitments. While 2020 was one of the more difficult years we have ever faced, we continue to move ahead into the new year with hope.

I heard someone make a distinction between optimism and hope. It was argued that optimism is the natural progression of the past and the present. If we reflect on the past and believe that positive trends will continue into the future, then we can be optimistic. However, hope is different in that hope requires that we believe in something outside of us. Something that can bring the change we desire to see. And so it is with this hope that we will continue to cling to and depend on.

I am always here if you need anything. Thank you for your continued support.

-Mr. Ramirez



## *Reading Challenge*

This is the last month for our Reading Challenge. As a reminder, students are to be reading books within their lexile range and taking quizzes on Reading Counts. Students earn points for taking and passing these quizzes. The winning class at each grade level (1st-6th) will receive pizza and the opportunity to throw water balloons at us!

The importance of reading can never be understated. Reading for both quantity and quality improves student learning across all content areas. Please encourage your child to read every day!

## *Spelling Bee*

Students at Ramona will participate in our virtual Spelling Bee on Wednesday, January 12th. While obviously different from any of our previous events, we wish all of our spellers the best and look forward to a fun display of spelling prowess!





## *Upcoming Dates*

Tuesday, 1/12 - Ramona Spelling Bee

Monday, 1/18 - School Holiday

Wednesday, 1/27 - School Site Council


Friday, 2/5 - Reading Challenge ends



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