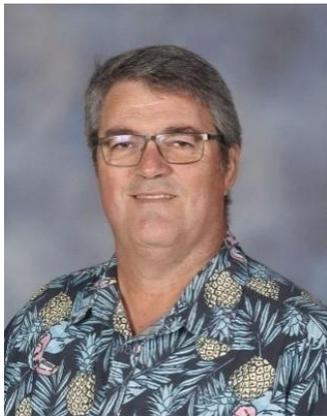


# Endeavor Hall Newsletter 2023



## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Just five miles from Mammoth Hot Springs in Yellowstone National Park is a small lake called Swan Lake. It is home to a magnificent pair of white swans. They return each spring to nest, lay eggs, and raise their young. The season to do this is relatively short. This past June we noticed that they did not have any cygnets yet. This surprised us. We recently returned to Yellowstone and were amazed to see three young cygnets with their parents swimming around the lake. By this time of the year they have usually left the area already.

In order to survive these birds need to fly off to warmer weather for the winter months. Most of the migratory birds in the Park had already left for warmer areas. If these swans don't leave soon they will probably not make it through the very cold winter. I have no doubt that for these swans leaving a familiar place and flying many miles away is not easy. I am also certain that they know that in order to survive, they must make the arduous journey each Fall. For these swans change is tough, uncomfortable, hazardous, but critical to their continued growth and development.



The same can be said for our students. They may need to “leave” their comfort zones in order to make some critical changes.

At this stage of the year we have enjoyed two months of school. Students have completed beginning of year benchmark testing, they have become familiar with school and class expectations, they have made new friends, and they have experienced their first Parent-Teacher Conferences.

During the recent Conferences teachers shared with families the academic strengths and weaknesses that each student has. This is the perfect time for students to make some changes. These changes may include, but are not limited to:

1. Completing work during class
2. Paying attention during instruction time
3. Reading every day at home
4. Helping their friends in class
5. Being respectful
6. Going to bed early, and
7. Having a positive attitude.

These changes may be tough, uncomfortable, and hazardous, but they are critical to the continued growth and development of each of our students.

Our students are not alone! At Endeavor Hall we have wonderful, dedicated, qualified staff who are eager to help facilitate the change that may be needed for your students to be successful. I invite you as parents and guardians to be partners in guiding our students to success.

Thanks for all you do to support your students and to make Endeavor Hall a great school.

***Simon Raubenheimer***  
***Principal***



## In the Spotlight



**Aimee Luna** is a second grader and she loves her teacher Ms. McAravey. She is learning even/odd numbers and shapes. Her favorite specials class is art. She likes playing outdoors especially on the monkey bars. She also has a dog named Chip. Aimee has taught her dog to spin in circles and to sit. Her favorite foods are salad and pasta. She

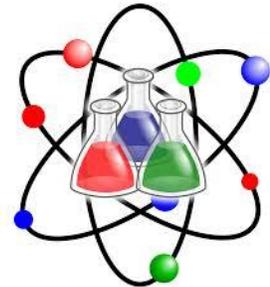
takes dance lessons and is pretty good at ballet. She has traveled to California and saw Universal Studios. She loves her big family!



**D'sean Rogers** is a 5<sup>th</sup> grader and has been at Endeavor Hall since he was in kindergarten. He has a lot of good friends and has improved his academics. Ms. Wolf helped him turn around his school work in 3<sup>rd</sup> grade by having him slow down and do his best work rather than his fastest work.

He believes she is the one that turned his thinking to quality versus quantity. His favorite subjects are math and

science. D'sean was the 4<sup>th</sup> grade chess champion and feels like he can win it again with the hard work he has put into playing chess. He loves his specials classes especially P.E. His favorite food is his grandma's spaghetti. He plays football for Hillcrest and plans on playing soccer this spring.





**Carter Newhouse** is a fourth grader this year. He's been at Endeavor Hall since kindergarten. He has worked on improving his reading and writing skills. He loves Ms. Kayleen who has helped him improve in school and helped him be a better person. His favorite subjects are math and chess. He likes

playing video games and with his Hot Wheels. His favorite foods are spaghetti and pizza. His favorite drink is root beer, too.

When he grows up he wants to be a video game programmer. His goal this year is to get better at writing.



## Ask Humberto



What do you think of Halloween?

**I think it's a lot of fun because you get to go trick or treating and get a lot of candy. After that, when I get home, I eat all my candy!**

How do you think Halloween got started?

**Someone decided to make a mask and when people came by, he gave them candy. Other people wanted to do the same thing and that's how I believe it started.**

What's your favorite Halloween costume?

**My blowup dinosaur costume!**





**Cintia Medina** (ELL Teacher)

She was born in Arizona and raised in Utah. As a former student at Endeavor Hall, she enjoys working with the ELL students and loves hearing their stories. She has three sisters and one brother. Her family has a strong Mexican heritage. Cinta enjoys baking, particularly banana bread. One of her top accomplishments was graduating early from high school as a top student. Cintia is a winter person and loves hot chocolate and Christmas. She likes playing volleyball and badminton as well. She would like to study abroad in Europe and Asia to increase her knowledge on international business and their cultures.



**Ludmila Nicolia** (Special Ed Director)

She is the new director over the Endeavor Hall special education program and she has already made a huge impact. Her goals are that we provide high quality instruction, teach students to advocate for themselves, and understand the value of discipline.

She was born in Argentina and recently became a U.S. citizen by applying and passing the citizenship exam. She has already participated by voting in a recent local election and it felt good to have a real voice. She was also happy to get her passport along with her daughter. She is a fan of Lionel Messi and loved watching Argentina win the World Cup.





### **Nia Sapoi** (2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Teacher)

She is an amazing 2<sup>nd</sup> grade teacher at Endeavor Hall! She is proud to be from Tonga and takes pride in her heritage.



She was awarded with the **Rookie of the Year Teacher Award** from UAPCS. She also is a BYU-Hawaii alum with a degree in Elementary Education and served in the Harrisburg, Pennsylvania Mission. She is married with 1 daughter. She has also lived in New Zealand, Hawaii and eventually Utah and loves the beach

and hiking. She is a volleyball superstar that enjoys a good bump, set and spike. She plays the ukulele and sings professionally with many people comparing her voice to Jennifer Lopez aka JLO.



### **Angel Showers** (Special Ed Teacher)

She enjoys working in the EH Learning Center with all the students. She enjoys helping students manage their emotions and help students reach their academic potential. She feels it's important for students to know they can make mistakes and fall down in life, but get back up to be successful. She is from a family of 9 children and enjoys music, the

outdoors, and is super out-going. She has lived all over Utah, such as, St. George, Parowan, Rose Park, Ogden, Magna, West Valley City, Orem and Salt Lake City. She has also lived in Elko, Nevada. She loves doing creative things and has built a bed, sandbox, swing set, and is very mechanical. She also likes doing things to bring the school together like Mr. Gobles the turkey where the students give him handprint feathers where they wrote something they were grateful for. Also, the Christmas tree where the students made decorations and had a friendly competition. She has an awesome 9 year old son, too!





**Deborah Locher (Special Ed Teacher)**

She loves working at Endeavor Hall because she's learning how to be a better teacher. Teaching students at different levels is challenging and rewarding. She has a better attitude this year because she feels supported and she has better rapport with the students. Deborah is the proud mother of two children. Her daughter is a senior at Layton High School and wants to be an elementary teacher. Her son is in seventh grade at Shoreline Junior High School. He likes to be outdoors playing baseball and basketball. Her husband is an accountant. They met on a blind date and the rest is history. She is also working hard doing college studies in special education. It's rewarding and it's difficult at this stage in her life. She loves spending time with family. Her hobbies are scrapbooking, canning, and gardening.



**Jessica Patton (Kindergarten Teacher)**

She is an incredible teacher with this being her fourth year teaching kindergarten at Endeavor Hall. Jessica is from Buffalo, New York which is a short distance from Niagara Falls. She grew up in downtown Buffalo where she enjoyed being curious and creative. She completed her education at Western Governors University where she was a top student. She is a proud parent of a teenage son. While she loves all animals, she is particularly fond of cats. Ms. Patton has been extremely successful at helping her students make the transition to elementary school and her rapport with her students is fantastic!





**Jane Hereim** (Special Education Teacher)

Hi, I am Jane Hereim. I am really happy to be working at Endeavor Hall this year. In the past, I taught at schools in Salt Lake City, Sandy, Cottonwood Heights, and North Salt Lake.

When I was a young girl I lived in the west desert of Utah. There were wild horses and jack rabbits that moved very fast. My favorite thing to do was go with my little brother to get tadpoles from the muddy pond and watch them grow into toads. I learned how to catch a lizard or a horned toad with my bare hands. There were also snakes and stink bugs. I liked seeing all of the creatures and learning about their lifecycle. There was also a chance for me to raise 10 baby kittens. Their mom was sick so I had to feed them baby food and milk with an eyedropper. I was a good cat mother and they all survived.



Now that I am a grown-up, I like to read books, sew things, sit with my cat, play the piano or flute, and do volunteer work with African refugees. My favorite things to do are to teach elementary school and piano lessons. I live at my house with my black and white cat named Orion. Sometimes, my daughter and son-in-law come over to visit. We like to talk and play games like Clue. I also like doing jigsaw puzzles and going hiking. I love all animals, especially cats. My favorite color is purple.

I am looking forward to a wonderful year at Endeavor Hall with great, hardworking students and nice co-workers.

## Dates to Remember

**Wednesday, Oct. 11th:** 12:45pm Early Release from School

**Thurs & Fri. Oct. 12th & 13th:** FALL Recess

**Monday Oct. 16th:** End of the 1<sup>st</sup> Term (no school)

**Thurs Oct. 19<sup>th</sup>:** Picture Day

**Friday Oct. 20<sup>th</sup>:** Trunk or Treat

**Monday Oct. 23<sup>rd</sup>:** Dentist Visit

**Tuesday Oct 31<sup>st</sup>:** Halloween Parade





Gordon Kener (Counselor)



Bullying behavior is **INTENTIONAL**. In other words, a student, or group of students, have purpose to cause harm either physically or emotionally to someone else.

Bullying behavior is **REPEATED**. Students can make poor choices and say or do something mean to someone else. If they make this choice in isolation, it is **NOT** bullying. If they make this choice repeatedly, the result is much more toxic and harmful. Bullying behavior is **ONE-SIDED**. In other words, when students are teasing or yelling back and forth, we consider that poor relationship skills. However, if there is only one side of the relationship that is taking all of the teasing, yelling, or posturing, it may be considered bullying. Bullying behavior is different from all other student misbehavior due to a perceived power differential. In other words, the victims of bullying feel as though they are being targeted from someone with power in their social circles.

Bullying Behavior can come from a group or an individual.

## **BULLY PREVENTION**

Encourage students to report **ANYTHING** they believe to be related to bullying behavior to an **ADULT** (teacher, administrator, counselor or

any Endeavor Hall staff member). Understand the universal definition of bullying and discuss with students the definition of bullying. Check for understanding during and after the conversation.

Remind students that the school is not going to be focusing on “getting students in trouble” as much as getting students the **HELP** they need. Reporting bullying behavior is asking for help which is an important resiliency skill to possess.

## What Should I Do if I Suspect Child Abuse?

If you think a child is being abused or a child tells you about abuse, please contact:

- **child protective services agency**
- **police**
- **hospital**

You also can contact the **Child help National Child Abuse Hotline** at 1-800-4-A-CHILD (1-800-422-4453). The authorities will look into things and find out if abuse is happening. It is better to report and have no abuse found than to not act on your concern while a child continues to be hurt. Never threaten a person or take the law into your own hands. Let the legal system do its work. If you are worried that you might hurt a child in your care, make sure the child is somewhere safe, and then speak with a friend, relative, or health care professional.



**Marielen & Sara**  
Artist: **Janna Bateman**



**Endeavor Hall Food Pantry**

FIGHTING HUNGER ONE STUDENT AT A TIME!

**Endeavor Hall Family,**

**Please take advantage of this opportunity. We are here to help our Endeavor Hall community any way we can! If you have any questions call the main office at Endeavor Hall 801-972-1153. We have a new selection of items in our pantry!**



**UTAH  
FOOD  
BANK**



# October Word Search



Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## Happy Halloween!



**DIRECTIONS:** Find and circle the vocabulary words in the grid. Look for them in all directions including backwards and diagonally.

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 SPIDER  
 TOMBSTONE  
 TRICK  
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