February is a month of many celebrations – Black History Month, Valentine’s Day, and President’s Day. Did you know there is a day to celebrate bubblegum and another to celebrate chopsticks?

Speaking of celebrations, we honored our in school resource officer, Officer Dorsi. This day happened in January, but we wanted to highlight how appreciative we are of her. Not only does she keep our school safe, she provides our classrooms with ROCK lessons that allow the students to talk about topics that concern them in a very low key setting.

Another great area to celebrate came from our Coin War. Carrigan students raised over $2,600. Those funds go directly back to the students. Some are helping to fund the 6th grade Holiday Hill trip, while another portion will help fund the 5th grade Field Day. Mrs. Lennon’s 5th grade class, along with Mr. Glagowski’s 6th grade class were the grade level winners; we also need to mention Mrs. Morgan’s class for having the most pennies – 6,652. Many thanks to Mr. Hildenbrandt for all his work collecting and counting the massive amount of coins.

Another celebration happened with our Annual Spelling Bee winners. Students started by having an in class spelling bee. Winners then went onto the full grade spelling bee. For Carrigan 5th grade we have three co-champions – Madi McCarthy, Lillian Elnatour, Mikael Caliandra. Carrigan 6th grade champion is Saleh Mohamednour. Runner-ups are Alina Alicea and Victoria Kettles. These students represented our school at the City Wide Spelling Bee. We are super proud of Saleh, because he won the city wide event and will represent Carrigan at the State Wide Spelling Bee. The runner-up was Lillian.

Finally, please send any box tops by February 22, 2018. We will continue to collect them after that, but the final collection to count for this year will be March 1st. A huge shout out to Mrs. Colon and her daughter Aniah for collecting, sorting, and submitting. This year, you’ve all helped to raise over $271.00 from box tops!

Thanks for all you do to support our students - we look forward to continuing to work with you all.

Alicia Limosani, Asst. Principal

Wednesday, February 7th is a Staff Development Day students dismiss at 12:40
Out of all the exciting things happening at Carrigan, our surprise from Good Morning America & Donors Choose (donorschoose.org) tops ’em all (but there’s way too much awesomeness to fit in this newsletter). Please visit the link to our amazing episode: http://abcnews.go.com/GMA/video/teachers-underprivileged-school-surprised-supplies-funding-live-gma-52593438

and for more great news … the 2017 Heisman Trophy winner, Baker Mayfield, made a surprise visit to Carrigan while in town for Walter Camp weekend.
Congratulations to our **Spelling Bee** winners:
5th grade co-champions: Mikael Caliandra, Lillian Elnatour (**City runner-up**) & Madi McCarthy

6th grade & **City Champion**: Saleh Mohamednour
Runner-ups: Alina Alicea & Victoria Kettles

Our 6th grade Intermediate Band students put on a great Winter Concert!
Congratulations to our ‘Caring Cougars’:

5th grade: Emily Andrade, Gabrielle Bash, Courtney Chacho, Joseph Copela, Brian Cruz, Sarah Davey, Hagyn Davis, Lucas Forgette, Natalie Gallo, Shea Garnsey, Abigail Giaquinto, Jamie Graham, Cheyenne Lezcano, Olivia Moretti, Brian Oliver, Katrina Reyes, Jef Salinas, Araiya Smith, Aubrey Szostek, Maurizio Urriola, Erika Zelocuatecatl