

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

I can't believe we have finished the first quarter of school! Gale Ranch has been around for one full year and has established strong traditions and a great sense of community. This is truly a tribute to our community. The support from students, parents and an amazing staff are overwhelming!

Congratulations to the Gale Ranch community for achieving an API score of 940!

I want to make sure I thank two special groups, our Gale Ranch PTSA and Gale Ranch Middle School Education Foundation. These two support groups have done an outstanding job at establishing themselves and becoming a strong foundation in our community. Thank you to Rene Matsumoto, PTSA President, and Joe Snyder, GRMSEF President, for taking on the leadership roles with these groups for the second year in a row!

Please keep our loop of communication going by using School Loop to help track your student's progress and communicate with teachers. It is also important to read the Gryphon Gazette, which gets published at the end of each week.

Once again, our doors are always open and we look forward to improving and building the Gale Ranch Community!

Make it a great year,

**Lisa Ward
Principal
Gale Ranch Middle School
"Home of the Gryphons"**

CONGRATULATIONS TO Mrs. Pam George AND Gale Ranch!!

Mrs. George was just selected as one of six classrooms in the district to receive the honor of becoming a Classroom 2.0!

Within the San Ramon Valley School District there has been a commitment to promote 21st Century Learning in the classrooms. Earlier this year Mrs. George worked on an application to become a 21st Century Classroom. This means that Mrs. George's classroom will be outfitted with the latest technology including:

- **interactive white board**
- **mounted LCD projector**
- **wireless printer**
- **student response system (clickers)**
- **computer on wheels cart (COW) with**
- **Mac book laptop computers for student use**
- **Professional development workshops for Mrs. George to continue to learn and support her students**

With all this technology, Mrs. George's class will become a demonstration classroom for district teachers where Mrs. George will model lessons that integrate 21st Century Learning applications of this technology. We are thrilled and honored to be a part of this movement at the district level!

Welcome 2009-2010 8th Grade Promotion Party

Our next meeting will be on Nov 18th, Wed at 7:00 pm in room B105

**Event Information for
8th graders Promotion Party 2010
Friday, June 4th
7-9:30pm
Gale Ranch Quad**

**For more information, please contact Renata Price at
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