

The Cougar Chronicle

Wednesday, October 4, 2017

Picture Day: Tomorrow!

Tomorrow is fall picture day. All students will have their pictures taken for the yearbook and class photos. Order forms were in last week's Wednesday Folders, with extra available in the front office.

PTSO Meeting TONIGHT, 6-7:30pm

All parents are welcome and encouraged to attend this evening's PTSO meeting 6-7:30pm in the library.

Friday Sing & Student Recognition Assemblies

This Friday, we have our first Student Recognition Assemblies of the year! Students will be recognized for demonstrating our September focus attribute Open-Minded, for showing all of the attributes in the IB Learner Profile and for taking action in alignment with the IB PYP Action Cycle. Primary students will be recognized during Friday Sing beginning at 8:15 and intermediate students will be recognized during a monthly Minute-to-Win-It assembly at 9:15. Parent notifications for students being recognized are in Wednesday Folders today.

Jogathon & Track Ribbon Cutting: Friday, October 13

Help your risk takers continue to fundraise for the jogathon! This fundraiser is the biggest for the year and is incredibly important to support IB enhancements such as the Spanish curriculum, art and music. All kids who raise any funds will be entered in a raffle to win some school spirit wear, top fundraiser will win 2 tickets to a King's game in November! *The top primary class* with most money raised and the *top primary class* with the most laps jogged will participate in the silly string run on November 3 and a \$100 gift card for their classroom. *The top intermediate class* with most money raised and *top intermediate class* with the most laps jogged will get to duct tape Mrs. Hanson to a wall in a special recognition assembly on November 3 and a \$100 gift card for their classroom! Please remember to use your link at <https://99pledges.com/fund/2017calebjog> to raise funds easily. Please consider helping with this fun event by marking laps, helping with field set-up/break-down, pouring water, and cheering on the kids! To sign up for volunteering, please visit <http://signup.com/go/dNSdwOa>. Any questions, please contact Kendra Gray homestead301@comcast.net or Tracey Cowger ryanandtracey@comcast.net

Track & Field Update

As you have probably noticed, the orange fencing around the track and field are down and the track is open! This week, PE classes are using the track and field, but it is not yet open at recesses. We're working on reinforcing our essential agreements about the track and field this week before we fully open next week, reminding students that even with the new track, they must stay in front of (not behind) the backstops at recess and we need to work together to take care of our school by not digging in the track or field.

Talent Show! Help Needed!

We have our talent show scheduled for the spring on April 26, with auditions at the beginning of April, but Senora Miller is hanging up her director's hat so we are in need someone to run plan and run the show. We have everything you need to make this event happen, except for someone in charge. If you are willing to take on this great event, please email Mrs. Hanson at erin-hanson@scusd.edu.

Help for Spanish Classes

Senora Miller would love some volunteers to help out with her Spanish classes. If you are interested in supporting in class or helping to prepare for classes, please contact her at miller.claudia@yahoo.com or (916)628-1012 (call or text).

Teacher Planning Days

A critical component of the IB Primary Years Program is teacher collaboration. Our early release Thursdays are wonderful for weekly planning, but unit-long and year-long planning requires additional hours and attention. As such, all grade levels will participate in five planning days throughout the school year focused on student achievement in both ELA and Math and planning for IB PYP Inquiry. These dates are listed in the Upcoming Dates section on the back of the Chronicle. (eg. 2nd Grade Planning is today). When your child's grade level is listed, it means the class will have a substitute teacher that day, and a reminder from you about being open-minded and principled with a substitute teacher would be most appreciated!

Visitors

Anyone working in or visiting our school and classrooms during school hours MUST check in at the office and wear a visitor's badge. This information is critical for us to have in the event of an emergency. Please help us keep our school secure by following this very important procedure.

Arrivals, Tardies, Early Dismissals & Attendance

Arrival: The cafeteria is open at 7:30am for breakfast and the playground/blacktop is open at 7:45am for students to play. If your child arrives prior to 7:45, they must go to and remain in the cafeteria until 7:45 when adults are available to supervise the playground/blacktop. Students are not to arrive on campus prior to 7:30am unless they are going to 4thR.

Tardies: Our first bell rings at 7:58 indicating that students need to use the restroom, get a drink of water and line up. When the second bell rings at 8:00, students should be in line and ready for class. If your child arrives after 8:00, a tardy slip from the office is required for the student to enter class. If your child arrives after 8:30, you will need to accompany them to the office to get a tardy slip and sign them in for the day.

Appointments: Please make every effort to schedule appointments for your child outside the school day. If your child misses school for the day, or a portion of a day, due to an appointment, you will need to bring a note from the service provider to excuse the absence.

Early Dismissals: Early dismissals are allowed through the front office only and you must sign your child out when removing them from school prior to dismissal. However, please note that due to end of day procedures, all early dismissals must be complete by 2:00. Requests after 2:00 will have to wait until our 2:12 dismissal.

Attendance: In order for your child to gain the maximum benefit from their education, it is imperative that they attend school each and every day. Please only miss school for illnesses and family emergencies. Always call the front office or use our online tool <http://calebgreenwood.scusd.edu/quick-link/report-absence> to clear your child's absences.

Upcoming Dates

W 10/4: Art Kinder & 3rd
2nd Grade PYP Planning
PTSO Board Meeting 6-7:30

Th 10/5: Picture Day
3rd Grade Planning

F 10/6: Friday Sing &
Student Recognition Assemblies
2nd Grade Garden Day

M 10/9: 1st Grade Planning

T 10/10: 4th Grade Planning
Music 3rd & 6th

W 10/11: 5th Grade Planning
Art 1st & 4th

Th 10/12: 6th Grade Planning

F 10/13: Jog-a-Thon

S 10/14: Garden Work Day 9-11am

W 10/18: Art 2nd & 5th

F 10/20: Friday Sing

M 10/23: 2nd Grade to High Hill Ranch

T 10/24: Music 1st & 4th
School Site Council 2:30-4pm

W 10/25: 3rd & 6th

F 10/27: Fall Festival

M 10/30: Kinder to Fog Willow

**November Learner Profile Attribute:
Thinker**

October Attribute

INQUIRER

Students who are INQUIRERS are curious about the world. They can conduct research independently. They love learning and discovering new things and will carry this love of learning with them throughout life.

How can parents help to develop students who are Inquirers at home?

- Encourage areas of your child's interest by visiting the library to borrow books that explore these topics.
- Develop an understanding of the Internet. Work with your son or daughter when the Internet is being used and try to instill the understanding that some Internet sites are not reputable.
- Model being an inquirer. Admit when you don't know the answer to a problem or a question and seek out answers in front of your child.

Want to know what's happening? Text Reminders!

Sign up for text reminders about events and happenings around campus by texting @calebg to 81010.