

BE THE CHANGE



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AN IB WORLD SCHOOL

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Student-Parent-Teacher Conferences:

November 14-November 22

Student-led parent-teacher conferences continue this week, November 14-22. Parent and student participation are critical for these conferences, so please be sure to bring your child with you. Please note that November 14-22 will all be shortened days. Please plan for transportation and childcare accordingly!

Shortened Day Schedule

Kinder 7:55am-11:30am

1st-3rd 8:00am-12:10pm

4th-6th 8:00am-12:19pm

Optional lunch until 12:40pm

Picture Retakes: Tuesday, December 3

Lifetouch will be back on campus Tuesday, December 3 for picture retakes. If you would like your child's picture retaken, please send the pictures to school with your child on Tuesday and let their teacher know you would like them retaken. All children who were absent on the original picture day will have their pictures taken on December 3.

Young Actors Stage Returns to Caleb with Frozen

Register now for this year's musical performance with Young Actors Stage. Students will SING, DANCE and ACT and get to experience a full-scale theatrical performance at the 24th Street Theatre in February. Auditions take place Monday, December 2, 2:30-5:50 and rehearsals take place in the Caleb MPR Mondays and Wednesdays, 2:30-5:00, December 9 -February 12. Tech Week and performances at the 24th Street Theatre take place February 15-23. Register now at www.youngactorsstaage.com. Email Mrs. Hanson to inquire about scholarships.

Attendance

Every year, absences spike during the holiday months. It's tempting to extend your vacation around the holidays to reconnect with families far away and expose your child to your home and language, whether you grew up in another part of the United States or a different country. We know the cost of travel often influences scheduling, but please keep in mind the cost to your children's education when they miss school. If missing school is unavoidable, talk to your children's teachers in advance to create a plan for making up missed work. But remember, a homework packet cannot make up for the interaction and learning that goes on in the classroom.

2020-21 Kinder Tours

8:30am-10:30am

Thursday, January 9

Thursday, January 16

Winter Concerts

Kinder: Wed, January 22

First-Sixth: Wed, January 29

Upcoming Dates

Nov 18-22: NO HOMEWORK WEEK

Nov 25-29: Thanksgiving Break

Mon, Dec 2: 2nd Grade Planning

Tues, Dec 3: 3rd Grade to Folsom Zoo
Picture Retakes

Wed, Dec 4: 4th Grade to Crocker Art
PTSO Meeting 6-7:30pm

Thur, Dec 5: Taiko Drums Assembly (K-3)

Fri, Dec 6: Friday Sing & Student Recognition

Tues, Dec 17: 1st Grade Planning

Fri, Dec 20: Friday Sing

12/21-1/5: Winter Break

Tues, Jan 7: 5th Grade Planning
Hearing & Vision Screening

Wed, Jan 8: School Site Council 3-4pm
PTSO Meeting 6-7:30pm

Thur, Jan 9: Kinder Tours 8:30-10:30

Fri, Jan 10: Friday Sing & Student Recognition
4th Grade Planning

Mon, Jan 13: 6th Grade Planning

Tues, Jan 14: 3rd Grade Planning

Thur, Jan 16: Kinder Tours 8:30-10:30

Fri, Jan 17: 1st Grade Planning

Wed, Jan 22: Kinder Winter Concert

Fri, Jan 24: Friday Sing K-2

Mon, Jan 27: 3rd Grade Planning

Important Contacts

NEW Phone Number: 916-395-4515

Call in your absences by calling the main number and selecting #1 OR email absence date and reason to Lanetta-Johnson@scusd.edu

Reach PTSO for questions regarding events, fundraising and spiritwear at calebgreenwoodptso@gmail.com

For all other inquiries, email Office Manager Rosie Carrillo at Rosalva-Carrillo@scusd.edu

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

Sign up to receive the Cougar Chronicle and other email blasts here:

<https://calebgreenwood.scusd.edu/overview/join-today>



IB PYP ACTION LAUNCH!

November Learner Profile and Action Focus:



Inquirer Participation

Being an *Inquirer* means nurturing our curiosity by developing skills for inquiry and research. It means we learn with enthusiasm and sustain our love of learning throughout life. This idea of curiosity and enthusiasm may result in Action in the form of *Participation* -- learning about a problem or a cause may propel you to learn more by participating in a class or learning opportunity; or it may move you to search out an activity to show your support; or it may even drive you to become part of a group who shares the same passion! Talk with your family about what issues and topics are important to you all. Then do some research together and inquire about ways to *Take Action* through Participation!

Monthly Action Focus

Inquirer Participation

A group of curious intermediate students came to the office this fall and shared that they wanted to support school spirit by creating a school cheer squad. They then found a mentor and began learning and leading cheers for the school football team!

Way to be Inquirers and Participate in promoting Cougar Spirit!



And congratulations to our Cougar Flag Football team for participating in the district league!

Our Cougars had an amazing winning season of 5-1-1!



Developing International Mindedness

Explore Native American Heritage

Last week we suggested some ways to honor the rich and diverse cultures, traditions, histories, and contributions of native people by visiting a museum, participating in an educational activity, and reading books, especially those written by Native American authors. Here are some more ways you can continue to learn and honor Native Americans this week as Thanksgiving Break approaches:

'Decolonize' Your Thanksgiving Dinner

The Thanksgiving story of pilgrims and Native Americans sharing a friendly meal will be reenacted and celebrated across the country this week. But many Native Americans actually consider it a "Day of Mourning," pointing out the story overlooks how the introduction of European settlers spelled tragedy for indigenous communities.

For this reason, some Native American groups and their allies are calling on Americans to "decolonize" their Thanksgiving celebrations. Some ways of doing this include putting away Native American decorations and tropes, researching and introducing native dishes to the dinner table and engaging in conversations about Native American history with dinner guests. Some native groups invite people to participate in "Day of Mourning" marches or Sunrise Ceremonies. To learn more about the Indigenous Peoples Sunrise Ceremony at Alcatraz Island in San Francisco, click here:

www.alcatrazcruises.com/programs-and-events/annual-events/indigenous-peoples-sunrise-gathering

Support Native-Owned Businesses and Charities

Black Friday is just one day after Thanksgiving. Instead of spending all your money on Amazon or at the mall, consider spending some at native-owned businesses or even donating to charities. It's a great way to support native communities' economic well-being, as well as contribute to worthwhile social causes. There's a long list of environmental, economic, education, health and rights groups that work to strengthen and empower native communities. Here are some local groups suggested by our own Cafeteria Manager Melissa Yniguez, a descendant of the Acoma Pueblo.

Three Sisters Gardens is a Sacramento non-profit group bringing community members together to grow food and lives!

www.3sistersgardens.com

The Sacramento Native American Health Center is a community-owned and operated health center providing a culturally competent, holistic, and patient-centered continuum of care. www.snahc.org