

# ***The Cougar Chronicle***

**Wednesday, May 9, 2018**

## **Teacher & Staff Appreciation Week: May 7-12**

It's not too late to participate and show your teacher and other staff that you appreciate them! Tomorrow, you may bring a flower or purchase one before school and on Friday you may bring a small gift or write a nice note of appreciation. You can also nominate your teacher for this year's Sacramento Unified Education Foundation Teacher Appreciation Gala by completing the nomination form found here (or in the office) and turning it in to the front office by this Friday, May 11: <https://sacedfoundation.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/04/Tag-A-Teacher-Nomination-form.pdf>

## **Family Tech Talk Night: TONIGHT @ 6:30pm**

Parents, teachers and staff are invited to join Family Tech Talk TONIGHT at 6pm in the library. There will be a presentation about internet safety created by the national Parent Teacher Organization. We will also discuss our campus book, *Talking Back to Facebook*, and share ideas about what is working (or what challenges we are facing) as we help our own families develop a balanced approach to digital media. Whether you have read *Talking Back to Facebook* or not, you are invited to join in the conversation. We will have tea and snacks. Please contact [andreamummert@gmail.com](mailto:andreamummert@gmail.com) if you have questions.

## **Robin Hood Performances: Saturday, May 12 @ 12:30 & 3pm**

Please support our Caleb actors as they perform Robin Hood this weekend with the Missoula Children's Theatre. Performances are this Saturday in our Caleb MPR at 12:30pm & 3:00pm. Tickets are \$5 and can be purchased at the door.

## **Family Picnic: Friday, May 18**

The International Day of Families is observed on the 15<sup>th</sup> of May every year. The Day was proclaimed by the UN General Assembly in 1993 and reflects the importance the international community attaches to families. The International Day provides an opportunity to promote awareness of issues relating to families and to increase knowledge of the social, economic and demographic processes affecting families. In recognition of Day of the Family and our Learner Profile monthly focus attribute of Caring, families are welcome to come eat lunch with their children on the playground at school on Friday, May 18. Please see below for lunch times and please to arrive ten minutes early to find parking and a picnic spot before students are dismissed for lunch. Bring lunch or buy lunch here, bring a blanket and enjoy lunch and music with your kids during their lunch & recess.

**Kinder 11:30-12:00**

**1<sup>st</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup> 11:00-11:45**

**4<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> 11:45-12:30**

## **CAASPP Testing: April 23-May 25**

The California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress (CAASPP) for 3<sup>rd</sup> through 6<sup>th</sup> grades continues through next week. Students are taking one assessment per week on computers, two ELA assessments and two math assessments, for a total of four assessments over four weeks. Third grade will test on Mondays, fourth grade on Tuesdays, fifth grade on Wednesdays and sixth grade on Thursdays. During these days, please make sure your children arrive to school on time, do not need to leave early for appointments, sleep well the night before and eat a healthy breakfast each morning.

## **Family Decades Dance: Thank You!**

Thank you to our Family Dance chairperson, Claire Bone, her family and her team of volunteers for putting on our first family dance last Friday night!

## **Garden Workday & Girl Scout Clean-Up: Thank You!**

Thank you to our gardeners who showed up on Saturday to work in our gardens and beautify our campus: Jennifer & Adam Strimaitis, Stephanie Jentsch, Alison French-Tubo, Tracey Cowger, Todd Damiano, Chris, Helen, Caleb, Alia & Anna Symkowick-Rose and Caroline Brsiak. And thank you to Lori Blankenship and to our Girl Scout & Brownie troops 2398, 3126, 3195, 675 & 3980 for working together to clean up the school last week.

**18/19 School Year Start Date**

**Thursday, August 30**

For full school year calendar, click here:

[www.scusd.edu/academic-calendars-bell-schedules](http://www.scusd.edu/academic-calendars-bell-schedules)

# 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 5/9:** Progress Notices Sent Home  
5<sup>th</sup> Grade CAASPP Test  
Art 3<sup>rd</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup>  
Family Tech Talk Night @ 6:30pm

**Th 5/10:** 6<sup>th</sup> Grade CAASPP Test

**F 5/11:** Missoula Assmby K-3 @ 8:15

**S 5/12:** Robin Hood @ 12:30 & 3:00

**M 5/14:** 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade CAASPP Test

**T 5/15:** 4<sup>th</sup> Grade (18) to State Capitol  
Kinder to Sacramento Zoo  
4<sup>th</sup> Grade (17) CAASPP Test  
Music 2<sup>nd</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup>

**W 5/16:** 5<sup>th</sup> Grade CAASPP Test  
4<sup>th</sup> Grade (18) CAASPP Test  
Art Kinder & 3<sup>rd</sup>  
New Kinder Parent Orientation 6-7

**Th 5/17:** 6<sup>th</sup> Grade CAASPP Test

**F 5/18:** Friday Sing  
Family Picnic Day

**T 5/22:** 4<sup>th</sup> Grade (17) to State Capitol  
Music 3<sup>rd</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup>

**W 5/23:** Art 1<sup>st</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup>

**Th 5/24:** 1<sup>st</sup> Grade to County Fair

**F 5/25:** Fancy Spirit Day

**M 5/28:** Memorial Day: No School

**W 5/30:** Art 2<sup>nd</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup>  
Summer Library Program Visits  
Open House 5:30-7:00

## May Attribute **CARING**

Students who are CARING want people around them to be happy and are sensitive to their needs. They think about the world and work to take care of their community and the environment. They remember to treat others how they themselves would like to be treated.

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

- Role model the caring behavior you would like to see in your child all the time. Your child has big eyes and ears and notices everything you do. Using kind words, helping people without being asked, being an active listener all show your child that you care about people. Even a simple thing, like holding a door for someone, shows your child that you are aware of others around you and want to help them.
- Think about how your family can get involved with community organizations.
- Reduce, Reuse & Recycle. Sometimes this can be challenging in Singapore, but make the effort to establish these habits in your home. By developing children who care about the environment, you are helping the future of the globe.
- Smile.
- After reading a book, spend some time considering how the people in the book acted. Was someone in the book caring? All of the time or just some of the time? Were all of the characters in the book caring or just some of them?

Some books to consider:

Lily's Purple Plastic Purse, Kevin Henkes  
The Giving Tree, Shel Silverstein  
Yertle the Turtle, Dr. Seuss  
The Grouchy Ladybug, Eric Carle

## Want to know what's happening? **Text Reminders!**

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