

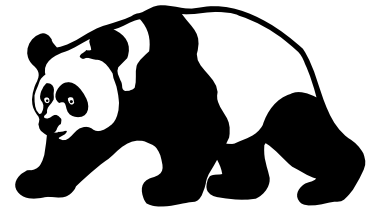


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DATES TO REMEMBER:

April 30-May 11	STAR TESTING <i>Please be here on time each day!</i>
May 7-11	Teacher Appreciation Week!
May 11	SPRING DINNER 6PM-9PM
May 17	Mrs. Kehr's Snack Sale
May 17	PTA Meeting 7pm
May 21-25	Scholastic Book Fair 7:30 a.m. – 3:15 daily
May 24	Open House 6-7pm
May 25	Minimum Day 1:15 Dismissal
May 28	Memorial Day Holiday – No School



STAR TESTING COMING



UP...

The first two weeks of May are very important to the school as grades 2nd through 6th will be taking the state STAR test. Let's strive for 100% attendance these 2 weeks. Please make sure your children get enough sleep, eat a well-balanced breakfast (including protein for "brain food"), and arrive on time. Each year we continue to improve. Let's keep the momentum going!

Lunch Accounts

Please make sure that you students lunch accounts are positive and not in a negative account balance. Starting May 7th and through the end of the year, students will be issued an alternate lunch if their account has a negative balance. Remember that online payments may take a few days to process. If you have any questions feel free to contact Alisia Munoz, Food Service Supervisor with any questions (650) 624-3127.

OPEN HOUSE - MAY 24th

Open House will be held on Thursday May 24th at 6pm. We welcome all families, present, past, and future. Please come and see what your children have been working on all year long. And don't miss our Book Fair, which will be open in the library during this event. The Book Fair will be open Monday, May 21st through Friday, May 25th from 7:30am - 3:30pm daily. Please plan to send your child to school in Hawaiian attire for Thursday Flag Pole Greeting.

BOOK FAIR VOLUNTEERS NEEDED...

If you can help at the Book Fair during Open House 5:30-7:30pm, please let Mrs. Postel know. (Call the school office). Thank you!

Thank-you, Mr. Casey for all your academic support to our Portola Students this year. It is a pleasure to see you work with the Portola kids.

TEACHER APPRECIATION



Teacher and Staff Appreciation week is April 30th-May 4th. Please remember to thank our fabulous teachers for all they do for our children.

Student Daily Attendance

Portola encourages students to be in attendance on a daily basis. I also believe students should be on time to start their day on the right foot, and not to disrupt other students in class. Now that the flu season is phasing out, let's try to finish the school year on a strong note. Thank you.



PORTOLA'S MUSIC PROGRAM

Thank-you, PTA for supporting the music program at Portola. The students greatly enjoy their time at music class, and will be performing for the entire school during the June 6th Music assembly.

Portola Modified Schedule

Please remember that all 1st graders through 3rd graders will be attending school beginning on Monday May 29th from 8:10 a.m. through 2:45 p.m. Early Bird / Late Bird will not exist for these students the last 2 weeks of school. We want all students to participate together in all the fun events that happen at school.

All Kindergarteners will attend school during these hours for the last 2 weeks of school: 8:10 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.

Portola Talent Show

Please plan to attend the Portola Talent Show which will be held on June 1st at 8:30 a.m. I know that the students are excited to show off their talents.

Parking Lot Safety

Please continue to drive slowly, be patient, and always drop children from the lane closet to the sidewalk. By following the safety guidelines, we will ensure everyone's safety. Thursday drop-off and pick-up continue to be a busy time, in the parking lot. Thanks

It has been brought to my attention, that some parents are dropping their students in the back of school. Please drop your child in the front parking lot, only. Children are never to be in the back of the school. Thank-you.

Portola Cultural Dinner

Please make plans to attend the Portola Cultural Dinner, Friday May 11th. This is a great way to share a slice of your family's culture and have a chance to meet Portola Families. This is a family night get together. Hope to see you.

JUMP ROPE FOR HEART REPORT FOR TH

Mr. Casey would like to thank everyone who helped make Portola's 30th annual JUMP ROPE FOR HEART event such a success. Our students raised \$7233.43 to help the American Heart Association in their fight against America's number one killer - heart disease and stroke. The 234 jumpers also helped bring our 30 year total of donations to over \$95,000.

Special thanks go to the following staff, parents, and grandparents who helped supervise the event: Ms. Talbot, Mr. Burnham, Ms. Calleja, Mrs. Kehr, Mrs. Forbes, Ms. Kornmann, Mrs. Coplin, Mr. Lam, Mrs. Llorando, Mr. Zhang, Mrs. McHale, Mrs. Meyerhoff, Mrs. Scerri, Mrs. Wise, Mrs. Canonizado-Aquino, Mrs. Cayaban, Mr. Denny, Mrs. Flynn, Mrs. Romeyn, Mrs. Davi, Mr. Jensen, Mrs. Ho, Mrs. Rodriguez, Mrs. Sell, Mr. Woo, Mrs. Cruz-Pizarro, Mrs. Madrid, Mrs. Petersen, Mrs. Rossovich, Mrs. Sibug, Mrs. Staff, Mr. Bautista, Mrs. Gagas, Mrs. Green, Mrs. Heathcote, Mrs. Ross, Mr. Teng, Mrs. Trounday, Mrs. Centeno, Mrs. Gamble, and Mrs. Hendaro. Apologies for any unintentional omissions.

Extra special recognition should go to DJ Bob Musgrave who managed the sound service for the third consecutive year. Mrs. Gail Woo who tabulated the donations for the 7th consecutive year and to the McNamara Family for their 7th year of providing oranges as refreshments for our worthy jumpers.

School Picnic

Please plan to spend the day with the entire school June 5th at the San Bruno Park. This is a tradition that our students really enjoy. Parents are needed to drive our kids to and from the park. Plan to leave by 8:30 a.m. and plan to begin to leave the park by 2:00 p.m.

Lastly

I sincerely hope that everyone had a chance to slow down and spend a little quality time with your families over the spring break. I have enjoyed listening to the kids adventures from spring break. Summer vacation is also a great time to relax and enjoy family activities. I strongly recommend that Portola Students and Families continue with current at-home reading routines. Do not slow down the reading progress that we all have worked so hard to develop during the course of the school-year. El Crystal Elementary School will be available for summer reading "Scholastic Reading Counts" quizzes. Dates and times to be announced at a later date.