

## SCHOOL ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Veterans Day:** There is no school on **Monday, November 12** in honor of Veterans Day.

**Mix it Up at Lunch Day:** On **Tuesday, November 13** students and staff will be participating in Mix it Up at Lunch Day. This is a program which guides students to meet and find out about new people. We encourage parents to attend this brief lunchtime event and help with mentoring students. Please come from 12:35 to 1: 20 p.m.

**SSC Meeting:** The School Site Council will meet **Wednesday, November 14 at 5:30 p.m.** in Room 102. All parents and guardians are welcome.

**Parent Teacher Association:** The monthly PTA meeting will be **Wednesday, November 14 at 7 p.m.** in Room 100. All parents and guardians are welcome.

**Information Night for Prospective Families:** On **Thursday, November 15 from 6 - 8 p.m.** Bret Harte will hold an Information Night for prospective families. After a general presentation, guests will be able to meet several of the teachers and speak with current students and recent alumni. School tours will be offered on the following days:

- § Tuesday, November 27
- § Wednesday, December 5
- § Friday, December 14
- § Tuesday, December 18

School tours will start at 9 a.m. in the Parent Center (Room 102) and last about 1 ½ hours. Please let your friends and neighbors know about our Information Night and tours!

**End of Marking Period:** The last day of the second marking period will be **Friday, November 16**. Your child's second report card will be sent directly to your homes during the week following Thanksgiving Recess.

**Makeup Picture Day:** Makeup Picture Day will be on **Friday, November 16**.

**Newsletter Assembly:** The December newsletter will be assembled on **Friday, November 16**. If you are available, please come to the Parent Center about 10:30 a.m. to help with this process. You'll be folding, stapling and counting. The job takes 2-4 hours, depending on the number of helpers who come.

**Thanksgiving Recess:** Thanksgiving Recess is soon here. There will be no school from November 19 to 23.

## STUDENT ANNOUNCEMENTS

Here is a sampling of the student announcements which were read over the loudspeaker this past week:

The winners of the costume contest are...Rooms 308 and 309 who tied with 100% participation. They will both get pizza!!! In second place with 75% participation was Room 222. They will get donuts and cider!!!

ID cards are here!!! You can purchase them through your first period class for \$1.

Our annual canned food drive starts NOW!!! More info will be coming but if each student brings just one

can, we will donate 900 cans!!! So let's all go through our pantries and bring in some cans!!!

Remember, the library is open in the mornings for quiet study time. It's a great place to get last minute homework done, or last minute studying for that test. It's open from 8:00 to 8:40 a.m. every morning.

Students, remember that you are not allowed in the hallways in the morning before school. Students caught repeatedly in the hallways will be subject to a clean-up detention at lunch time.

### HELPING BRET HARTE

Sometimes parents would like to feel a greater connection to Bret Harte but aren't sure how to make it happen. If you feel this way, here are some ideas for you.

**Help Mentor at Mix it Up at Lunch Day:** We invite parents to attend this brief lunchtime event on **Tuesday, November 13** to help with mentoring students at Mix it Up at Lunch. Please come from 12:35 to 1: 20 p.m. This is a program which guides students to meet and find out about new people.

**Adopt the Teacher's Copy Room:** If you would like to improve the quality of life for our teachers, in one small way, then you could volunteer to tidy the Teachers' Copy Room. This would take an hour or less of your time every week or two.

### A BIG THANK YOU TO EVERYONE WHO HELPED AT OUR FALL WORK DAY

A hardworking crew turned out on Saturday, October 27 to spruce up the Bret Harte campus. Doesn't the school look good? Our thanks to the crew:

**Students:** Abigaih, Jacquelyn Black, Vinson Chen, Steven Chen, Michelle Chen, Ryan Chung, Dennis Dang, Nehemiah Dang, Yibra DeHilario, Nydesha Foster, Ben Geselbracht, Alitziri Gomez, Javon Harris, Jason Huang, Karama, Ma King Hei, Jansen Luu, Alexia Medina, Nathaniel Miller, Kyle Pierce, Dillon Read, Nick Read, Victor Revoreda, Alyssa Rosati, Brianna Sherrill, Andre Shyne, Marilou Sosa-Portela, Angela Tang, Jasmine Tran, Richard Truong, Guadalupe Valladares, Frances Wong, AiMing Xu, MinYi Yu, Xingying Yuan, Brendan Yungert, Kate Yungert.

**Family and Community:** Hattie Blacksher, Shawna Brekke-Read, Katy Collins, Reyna Colt, Michelle Diep, Stephanie Diep, Pam Eguchi, Tricie Evans, Jamie Fritz, Sophia Fritz, Paul Huang, Lesley Johnson-Gelb, Alan Marcus, Jeffrey Miller, Greg Olin, Chris Pierce, Blanca Portela, Ana Rauch, Don Read, Ana Revoreda, Stephanie Revoreda, Rosa Rodriguez, Pavan Rosati, Jamie Sherrill, Jose M. Valladares, Suzy Wilson, Billy Yang, Andrew Yungert, Ann Yungert, Dave Yungert.

**Staff:** Katy Babcock, Amy Colt, Justin Davis, Bob Hood, Ben Koo, Virginia Major-Taylor, Julie Promes, Rachel Silberstein, Brian Tang, Anne Warner, Teresa Williams, Duane Worm.

Please plan to join us at the next work day in the spring. It's a fun way to help our school.--- The Bret Harte Improvement Committee

Sincerely,  
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