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Sunday, February 23, 2020

Principal's Message

Dear Arroyo Families,

I hope you all had a wonderful week off. I spent the week on vacation with my family visiting some out of state colleges that my son is interested in. It was a big reminder of how fast time goes and I spent a lot of time reflecting back over his years of school. We both have great memories of his time in 4th and 5th grade and I hope we're creating moments like that for your family at Arroyo. As we head into spring, we look forward to more of those moments including our talent show, spring concerts, 4th grade overnight trip, Open House, and more!

Our custodial team spent last week doing some deep cleaning and disinfecting around the school. Arroyo wasn't hit quite as hard as some other local schools with the recent bout of flu and cold symptoms but we did have a number of students out sick. Please remind your child to wash their hands frequently and to cover their

Participate in our rewards programs and a percentage of your purchases will automatically be donated to the Central Arroyo PTA - at no cost to you!



PTA Corner

Visit [PTAEZ](#) to become a parent partner and make a donation of any amount to support PTA programs and events.



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nose and mouth during coughing or sneezing. It's also important to get lots of sleep and plenty of fluids. Here's to a healthy spring!

The San Carlos Strategic Plan Survey is coming soon! Please look for the San Carlos Strategic Plan survey in your email inbox beginning Tuesday, February 25, 2020. The survey will be sent to you via the School Messenger System. Please fill out one survey per student, per school. We're eager to hear your feedback! The Strategic Plan Survey is an essential part of our school and district improvement process. We use results annually to measure progress and set goals aligned to our [Strategic Plan](#) and [Local Control Accountability Plan](#). The survey asks questions in the areas of:

- 21st Century Skills
- Communication
- Engagement
- Expectations and Rigor
- Homework
- Learning Environment Safety
- Technology

Families, teachers, and staff members will complete surveys, as well as students in grades 3-8. Results will be shared with principals, school staff, parent leadership groups, Superintendent Harmeier, and the Board of Trustees. As always, your responses remain anonymous.

Have you ever considered being a [paraeducator](#), [substitute paraeducator](#) or [substitute teacher](#) with the San Carlos School District? We are in need of wonderful people just like you that would be interested in spending time assisting students and covering classes when our dear teachers cannot be there! If you are interested, please consider applying and reach out to Andrea Hernandez for more details about the [substitute teacher pathway](#) and paraeducator positions.

Warmly,

Mindy Shelton



Principal

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District News

Measure N Parcel Tax Information

On Friday, February 7th the school district was notified by Mark Church, San Mateo County Chief Elections Officer, that due to a ballot misprint by the Elections Division's printing vendor, 257 voters in our school district received a ballot that did not include the San Carlos School District's Measure N Parcel Tax Measure.

We want to make sure voters are aware of the error and ask them to look for their new ballot and return it before March 3rd. Our last measure narrowly passed in 2015 by 110 votes and parcel taxes require a supermajority of 66.67% for passage.

Replacement ballots with the correct information were mailed on Saturday, February 8th to the affected voters, together with a notice explaining what happened. The District also sent home a letter to the affected voters on Friday, February 14th to make them aware of the error. If voters have already returned the first or incorrect ballot, it will be discarded when a replacement ballot is received.

Learn more about Measure N at -
<https://www.scsdk8.org/apps/pages/2020-Parcel-Tax-Information>

Attendance Reminder!

Student absences impact learning and achievement. In one year the typical amount of absences is six days. When students are absent 10% of the school year or 18 days, they are considered chronically absent. In addition to loss of instruction, absences impact our funding as it is based on Average Daily Attendance Funding Formulas. Please make an effort to get your child to school on time every day to avoid disruption to the classroom and take vacations during scheduled instructional breaks. The 2020-21 calendar was adopted by the SCSD Board and can assist in planning for next

year. When students are sick with a fever or vomiting, they should stay home until symptom free for 24 hours. Please be sure to call the office to report absences.

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PTA News

Baskin-Robbins Coupons

Baskin-Robbins has gifted our PTA buy-one-get-one ice cream cone coupons! They're available on a first come, first served basis at the CMS front desk. Expiration 3/30. Thanks for getting involved in our PTA, and thanks to partner Baskin-Robbins for supporting our community!

Chicken's Ball Tickets & Volunteer Sign-ups

Celebrate the 80th year of our nation's oldest PTA fundraiser with a group of friends! Contact Tim King at tking8141@gmail.com to purchase group tickets at face value. There's a free opportunity drawing on opening night!

Show dates March 13-15, 20-22, 2020 at Mustang Hall, Central Middle School

Regular tickets - link to buy tickets through eventbrite on the Chicken's Ball website: www.chickensball.org

Concessions help is needed for the seven performances, and the Chicken's Ball Steering Committee is hoping that all of our PTAs will help staff the booths. Please give a little over an hour of your time to sell water, candy, popcorn, etc. There will be costume pieces (feather boas, hats, etc) to wear, and volunteers are encouraged to wear spirit wear from your school! Sign up here: <https://signup.com/go/iqpFfdW>

Interested in getting involved in Arroyo's PTA next year?

It's a wonderful way to stay connected to Arroyo teachers and staff, our kids' experience while at school, our school's needs, and even

advocate across the district. We're currently filling our roster of open seats, starting Fall 2020. You can get involved in many ways - a few minutes per week, month or year! Please contact Kirsten Kell (school@kkmft.com) to learn more.

Jim Wiltens Leadership Class Starts in March

Jim Wiltens is back on March 2nd to teach a beginning leadership class to 4th and 5th graders (and a parent). The premise of this class is that true leaders first learn to lead themselves. This leadership occurs in 3 character building areas: attitude, goal-setting, and self-esteem. <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/beginning-jim-wiltens-leadership-class-tickets-71019899431>

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SCEF News

Dwell Matching Program for First Time SCEF Donors

The partners at DWELL Realtors will match any new donations to the SCEF annual fund between February 1 and March 31, 2020 up to \$50,000!

Dwell partner Laura Bertolacci is a life-long resident of the Peninsula and proud supporter of SCEF. "My children grew up in San Carlos and we always saw the benefit that SCEF provided. The value of keeping programs like STEM, art, and music is unmeasurable. Now as a new grandparent, I know my grandchildren will have well-rounded educations in the San Carlos schools because of SCEF."

Thank you to Dwell partners Laura Bertolacci, Bob Bredel, Alana Corso, Joyce Romeo and Tatum Clarke. Find out more at scefkids.org/dwellmatch and take advantage of this unique opportunity to double your impact. scefkids.org/donate

Gala News

Lucky on Live: Everyone is invited to participate in our Lucky On Live raffle for the chance to win your choice of one of the BIG auction items! See our primer on the LOL raffle at

www.scefkids.org/news. To buy Lucky On Live raffle tickets send an email to luckyonlive@scefkids.org.

Volunteers Needed: Can't attend the Starlight Gala, but want to participate? We are looking for a few good volunteers to help with check-in and other tasks. Signup here:

<https://signup.com/go/rVDRALL>

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Community Partners

Upcoming Parent Education Opportunity- Feb 27

The Sequoia Healthcare District is sponsoring the following parent education event this winter. Please consider attending. (All parent education events can be found on this link:

https://www.scsdk8.org/apps/pages/index.jsp?uREC_ID=1136264&type=d&pREC_ID=1394587)

Creating Gender Inclusive Environments for Children and Teens

Joel Baum, Senior Director for Professional Development,
Gender Spectrum

Thursday, February 27, 2020, 7:00 - 8:30 pm

Woodside High School, Multi-Use Room (MUR)

199 Churchill Avenue, Woodside

Info & Ticket information - <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/whs-creating-gender-inclusive-environments-for-children-and-teens-tickets-85181928441>

You're Invited to SCSD Day at Stanford Men's Basketball Mar 1

All SCSD students and families are invited to join the fun at Stanford University's Maples Pavilion for the Stanford Men's Basketball home finale on **Sunday, March 1 at 3:00pm**. Tickets start at just \$10 each.

To place your order at the discounted group price, please visit [GoStanford.com/promo-code](https://go.stanford.edu/promo-code) and enter: SCSD

Be sure to arrive early for the Ice Cream Party from 2pm-2:45pm, and after the game all kids will take the court to shoot free-throws!

As an added bonus, if 50+ tickets are purchased through the promo code, all SCSD students will receive a free Stanford T-Shirt. Feel free to share this promotion with others (you don't have to be a current student at SCSD to participate.)

Make plans to attend the Chickens' Ball Variety Show Fundraiser in March!

You could be the key to arts education for your child! Gather your friends together and enjoy a night out of live entertainment full of music and laughs! Steeped in Barbary Coast history, the Chickens' Ball variety show district wide school fundraiser is not to be missed!

Show dates March 13-15, 20-22, 2020 at Mustang Hall, Central Middle School

Buy tickets at www.chickensball.org

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