

Tuesday, October 9, 2018

Principal's Message

Dear Arroyo families,

Thank you for your warm welcome last week. Jean and I are thrilled to be teaming up this year as your co-administrators. We both come to you with experience as principals, and many of you probably know Ms. Dehner from her years in San Carlos. I have spent my life working in education up and down the Peninsula, and feel that I've found the home I've always been looking for here in San Carlos. We look forward to getting to know the students, teachers, and families in this community.

While we know that a mid year change can be difficult, we both aim to maintain the excellent programming that is happening here, and will continue to support our teachers and help our students excel. We encourage you to reach out if you have questions or concerns. I will be on site Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays and Jean will be on site Tuesdays and Thursdays.

We both hope to see you at the PTA meeting this **Wednesday, October 10 at 7:00 pm** in the CMS/Arroyo Library.

With warm regards,

Alex Friel & Jean Dehner
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PTA News

COUNTDOWN TO THE STAMPEDE & SOAR COLOR RUN!

Calling all runners and volunteers for the Central Arroyo Stampede & Soar Color Run! [REGISTER](#) to run or [VOLUNTEER](#) to help with the event on Sunday, October 28th.

Get involved as a Spray Station Lead to blast runners with color or serve as a Course Marshall to keep our racers on track. Volunteering is a fun and easy way to connect with our school community. Sign up solo or recruit a friend, grandparent, or older student to volunteer with you! Please contact [Becky Mock](#) or [Joyce Romeo](#) with questions.

A big thank you to our sponsors for making this event possible!

Platinum Sponsor: County Consumer Plumbing Group.

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ARROYO HALLOWEEN PARTY - 10/31

Help make the Arroyo Halloween Party on October 31 a spooktacular event! Students will enjoy fun activities including a dance zone, haunted house, field games, photo booth and more. Sign up for a [volunteer shift here](#).

Please note:

- 5th grade party shift is 10:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
- 4th grade party shift is 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
- If you can help with both shifts - awesome! (Don't worry that the shifts overlap, that's just to help transition new volunteers)
- If you can help, but the time you're available doesn't fit in a set shift, no problem! Just let us know and we'll make it work.
- If you'd like to help plan or you love to create, let us know and contact lowlori@gmail.com

PTA TEACHER GRANTS: Spotlight on Ms. Scatena

Each year, 4th grade teacher Ms. Scatena uses some of her PTA funds for large Post-it charts and scented Mr. Sketch markers that make it fun for students to collaborate and brainstorm. She's used them to create new laminated anchor charts and makes them available to students for projects and posters. This year, Ms. Scatena also purchased noise cancellation headphones so that children who need complete quiet to do their best work can wear them during the day. Thank you, Ms. Scatena for finding creative ways to engage and support our Arroyo 4th graders!

PTA dedicates almost 30% of our budget for teacher grants such as these. Please consider donating to PTA and becoming a [Parent Partner](#).

DISTRICT NEWS

WALK AND ROLL TO SCHOOL DAY - WEDNESDAY 10/10

Wednesday, October 10th is National Walk and Roll to School Day. On this day students and staff will be showing their support for active transportation by choosing to

walk, pedal, or scoot their way to class. Prizes will be available for those who commute to school in any means other than a single occupancy vehicle.

For more information on safety and preferred routes see link: <https://tinyurl.com/yrcvj1wl>

ROPES IS COMING!

ROPES is the Rite Of Passage ExperienceS (ROPES) program that is specifically designed as an optional enrichment activity as students complete cycles of their education. ROPES is a community endeavor supported by many groups and organizations in San Carlos. The ROPES project gives students in fourth, sixth and eighth grade opportunities to explore and demonstrate project based learning. The project is an opportunity for students to participate in an academic ritual by way of real-life learning experiences.

To find out more about ROPES, we will be hosting a ROPES Orientation where we will provide you with even greater details and provide an opportunity for students and parents to ask specific questions.

4th Grade ROPES Orientation

(For Students Attending Arroyo, Arundel, Charter Learning Center, and Heather)

Monday, October 22, 2018, 6 PM

Mustang Hall, Central Middle School

Central Middle School, Tierra Linda Middle School and Charter Learning Center 6th and 8th Grade ROPES Newcomer Orientation

Monday, October 22, 2018, 7:15 PM

Mustang Hall, Central Middle School

For more information, please contact ropes@scsdk8.org.

ALL ABOARD - 11TH ANNUAL TRANSPORTATION MUSEUM AT BRITTAN ACRES

Bring your family and friends to this year's Transportation Museum, an exciting event featuring fun, interactive exhibits related to all kinds of transportation. Guests can solve a mystery in our train-themed escape room, program mini robots to learn about self-driving cars, play airplane and train simulators, view a model railroad display, and more! For the adults, there are exhibits ranging from solutions to Bay Area traffic to the history of Peninsula transportation, plus representatives from the California High-Speed Rail Authority and other local transit agencies. The museum is created and run by Sequoia High School student Andrew Mancini, who attended Brittan Acres and Central. You don't want to miss this year's Transportation Museum...it's guaranteed fun for all ages!

This year's museum will take place in the Multi-Use Room at Brittan Acres Elementary School on Sunday, October 14 from 10-3. Admission is free! Please enter on Tamarack

Avenue through the teacher's parking lot. Feel free to share this event with others who you think might be interested. For details, directions, and more information, please visit TheTransportationMuseum.com.

SCEF NEWS

EVENING AT TOWN EVENT

Our TOWN event was a big success. Thanks to everyone who attended and participated--over \$100,000 was raised! A special thank you to Greg St. Claire and his team at TOWN for their generous support. Congratulations to Stephanie Brill for winning the Raffle Grand prize.

SILICON VALLEY JAZZ FESTIVAL

On October 13th and 14th the Silicon Valley Jazz Festival will be at our own Burton Park. Over 14 bands in 2 days! This is a fantastic free family event that promotes our local jazz scene, and invites us all to enjoy local talent--middle schools (including Tierra Linda), high schools, colleges and bands, including headliners U.S. Air Force Jazz Ensemble and Trumpeter Jon Faddis. For more information: <http://www.svjazzfest.com/>

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As always, our upcoming events are listed at: www.scefkids.org/events

COMMUNITY PARTNER NEWS

HEALTHY CITIES TUTORING - ORIENTATION AND TRAINING

BE A TUTOR! Please join us and learn the basics to become a volunteer tutor with Healthy Cities Tutoring.

WHEN: Wednesday, October 17

TIME: 8:30-10:30 am OR 6:30-8:30 pm. (Attend either session)

LOCATION: White Oaks School MUR, 1901 White Oak Way

Volunteers are asked to tutor 45 minutes once a week at any of our SCSD schools. Not prior tutoring experience is needed and the tutoring time is flexible - either before, during, or after school Tutoring sessions generally take place at the school site.

There are always more students in need than there are tutors, so your help is greatly appreciated. We welcome high school students, parents, grandparents or any of our caring community members to join our team of volunteers supporting over 300 children in our schools.

We hope to see you on October 17! Please contact Cris Adair with any questions, call (650) 508-7327, or visit our website for more information and to complete an application. Thank you!