



# The Eagle Eye

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Sunday, March 15, 2020

## Principal's Message

Dear Parents,

**I first and foremost want to thank all of you** for your patience as we figure out how to make some big changes here. It has been difficult to wrap our heads around all of this so quickly, but our job right now is to look at this as an amazing challenge to do something new and great. Moving to Distance Learning will be an opportunity for students to help us educators explore a new venue of learning. It won't be without some glitches, but we'll work together and hold on tight to our growth mindset.

**This week you will receive a great deal of information** from the district and our school. On Friday teachers sent home materials for students to use over the coming week or two. I know there is a lot there and it's hard to know what to do with it all at this point. Teachers went over it with students but we don't expect them to remember all of



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the details. On Monday morning, our staff will be working together to create a more detailed plan and communicate that with you. Know that information will be coming in waves. We'll begin with a plan for Monday and Tuesday and then go from there.

**We are also working together throughout the district** to create one Distance Learning Portal so that parents with children in multiple schools have one place to start. This will include a daily attendance form, information on our school lunch program, and resources from our school counselors, along with our students' daily work. Our 4th and 5th graders are AMAZING and they are already working online with Google classroom, the Google Suite, and the different apps their teachers have set up. Trust that your kids will work to navigate this with you, and they are already able to do so much.

**During this time of Distance Learning**, students should expect around 3-4 hours of work depending on how quickly they move through topics, or if they want to work on projects. This can be spread throughout the day. Families can decide when they do work. Some assignments may be due the same day, some the next. More information will be coming on how to set up a schedule and what else you can do to support your child in learning from home. Our PE teachers are also working on ways to keep kids active and moving at home, and this will be included in our daily plans, along with plans from our elective teachers to keep creative juices flowing.

**This is a rare opportunity** to spend time with our families that we would not, in other circumstances, be able to have. Though we may be feeling stress and anxiety, it is important to help our children process this change as well. Last week I shared this [article](#) with you, and our district psychologists recently shared this [resource](#) that you might find helpful when talking to your kids. Our school counselor, Julie Jobak, is available to support kids who may be having trouble dealing with all of this change and uncertainty.

**Our campus will remain open for limited use only.** In order to support the health and wellbeing of our community, our playground, blacktop and field will be closed to the public. If your child was not at school on Friday to receive the materials that were sent home, we will contact you to arrange a time to pick them up. If you are in need of additional materials or supplies, please reach out and we will do our best to provide them. We'll also be following up on the device survey sent out last week to provide chromebooks to those who need them.

**Please know you can email or call us during normal school hours** with any questions as we get things moving. If you need technical help with a device, or your child can't log into one of their accounts, don't hesitate to reach out to your teacher or myself. Please be patient as we take the first couple of days to prepare and put systems in place, but we will get back to you as soon as possible.

**We are all in this together** and I thank you for your patience and understanding as we work to provide you with the tools students will need to continue their learning. I am here to answer your questions along the way.

Please stay safe and healthy!

Warmly,

Mindy Shelton

Principal

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**PTA News**

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**Riley Run 2020**

This year's Riley Run will be on **Sunday, April 19 at 4:00 pm** on the upper playground of Brittan Acres. Riley was a friend and classmate of many San Carlos students and we gather every year to honor him. We have a 5K walk/run around San Carlos and all proceeds from the \$25 registration fee go to his two favorite charities – Camp Taylor and Children's Heart Foundation. Riley would have been a junior in high school this year.

Please join us on this special day. For more information, please contact us at [rileyrun1101@gmail.com](mailto:rileyrun1101@gmail.com). The deadline to register and to receive a shirt is March 19 but there is no deadline to simply participate.

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## SCEF News

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### Fund-A-Need--YOUR help is needed!

Our 2020 Fund-A-Need supports STEM programs, Chromebook replacement and a shade structure at SCC. Your FAN gift will be magnified by a Dollar for Dollar match up to \$65,000. There will also be prize drawings for gifts above \$1,000. Visit [Scefkids.org/fan2020](https://www.scefkids.org/fan2020) for more details.

### Post-Gala Auction Sale

Visit the SCEF Gala event page (<https://www.scefkids.org/event/starlight-gala-and-auction/>) for access to our post-auction website. Bid on new and post-auction items including SF Giants tickets and gift cards to the Alpine Inn in Portola Valley and the new Taurus Steakhouse on Laurel Street.

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## District News

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### **Ability Awareness Week - March 16-20**

Awareness Week has been canceled

### **Walk Audits Have Been Postponed**

Thank you to those of you have signed up to participate in a walk audit.

### **Measure N Parcel Tax Update**

Measure N has bumped up to 71.83% yes votes as of March 12! Ballots are still being counted - the next semi-final results update will be on March 13 at 4:30 pm. Thank you San Carlos community! You can check updates here -

[https://www.livevoteturnout.com/SanMateoCA/LiveResults/en/Index\\_3.html](https://www.livevoteturnout.com/SanMateoCA/LiveResults/en/Index_3.html)

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## **Community Partners**

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### **Healthy Cities Tutoring - Postponed**

### **Social Emotional Learning and New Tutor Orientation - Postponed**

### **Chickens' Ball 2020 Canceled**

We love our community and everyone who supports the Chickens' Ball. For the safety of the performers, volunteers, musicians, technicians, and our wonderful audiences we have been directed to cancel all public performances of the 2020 Chickens' Ball The Night They Invented Champagne.

We will need your support more than ever! Please consider a donation to the Chickens' Ball to support the

music and art programs in San Carlos public schools - <https://www.chickensball.org/sponsor>

#### TICKET HOLDERS

We hope you will consider converting your admission ticket to a donation to the music and art programs at the San Carlos schools. Your donation would be tax-deductible. All people who purchased tickets via Eventbrite will be contacted by email.

#### **Rock Band Summer Camp with Hummingbird Music School!**

At Rock Band Camp, campers are immersed in live music and performance, experiencing what it's like to be in a rock band with fellow bandmates. Campers together form a band of approximately 5 musicians, choose songs and attend daily rehearsals under the guidance of their assigned counselor, participate in music workshops, and perform in a live showcase for family and friends at the end of the week.

Sign up to learn either guitar, ukulele, bass, drums, keyboard, strings, woodwinds, brass, or vocals. Campers should bring a lunch, and are welcome to either bring their own instrument or choose from a selection of provided instruments. Bands will be formed based on experience (all skill levels welcome), age, or friend requests.

Locations: Central Middle School, San Carlos

Schedule: Monday-Friday 9am-3pm (with band showcase on Friday afternoon). After Care provided until 6pm daily at an additional cost.

Ages: 5-14

Price: \$550

### **Innovate this Summer and Support Your School!**

Camp Galileo is hosting camp at your nearby school in San Carlos this summer! From now through April 12th, Galileo will donate \$25 to the school or school's PTA for every family that enrolls at Camp Galileo. Galileo engages every kid with the perfect mix of hands-on learning and big summer fun. Supported by the boundless energy of the best staff around, campers from pre-K through 10th grade unlock their inner innovator, learning to creatively solve problems, fearlessly try new things and persist in the face of challenges. New families, enter promotion code 2020SCHOOLREWARDS to get \$50 off and a \$25 donation to your school. Returning families, we'll automatically donate \$25 when you make a purchase (no need to enter a code). Be sure to enter YOUR SCHOOL'S NAME during checkout in the camper info section. Stack your savings- combinable with our March Spring Sale, Bring A Buddy and multi-week discounts Scholarships available. Learn more at [galileo-camps.com](http://galileo-camps.com) or 800-854-3684.

### **School Garden Leaders Workshop - Mar 21**

School Garden Leaders Workshop has been canceled.

### **Census 2020**

Every 10 years, the federal government is required to count all residents in the United States through a national census. The 2020 Census gets underway in April and it is vitally important that every resident in the county be counted to secure federal funding for our schools & communities! The Census determines how the Federal government distributes nearly \$700 billion a year to states and counties.

Every residence will receive an invitation in the mail to complete the Census Questionnaire by April 1, 2020. Make sure someone in your household is responsible for

filling out the form. It can be completed online, by phone or by mail in different languages.

Visit the County of San Mateo - Government's Census page for more information - <https://cmo.smcgov.org/census-2020-san-mateo-county>

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