



### PRCS Coyote Howl

February 19, 2024



#### **February**

2/19 Presidents' Day - School closed

2/23 Coffee with the Principal at 8:30 AM

in MPR or via Zoom – p. 16

2/26 – 3/1 Scholastic Book Fair Week

#### March

3/1 Book Fair Family Event in MPR 3:00 PM – 5:00 PM See p. 14

3/4 Booster Meeting at 4:00 PM via Zoom – p. 19

3/14 Town Hall #2 at 6:00 PM – Save the Date!

3/15 Havana Night Gala at 6:00 PM at PVCC – p. 15

3/20 PTA Association Meeting at 5:00 PM

3/21 Elementary ONLY Minimum Day

3/22 Elementary & Middle School Minimum Day

3/22 Coffee with the Principal at 8:30 AM in MPR

3/25 – 3/31 Spring Break – No School

#### April

4/1 No School in observance of Cesar E. Chavez Day









Principal's Message: Superintendent Alberto M. Carvalho, Board Member Scott M. Schmerelson, Region North Superintendent Dr. David Baca, and Regional Director Mary Melvin met on our school campus late last week to discuss solutions for the maximum-capacity condition of PRCS. After our meeting, we walked our beautiful campus and visited several classrooms and sat down to speak with middle school students to further connect with the school community. This visit will help LAUSD leadership continue to support the families of Porter Ranch Community School as we work together to determine the best course of action.

Save the date! We would like to announce our next Town Hall Meeting on Thursday, March 14<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 PM. As we approach the date, we will provide more information. Your participation and engagement in these Town Hall Meetings are highly valued as they contribute to the strength of our supportive community. We look forward to your attendance and involvement.

School Experience Survey for 2023 – 2024 is now available for parents! Your feedback is invaluable to us, and we would like to hear your thoughts! Please take a moment to participate in our school experience survey today. Your insights will help us enhance the overall experience at Porter Ranch Community School.

Click on your preferred language on the boxes below to start the School Experience Survey:

Parent Survey English Parent Survey Espanol Parent Survey 한국인

OR click the link to start the survey at SES website: <a href="https://www.lausd.org/SchoolExperienceSurvey">https://www.lausd.org/SchoolExperienceSurvey</a>

• For any questions, Email: <a href="mailto:SchoolExperienceSurvey@lausd.net">SchoolExperienceSurvey@lausd.net</a> or call (213) 241-5600. Your feedback is valuable to us! See p. 3

**Principal's Message continued....** We are aiming for 100% participation, as your input is crucial in shaping the future of our school. Your honest opinions will guide us in making improvements and ensuring that we meet the needs and expectations of our students and parents. Thank you for being an essential part of the Porter Ranch Community School Family.

It is that time of the year again, **BOOK FAIR TIME!** Scholastic Book Fair will be taking place February 26 - March 1<sup>st</sup>. The culminating Book Fair Family Event is on Friday, March 1st, after school in MPR 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM. Boba Truck & Cinnabon Truck will be here on Mason Ave. for the event. We are still looking for volunteers! Please click <u>HERE</u> – see p. 14

**STEM Project 3<sup>rd</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> Grade:** Seeking student projects for participation in this year's Science Fair! Students in grades 3rd through 8th are invited to sign up, and the deadline for registration is February 23rd. If your child is interested, please join a Zoom information session on Wednesday, February 21st at 6:30 PM. Scan the QR Code on page 6 for more details. Let's encourage our young scientists to showcase their talents and creativity! See p. 6

**Yearbook Love Lines:** Write a unique message for our 2023-2024 Yearbook! Share your gratitude and celebrate the students, teachers, or staff who have added a special touch to your child's school year. Message can be from a parent or a student. Be creative and make this personal note a memorable part of our yearbook. See p. 10

**LAST CALL FOR DONOR BRICKS**. If you have not yet provided your inscription details, please submit them HERE. **Deadline for brick personalization is FEBRUARY 29**. See p. 11

IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO LEAVE YOUR LEGACY! To qualify for a family brick, visit us at <a href="https://www.prcsdream.org">www.prcsdream.org</a> and join the Coyote Family before Feb. 27.

Havana Night GALA: Early Bird Tickets are now on sale and tickets are selling out fast! \$95/Ticket - don't wait to purchase! March 15th at Porter Valley Country Club A night you won't want to miss! See p. 15 or Click here to purchase - here

Mark your calendars for our upcoming Coffee with the Principal on Friday, February 23<sup>rd</sup> at 8:30 AM. We have important parent workshops to share with you.

- **Cybersecurity** with Assistant Principal Ms. Kim.
- **Social Media for Students** by our Social-Emotional Counselor, Ms. Mehrabian, and RJ Coordinator, Mr. Hayden. See. p 17
- Additionally, we are pleased to announce that Ms. Melvin, our Regional Director, will be joining our Coffee with the Principal.

**Lost & Found Notice:** Our Lost & Found area is overflowing! There are NUMEROUS sweaters, sweatshirts, water bottles, etc. that have been accumulating. Please remind your children to go through the Lost & Found area. All items will donated to a local charity after school on Friday, February 23<sup>rd</sup>. Parents are welcome to look for any items at the Lost & Found area near the Main Office after dismissal.

Important message from LAUSD: Los Angeles Unified teams from across the District have been planning and preparing for this inclement weather system. Schools are equipped with emergency preparedness plans should campuses experience leaks, flooding or wind damage. The District is also prepared with alternate plans for impacted areas. We will be in direct contact with families if schools are affected, and the Los Angeles Unified parent hotline at 213.443.1300 is available for families who may have questions or need additional support.

School will be closed in observance of Presidents' Day on Monday, February 19th, and school will resume on Tuesday, February 20th.

Have a good week everyone.



### 2023-2024 SCHOOL EXPERIENCE SURVEY

Your voice matters. Let us know what you think!



Take this survey to share what you think about your, and your child's experiences with his or her school. Use the results to learn about the school climate with your children, teachers, administrators and other parents.

- · Students will receive an email with a unique survey link
- · Staff will take the survey online via our website
- Parents are strongly encouraged to take the survey online via our website
  - o Paper copies will be available at each school in limited quantities
  - o Please coordinate with school staff to obtain a paper copy if needed

### Be sure to take the online survey by March 22, 2024

Contact your school with questions or contact the School Experience Survey team

SES website: https://www.lausd.org/SchoolExperienceSurvey

Email: SchoolExperienceSurvey@lausd.net

Phone: (213) 241-5600

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We aim for 100% participation, as your input is crucial in shaping the future of our community and school. Your honest opinions will guide us in making improvements and ensuring that we meet the needs and expectations of our parents and students.

Your time and input are highly appreciated.

Thank you for being an essential part of the Porter Ranch Community School family.

### **Elementary News**

### Wear your Leader in Me colors every Monday!

TK - Sapphire Blue Kinder - Royal Blue 1st grade - Green 2nd grade - Purple 3rd grade - Orange 4th grade - Red 5th grade - Yellow

### FEBRUARY HABIT: Think Win Win

**Everyone Can Win!** 

I can problem solve when an issue comes up with another person.

I think about what other people want and not just what I want.

### Innovation & Technology – Come learn about the future.

PRCS 5<sup>th</sup> grade students are invited to get a head start on experiencing the future in technology through hands-on learning including drones, robotics and Esports. February 24<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM at Chatsworth Charter High School. Please RSVP using the QR Code

See flyer on p. 8

### Elementary After School Academic/Intervention: Grades 1-5: Porter Ranch

Community School will be offering an after-school academic/intervention from February 5 through May 2, 2024. Academic Support/Intervention is on a first come, first served basis. Any 1<sup>st</sup> grade students participating will need to be accompanied by their parent to the designated room and picked up at the end of the class time. Parents that have students that attend the YMCA after school must notify the YMCA that their child will be attending the after-school program and will arrive to the YMCA at a later time. Please see the attached schedule titled "After School Academic/Intervention Class" for more details on days, times and room numbers. Schedule/location on p. 9

### Elementary Minimum Days: Dismissal UTK – 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade at 1PM / 3<sup>rd</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> Grade at 1:15 PM

- March 21<sup>st</sup>
- March 22<sup>nd</sup>
- May 24<sup>th</sup>
- June 7<sup>th</sup>
- June 10<sup>th</sup>



### End-of-the-year Kinder and 5<sup>th</sup> Grade celebration events in June:

- Kinder Celebration will be on Friday, June 7<sup>th</sup>, 2024 at 9:00 AM
- 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Celebration will be on Monday, June 10, 2024 at 9:00 AM.

### For ES student absences, please follow the guidelines below:

Elementary students – please communicate with your child's teacher and you can also let the Main Office know by calling 818-709-7100 or email Ms. Natalie at <a href="mailto:natalie.bluemke@lausd.net">natalie.bluemke@lausd.net</a> or Ms. Darlene <a href="mailto:ddm7013@lausd.net">ddm7013@lausd.net</a>

### **Middle School News**

**5-week progress report** will be available via the parent portal on Saturday, February 17. Students must be ON PAR to receive an ON PAR treat on Friday, February 23rd. Progress report will be available for viewing in the **Parent Portal under > Report Card**.



Middle School After School Homework Help: Grades 6-8: Porter Ranch Community School will be offering an after-school Homework Club from February 5 through May 2, 2024. Homework Help is on a first come first serve basis. Please see the attached schedule titled "After School Academic/Intervention Class" for more details on days, times, and room numbers. Target Intervention is only for middle school students that have been invited through invitation only. Schedule/location on p. 9

8<sup>th</sup> Grade Parents: End of the Year Letter with important dates and events have been sent home with 8<sup>th</sup> grade students and also shared by Ms. Gittins with parents via email.

For your child to qualify for **Grad Night 2024** students must meet culmination requirements by the Spring 10-week report card.

On Par Requirements/Culmination Requirements Reminders for Middle School

- No Fails
- Students may not earn more than 2 "U's" in Work Habits
- Students may not earn more than 2 "U's" in Cooperation
- Students must demonstrate satisfactory school citizenship

As always if you have any questions, please email Ms. Gittins <a href="mailto:heather.gittins@lausd.net">heather.gittins@lausd.net</a>

8th Grade Culmination will be on Tuesday, June 11, 2024 at 9:00 AM

### Middle School Minimum Days: Dismissal at 1:25 PM

- March 22<sup>nd</sup>
- April 26<sup>th</sup>
- May 15th, May 16<sup>th</sup>, May 17<sup>th</sup>
- June 7<sup>th</sup> and June 10th



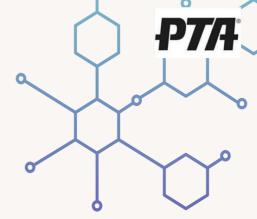
### For MS student absences, please follow the guidelines below:

Middle school students can turn in their absence note when they return to the middle school office or parents can contact Ms. Adriana at 818-709-7126 or email <a href="mailto:Adriana.fonesca@lausd.net">Adriana.fonesca@lausd.net</a>





2024



### STEM EXPO: SCIENCE FAIR SIGN UP

Sign up deadline is Feb 23rd

LOOKING FOR STUDENT PROJECTS TO COMPETE IN THIS YEAR'S SCIENCE FAIR!

3RD-8TH GRADE STUDENTS **GREAT PRIZES | AWARDS CEREMONY | LOTS OF FUN!** 

**INTERESTED?** 

WED. FEBRUARY 21 AT 6:30PM







## + Porter Ranch Community School STEM FAIR



### VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Let's continue to inspire future generations to pursue science and build a bright future. Signup using the QR below to participate in an information session planned for the end of January to learn more.









Question may be directed to asadhu@gmail.com





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5TH GRADERS ARE INVITED TO GET A HEAD START ON EXPERIENCING THE FUTURE IN TECHNOLOGY THROUGH HANDS-ON LEARNING INCLUDING DRONES, ROBOTICS & ESPORTS.



Chatsworth HS
10027 Lurline Ave
Chatsworth, CA 91311

For information contact:
Kimberly Wright, BSAP Coordinator at <a href="mailto:kmw0987@lausd.net">kmw0987@lausd.net</a>

Register now through this QR CODE



Register Now

#### After School Academic/ Intervention Class

ES February 5- May 2, 2024

1st through 5th Grade

Open for all students in designated grade. First come, first served.

Cap is 20 students per class

Grade	Teacher	Room	Content	Days	Times
1st	Yang	7	ELA	Mondays, Thursdays	2:45-3:30 PM
1st	Park	8	Math	Wednesdays, Fridays	2:45-3:30 PM
2nd	Woodings (2/5-3/16)/ R.Berenson (3/18-5/2)	<mark>16/</mark> 17	ELA (2/5 -3/16) Math (3/18-5/2)	Mondays, Thursdays	2:45-3:15 PM
2nd	Maxfield	31	ELA/Math	Thursdays	2:35-3:35 PM
3rd	Berenson, M	26	ELA	Mondays, Wednesdays	2:55-3:55 PM
3rd	Yeghyazarians	23	Math	Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays	2:55-3:40 PM
4th	Khan	111	ELA/Math	Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays	2:55-3:40 PM
4th	Min	208	ELA	Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays	2:55-3:35 PM
5th	Gaudet	212	Math	Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays	2:55-3:35 PM
5th	Cullen	206	ELA/Math	Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays	2:55-3:35 PM

#### **KDLP Language Development**

#### Open for all KDLP in designated grade. First come, first served.

#### Cap is 20 students per class

Grade	Teacher	Room	Content	Days	Times
K-2	Bae	13	KDLP	Mondays, Thursdays	2:45-3:15

#### MS February 5- May 2, 2024

Middle School Homework Club

#### Open for ALL Middle School students. First come, first served.

#### Cap is 35 students per class

Grade	Teacher	Room	Content	Days	Time
6-8	Zakeri	230	Math/Science	Mondays, Thursdays	3:30-4:30 PM
6-8	Kita	222	ELA/History	Mondays, Thursdays	3:30-4:30 PM

#### MS February 5- May 2, 2024

#### Middle School Target Intervention \*\*BY INVITATION ONLY\*\*

Grade	Teacher	Room	Content	Days	Times
6-8	Westerhout	121	Math	Mondays and Wednesdays	3:30-4:30 PM



#### PORTER RANCH COMMUNITY SCHOOL

### Love Lines

It's time to compose your own personal message to be included in our Yearbook for 2023-2024! Your note can be from a student or parent to a student, teacher or staff member, or you can use this opportunity to thank anyone you feel has helped make this school year extra special.

Be creative!

Each message must be no more than 100 characters (including punctuation and spaces)

Love line pricing: \$25 each

Love lines submission and payment must be received by SUNDAY, February 24, 2024.

SPACE IS LIMITED!!

\*\*LOVE LINES WILL BE PUBLISHED IN ORDER OF PAYMENT RECEIVED. CONFIRMATION OF RECEIPT OF PAYMENT WILL BE SENT TO EMAIL ADDRESS SUBMITTED.

No Handwritten submissions will be accepted.



LOVE LINES WILL ONLY BE ACCEPTED ONLINE:

HTTPS://FORMS.GLE/FE4KLLXQOE7HQ6TR9

Any questions please contact, Adrienne Masi - adrienne.masi@gmail.com





### GIVEAWAY WINNERS

The Alvarez Family

The Eltchi Family

### **PRC PTA FEB NEWSLETTER**





PORTER VALLEY COUNTRY CLUB PARENT NIGHT OUT! 6-11PM

**EARLY BIRD \$95 TICKETS NOW ON SALE!** \*\*SEE ADDITIONAL FLYER TICKETS ARE SELLING FAST!

3 Course Dinner



Music & Dancing

March



THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING THE 8TH GRADE!

WE NEED VOLUNTEERS! YOUR TIME AND DEDICATION ARE TRULY APPRECIATED, AND TOGETHER. WE CAN MAKE THESE UPCOMING **EVENTS UNFORGETTABLE!** 

> **BOOK FAIR 2/26 - 3/1** STEM WEEK 4/15 - 4/19



**SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR** 2/26 - 3/1



**END OF BOOK FAIR COMMUNITY** EVENT ON 3/1





### **BOOK FAIR**

### PORTER RANCH COMMUNITY SCHOOL

Feb 26-Mar 1st

ALL PURCHASES THROUGH THE BOOK FAIR BENEFIT OUR SCHOOL

WE ARE LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS!! SIGN UP HERE ---->



Setup your student's eWallet today through the QR Code below:







JOIN US FOR OUR END OF THE BOOK FAIR FAMILY EVENT ON FRIDAY, MARCH 1ST AFTER SCHOOL
WE WILL HAVE THE BOBA TRUCK & CINNABON ON MASON AVE.
3 PM-5 PM



### You're Invited



### PRC PTA GALA MARCH 15 | 6-11PM | PVCC



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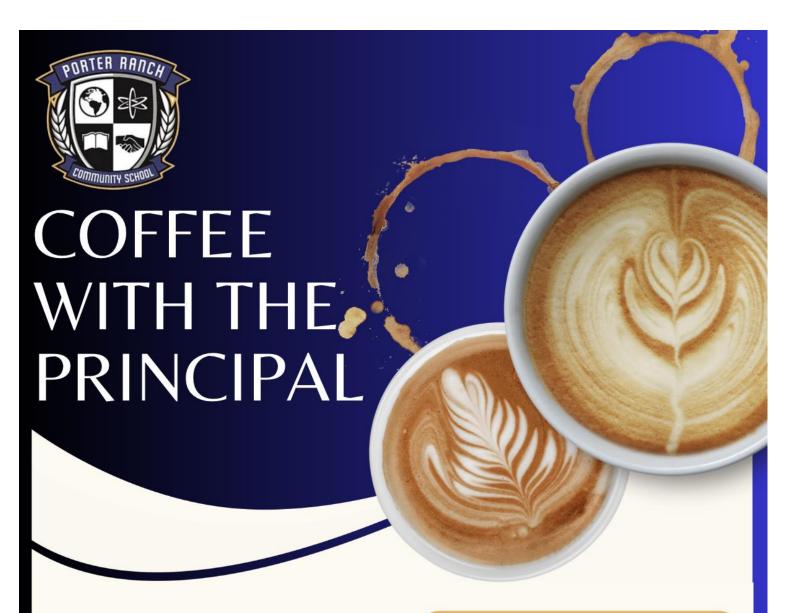
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### **PARENT WORKSHOPS:**

- CYBERSECURITY
  - PRESENTED BY AP, MS. KIM
- SOCIAL MEDIA & STUDENTS
  - PRESENTED BY SOCIAL-EMOTIONAL COUNSELOR, MS. MEHRABIAN AND RJ COORDINATOR, MR. HAYDEN

FRIDAY, 2/23 AT 8:30 AM

IN PERSON IN MPR OR VIA ZOOM

Meeting ID: 835 0647 7272

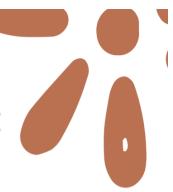
IN ADDITION, COS DIRECTOR, MS. MELVIN WILL BE JOINING COFFEE WITH THE PRINCIPAL.

PLEASE SAVE THE DATE AND WE LOOK FORWARD TO YOUR PARTICIPATION!



Porter Ranch Community School

### Parent Workshop: Social Media and Students



Friday, February 23rd, 2024 right after Coffee with the Principal which begins at 8:30am

Learn about the risks and benefits of students using social media, how to set limits and boundaries, and how to build connection with your student around this important issue.



Michelle Mehrabian, LCSW, PSW and

Aaron Hayden, M.A. Ed., RJC

### Clinic and Wellness Centers School Mental Health

**Student Health & Human Services** 

### PARENT WORKSHOPS

### Topic changes each month:

- **Anxiety:** Parents will learn about anxiety and strategies to support their child.
- **Grief and Loss:** Parents will learn how to support their child who has experienced a loss.
- **Mental Health Wellness:** Parents will learn how to support their child with strategies for good mental health basics, identifying stressors and talking about feelings.

Parent Workshops 2nd Wednesday of the month 11:00 am - 12:00 pm

### **Dates:**

November 8 Mental Health Wellness

December 13 Anxiety

January 10 Crief and Loss

February 14 Mental Health Wellness

March 13- Anxiety

**April 10 - Grief and Loss** 

May 8 - Mental Health Wellness

### Via Zoom

https://lausd.zoom.us/j/84788708406? pwd=R082anhTVVFNMVV0cVRGT3ZHY VA1OT09

Meeting ID: 847 8870 8406

Password: workshop



\*\*For further information, please contact Cecilia Elias at (323) 290-7737 (Option 3).





# PRCS BOOSTER CLUB

Monday, March 4 @ 4 pm | Zoom

Meeting ID: 997 0268 8365 | Passcode: 811133



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Parents, students, employees - devices or hot spots tech support

- Hours for IT Helpdesk, Fieldtech 7:30AM 4:30PM
- To chat with IT Help Desk, Click On: <u>IT HelpDesk / Chat Live</u> Will need LAUSD Student ID #
- Password/reset issues for Student Mymail Please contact your teacher

**Tech - Trouble Shooting Tips:** Mymail, Schoology and Parent Resources! LAUSD Schoology resources for students, parents, and teachers can be found on our website at <a href="www.goprcs.org">www.goprcs.org</a> along with other how-to tutorials and instructions for different platforms. Under STUDENTS > TECHNOLOGY SUPPORT

### PRCS (818)709-7100



### PRCS updates at goprcs.org

Elementary TK – 5

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Middle School 6 - 8

Adriana Fonseca adriana.fonseca@lausd.net

**General Questions** 

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**Parent Information or the Parent Portal** 

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Jennifer Endler <u>jennifer.endler@lausd.net</u>



#### **LAUSD HOTLINE NUMBERS:**

General: 213-443-1300 Mental Health: 213-241-3840



Student Health and Human Services

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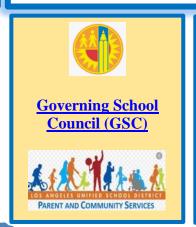
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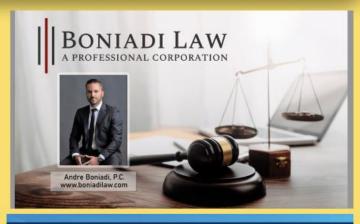


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