

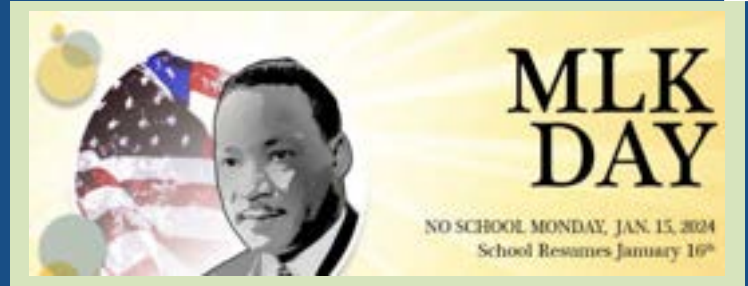


PRCS Coyote Howl

January 15, 2024

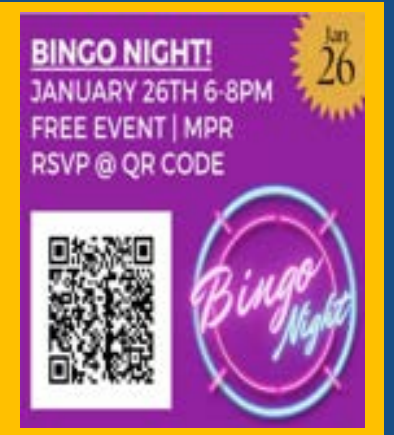
January

- 1/15 Martin Luther King Jr. Day – school closed
- 1/16 MS - CJSF Spring Application is now open thru 1/26
- 1/17 PTA Association Meeting at 5:00 PM via Zoom
- 1/19 ~~Coffee with the Principal at 8:30 AM in MPR or via Zoom. Postponed until 2/23~~
- 1/25 GSC Meeting Via Zoom at 4:00 PM
- 1/26 Family BINGO Night by PTA in MPR at 6:00 PM
- 1/29 Region North Town Hall Meeting at 6:00 PM in MPR



February

- 2/2 PTA Sweetheart Dance – Save the Date!
- 2/5 Booster Meeting at 4:00 PM via Zoom
- 2/9 Lunar New Year Celebration
- 2/16 Elementary ONLY Minimum Day
- 2/19 Presidents' Day – School closed
- 2/23 Coffee with the Principal at 8:30 AM in MPR or via Zoom
- 2/23 Poker Night by Booster – Save the Date!



Principal's Message: As we head into the second semester of the school year, there's a wealth of exciting learning opportunities and events to anticipate and celebrate. Our first family event is BINGO Night, Sponsored by PTA, scheduled for Friday, January 26th at 6:00 PM in the MPR. Please see the PTA flyer on p.10 for event details and information on upcoming events.

The Middle School Fall 2023 Honor Roll Ceremony is scheduled for Friday, January 26th, organized by grade level. This event is invite-only and invitations will be sent out next week by Counselor, Ms. Gittins. Stay tuned for this special recognition of academic achievements!

Please mark your calendars for our upcoming end-of-the-year celebrations and culmination events in June:

- 5th Grade Celebration will be on Monday, June 10, 2024. (Time to be announced)
- 8th Grade Culmination will be on Tuesday, June 11, 2024. (Time to be announced)
- Kinder Celebration details will be announced soon.....

This month, January Coffee with the Principal, initially scheduled for January 19th, has been postponed to February 23rd. We invite you to a Parent Workshop on Cyber Security. We look forward to sharing valuable insights on maintaining online safety.

Region North Superintendent, Dr. David Baca, and Regional Director, Mary Melvin, invite middle school parents to a Town Hall Meeting to address the current school capacity challenges. This meeting is scheduled for Monday, January 29th at 6:00 PM in the MPR. Please see p.5 to scan the QR Code for the PRCS Parents and Community Members Survey, Input and Question Form.

STEM Expo Week: April 15th - April 19th. Calling all parents with science backgrounds to volunteer to be a mentor for students (3rd to 8th grades) in support of STEM EXPO science fair projects. We are looking for parent volunteers from any Science Technology Engineering or Math (STEM) background (e.g. healthcare, environmental sciences, biology, chemistry, engineering, computer software, data science, physics etc.). Please see p. 6 or click on the Google form link for more details. [Google Form HERE](#)

[Principal's Message continued...](#) Time to celebrate your talent in Languages other than English! L.A. Unified Pathway to Biliteracy awards honor students who, by the end of TK, K, 1st, 5th, and/or 8th grade, have demonstrated a commitment to the path of becoming biliterate and who have reached a certain degree of proficiency in both English and a language other than English. Please see the flyer for more information. See p.7

Congratulations to our students who met the Perfect Attendance Challenge for last month! Due to our success, we are launching another perfect attendance challenge beginning January 8th through the 31st. Attend school every day and on time to be entered in a raffle for a chance to win prizes! Well done, PRCS! Please remember that if students are feeling sick, it's important for them to stay home until they have recovered, especially during the cold season.

PTA Upcoming Events - don't miss out!

- **CPK Dine Out:** January 16th | All Day | Online and dine in use code back20%.
- **Bingo Night:** January 26th | 6-8 PM On Campus in MPR. A night of fun competition awaits! RSVP [Here](#)
- **Sweetheart Dance:** February 2nd | 6-8:30 PM On Campus in MS GYM. Purchase your tickets now! Buy Now - [Here](#) Almost sold out!
- **Lunar New Year Assembly:** February 9th | Lion Dance on campus!
- **Havana Night GALA Save the Date:** March 15th at Porter Valley Country Club 🍷 Mark your calendar for an unforgettable evening! Early Bird Tickets (\$95) will go on sale end of the month.

PRCS Athletics Registration is still open - click here to sign up! [HERE](#)

Join us for our GSC Meeting on Thursday, January 25th via Zoom at 4:00 PM. All are welcome! Preregister is required: [Click HERE](#)

Please be reminded that our school will be closed on Monday, January 15th, in honor of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day. School will resume on Tuesday, January 16th.

Have a good week everyone.

Dear Porter Ranch Community School Families

& Friends of LAPD Devonshire PALS,



We can't thank Porter Ranch Community School enough for helping us collect toys for our 39th Annual Toy Giveaway!

The event was a success because of you and we thank you from the bottom of our hearts! We know that there are a lot of choices when it comes to donating, especially around the holiday season, and we are forever grateful that you all choose our cause year after year.

If you would like to see how magic that day was for hundreds of kids in the community and also keep in touch with us, please follow us on Instagram by clicking [HERE](#)

We hope you have an amazing holiday season and a happy, prosperous new year!!

Adina and the LAPD Devonshire PALS Elves

Adina Barco
Assistant Director
LAPD Devonshire PALS
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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

JANUARY HABIT: Put First Things First

Work first, then play.

I do the things that I have to do before I do other things that I want to do. I stay focused on what I am doing. I try to minimize distractions and regroup if I get off task. I spend my time on the things that are the most important.

Teacher Fun Day: Thanks to all the families who took part in the PTA Auction for Teacher Fun Day! Just a friendly reminder, if your child won a bid, the event is scheduled for this Tuesday after school at the venue specified by the PTA. Have a great time and enjoy the wonderful experience with your grade level teachers! If you have any questions please contact Anjili at anjili.agarwal@gmail.com

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 natalie.bluemke@lausd.net or Ms. Darlene dmd7013@lausd.net

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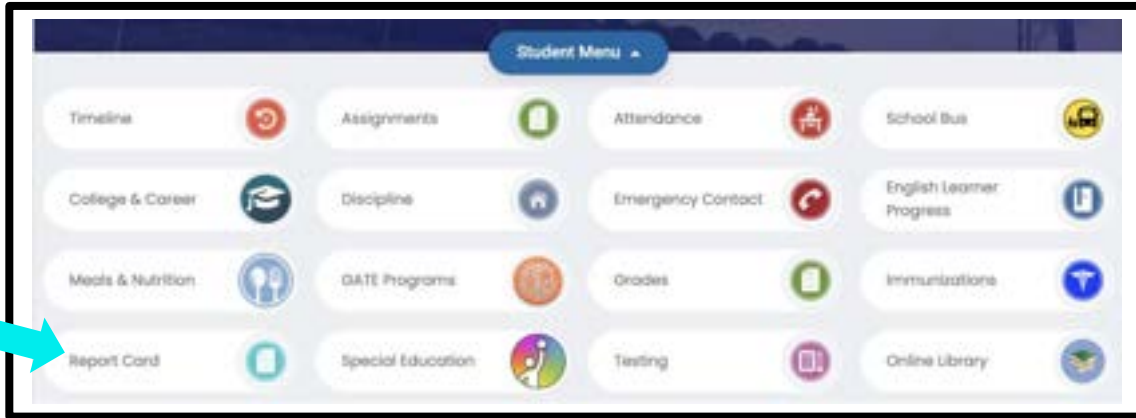


CJSF Application for Spring Semester is open to 7th and 8th grade students only.

The CJSF application period is from January 16th to January 26th. You can find the CJSF Spring Applications either online [HERE](#) or by picking up a copy from the Middle School Office.

To complete the application, students need to attach their Fall 2023 Final Report Card with a completed CJSF Spring application. You can find **Final 2023 Report under LAUSD Parent Portal > under Student Menu > click on Report Card.** Print it and attach to the application, then submit the completed application to the Middle School Office. ( see screen below)

If you have any questions about CJSF, please reach out to our CJSF Advisor, Mr. Hayden, at aaron.hayden@lausd.net



Fall 2023 Honor Roll Friday, January 26th:

For Students who earned a 3.66 or higher on the Fall 2023 Final December report card.

Invitation to follow

- 8th Grade 8:40 AM
- 7th Grade 9:40 AM
- 6th Grade 11:00 AM
- Enter / Exit will be at the Mason Gate ONLY. Gate will be open 10 minutes before each ceremony.

8th Grade Parents: 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 heather.gittins@lausd.net

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 Adriana.fonesca@lausd.net



TOWN HALL MEETING

Region North Superintendent, Dr. David Baca, and Regional Director, Mary Melvin, invite middle school parents to a Town Hall Meeting to address the current school capacity challenges.



MONDAY, JANUARY 29



PRCS MPR



6:00PM



Discuss issues that matter to you



Share your ideas and suggestions



Ask questions

Scan the QR Code for general updates, to share ideas and suggestions, and ask questions regarding the options for PRCS Middle School. Your input will be reviewed and discussed at the Townhall meeting.

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VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

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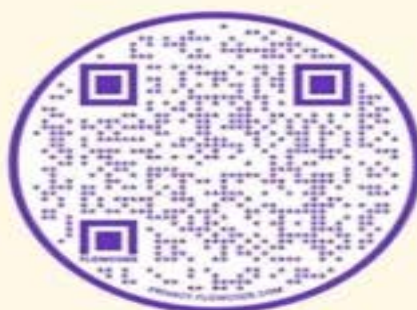
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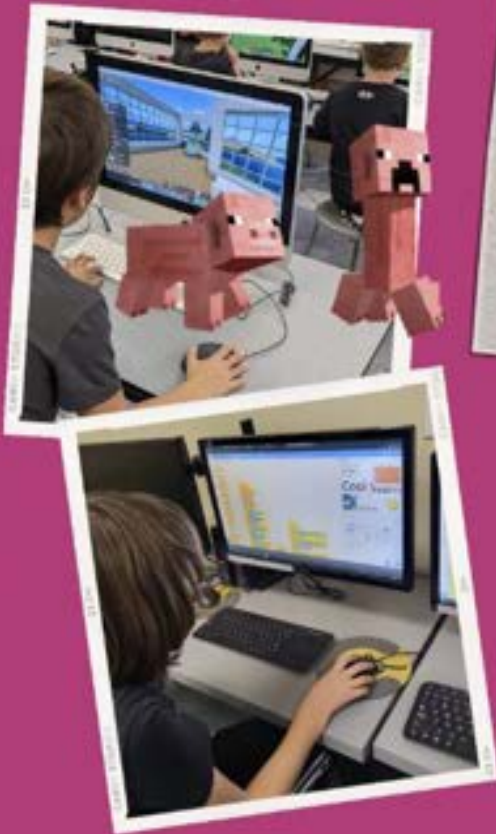


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GRADES: 2ND-3RD

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FULL

COURSE DESCRIPTION:

Something mysterious is happening at the Academy! Cookies have been snatched, trophies have been taken, a mascot is missing, a notebook has vanished into thin air, and Professor Egghead's prized portrait has been **STOLEN!** Come join the Egghead Detective Squad this session as we dust for prints, decode messages, analyze DNA, and use real forensic science techniques to crack the cases. Eggheads take everything home at the end of each class!

COURSE DESCRIPTION:

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Jan 17



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ALL DAY | ONLINE & DINE IN
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PURPOSE



Thank you PTA for supporting 5th grade chess club!

Other Events

Coming Up!

- Lunar New Year
2/9/24
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- **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 - Grief 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=R082anhTVVFNMVV0cVRGT3ZHYVA1QT09>

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