

Upcoming Events

Sept. 1: Min. Day/Game Day
 Sept. 4: Labor Day, No School
 Sept. 6 – 14: Iowa Tests, gr. 3–8
 Sept. 19 - 21: Hearing testing, preschool – gr. 3,
 Sept. 21: Olweus Parents Night, 6:30 pm in the music rm
 Sept. 22: Walk-a-Thon !
 Sept. 24: Flag Football Tournament
 Sept. 25 – 29: Grade 7 – Hume Lake Overnight Trip
 Oct. 2: Blue Shirt Day
 Oct. 2 – 6: Fall Week of Prayer
 Oct. 3: Picture Day
 Oct. 9: No School – Columbus Day
 Oct. 10- 15: Book Fair Week
 Oct. 15: Fall Festival
 Oct. 20: 1st Quarter Ends
 Oct. 21: Education Sabbath at Mt. View Central SDA Church
 Oct. 23: 2nd Quarter Begins
 Oct. 23 – 27: Red Ribbon Week
 Oct. 30 – Nov. 7: Student Council Campaign
 Nov. 2: Open House (parents)
 Nov. 7: Election Chapel;
 Nov. 7: Picture Retake Day
 Nov. 8-9: Parent – Teacher Conferences for 1st Quarter
 Nov. 10: Veterans Day Chapel
 Nov. 20 – 24: No School – Thanksgiving Break

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TADS deadline - Today

All parents, who are looking for financial aid or scholarship of one type or another, need to finish their TADS application today. TADS is an on-line, 3rd party financial aid needs assessment. Your information is kept confidential; then, this company reports to the school what each family's financial need is. Look for Miramonte School in Los Altos once you have logged in and are applying.

Friday, September 1st – Minimum Day

Friday, September 1st, is a minimum day (noon dismissal). There is no hot lunch, however, there will be snacks for sale after noon dismissal (see below).

Game Day, September 1st

Tomorrow morning, the students and staff will have a great time together with fun, group-oriented games. Due to the predicted heat, we will start outside and then proceed inside for a number of activities before going back outside for the annual tug of war. Then watermelon for everyone! Prepare your child with sunscreen.

Monday, September 4th – No School Labor Day

Volunteers needed for Book Fair

Please contact the office if you are willing to lead out or help with the Book Fair. We already have two people to help the leader, plus training by last year's leader.

Partners for Eternity Meeting – for those that missed it

There will be one more Partners for Eternity Meeting for those who missed it the first time. That meeting will be on Thursday, September 7th at 7 pm. If you have prior commitments, talk directly with Rick Maloon to schedule time for the orientation. All students and parents who participate in PFE must attend one of those meetings.

Partners for Eternity – for those waiting to apply . . .

Administration is waiting for the go-ahead from PFE for families to apply on-line. Since everyone who is interested signed the attendance list at the first meeting, we will directly email you when we receive confirmation. In the meanwhile, you must find your child's mentor, and have them read and sign the mentor form. There are forms in the office, and by Friday, we will email the form to you as well. Mentor forms are in both English and Spanish

Iowa Tests coming in next week

Starting the middle of next week through September 14th, students in grades 3 through 8 will be taking the Iowa Tests, which test what each child knows in the various subjects. The testing company and research recommend that during the testing time, children get enough sleep and a good breakfast, but we know that should happen all the time.

Snacks this Friday (September 1st):

Friday, September 1st (7th gr. fundraiser): Noon Dismissal so there is no lunch but snacks will be on sale after the noon dismissal. **7th Grade** will be selling the following **Snacks:** Veggie hot dog (\$2); Cup a Noodles (\$2); Madeleine Cookies (\$.50); Taquis (\$.50); Popsicles (\$1 - \$2.50); Cookie Packs (\$.50); 8 oz water (\$.50); Gatorade (\$1.50); Juice (\$1)

Hot Lunch next week (Sept. 4th & Sept. 7th)

Tuesday, September 4th: Pizza, Salad, Fruit & Drink. \$5

Friday, September 7th (6th grade fundraiser): bean & cheese burrito, rice, baby carrots, watermelon, and water - \$5.00. Extra burritos cost \$1 each.

Sports Notes: Time for Practice!

- Tuesday, Sept. 5th – Football practice – Boys & Girls – 3:30 – 5:00 pm (back field)
- Wednesday, Sept. 6th – Girls Volleyball Practice - 3:30 – 5:00 pm (in the gym)
- Thursday, Sept. 7th – Football Practice – Boys & Girls – 3:30 – 5:00 pm
- Friday, Sept. 8th - Girls Volleyball Practice - 3:30 – 5:00 pm

After School Programs for this Year:

We will still have the Tech Club, Melody Makers, and Yearbook for the upper grades, but this year Miramonte has contracted with an outside company to provide after school programs for grades 1 – 5. The clubs are: Mondays – Guitar; Tuesdays – Robotics; Wednesdays – Chess; Thursdays – Coding; and Fridays – Spanish. They will not start until the beginning of October, we will pass along information when we are closer to the starting dates. This is a private pay service between the parents and the after school program.

Olweus – Parent Orientation Meeting – Sept. 21st at 6:30 PM

On Thursday evening, Sept. 21st, the Olweus Bullying Prevention Program will be hosting its first event of the school year at 6:30 PM in the music room. Per the student handbook, we require all parents to participate in this program. One of the best ways to participate is to be educated on what bullying is and how Olweus successfully addresses the problem. Please make sure to mark your calendar with this important date now! If you have any questions, contact Noreen Chan, Miramonte's Olweus Coordinator (408-425-0012) or her assistant Wendy Weber (650-704-6264).

Help your children get their sponsors! Annual Walk-a-Thon is Friday, September 22nd.

Last week, we kicked off the Walk-a-Thon at assembly. There are great incentives and prizes for the students. And the income does some incredible things around campus. Last year's funds paid for the 4th grade room to be re-carpeted and to add a new Chrome book mobile computer lab to the school, plus some iPads for classes, too. Walk-a-Thon materials have already been distributed. If you need more forms, please see Rose Shimizu or inquire in the office.

Home and School needs new leaders

Rose Shimizu does a phenomenal job leading our Home & School each year. But we need more leaders to help. As the saying goes, many hands make a light work. Contact Rose Shimizu, Home & School Leader for ways you can make a difference in the lives of our children (650 – 793 – 5013).

Piano Lessons Offered –

Mrs. Patrice Babienko, our long-time piano teacher, has openings in her schedule for new students. She teaches them right on campus for your convenience. Please contact her at 408-867-6502.

Don't Wait until the Last Minute! Make Sure you have taken Verified Volunteers Background Check – the new online screening program for chaperones.

Each year, we remind all parents and guardians that they need clearance to chaperone or volunteer at school. The Verified Volunteers program, through our Central California Conference, insures that anyone in contact with our students are safe to be with children. If you already have gone through the process, remember that it is only valid for three years. If you are not sure if you are current, please contact Miramonte Registrar Eva Elliott. Thank you.

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