

# Buzz



MULBERRY  
SCHOOL

October 30, 2017

## Important Dates in October:

- ~~2-5: Scholastic Book Fair~~
- ~~6: Elem/MS Closed for In-Service (Preschool in session)~~
- ~~11: Board Meeting 6:30pm~~
- ~~12: Photo Make-Up Day~~
- ~~12: PAC Parents Night Out Event~~
- ~~13: Harvest Festival 12-1pm~~
- ~~18: Preschool Parent Meeting 6:30-8pm~~
- ~~20: PAC Event! Outdoor Movie Night~~
- ~~21: Maintenance Day 9am-noon~~
- 31: Halloween Parade & Carnival

## Important Dates in November:

- 1: **Elem/MS/PS Closed for In-Service**
- 3: PAC Meeting - 9:00am
- 7 & 8: Common Ground Speaker (info below)
- 8: Board Meeting - 6:30pm
- 10: 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Play - 9:00am
- 16: PS Thanksgiving Feast - 11:30-12:30
- 16: Preschool Parent Meeting - 6:30-8pm
- 17: Elem/MS Thanksgiving Feast - noon (noon release for Elem/MS)
- 20-24 **School Closed for Thanksgiving Break**
- 20-21 Elem/MS Parent Teacher Conferences

## The Berry Basket

Tips and tools to support you with your parent participation, positive discipline, and global citizenry.

### **Mulberry Core Value: Integrity**

A true indicator of personal integrity is the manner in which one handles him/herself when mistakes or errors in judgment are made. Children at Mulberry School integrate the idea that meaningful, deep learning cannot occur without such errors, and understand that through the challenge of mistakes, one must hold onto honest, humble attitudes and behaviors. Our students are young people of high character who display personal integrity in word and deed.

## **Special Guest at Friday Coffee this Week!**

Please join us for coffee this Friday, Nov 3<sup>rd</sup>, in the courtyard. Mulberry Alumni Parent, Muffie Wiebe Waterman, PhD, will be visiting to preview and discuss her book: Wired to Listen: What Kids Learn from What We Say. We've been fortunate to have Muffie speak at parent meetings, as well as provide a number of blogs to our website. She's a wealth of information and such fun to talk with. Hope you can stop by to say hello.

## **Get Your Mulberry Gear for Winter:**

Did you know we have awesome Mulberry hoodies for sale? (t-shirts too) Come by the office to place your order anytime. Stay cozy and rep your school at the same time!

## Message from the Magic of Mulberry Team:

A very Magical Thank You to our Kindergarten Families. Their class has 92% participation! In a close second is our second-grade class with 90% participation.

We have three weeks left in our campaign and have received \$78,748.67 in donations and pledges with an additional \$28,469.59 in corporate matching commitments for a total of **\$107,218.26** raised to date. Thank you for continuing to come together as a community to support our school. Please join us in thanking...

The Acton-Persselin Family  
The Ahr Family  
Sam Alkan  
The Almeida Family  
Sean & Janine Andersen  
The Anderson-Grubb Family  
Anonymous  
The Aversa-Goodman Family  
The Bharania-Dominik Family  
The Boor Family  
The Bott Family  
The Dickston-Botzas Family  
The Brady Family  
The Brambilla Family  
The Brouk Family  
The Cameron Family  
The Carter Family  
The Cleland-Macavinta Family  
The Daniels Family  
The DaRosa Family  
The Davidson-Rivilis Family  
The Doughty Family  
The Royal Dyche/Maggi Clan  
The Evans Family

The Foldenauer Family  
The Garcia Family  
The Ghofrani Family  
The Gifford Family  
The Giotta Family  
The Golbetz Family  
Sara Gonzalez  
The Grigorieff Family  
The Gundrum-Boyd Family  
The Gunther Family  
The Haugaard Family  
The Hillebrecht Family  
The Hsu Family  
The Joyce Family  
The Kaminski Family  
The Kaplan Family  
The Karpel Family  
The Katz-Musicer Family  
Kirsten King  
The Fox-King Family  
The Kostelnik Family  
The Kramer Family  
The Lareau Family  
The Last Family

Lawler Children  
The Lien-Gonzalez Family  
The Lin Family  
The Lowy Family  
Laurel Maguire  
The Mark Family  
The Mazandarani Family  
Helga McHugh  
The McQueen Family  
The Mejia Family  
The Miller Family  
The Mohsin Family  
The Mortenson Family  
The Murphy Family  
The Nakamura Family  
The Pappu Family  
The Pillai-Nachnani Family  
The Pong Family  
The Potenza Family  
Judy Quigley  
The Riordan Family  
The Romano Family  
The Rutlin Family  
Debi Sabo

The Schumaker-Trottier Family  
The Senior Family  
The Shank Family  
The Lozowicki-Sims Family  
Lanyll and Michael Smith  
The Stolp Family  
Rick & Ann Tavan  
The Tavernise Family  
The Te Whau Family  
The TenBrink Family  
The Thieme-Meyer Family  
The Toso-Rinaldi Family  
Esther Trejo-Milioto  
Kipp Trieu  
The Tsybulsky Family  
The Waterman Family  
The Welzenback Family  
The Wendland Family  
The English-Wioncek Family  
The Witter Family  
The Wong Family  
The Wood-Penh Family  
The Young Family  
The Zenker-Buffi Family

## Common Ground Speaker Series:

The Common Ground Speaker Series presents distinguished speakers in education, parenting and health at venues on the San Francisco Peninsula. Parents, faculty and staff at our 30 member schools attend Common Ground events free of charge. Guests not affiliated with a member school may attend for a \$20 fee at the door.

Coming in November...

**Lee Mun Wah**

### **Creating Community & Connection Across Cultures**

- Tues, November 7 at 9am      The Harker School, Middle School Campus
- Tues, November 7 at 7pm      Woodside Elementary School
- Wed, November 8 at 7pm      Menlo School, Athletics Centre

Join us for an *uncommon* Common Ground workshop led by master diversity trainer Lee Mun Wah. As parents and educators, we will learn how to build a sense of community among multicultural groups to better encourage our children in doing the same.

## Elementary/Middle School Thanksgiving Feast 2017:

Hello Mulberry Families! Save the date as the Annual Elementary/Middle School Thanksgiving Feast is soon approaching and we can't wait to celebrate with our wonderful Mulberry community! The festivities will take place on Friday, November 17<sup>th</sup> from 12pm to 2pm. The children will perform in the HUB at noon and then everyone will enjoy a delicious home cooked potluck lunch together.

An important part of making this event a success is for everyone to bring a dish or item to share. We respectfully request that each Mulberry School family signs up for one slot. Signing up is really easy using this link for Sign-Up Genius. [Elementary/Middle School Thanksgiving Feast Sign Up](#)

We are also working with the **Green Team** to help reduce our waste. Please be sure to label your food item's reusable container and any serving utensils with your name for easy retrieval after the event. We would also like to encourage everyone to bring their own reusable plates, cups, napkins, and utensils to use at the feast. Please help us minimize our carbon footprint!

Please drop off your item at the school kitchen by 9 am if possible, or no later than 11:45 am.

*For everyone's safety, please remember that Mulberry School Policy states that we strive to be a nut-free environment, but because food is brought in, Mulberry cannot assume responsibility for or guarantee a nut-free environment. For potluck events, we ask the Mulberry Community to bring only nut free items which includes no traces of nuts or processed in a facility with nuts. All food brought into school must be accompanied with a list of ingredients. If the food items are "Dairy Free", "Gluten Free", "Egg Free" etc. Please label them as such.*

## **Hello Mulberry campers!**

For those of you still needing to sign-up for the Mulberry camping trip May 18-20, the sign-up sheet is now in the parent work room. Remember, this is just to show other Mulberry families which site you intend to reserve, this does not actually hold or reserve your spot. You must still get on-line at 8:00am November 18th to officially reserve your desired site (see direction sheet in the parent work room). Also, please make sure you note the site you have selected so you're prepared for registration day. I believe all camp sites can accommodate two tents, so site sharing is encouraged. Email any questions to [mortenson.stephanie@yahoo.com](mailto:mortenson.stephanie@yahoo.com).

This will be such a fun weekend, hope to see you all there!

Stephanie Mortenson  
PAC

## **Have you ordered hot lunch for your child yet?**

Hot lunch at Mulberry is provided by **My Green Lunch**. They use all organic food, and have lots of tasty options available each day. You can check them out on their website [mygreenlunch.com](http://mygreenlunch.com). There is a link on our website. Imagine not having to pack your child's lunch on those busy mornings...

## **Parent Sub List:**

Now that parent participation has started in elementary and middle school, you may find yourself in need of a sub. Subs must have completed our P.A.T. class to be on the list. You pay them directly at a rate of \$15/hour.

If you'd like to be on the list, let Deanna know. Please include your name, email address, phone number, days/time available, and grades you feel comfortable working in.

So far we have:

- Cecilia DaRosa: [Cecilia39@aol.com](mailto:Cecilia39@aol.com) 408-250-3262 (All Grades)
- Annie Castellino: [castellinoannie@gmail.com](mailto:castellinoannie@gmail.com) 408-856-8858 (All Grades) (8:30am-2:00pm)