

Buzz



MULBERRY
SCHOOL

November 13, 2017

Important Dates in November:

- ~~1:~~ ~~Elem/MS/PS Closed for In-Service~~
- ~~3:~~ ~~PAC Meeting - 9:00am~~
- ~~7 & 8:~~ ~~Common Ground Speaker (info below)~~
- ~~10:~~ ~~2nd Grade Play - 9:00am~~
- 15: Board Meeting - 6:30pm
- 16: PS Thanksgiving Feast - 11:30-12:30
- 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

Important Dates in December:

- 2: Los Gatos Holiday Parade
- 4: All School Meeting - 7:00-9:00pm
- 5: JK/K Sneak Peek - 10am
- 13: Board Meeting - 6:30pm
- 16: Open House - 10:00am-1:00pm
- 17: Preschool Parent Meeting - 6:30-8pm
- 22: 3rd Grade Play - 9:00am
- 22: PAC S'mores & Hot Chocolate - 3pm
- 12/25-1/5: School Closed - Winter Break
- 1/8-1/9: School Closed - In-Service

The Berry Basket

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

Sense of Humor

No one ever said parenting had to be boring or unpleasant. Laughter is often the best way to approach a situation. Try saying, "Here comes the tickle monster to get children who don't pick up their toys." Learn to laugh together and to create games to get unpleasant jobs done quickly. Humor is one of the best—and most enjoyable—parenting tools. Read More: <https://www.positivediscipline.com/articles/sense-humor>

Elementary/Middle School Thanksgiving Feast 2017:

Hello Mulberry Families! The Annual Elementary/Middle School Thanksgiving Feast is here and we can't wait to celebrate with our wonderful Mulberry community! The festivities will take place on Friday, November 17th 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.

We can't make this event a success without you! The feast is just about a week away and there are many slots still waiting to be filled. We need your help! Please take a moment and sign up for a delicious potluck dish to share. Signing up is really easy by going to the website below on Sign-Up Genius.

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B0F4BA8AF2DA31-elementarymiddle>

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.

Parking Reminder: This is a heavily attended event including parents, grandparents, and other extended family. Please give yourself extra time to park and walk. If you live in the neighborhood, please walk to the event. If a carpool is available, please use it. If you are driving (and we know that many will be!) please be courteous to our neighbors and comply with our usual parking restrictions and park only on the school side of Belgatons Road.

Message from the Magic of Mulberry Team:

We are in the final week of our Magic of Mulberry campaign! 108 members of our community have contributed and made pledges for a total of **\$115,768.26**. We are truly grateful for the contributions from our families, faculty & staff, alumni and trustees.

Join us in thanking kindergarten for reaching 100% participation! Now First, Second, and Fourth grades are each only one family away from our 100% participation goal! How exciting!!

Please help us reach 100% participation by emailing a pledge to pledge@mulberry.org or making a donation via [PayPal](#).

A big "Thank You!" to the following people who have already supported the campaign....

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| The Acton-Persselin Family | The Ghofrani Family | The Lowy Family | The Schumaker-Trottier Family |
| The Ahr Family | The Gifford Family | Laurel Maguire | The Senior Family |
| Sam Alkan | The Giotta Family | The Mark Family | The Shank Family |
| The Almeida Family | The Golbetz Family | The Mazandarani Family | The Lozowicki-Sims Family |
| Sean & Janine Andersen | Sara Gonzalez | Helga McHugh | Lanyll and Michael Smith |
| The Anderson-Grubb Family | The Grigorieff Family | The McQueen Family | The Sprinkle Family |
| Trish Andrews | The Gundrum-Boyd Family | The Mejia Family | The Stolp Family |
| Anonymous | The Gunther Family | The Menon Family | Rick & Ann Tavan |
| The Aversa-Goodman Family | The Haugaard Family | The Miller Family | The Tavernise Family |
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| The Carter Family | The Katz-Musicer Family | The Pong Family | The Waterman Family |
| The Cleland-Macavinta Family | The Fox-King Family | The Potenza Family | The Welzenback Family |
| The Daniels Family | Kirsten King | The Prives Family | The Wendland Family |
| The DaRosa Family | The Kostelnik Family | The Pullen-Wescott Family | The English-Wioncek Family |
| The Davidson-Rivilis Family | The Kramer Family | Judy Quigley | The Witter Family |
| The Doughty Family | The Lareau Family | The Riordan Family | The Wong Family |
| The Dyche/Maggi Family Clan | The Last Family | The Romano Family | The Wood-Penh Family |
| The Evans Family | Lawler Children | The Rutlin Family | The Yamamoto Family |
| The Foldenauer Family | The Lien-Gonzalez Family | Debi Sabo | The Young Family |
| The Garcia Family | The Lin Family | The Schoenecker Family | The Zenker-Buffi Family |

Los Gatos Holiday Parade – Walk with Mulberry on Dec 2nd!

Mulberry will again be walking in the Los Gatos Holiday Parade this year. We will also again be offering an **exclusive** t-shirt to all those in attendance! Students, teachers, parents, grandparents, alumni, friends, even dogs... all are welcome! Strollers are fine, but no scooters or bikes please.

If you plan to attend, please reply to the Buzz email, or sign up with Daniela in the office. Please include the number of people you're bringing, and what size shirt each of them wears.

The parade is a fabulous event and the kids have SO much fun walking down the street with their friends, waving to the crowds on the sidewalk.

All of the details, including timing and meet-up location, will be in the next Buzz. In the meantime, SIGN UP so you can get the awesome t-shirt. If you have any questions, email Deanna at dhaugaard@mulberry.org

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. 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 or 408-529-6385.

Here are the steps to complete your booking:

Day before registration...

You MUST create an account prior to reserving your campsite. ReserveCalifornia is using a new system, so even if you had an account in the past, you'll need to set up a new one.

Day of registration (Nov 18)...

- Be prepared to log in right at 8am
- Select "Reservations"
- Select "Online Reservations"
- Enter "SUNSET B" in the "City or Park" box
- Enter Arrival Date
- Enter Length of Stay
- Click on "GO"
- Click on the red "reservation" box for Sunset B
- Click on the red "check availability" box for desired loop
- Scroll down to the desired campsite # and select arrival date
- Confirm dates, complete extra information, agree to terms & conditions, click "RESERVE UNIT"

Exciting Author Visit Coming Soon!

J. Scott Savage will visit our school on December 7, 2017 at 9:30am for an author presentation.

He is the author of 16 novels including the Mysteries of Cove series, the Farworld middle grade fantasy series, and the Case File 13 middle grade monster series. He has been writing and publishing books for over fourteen years.

Attached you will find a flyer with more details on his visit, as well as a way to purchase autographed copies of his book.

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. There is a link on our website. Imagine not having to pack your child's lunch on those busy mornings...

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!

Parent Sub List:

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 408-250-3262 (All Grades)
- Annie Castellino: castellinoannie@gmail.com 408-856-8858 (All Grades) (8:30am-2:00pm)