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## MG Family News 02/26/2020

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# THE FLYER

## MONARCH GROVE NEWS



## **PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE: JUST GETTING STARTED**

Many parents have commented to us about the positive impact of the 7 Habits and Leader in Me. Believe it or not, we are only just beginning! It's a multi-year process with more staff training this year, next year, and likely the school year after that. Here is some of what to expect:

- Leadership at the classroom level, with teachers and students working together to create leadership roles and mission statements.
- Individual students, classrooms, grade levels, and the whole school setting Wildly Important Goals (WIGS), tracking progress, and celebrating success.
- Student leadership notebooks that they use to reflect on the 7 Habits, their goals, and their progress.
- 7 Habits training for families.
- Events such as Leadership Day, where students showcase their learning and leadership for their families and the community.
- Student leadership through service learning.
- Refinement and deepening of student leadership roles and 7 Habits instruction.

We hope you continue to enjoy watching this unfold. We are excited to build an even stronger culture of student empowerment and ownership.

Sincerely,  
*Lara Storm*  
Principal

# COMING EVENTS



## **WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 26**

Information Session for Potential Families, 5:00-6:00 PM, Library

## **FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 28**

Read Across America

Dress as a Book Character Fun Day

## **MONDAY, MARCH 2**

No School, Teacher Work Day

## **MARCH 2-MARCH 27**

TK and Kindergarten Registration

District Open Enrollment

## **WEDNESDAY, MARCH 4**

Information Session for Potential Families, 9:00-10:00 AM, Library

## **SUNDAY, MARCH 8**

Time Change, Ahead 1 Hour

## **MARCH 9-13**

Minimum Days for Parent Teacher Conferences

## **FRIDAY, MARCH 20**

Information Session for Potential Families, 9:00-10:00 AM, Library

## **WEDNESDAY, MARCH 25**

Minimum Day for Staff Professional Development

## **FRIDAY, MARCH 27**

Monarch's Got Talent, 8:45AM and 6:00PM

## NEWS AND NOTES



**SCIENCE FAIR WINNERS:** What a great night we had at the Exploratorium! The children had a blast making butter, creating an array city, and doing all the other hands-on activities. Congratulations to our first place science fair winners: Kenze Norris in the scientific method category, Mia Garner and Milana Sanson in the investigative method category, Adeline Fritch for robotics, and Vincent Beekman for Rube Goldberg.

**MONARCH'S GOT TALENT:** If your child would like to participate in our annual talent show on March 27, sign-ups are due this Friday. We are doing them electronically this year. **Please fill out this Google Form.**

**REGISTRATION FOR 2020-2021:** Monday we start registration for the 2020-21 school year. Even though it is a non-student day, our office will be open. We will be enrolling incoming TK and Kindergarten students, as well as students in other grade levels from out of the area or private school. Please tell your friends about registration, too! These early enrollment numbers are very important for determining our staffing needs.

**OPEN ENROLLMENT FOR 2020-2021:** The district open enrollment period is from March 2-27. This is the time when families can request transfers between SLCUSD schools. If you are considering a change, we highly encourage you to talk to your child's teacher about the different options. If you know a family that wants to come to Monarch Grove and they currently attend a different SLCUSD school, they should go to their current school's office and fill out an open enrollment form.

**INFORMATION SESSIONS FOR INCOMING FAMILIES:** If you know a family that is interested in attending Monarch Grove in the fall, please let them know that we are doing information sessions on February 26, March 4 and March 20. The sessions include an informational presentation, student-led campus tour and classroom drop-ins. We do have childcare for children ages 4 and up. **This document** has more details about the sessions and registration. Families can **RSVP here**. Incoming Kindergarten families that are interested in Dual Language Immersion at Baywood will want to **check out this document**.

**BOX TOPS COLLECTION TIME:** Do you have Box Tops at home? Please make sure to turn them in to the office or classroom. Once they expire, we can't turn them in, so don't hang on to them too long! Help us fundraise for Monarch Grove!

**LIBRARY CORNER: Battle of the Books:** Congratulations to our newest qualifiers for Battle this week: 3rd grader Asher Feuerstein and 5th graders Jayda Adams and Penelope Yonemoto! Battle of the Books will be held the last Friday in May so keep up the good reading. **4th Grade Self Checkout:** 4th graders created their own library cards and have learned how to check out their own books at the self-checkout station in the library. Stop by and see how it works! **Parent Library Accounts:** Parents can come by the library any time it is open to create a parent library account and check out books from our library. We also have a section of parenting books that can be checked out. See you in the library! -- Mrs. Santoianni

**TREX RECYCLING:** So far this month our collection numbers a bit low, but that is not because the campus has been slacking. The fifth grade students have been growing a plastic whale from all the plastic film on campus filling it to its brim!! What is a plastic whale? Ask a fifth grader and they can tell you all about it. So far for February our total is 75 pounds, plus all the rest in the belly of the whale! Thank you to the families who have been using the collection box in the front office. Remember to collect clean, dry, compressible plastics--

think bubble wrap and dry cleaner bags, bread bags. If you are curious about the Trex Recycling Program you can find out more here: <https://www.trex.com/recycling/recycling-programs/>

**GARDEN NEWS:** Garden Volunteers, it is planting season! Please get your starts, started with the seed box in the shed. Also if you are running out of ideas for garden activities please check out the curriculum bin in the middle garden shed. In addition you can consult your classroom's FOSS kit full of garden appropriate/science activities. The FOSS kits are in the computer room (Tk-3 grade) or the science lab (4-5 grade). Never heard of a FOSS kit? Ask your classroom teacher to show you where your grade's FOSS kit can be found. The kits provide opportunities for hands on science.

**WIN A TRIP TO DISNEYLAND:** Our 4th grade class is selling raffle tickets for a chance to win a Disneyland vacation. The prize package is 10 one-day Disneyland Park Hopper passes (good through 12/25/20) and a \$300 Visa gift card. It is \$10 for one ticket, \$20 for 3 tickets and \$100 for 18 tickets. The drawing is on March 17. Raffle tickets are available in the office or by contacting Jill Stow at 805-748-8138 or [jillstow@gmail.com](mailto:jillstow@gmail.com). Keep an eye out for a table outside of the library every Friday, too. You can buy your tickets using cash, check or credit card.

**LAST CHANCE TO GIVE YOUR INPUT:** Our annual Local Control Accountability Plan survey closes at the end of February. This your opportunity to give input into how the district spends money to support students. Please [complete the short survey here](#).

**PARENT TRAINING FOR IEP MEETINGS:** There is a training coming up, "Building Collaborative and Cooperative Working Relationships with Schools" for families of students with an Individualized Education Plan (IEP). The training teaches parents/guardians how to be effective, non-adversarial participants in their child's IEP meetings. This training is free and will take place at Pacheco Elementary School in San Luis

Obispo. It is on Monday, March 9th from 5:30-8:00PM. Families can register online here:

**<https://slocoe.k12oms.org/2259-181910>**

**KINDERGARTEN ENROLLMENT FOR 2020-2021:** Attached are our new district enrollment procedures for Baywood Elementary and the new Dual Language Immersion program. These procedures are in effect for the coming school year 2020-2021. For Kindergarten registration all families take the child's birth certificate, vaccination record, and proof of address to the home school. Families may elect to apply to attend the Baywood program and complete an open enrollment form. Please let us know if you have any questions.

**ANGEL ACCOUNTS:** Looking for away to help others in need? Consider donating to the Child Nutrition Angel Account. Angel accounts are used to help pay off student meal debt. Meal debt is something no child should have to think about! Help make meal debt a thing of the past. Call the Food & Nutrition Services Office at 805-549-1234 if you would like to donate today.

**ORDER FROM SHUTTERFLY = MONEY TO MG:** Ordering cards and gifts? Invitations? Personalized books? If you use Shutterfly through this link, **8% will come back to our school**. Happy shopping!

**ESTERO BAY COMMUNITY FOUNDATION:** Want to play youth sports? If your family participates in the "School Meals Program," the Community Foundation of Estero Bay Inc. has funds to help with registration fees for activities. See this flyer for more information.

**TRAFFIC REMINDERS:** Rosina Drive between Pine and Doris is a private drive and should not be used by anyone but residents. Please be aware of the no turn signs from Los Osos Valley Road onto Doris. The CHP does ticket violators.

**GET SOCIAL WITH US:** Make sure to follow us on [Instagram](#) and [Facebook](#).

### **COMMUNITY FLIERS**

Please follow [this link](#) to see district approved community fliers (sports, art, clubs and much more). Select "all district" to see activities in San Luis Obispo, Los Osos, and Morro Bay. If you would like to submit a flier for distribution, you can do so at the bottom of [the webpage](#).

### **SUBMISSIONS FOR THE FLYER**

If you have items you would like included in The Flyer, please submit them to our secretary, Debby Hymas. The deadline for inclusion in the week's edition is Monday at noon. Items received after that time will be held until the following week. For questions or assistance, call us at (805) 534-2844.

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