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THE FLYER

MONARCH GROVE NEWS



MGPTA PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE: WALK-A-THON THANK YOU

Another great Walk-a-thon for Monarch Grove!!

A HUGE THANK YOU to all the students and families that fundraised this year to make our biggest fundraiser a success, it is because of all of you **we raised \$31,623.09!** I am so happy and so proud to be a part of a school and community that comes together to support our children and make their enrichment programs a priority year after year.



5th Grader Ella Lewis shows off her winning t-shirt design.

Thank you to all the volunteers who came out to help run the field events, we would not be able to put on such an event without support from our families. Thank you to Mrs. Kirkpatrick who organized the field day and prepped all the games like a boss. An unbelievable help! Also worth a mention, Mrs. Kirkpatrick & Mrs. Ward who covered an entire tug-o-war rope in duct tape so our little people didn't hurt their hands, you are both awesome. Thank you to all teachers and staff who took

time out of your day to attend a walk-a-thon assembly, help gather shirt sizes and run kids through field events. I greatly appreciate your time. Thank you Jen and Debby in the office for all your help. Seriously Debby, you are amazing and so supportive. Thank you Mrs. Storm for working with the PTA and letting us run this amazing event for our school.

A BIG CONGRATULATIONS to this years top earners: Estelle K., David R., Aurora L-C., Kylie K., Devon B., and Axel B. Thank you for all your hard work!

THANK YOU to our amazing 33 business sponsorships!! Yes 33!! They are: AFX Reliable Property Research, Kuma, Barnes & Associates Sotheby's International, Sylvester's, Sunrun, Reeves Auto Repair, Los Osos Valley Dentistry Michael Kobliska, DDS, Golden State Water Company, Team Moreira Jiu Jitsu de Brazil, Envoy Mortgage, Art Center Morro Bay, Five Season Pilates, Bay Osos Brokers, Olcott Construction, Energy Wise Realty, Nichols Pizza, Brightwood Dental, Mike Konjoyan State Farm Agency, Crizer Construction, Miner's Ace Hardware, Academy of Dance, Morro Bay Antiques, The Sock Drawer, Celia's Garden Cafe, Vintage Cheese Company, Volumes of Pleasure Bookshop, Farm School Preschool, Central Coast Optometric Center, La Parilla Mexican Grill, Yogurt Paradise, The Sewing Atelier, Challenge and Fun Inc. Thank you to Sun West Screen Printing for the great shirts and your hard work!

Thanks to your support, we will be able to provide art, music, assemblies, field trips and more to our students. Again, thank you for your dedication to our students. Our community rocks!

Sincerely,

Amillia Pearce

Monarch Grove PTA President

COMING EVENTS

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3

Time Change - "Fall Back" 1 Hour

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 4

PTA Meeting, 6:30, Library

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 8

No School, Teacher Work Day

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 11

No School, Veteran's Day

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 15

Principal's Coffee, 8:25, Library

Topic: Empathy Wins with Eileen Calandro

MONDAY-FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 18-22

Parent-Teacher Conferences

Minimum Days All Week (**Bell Schedule**)

Book Fair All Week

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 20

Empathy Wins Class, 6:00-8:00 PM, MG Library

MONDAY-FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 25-29

No School, Thanksgiving Break

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 4

Minimum Day (**Bell Schedule**)

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 20

Pajama Day

Friends & Family Lunch, 12:10-12:50

DECEMBER 23-JANUARY 3

No School, Winter Break

NEWS AND NOTES

NO HALLOWEEN COSTUMES AT SCHOOL: Please save Halloween costumes, make-up, and/or hair for trick or treating. Have fun and be safe!

PTA MEMBERSHIP CONTEST ENDS TOMORROW: The class with the **highest percentage of PTA members** by October 31 will win a popsicle party! Don't forget that becoming a Magnificent Monarch PTA Sponsor includes a PTA membership. Sponsors support our amazing field trips, art, music and assemblies while getting extra perks! View levels and sponsor benefits **here**. Pay your membership or sponsorship **here via ParentSquare**. Thank you for your support!

P.E. UPDATE: The **lower grades** have been playing creative games with bean bags, hula hoops, jump ropes. They have been working on their hand eye coordination, working together as a team, as well as underhand and overhand throws. We are currently in our soccer unit learning how to dribble and shoot. The **upper grades** have concluded their large group games and moved right into fitness testing. They will be running the mile, doing push ups, curl ups, flexibility with sit and reach, and core and back strength with the trunk lift. Ask you student how they have done so far, what their goals are, and what they still have left to test. Encourage them to be practicing at home!

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

BUILD EMPATHY IN YOUR CHILD: Empathy is the key to resilience, confidence, willpower, and an overall heightened

engagement in school and life. We hope you will take advantage of our upcoming free **Empathy Wins class for parents/guardians** on Wednesday, November 20 from 6:00-8:00 PM in the MG Library. Child care will be provided. This class, taught by Eileen Calandro of Calandro Consulting, teaches parents strategies and offers information to help create connection between peers and family groups. Eileen will be the guest speaker at the November 15 principal's coffee, where she will give a preview of the class.

HELP KIDS BALANCE THEIR MEDIA LIVES: From phones and tablets to streaming movies and YouTube, tech and media are everywhere. Kids love easy access to shows, games, and information. Parents and caregivers love that kids can learn on the go (and stay busy when dinner's cooking). But it's easy to overdo it when the phone never stops pinging and the next episode plays automatically. Families can **keep media and tech use in check** by following a few simple practices. Read the 5 tips ([English](#) or [Spanish](#)).

PLEASE COMPLETE OUR TECHNOLOGY SURVEY: We are once again partnering with BrightBytes, an educational research and analytics company, in order to learn more about our students' school and home technology use for learning. We are reaching out to ask you to take part in our school questionnaire. Your participation helps us form a complete picture of technology use for learning. Please know that all of your responses will remain anonymous to protect your privacy and they will help your child's school choose the right technology for their classrooms. It will take **approximately 5 minutes** to complete. This can be done on your smartphone or a computer. If you have more than one child at Monarch Grove, you only need to complete one survey for Monarch Grove. If you have a child at other schools in our district, you will be asked to complete a survey for each school. Please go here to complete the [survey in English](#) or [here in Spanish](#).

LIBRARY CORNER: Battle of the Books: Students are really working hard on their Battle reading. Last week 65 quizzes were turned in! Keep up the good work - we're eagerly awaiting our next qualifier! Questions about Battle? Visit the library [website](#) or stop by the library anytime! **Lemonade War Continues:** The library has two of each book in The Lemonade War series plus other fun books about lemons and lemonade. Come by the library to check one out! **Origami Bats:** Stop by the library to try your hand at making an origami bat, perfect for the end of October. Then check out one of our many origami or craft books to see what else you can make! See you in the library! -- Mrs. Santoianni

NOVEMBER PTA MEETING: Join us on **Monday, November 4 at 6:30** in the library for our November PTA meeting. PTA is a great way to get involved at Monarch Grove and to get to know other families. See you there!

UPCOMING NO SCHOOL DAYS & MINIMUM DAYS: Please pay special attention to the school calendar for November and December. There is **no school** on Friday, November 8 and Monday, November 11. November 18-22 are **minimum days** ([bell schedule here](#)) for parent-teacher conferences. **Thanksgiving Break** is November 25-29. There is a **minimum day on Wednesday, December 4**. Winter break is December 23-January 3.

BOOK FAIR: The annual **Book Fair is coming November 18-22** and will be set up in the science lab. Please come shop for new titles and classics. A percentage of the sales will go to the school library. Back this year will be the Book Donations --

gently used children's books can be donated at the Book Fair and will be donated to a local charity. New this year, gift cards can be purchased online (and printed) for students and teachers to use to shop at the Book Fair. More information to come about both the book donations and gift cards. Store hours will be listed in the coming week, too, as well as many opportunities to volunteer at this fun annual event.

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.

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 attached [flyer](#) for more information.

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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