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THE FLYER

MONARCH GROVE NEWS



PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE:

HABIT 2: BEGIN WITH THE END IN MIND



The next two weeks, we are focusing on **Habit 2: Begin with the End in Mind**. Our students are learning some of these concepts, depending upon their grade level:

- Centering your life on timeless and universal **principles**, such as honesty, fairness, respect, and responsibility.
- **Setting goals** and focusing on the ones that are "Wildly Important."
- Having a **plan** to achieve your goals. Make a picture in your mind of how you want something to turn out, then do it.
- **Thinking ahead** and imagining the future tomorrow and five years from now.
- When working as a team, having **clear expectations** so all team members know what to do.
- Knowing that every choice you make has a **consequence**. One naturally leads to the other.
- Writing a **personal mission statement**, or motto for your life.

There are many ways for families to **Begin with the End in Mind at home**. Here are two ideas to get you started:

- Set a **family goal** for the week. Make a plan for achieving this short-term goal.
- Talk to your child about what he or she **wants to accomplish in life**. Talk about how your family and community can help with those dreams.

If you aren't following us on **Facebook** or **Instagram**, please do! We post information about the 7 Habits along with other snapshots from around campus. It's a great way to get a peek into your child's world at school.

Sincerely,
Lara Storm
Principal

COMING EVENTS

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 7

Principal's Coffee, 8:25, Library

Topic: Talking to Children About Differences

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 10

No School, Lincoln's Birthday

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 13

English Learner Advisory Council (ELAC), 6:00

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 17

No School, Presidents' Day

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 18

Science Fair Projects Due

Jr. Lighthouse Presents at SLCUSD School Board, 6:00, LOMS

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 21

Exploratorium and Science Fair, 5:00-7:00, MPR

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 25

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

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 26

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

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

NEWS AND NOTES

TALKING TO CHILDREN ABOUT DIFFERENCES PRINCIPAL'S COFFEE: Has your child pointed out someone's differences and you didn't know how to respond? Wish you had responded differently? Our guest speaker, Sandra Sarrouf, will give us some guidance on how to talk to kids about race, gender, ability, culture and other differences. I hope you will join us for this awesome discussion! The coffee is this Friday, February 7 at 8:25 in the library. [RSVP here.](#)

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 in late February and early March. 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.](#)

FOOD DRIVE WINNER: The big winners of the winter food drive is our TK class! Thank you to everyone for contributing. We are able to support many families through your donations.

NEWS FROM THE NURSE: The peak of the cold and flu season is upon us. We have experienced a significant increase in the number of students reporting flu and cold like symptoms. The Center for Disease Control recommends the first and best way to protect against flu is to get a yearly flu vaccine for yourself and your child. To minimize widespread flu in the school, we recommend your child stay home from school if experiencing flu or cold symptoms. Please keep your student home until they are fever free for 24 hours. To decide whether or not to send your child to school, please consider the attached [guidelines.](#)

FLOCKING FLAMINGOS: Flock your friends and family February 3rd through February 14th, which supports the 4th grade class attending camp next fall. Flocking is a fun way to show friends, businesses and family that they are being thought of.

Please pick up an order form in the office, or print one out [here](#).

EQUITY PARENT MEETING: Our school and the district have been actively engaged in equity related activities over the past 2 years to help all of our students to be successful. Please join us on Thursday, February 13th, from 6:00-7:30 pm at Bishop's Peak Elementary multi-purpose room for a community meeting to share the activities we are doing and to have a conversation on talking across differences. We will share this workshop with Raise-Up SLO, a local volunteer organization of parents. We would love to have your thoughts, opinions, and participation in this event. See attached [flyer](#) for more information. Sign-up at [Eventbrite](#) to let us know that you are coming. Seating is limited, see you there!

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. 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.

LIBRARY CORNER: Battle of the Books: Congratulations to 5th grader Autumn Judge who is the latest student to qualify for Battle! **California Young Reader Medal Voting:** 4th and 5th graders read the three books in the Picture Book for Older Readers (PBOR) category for California Young Reader Medal. This week each student will choose their favorite and cast their vote. K-3rd graders will be finishing up their last book this week (TK after the Monday holidays) and will be voting next week. Check out the CYRM website for the nominees (or stop by the library) and then stay tuned here for the results! See you in the library! -- Mrs. Santoianni

TREX RECYCLING: Monarch Grove collected a total of 268 pounds of plastic trash in 2019, but then in January alone we collected 139 lbs of plastic!! I had to double check my math and added it all up three times and yes we DID collected almost half a years worth of plastic in one month. Wow!! Monarch Grove you continue to impress!! Good work. Thank you to the families who have been using the collection box in the front office. Remember to collect clean, dry, compressible plastics-- think bread bags and apple 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: Volunteers - There is a bin full of a variety of new seeds in the middle garden shed that are begging to be planted. Please get your seeds going in the greenhouse, or direct plant seeds that are frost tolerant. If you need help with finding them or planting them email me at sandra@hollandknapp.com and I am happily to point you in the right direction. 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 or the science lab. Never heard of a FOSS kit? Ask your classroom teacher to show you where the FOSS kit can be found. They have super fun opportunities for hands on science. Thank you to all the volunteers who help make the garden happen!! You ROCK!!

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.

ATTENTION 4TH GRADE FAMILIES: We want your help selling Disneyland raffle tickets! Think about selling to your family, coworkers, neighbors and friends. Let's get these kids to camp! If you are willing to help, please get in touch with Jill Stow at 805-748-8138 or jillstow@gmail.com.

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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