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## MG Flyer - Family News 1/13/2020

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# THE FLYER



## MONARCH GROVE NEWS

### MESSAGE FROM THE CO-PRINCIPALS: FAMILY RESOURCES FOR DIGITAL CITIZENSHIP AND LITERACY SUPPORT

Working together, schools and families can prepare kids to think critically and use technology in positive, creative, and powerful ways. Each month the district will be sharing a different digital citizenship tip. Check out this month's Family tip on digital citizenship: **Help Boost Kids' Safety, Privacy, and Security (ELEM)**, **Ayudemos a fortalecer la privacidad y seguridad de los niños (ELEM)**.

Teacher's College has created resources for families to support literacy development in distance learning. There are family videos (**K-2, 3-5**), book collections, "Ask a Literacy Expert" office hours, and even free workshops. There are resources in Spanish, too. **Check out all the resources here** or click on the appropriate grade level above to just see the family videos.

We hope these resources will be a helpful tool as we continue on the road of distance learning.

This weeks habit activity comes from Mrs. Davidson. It focuses on Habit 2: Begin with the end in mind. This task is great for all of us to practice daily: Each night make a plan for your day tomorrow.

Sincerely,  
*Lara Storm & Shelly King*  
Co-Principals

### COMING EVENTS

#### **MONDAY, JANUARY 18**

No School, Martin Luther King Jr. Day

#### **WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 20**

Material Pick-up, 1:00-3:00

#### **THURSDAY, JANUARY 21**

Diverse Monarchs, 6:30pm

#### **MONDAY, FEBRUARY 1**

PTA Meeting, 6:30pm

#### **WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 3**

Material Pick up, 1:00-3:00

**MONDAY, FEBRUARY 8**

No School, Presidents Day

**WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 10**

Special Valentine's Day Pick-Up, 1:00 - 3:00

ELAC Meeting, 6:00pm

**MONDAY, FEBRUARY 15**

No School, Lincoln's Birthday

**THURSDAY, February 18**

Diverse Monarchs, 6:30pm

## NEWS AND NOTES

**FLAMINGO FLOCKING IS BACK!!** The 4th grade class will be running the flamingo flocking fundraiser for the month of February. A super fun fundraiser where a flock of flamingos (fun plastic ones that is) fly into your yard in the evening, hang out for the day and then move on to the next location. Great way to spread some fun and cheer to our kiddos, friends, family and neighbors. More info to come!!

**LIBRARY CORNER:** Million Word Reader: Our Monarchs are continuing to read and take their AR quizzes. Be sure to ask your child to show you the latest Million Word Reader Challenge update - it is posted in all 3rd - 5th grade Google classrooms.

**Book Checkout:** Thank you to those families who have responded to the survey we sent out before break - I am appreciating all the feedback and working to make adjustments. If you'd still like to provide your feedback on book checkout, you can fill out the form [here](#). We are going to stay with the book checkout system we started after Thanksgiving break for now. That means any student/family can request books each week (no more worrying if it's your turn by last name). You are welcome to keep books that your child is still reading, but we ask that you return books you are done with as soon as you are able to so other students have a chance to read them as well.

Overdue notices will be sent out for books more than 30 days overdue. [Here is the form for TK-2nd](#) (remember, you can request specific books, in addition to the book sets) and [here is the video showing 3rd-5th](#) graders how to request their books in our library catalog Destiny. If you have questions, please [email me](#).

**Online Reading Options:** Don't forget we now have access to Sora through both the district and the public library (no library card needed!). You can find the steps to set up your child's account [here](#) or watch the video [here](#). Through the public library with a library card you and your child also have access to eReading options through platforms like CloudLibrary, Libby and Hoopla. If you need help getting a library card, I am happy to help! See you in the (virtual) library and at book pickup! -- Mrs. Santoianni

**DIVERSE MONARCHS:** This is a 5 minute description of systemic racism: [Systemic Racism Explained](#)  
Our next Diverse Monarchs meeting is Thursday, January 21 at 6:30 pm. Everyone is welcome! We will be discussing resources and what to share next!

**FROM THE COUNSELOR:** If you'd like guidance on how to talk to your kids about the attack on our capitol, this may be helpful:

**Talking to Kids About the Attack**

If you are looking for parenting classes: [Parent Connection SLO](#)

*Daina Catlin, Counselor*

**PTA NEWS:** It's time to start thinking about the PTA Board Elections, are you interested in volunteering your time for the little people of Monarch? We typically hold elections in the month of March, available positions are

President

Vice President

Treasurer

Secretary

Parliamentarian

Historian

Please contact [monarchgrovepta@gmail.com](mailto:monarchgrovepta@gmail.com) if you are interested in joining the board.

**TECHNOLOGY HELPLINE:** Tech support is available to SLCUSD families who need help with their student's device. Please call 805-549-1250 or email us at [techhelp@slcusd.org](mailto:techhelp@slcusd.org) if you are experiencing any issues with your student's device. The hours of operation are from 8:00AM-4:00PM Monday-Friday.

#### 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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