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Monarch Grove Elementary

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THE FLYER

MONARCH GROVE NEWS



PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE: ALL SCHOOL BOOK CLUB

During October, we will be embarking on a special project, an all-school book club called One School, One Book. Every family will receive a copy of the same book and will be asked to read it together at home over the next few weeks. We have kept the book title completely under wraps, with the big reveal at tomorrow night's kickoff at 6:00 in the MPR. This is an event that everyone will be talking about the next day, with **costumes, treats for the kids, and a special surprise guest**. RSVP for the evening here. Make sure to bring a blanket for your family to sit on.

If you can't attend the kickoff, your oldest or only child at Monarch Grove will be coming home with the book on Friday. We will start by reading chapter one the evening of Monday, October 1. We will continue through the chapters throughout the month. Each chapter only takes about 15 minutes to read aloud. At school, your child will be invited to answer daily trivia questions to encourage and reward attentive listening. In class, students will explore the book through activities and discussion. You will want to make sure your family keeps up so that your child feels included.

I know you will enjoy this special reading time with your family. I can't wait to talk with both adults and students about the story as the month progresses. When a whole school reads a book, there is a lot to talk about! I look forward to working with you to build a community of readers at Monarch Grove.

Sincerely,
Mrs. Lara Storm
Principal

COMING EVENTS

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 27

Picture Day

One School, One Book Kickoff, 6:00PM, MPR

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 2-FRIDAY, OCTOBER 5

5th Graders to Camp Ocean Pines

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 2

Meal Assistance Applications Due

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 10

Walk to School Day

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 12

Principal's Coffee, 8:25 AM, Library

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 19

Walk-a-Thon

MONDAY, OCTOBER 22

Vision Screening

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 26

Halloween Dance

NEWS AND NOTES

PICTURE DAY IS TOMORROW: Picture day is tomorrow! It's easy to order your photos online! [Directions here](#).

MONART AFTER SCHOOL ART CLASS: Again this year, our fabulous art teacher Caroline Vaccaro is offering Monart to our students. She will have new projects! Please have your child join her on Mondays after school from 2:45-4:00. See attached flyer for more information.

LIBRARY CORNER: What We're Learning: Curious to know what your student is doing in library? In TK and Kinder, students are practicing good book care and learning how to turn book pages carefully. 1st grade students have learned how to use shelf markers to help

them find books and how to use the 5 finger rule to pick out a "just right" book. 2nd graders are reviewing call numbers on books and how they tell us where a book lives in the library. 3rd graders have been learning how to search for books using our online catalog, [Destiny](#) (they can do this at home!), while 4th and 5th graders have learned how to log in to their Destiny accounts to see what they have checked out and what might be overdue (this can be done at home, too), how to write a review of a book and how to send a book recommendation to another student. Be sure to ask your child about all these cool things they're working on in the library! **New Books and Parent Checkouts:** We've got some great new books in the library so stop by to check them out (literally). Parents - did you know you can get an account for our Monarch Grove Library so you can check out books, too? Stop by the library to get your account today! See you in the library! -- Mrs. Santoianni

OCTOBER PTA MEETING: Our next meeting is Monday, October 1 at **6:30** (NEW TIME) in the library. [Please RSVP!](#)

WALK-A-THON IS COMING: Walk-a-Thon envelopes went home, so start collecting donations! We need volunteers for the Walk-a-Thon on October 19. Sign up [here](#).

POPSICLES & POPCORN ON FRIDAY: Popsicles & Popcorn will be for sale after school this FriYAY to support the 4th graders going to science camp next year. Outshine popsicles are \$2 and popcorn is by donation.

HALLOWEEN DANCE: The Halloween Dance is right around the corner, so mark your calendars for Friday, October 26th! If you are interested in helping with dance set up, at the dance, or want to donate goodies, please sign up [here](#). There is a **dance committee meeting** on Monday, October 8 at 2:00 in room 23. Everyone is welcome!

GARDEN UPDATE: All garden volunteers, please contact Jessie Gade at jgade@slcusd.org if you missed the first garden orientation meeting a second meeting has been scheduled for this Wednesday, September 26th at 3 p.m. in the garden. Hope to see you there.

VISION SCREENING VAN: On Monday, October 22, students in grades TK, K, 2, 5 and SDC will have their vision checked by local volunteer optometrists. This valuable program is sponsored by the local Lion's Club and is a screening only. If you do not wish your child to participate, please send a note addressed to the school nurse the day of the screening. Parents will receive notification of results only if a potential vision problem has been detected.

WORKING IN SAN LUIS COASTAL: Have you ever had thoughts about working in the school that your child attends? Or in a department where you can use your skills? We are always looking for people to fill different positions in our district. Why not consider substituting in various places/jobs to try it out and see if San Luis Coastal is the place for you? The following jobs can be found on our website (www.slcusd.org - departments - human resources - job opportunities): Adult Education Childcare Aide, Bus Drivers, Crossing Guards, Custodian, Food Service Workers, Playground Supervisors, Special Education

Paraeducator (Instructional Aide). Access us online or give your child's school a call for more information!

BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION: Did you see the green sheet we sent home to help you collect Box Tops? Our goal is to have every student return a completed sheet this year. The school receives 10 cents for each box top submitted. It may not seem like a lot, but if every student brings in 25 box tops this year that would be **almost a thousand dollars** for our school to use towards educational materials. Please hold on to this sheet, return them as they are full and pick up a new one to continue to support our school! You can also print the form [here!](#)

ONLINE PAYMENTS FOR FOOD SERVICE: We are getting a number of calls/emails from parents who do not know that we have a NEW online payment center to accept online meal payments and view student meal account information. We now use www.k12paymentcenter.com and ALL previous payments/account funds have rolled over into the new system.

MEAL BENEFITS & APPLICATION: SLCUSD is proud to WAIVE ALL REDUCED PRICED MEALS this school year! If your family qualifies for free or reduced priced meals, you pay zero! It is easy to [apply online here](#) and benefits expire October 2, so make sure to reapply if you haven't. **Even if you do not think you qualify, please submit an application.** It can help our entire school, because if a certain percentage of students qualify, we receive additional funding. If your family qualifies, you can also receive assistance with recreational sports through the Community Foundation of Estero Bay.

VOLUNTEERS: Parent volunteers! If you signed up to help this year, THANK YOU! We are still reaching out to all those willing, but don't wait on us! If you'd like to help and haven't been plugged in yet, reach out! We have lots of need still across campus, at PTA events or in the classroom. If you need help finding an event that's best, ask Erin Davis for more info on upcoming events: erindavis@alipaz.com or (805) 235-6254. See you around MG!

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.

DOWNLOAD THE PARENTSQUARE APP: Stay involved with your child's learning and activities at Monarch Grove all from your phone. Visit the Apple App Store to download or get the Android App on Google Play.

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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