



# PRCS Coyote Howl

Week of October 8, 2018

## OCTOBER

- 10/8 Booster Meeting at 7:45am in B34
- 10/8 Traffic Safety Week 10/8 – 10/12
- 10/8 PTA KDLP Committee sponsored Korean Thanksgiving (Chuseok) lunch time activity for all students
- 10/9 KDLP School Tour for incoming students at 9:00am in MPR
- 10/10 Walk To School Day!!!
- 10/10 8<sup>th</sup> Grade PSAT for registered 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> grade students
- 10/11 Make Up Picture Day for K – 8<sup>th</sup> Grade
- 10/11 School Site Council Meeting at 3:00pm in B34
- 10/18 California Shake Out Drill at 10:40am – Request and Reunion Gate instruction and map attached.
- 10/19 Boo BINGO Night – PTA sponsored family event
- 10/24 Dine Out at Islands in Porter Ranch
- 10/26 Coffee with the Principal at 8:30am in MPR
- 10/31 Elementary Halloween Costume Parade time TBD on YARD  
Middle School Minimum Day only dismissal at 12:27pm  
Middle School Halloween Dance at 1:00pm in MPR

## NOVEMBER

- 11/1 PALI Camp Info Night for 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Parents at 6:30pm in MPR
- 11/5 Booster Meeting at 7:45am in B33
- 11/6 Election Day – PRCS Library is a Polling Place
- 11/7 PTA Board Meeting at 8:30am in B32
- 11/8 School Site Council Meeting in B33
- 11/12 No School – In observance of Veteran's Day
- 11/14 – 11/16 Elementary only Minimum Days for Parent Teacher Conf.
- 11/19 – 11/23 Thanksgiving Break
- 11/28 PTA Association Meeting at 8:30am in B32

## Message from Ms. Melvin

Walk to School Day is Wednesday the 10th! Please see the flier for directions and support Walk to School Day! Volunteers will be in place starting at 7:20am!

PRCS Library is a polling location on Election Day on November 6. The gate on Mason will be open for voters to have access to the library only. The rest of the campus gates will remain locked as well as the MPR rear doors. Please plan to walk to school or allow extra time to drop off and or park and walk safely!

I was able to join our Councilman, Mr. Englander, at the ground breaking for the new 50 acre Porter Ranch Park with some of our middle school students. What a gift to our community!

### Elementary Parent Teacher Conferences:

11/13 Early Tuesday

11/14, 11/15, 11/16

Dismissal: TK/K at 12:49pm

1<sup>st</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> at 12:34pm



### CLASSROOMS RESPONSIBLE FOR TRAFFIC

#### DUTY

- Mrs. Wamsley 10/8 – 10/12
- Mrs. Yang 10/15 – 10/19
- Mrs. Guerra 10/22 – 10/26
- Mrs. Yeghyazarians 10/29 – 11/ 2

Walk to School Day is October 10th. We will need additional parent volunteer support, please sign up with Gabbie at [gabriellesu@gmail.com](mailto:gabriellesu@gmail.com)

Thank you for volunteering to keep our students safe!!! We couldn't do it without the help of every class participating in the traffic duty.



JOIN THE SHOW TODAY!

★ \$500.00 Party for classrooms with the MOST MEMBERSHIPS! ★  
★ PORTER RANCH PTA for classrooms with 100% PARTICIPATION! ★

## Schoolwide News

### **LAUSD Parent Portal for grades TK/Kinder thru 8<sup>th</sup> Grade – all parents and guardians register!**

**Parent Portal** - Once you are set up for Parent Portal, parents can monitor grades and assignments that links to Schoology, monitor student's attendance, and have access to SBAC testing scores and more..... Get started!

<http://passport.lausd.net>

NEW!!! Updated for added security. PIN code for each child has been sent home in the mail from the district. Parent or guardian will each need a different PIN code that is assigned to each child in order to sign up or stay registered. The new PIN codes must be used by the end of October before they are deactivated. Please make this your priority! PRCS needs to have 100% registered.

**The Great California Shake Out Drill** will be on Thursday, October 18 at 10:40am on our campus. The drill will prepare us in case of an emergency at school, such as an earthquake or lockdown. Please take a few moments to review the following LAUSD Emergency Protocol that is attached, along with the REQUEST and REUNION Map and directions to follow.

**GET POPPIN' WITH THE PRC PTA!** The PTA Membership drive is in full swing! Get Popping with the PRC PTA! Don't forget to turn in your envelopes or conveniently join online at [jointotem.com/ca/porter-ranch/porter-ranch-community-pta/join](http://jointotem.com/ca/porter-ranch/porter-ranch-community-pta/join). Don't forget to put your child's name in the Memo section so their class receives credit! Classes with 100% participation by 10/20 will get a popcorn party! The class with the most overall memberships will receive a Kona Ice party! Be a part of our school community and join today!

**Make up Picture Day** with School Portraits for ES and MS will be on Thursday, October 11. Order forms went home with students. If you would like have a retake, please bring in the picture packet to return and let your child's teacher know that your child will need to get a retake. MS students will do retakes during 1<sup>st</sup> period.

**PRC PTA cordially invites you to the 5<sup>th</sup> annual GALA "A Night in the Garden"** Friday, November 30 at 7:00PM. Invitations went home with students, please send in your RSVP with payment to the Gala Box in the Main Office. Questions? Email [Alice534@hotmail.com](mailto:Alice534@hotmail.com)

**Parent Volunteer Badges** – The district approved volunteer badges have arrived. If you have not been processed, but would still like to be a volunteer on campus, please turn in your paperwork to the main office. Turnaround time is approximately 2 weeks at this time. Instructions to apply can be found on the last page of the HOWL. Parents will need to show their volunteer badge in order to volunteer on campus and to attend any field trips as a chaperone.

**STAFF Parking Lot is reserved for staff members only 7:00am – 2:45pm daily.** PRCS has Coyote Kids Care staff, Youth Service Coaches and daily enrichment teachers that need to park in time to be ready for their students. Thank you for your cooperation.

**Elementary School** – please see school wide news

**Middle School**

**PSAT for registered students** - The exam will be administered on Wednesday, October 10 at 7:50am in MPR. Registration is now closed. Reminders went home with students. Please contact Mr. Demirjic if you have any questions.

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**Turkey Bowl** – Eligible 8<sup>th</sup> students will be playing a flag football game during 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> period on Friday, November 16. In order to be eligible to play on the team, a student must not have any U's in work habits or cooperation and or D's or Fails at any time before the game day. Students have been notified during their PE class. All students will be able to participate as spectators and cheer on their fellow classmates.

**10 Week grading period closes on Friday, October 12** – 10 Week Progress Report Cards will be mailed home the week of the 15<sup>th</sup>. Please note that the letter "M" means standards are being met and the grade is a "C" or higher, if not they will receive an appropriate letter grade. This is a great opportunity to discuss with your child about their progress and use the information from grades and assignments using the Parent Portal to see details of their assignments and test scores. If parents have any questions or concerns, please contact your child's teacher by email. In order to meet with your child's teacher, make sure you have an appointment. Teachers are busy teaching in their classrooms.

**Homework Club** is now Ms. Lavin for English and Ms. Amighi for math. Space is limited, first come first served. Homework Club is held on Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays. 3:00pm – 4:00pm

**Mrs. Almany's Hours:** Mondays 8:00am – 1:00pm. Tuesdays 8:00am – 1:30pm, Thursdays 8:00am – 12:30pm

## TRAFFIC SAFETY REMINDERS:

- Parking lot speed limit is 8 mph
- No pick up or drop offs in the staff parking lot
- No double parking to drop off or pick up
- Double parking blocks visibility for other children and vehicles
- Students must be picked up curb side
- No Jay Walking
- Please carpool to reduce the number of vehicles at the school

## ON CAMPUS FOR VISITORS AND VOLUNTEERS:

Must sign in at the main office and have a visitor sticker or volunteer badge on at all times while on campus for safety. Parents or guardians may come on campus when the bell rings and the gates open for pick up.

- Main Gate opens at 2:19pm and 1:19pm on Tuesdays
- Sesnon Gate opens at 2:50pm and 1:29pm on Tuesdays
- ES minimum days - Main Gate only at dismissal
- MS minimum days - Sesnon Gate and students can walk through the main office
- STAFF parking is reserved for staff from 7:00am to 2:45pm

**AMAZON SHOPPING REWARDS PROGRAM** - Remember to click on the Amazon banner on the PRCS home page to enter Amazon.com to ensure a percentage of your Amazon purchases are credited to PRCS.

## Attention PRCS Volunteers:

**RETURNING VOLUNTEERS** MUST FILL OUT AN APPLICATION FOR THE NEW SCHOOL YEAR. For returning volunteers, please check information on the volunteer application on line and print out, sign and turn into the main office. TB results are good for 4 years, so if we have one for you on record from the previous year, we will be able to look up that information.

**NEW VOLUNTEERS** – If you are interested in volunteering at our school, you must first be approved by the Volunteer Management System. A prospective volunteer must access the online registration process and submit the application at <https://volunteerapp.lausd.net> then turn in all paperwork to the main office.

- Submission of online application, printed and signed
- Volunteer Commitment Form, signed and dated
- Tuberculosis test clearance signed by a doctor – if you are a returning volunteer, TB test will be on file. TB tests are valid for 4 years from the test date.

Only when you have been approved, you will receive a volunteer badge which you will be required to wear in clear view when you are volunteering at our school. Always make sure to sign in and out at the Main Office. Thank you in advance for your dedication to our school! If you have any questions, please email Jen Endler in our Parent Center. [Jennifer.endler@lausd.net](mailto:Jennifer.endler@lausd.net)

Thank you all for your support at Porter Ranch Community School!