



PRCS Coyote Howl

Week of September 24, 2018

SEPTEMBER

- 9/24-28 THINK Week sponsored by PTA
- 9/25 Sacramento Info Night for 4th Grade Parents at 7:00pm in MPR
- 9/28 GATE Meeting for Parents at 8:30am in MPR
- 9/30 Students Run LA 5K for participating 7th & 8th grade students

OCTOBER

- 10/1 MS Honor Roll Awards Assembly for Spring '18 at 8:00am in MPR
- 10/3 PTA Board Meeting at 8:30am in Bungalow 34
- 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 8th Grade PSAT for registered 8th grade students
- 10/11 Make Up Picture Day for K – 8th Grade
- 10/11 School Site Council Meeting at 3:00pm in B34
- 10/18 California Shake Out Drill
- 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 5th Grade Parents at 6:30pm in MPR
- 11/5 Booster Meeting at 7:45am in B34
- 11/7 PTA Board Meeting at 8:30am in B34
- 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

Elementary Parent Teacher

Conferences:

11/13 Early Tuesday

11/14, 11/15, 11/16

Dismissal: TK/K at 12:49pm

1st – 5th at 12:34pm



CLASSROOMS RESPONSIBLE FOR TRAFFIC

DUTY

- Mrs. Han 9/24-9/28
- Mrs. Turcios 10/1 – 10/5
- Mrs. Wamsley 10/8 – 10/12
- Mrs. Yang 10/15 – 10/19

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.

Before You Speak

THINK
T - is it true ?
H - IS IT HELPFUL ?
I - IS IT INSPIRING?
N - is it necessary ?
K - is it kind ?

Message from Ms. Melvin

Thank you for joining us for The Ribbon Cutting today! We are so delighted to be in our new building and ready for the next project.....The Playground Structure!

We are going to kick-off the PTA membership drive on Monday, September 24 and we are ending our GIFT fund drive. Thank you everyone for all your support and participation! We have been able to hire a new supervision aide to cover the middle school gate in the morning, thanks to your support

Schoolwide News

THINK WEEK – THINK Week is a PTA sponsored event and will have daily lunch time activities for all grades throughout the week and an assembly for Kinder thru 5th grade from Straight Up Abilities. <https://www.straightupabilities.com/assembly>

STAFF Parking Lot is reserved for staff members only 7:00am – 2:45pm daily. Thank you for your cooperation.

Traffic Safety Week is coming up on October 8th to the 12th! Please reach out to Gabrielle Su from our School Site Council if you want to help! Email Gabbie at gabriellesu@gmail.com

Make up Picture Day with School Portraits for ES and MS will be on Thursday, October 11. Order forms will be available soon.

LAUSD Parent Portal for grades 3rd thru 8th – parents must sign up

- 6th, 7th, 8th grade parents must be signed up for Parent Portal
- 3rd, 4th, 5th grade – coming soon!

Once you are set up for Parent Portal, parents can monitor grades and assignments links to Schoology, monitor student's attendance, and have access to SBAC testing scores and more.... <http://passport.lausd.net>

Save the Date for 2018-19 GALA! Porter Ranch Community PTA presents the 5th Annual GALA on Friday, November 30, 2018 at 7:00PM.

Elementary School

GATE Meeting for Parents – Friday, September 28 at 8:30am in MPR. See flyer attached.

Middle School

MS Awards Assembly - Invitations went home this week with 7th & 8th grade students who are being recognized for their academic excellence during the spring 2018 semester. The Honor Roll assembly is on Monday, October 1 at 8am in the MPR. Students will report to the MPR after taking attendance in class. Parents are welcome to join!

Turkey Bowl – Eligible 8th students will be playing a flag football game during 5th & 6th 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.

5 Week Progress Report Card - 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

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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.

PSAT for 8th grade students – please sign up to take the PSAT. The exam will be administered on Wednesday, October 10. Registration opens 9/13 thru 9/30 and forms have been sent home with students.

NEW! 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

Grade Level Shutterfly sites for important news and events:

6th Grade: <https://prcs6thgrade201819.shutterfly.com/>

7th Grade: <https://prcs7thgrade20182019.shutterfly.com/>

8th Grade: <https://prcsclassof2019.shutterfly.com/>

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

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