



PRCS Coyote Howl

October 28, 2018

OCTOBER

- 10/29** Take the Student Experience Survey (SES) online
Or fill out the paper survey
- 10/30** Boo Gram delivered to classes
- 10/31** Elementary Halloween Costume Parade at 8:30am on YARD
Middle School Minimum Day only dismissal at 12:27pm
Middle School Halloween Dance at 1:00pm – 3:00pm

NOVEMBER

- 11/1** PALI Camp Info Night for 5th Grade Parents at 6:30pm in MPR
- 11/2** Middle School Tour for perspective parents at 8:30am in MPR
- Parents of current 5th grade students
- 11/3** School Beautification Day – Special project by Eagle Scouts
K-Kids, Builder's Club, Student Council and ASB
- 11/5** Booster Meeting at 7:45am in **Faculty Lounge
- 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 the **Library
- 11/9** Effective Parent Teacher Conference Workshop w/ Mrs. White
- 8:30am in MPR – All parents are welcome!
- 11/12** No School – In observance of Veteran's Day
- 11/14 – 11/16** Elementary only Minimum Days for Parent Teacher Conference
- 11/16** Last day to RSVP for the Gala
- 11/19 – 11/23** Thanksgiving Break
- 11/28** PTA Association Meeting at 8:30am in **B32
- 11/30** Coffee with the Principal at 8:30am in MPR
Gala at Porter Valley Country Club at 7:00pm

DECEMBER

- 12/3** Booster Meeting at 7:45am in the **Faculty Lounge
- 12/5** PTA Board Meeting at 8:30am in **B32
SES paper surveys due to main office
- 12/6** School Site Council Meeting at 3:00pm in the *Library

***Please note the room changes** Booster, PTA, SSC*

Message from Ms. Melvin

Traffic Safety is always important at PRCS. Last week, a black Toyota Tundra nearly hit one of our students as they backed out of the middle school driveway. The truck in fact brushed the student's arm. Please use caution as if all of the children were your children when driving around school.

School Experience Survey (SES) will be sent home next week. Take this important survey to share what you think about your and your child's experiences at PRCS. We need 100% participation from all PRCS families. SES online for the survey will be available 10/29 – 12/7. Be sure to submit paper surveys by December 5 to the main office, or take the online survey beginning October 29 thru December 7. <http://achieve.lausd.net/SchoolExperienceSurvey>

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. Yeghazarians 10/29 – 11/2
- Mrs. Berenson 11/5 – 11/9
- Mrs. Park 11/13-11/16
- Mrs. Barry 11/26 – 11/30

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.

Spirit Days for Elementary (ES) and Middle School (MS) 2018-19

11/30 Culture Day (ES)

Sports Day (MS)

1/25 Character Day (ES)

Twin Day (MS)

2/22 80's Day (ES & MS)

3/29 Crazy Hair Day (ES & MS)

4/26 Color Day (ES)

Tie dye/70's Day (MS)

5/31 College Day (ES & MS)

Schoolwide News

5th Grade Parent Tour for Middle School - Friday, November 2 at 8:30am in MPR. Parents have lots of "Choices" for middle school. Let us show you why PRCS is the best choice! Please join us for an informational tour for perspective parents for the PRCS Middle School.

School Beautification Day is Saturday, November 3 at 8:00am – 12:00pm. Come by and help with gardening, painting, cleaning and fixing! Middle school students can be dropped off and sign in to earn Community Service Hours. Elementary students must be with a parent to participate. Be ready to clean bring a pair of work gloves.

Thanksgiving Canned Food Drive – PRCS is partnering with YMCA and CCRC Child Care Resource Center for the community food drive. We are asking for your help to provide Thanksgiving canned goods for those families who might otherwise go without. Please help us complete a meal by donating a few canned item goods on the attached flier shopping list. Canned good items can be dropped off in the main office thru December 7 . Thank you!!!

Yearbook is now on sale: <http://yblive.net/PorterRanchCommunitySchool/home3/Bookstore.jsp>

- Click on Shop Online
- Enter CA, Porter Ranch, PRCS
- All Yearbooks will be shipped and distributed from PRCS.

YS after school sports news! - Please see Coach Daniel if you would like to participate in the current sports in session. Coach Daniel is still looking for 5 softball player for the girls team.

- 2nd thru 5th Grade - Basketball
- Middle School – Softball and Soccer

LAUSD Parent Portal for grades TK/Kinder thru 8th Grade – all parents and guardians register!

We are looking for a 100% parent participation of one or more parents per student to sign up for the Parent Portal. New!!! Once you have set up an account on Parent Portal and click on the Grades and Assignments button, you can then download the Schoology app in order to see your child's information. After the Schoology App is downloaded, sign in with the password that is the same as the one used for the Parent Portal. Do not enter any school name, only the password from the Parent Portal account. **Parent Portal** <http://passport.lausd.net>. If you have any questions, please contact Jen Endler at jennifer.endler@lausd.net

Quick links: Parent Portal Resources - <https://achieve.lausd.net/Page/10470>

PIN Codes for Parent Portal!!! 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. Please make this your priority! Please contact Jen Endler at jennifer.endler@lausd.net if you have any questions about the PIN or the Parent Portal. – The PIN Codes have been given an extension to be used by end of November.

PRC PTA cordially invites you to the 5th annual GALA “A Night in the Garden” Friday, November 30 at 7:00PM. Join us for a fun night of dinner, dancing, and silent auction baskets. There are rsvp cards in the main office. Please send in your RSVP with payment to the Gala Box in the Main Office. RSVP by November 16. Questions? Email Alice534@hotmail.com

PTA News - Thank you to everyone who got Poppin' with the PTA during our membership drive. We hit a school record of 715 memberships this year! Room 21, Mrs. Wendorf's class had the most overall memberships and will receive a Kona Ice Party! Thanks again to everyone who joined and made it a successful drive!

Elementary School

Effective Parent - Teacher Conference Workshop – Parent Workshop will be on Friday, November 9 at 8:30am in the MPR with Mrs. White.

Save the Date! Elementary Winter Performances will be on Thursday, 12/13. Times for shows – TBA

Middle School

Halloween Dance – Wednesday, October 31 from 1:00pm - 3:00pm in MPR. Tickets are on sale now! Tickets are \$5.00 (cash only) and includes DJ for the dance, admission, slice of pizza, snack and a water bottle. Purchase tickets from Mr. Demirjie.

8th grade students: Please turn in your Chatsworth High School field trip slips to Mrs. Almany by Wednesday, 10/31. Students without field trip slips will not be able to attend. Chatsworth HS field trip will be on November 2 for all 8th grade students from 8:00am – 10:30am.

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!