

The Bear Essentials

December 05, 2022

Principal's Message

Our newsletter is back this week loaded with information and excitement! A glance at the calendar on the right shows we have indeed a very full schedule this month.

With the first trimester having ended on Friday, December 2nd, this week we will be on Shortened Day Schedule to hold Parent-Teacher Conferences. We will return to our regular schedule on Monday, December 12th.

Our students have been diligently practicing for the upcoming Winter Faire. Not only have I heard numerous tales of at home singing, but I also got to see some of the rehearsals. I am both delighted and impressed by the results of our Music Instructor Ms. Karliner and the students combined efforts. Please be sure to join us this Saturday, December 10th from 10am-1pm for this annual tradition. I look forward to seeing you there!

Wishing you a wonderful week,
Ms. Koehler

Important Information, Announcements & Resources

Shortened Day Schedule

December 1st-9th



| Grades* | Dismissal Time |
|----------------------------------|----------------|
| 1 st -3 rd | 12:35 |
| 4 th -6 th | 12:40 |

*Kindergarten dismisses as usual at 11:20 am.



Calendar of Upcoming Events

- TJE Kindness Characteristic: December – Perspective**
- December 1st-9th**
Parent-Teacher Conferences
Shortened-Day Schedule
- December 6th, 13th, 20th**
Every Tuesday Bike Bus
- December 10th**
Winter Faire 10am-1pm
T.J. Auditorium
- December 12th**
School Safety Meeting
@2:45 pm in person
& via Zoom
- December 14th**
SSC Meeting @ 6pm
via Zoom
- December 21st**
PTA Meeting @ 6pm
via Zoom
- December 23rd**
Pajama Day
- December 19th-23rd**
6th Grade Sly Park Trip
- December 24th-January 8th**
Winter Break
- January 1st**
Happy New Year 2023!



Respiratory Illnesses Surging

Area health officials have communicated that there is currently an extraordinarily high number of cases of respiratory illnesses including flu, RSV, colds and COVID-19. These cases are having an immense impact on local health resources. Our schools can play an essential part in reducing illness to lessen this impact.

- Masking is not required. However, the district strongly encourages wearing a mask to **prevent the spread of respiratory illnesses**. When in close groups or 1:1 this can be especially effective.
- Please practice regular and proper hand washing, as well as the routine use of hand sanitizer.
- Please stay home if you are showing signs of illness. SCUSD updated their basic isolation and quarantine guidance on November 1st.

“Students and staff with symptoms of illness must stay home and test for COVID-19 (regardless of vaccination status).”

- Please let the office know if your student is experiencing symptoms of illness. We can provide onsite testing and test kits to take home. We will be sending home additional rounds of at-home/OTC COVID-19 test kits before the Winter Break.

COVID-19 Test Kit Report Links and Additional Information

Here is the link to report your test results:

<https://my.primary.health/finder>

Also this is the link to register if you have not yet done so, in order to report your results:

<https://my.primary.health/l/scusd-edu>

One more general testing link for the district here:

<https://www.scusd.edu/covid-19-testing>

Lastly, more information here can be found here:

<https://returntogether.scusd.edu/isolation-quarantine-guidance>





Parent-Teacher Conferences are here! These meetings at the end of Trimester 1 are an important opportunity to connect and discuss how your student is progressing in school. Teachers look forward to sharing the growth they see and working with families to support our students. Below are some checklists from ¡Colorín Colorado! that provide helpful suggestions to have a positive and productive conference.



Before the conference

- ☐ Ask your child how she feels about school.
- ☐ Ask your child if there is anything that he wants you to talk about with his teacher.
- ☐ Tell your child that you and the teacher are meeting to help her.
- ☐ Make a list of topics that you want to talk about with the teacher.
- ☐ Prepare a list of questions such as:
 1. What are my child's strongest and weakest subjects?
 2. Does my child hand homework in on time?
 3. Does my child participate in class?
 4. Does my child seem happy at school?
 5. What can I do at home to help?

During the conference

- ☐ Be on time (or early) for the meeting.
- ☐ End the meeting on time. Other parents will probably have a conference after yours.
- ☐ Relax and be yourself.
- ☐ Stay calm during the conference.
- ☐ Ask the most important questions first.
- ☐ If your child receives special services such as English classes, ask about your child's progress in those classes.
- ☐ Ask for explanations of anything you don't understand.
- ☐ Ask your child's teacher for ways that you can help your child at home.
- ☐ Thank the teacher.

After the conference

- ☐ Talk about the conference with your child.
- ☐ Tell your child about any plans you and the teacher created.
- ☐ Talk about the positive points, and be direct about problems.
- ☐ Keep in touch with the teacher during the school year.



Winter Faire Performance Schedule

| | Arrive at Music Room | Performance |
|-----------------------------------|----------------------|-------------|
| Gravvat & Bealer | 10:20am | 10:30am |
| Brewer & Tobery | 10:40am | 10:50am |
| Wong, Hein, Waldron, Ly | 11:00am | 11:10am |
| Duke & Gambrazio | 11:20am | 11:30am |
| Brown & Rule | 11:40am | 11:50am |
| Rosenheim, Bruce, Wilson, Room 15 | 12:00pm | 12:10pm |
| Emory & Jewett | 12:20pm | 12:30pm |

When you're not watching you student(s) perform enjoy walking the halls to shop local vendors, purchase delicious concessions food, made and donated by Brasserie DuMonde, (with proceeds supporting 5th graders earning money for next year's field trip + TJE ALIVE Programs) buy goodies from the bake sale, and use the homemade photo booth!

If you are interested in being a vendor at TJE's Winter Faire please email Carrie Bellarbi-Salah at carrietipta@gmail.com to learn more.

In November, our school held our own election to name the two newest additions to our community! A big THANK YOU to Ms. Tracey as I happily present

Brownie and **Potato!**



November is National Native American Heritage Month. Our TK, Kindergarten and 2nd grade students were able to watch a special presentation of Native American dance by members of our Theodore Judah community!



Just in time for the holiday season of giving...

TJE's new spirit wear site is up and running!




Our new vendor is First Place Spirit Wear.

You can place orders at anytime during the school year using the link below. Items are shipped directly to you. The wide variety of merchandise selections includes t-shirts, hats, hoodies and bags to name a few. There are also options to customize orders.

Happy shopping!

<https://1stplacespiritwear.com/schools/CA/Sacramento/Theodore%20Judah%20Elementary%20School>

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Sacramento, CA

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Questions?



School Snapshots!

