

McKinley mini-messenger

this week wednesday to wednesday October 21 - 28

Sun 10/25	10am - 2pm	Setup for Haunted House - Auditorium
Tue 10/27	8:45am	School Smarts Academy - Room 201
Mon-Thurs 10/26-29	6-9pm	Haunted House Set Up
Wed 10/28	1:45pm	Mandatory Training for 5th Grade Haunted House Volunteers - Garden Snack Sales - Jamba Juice
Thurs 10/29	6pm	Mandatory Training for 5th Grade Haunted House Volunteers - Cafeteria
Coming Up		10/29 - 8:45am Literacy Presentation TK-5 & 9:45 am Coffee with the Principal - Auditorium 10/30 - Halloween Costume Parade - TK/Kinder Yard 10/30 - Harvest Festival

<i>Domingo 10/25</i>	<i>10am-2pm</i>	<i>Montando la Casa de Fantomas - Auditorio</i>
<i>Mar 10/27</i>	<i>8:45am</i>	<i>Programa de Escuelas Intelijentes - Salón 201</i>
<i>Lun-Jue 10/26-29</i>	<i>6-9pm</i>	<i>Montando la Casa de Fantomas</i>
<i>Mié 10/28</i>	<i>1:45pm</i>	<i>Entrenamiento Obligatorio para Voluntarios de 5to grado para la Casa de Fantomas - Jardin Venta de Meriendas/Snacks - Jamba Juice</i>
<i>Jue 10/29</i>	<i>6pm</i>	<i>Entrenamiento Obligatorio para Voluntarios de 5to grado para la Casa de Fantomas</i>
<i>Coming Up</i>		<i>10/29 - 8:45am Presentación de Literacia y 9:45am Cafe con la Directora - Auditorio 10/30 - Desfile de Disfraces - Patio de Kinder 10/30 - Festival Cosecha Halloween</i>

Halloween Harvest Festival - Advanced Ticket Purchase

compra de boletos por adelantado - festival cosecha halloween

Tuesday 10/27, Wednesday 10/28 and Thursday 10/29 after school
Martes 10/27, Miércoles 10/28 y Jueves 10/29 después de clases

Buy Early for free Bonus Tickets!

**¡Compre Anticipadamente
sus Entradas para Boletos Extra!**

Volunteers Needed for 1 hour shifts during the festival!
Sign up at mckinleyevents.com.

Necesitamos voluntarios para 1 hora de trabajo durante el festival! Usted puede apuntarse en mckinleyevents.com.





Week of October 19

Dear McKinley Families:

We participated in the California Great Shake out this past Thursday. Students and staff practiced what to do in the event of an earthquake (drop/cover and evacuate). The drill took about 45 minutes. We're reviewing our procedures to ensure all students and staff are safe. In November, we will practice having a fire drill.

Thank you to all families who supported PTA by participating in our Cold Stone night last week. Staff had a great deal of fun scooping/serving ice cream to everyone! This is a wonderful way to have fun and support McKinley!

As a reminder, if you'd like to volunteer in your child's classroom, please see your child's teacher in person or by email. Do NOT place correspondence for the teacher in the Wednesday folders as the teachers do not organize the folders (parent volunteers do). Volunteers need to complete a volunteer packet (available in the office). Our community liaison, Lily, will let you know when you're cleared to volunteer. We love our volunteers and couldn't do our job without your support!

Red Ribbon Week is this week, and student council (school climate committee) has organized some fun activities for the week. National Family Partnership, formerly the National Federation of Parents for Drug Free Youth, was established as a grassroots, nonprofit organization in 1980 by a handful of concerned and determined parents who were convinced they should begin to play a leadership role in drug prevention. Nancy Reagan was an Honorary Chair of NFP. Since its founding thirty years ago, NFP has devoted its efforts to the well-being of youth. Today, NFP is a national leader in drug prevention education & advocacy. Their mission is to lead and support our nation's families and communities in nurturing the full potential of healthy, drug free youth. Please see below for our Red Ribbon Week activities:

- Monday: Love yourself. Wear red or hearts today.
- Tuesday: Don't give in to peer pressure. Choose friends wisely today & help others.
- Wednesday: Take care of your body. Eat something healthy today.
- Thursday: Stay strong. Speak up in class today.
- Friday: Tell us what you learned about Red Ribbon Week & earn a sticker.

If you have any questions regarding your child's educational program, please see your child's teacher. You can set up an appointment by emailing your son's/daughter's teacher. It's important to keep the lines of communication open and discuss ways to support your child in and out of the classroom.

Remember, every Friday is school spirit day. Be sure to wear your McKinley shirt or blue and gold to show your school spirit! Also, every Friday is "car free" Fridays. Support healthy living by walking, biking, scooting, skateboarding or roller skating to school.

Sincerely,

Susan Yakich
Principal



Wellness Policy: Healthy Fundraiser & Celebration Guidelines

Santa Monica Malibu School District

Foods and beverage items provided for these celebrations must meet or exceed state and federal regulations that pertain to nutrition services. Here are some ideas to help guide you, parents and staff, to provide students with nutrition that complies with our local wellness policy and state laws when planning celebrations and raising funds.

Fundraisers are encouraged to be non-food items such as:

- ❖ Wrapping Paper
- ❖ Books/Coloring Books
- ❖ Greeting Cards
- ❖ Calendars
- ❖ Magazine Subscriptions
- ❖ School Logo Merchandise
- ❖ Coupon Books



Food Services can help with catering and take the guessing out of complying with the policy.

Students and classrooms can be provided with:

- ❖ Pizza Parties
- ❖ Build your own yogurt parfait
- ❖ Light snacks and treats

Contact food services at (310)450-8338 ext. 70228 for available options and planning!

REMINDER: Please do not serve any nut or nut products due to severe student allergies.

Snacks

- ❖ Fresh fruits
- ❖ low fat cheese
- ❖ Nonfat plain yogurt
- ❖ Low fat flavored yogurt
- ❖ Go-Gurt yogurt
- ❖ Fresh vegetables Greek yogurt dip
- ❖ Quesadilla- Multigrain tortilla with low fat cheese
- ❖ Whole grain crackers
- ❖ Popcorn
- ❖ Dried fruit
- ❖ Mini bran muffins
- ❖ Whole grain waffle with all natural fruit spread
- ❖ Whole wheat bread with low fat cream cheese

Beverages

- ❖ Water without flavoring or carbonation
- ❖ Unflavored low fat and nonfat milk
- ❖ Low fat and nonfat flavored milk
- ❖ 100% fruit juice
- ❖ 100% fruit smoothies



If you have ideas use the calculator to check compliance at <http://www.californiaprojectclean.org/>

Treats

- ❖ Fruit Bars (no sugar added)
- ❖ Party cups ice cream
- ❖ Popped Rice Crisps
- ❖ Animal Crackers
- ❖ Berries and whipped cream

LITERACY NIGHT



Dear McKinley Families,

*We are so excited to offer **an additional presentation** of our first **OFFICIAL** Literacy Night to you on **Thursday, October 29th at 8:45am** followed by coffee with the principal.*

At this session, we will be presenting the 6 key shifts in the new California standards (common core). Within this presentation we will be discussing the universal screening assessment, Fast Bridge and how the information gathered in this assessments aligns itself with instruction in the classroom. Our goal is to provide you useful information on your child's literacy journey. Having this information will help you build a strong working relationship with your child's teacher.

At the end of each of these Literacy Nights there will be time carved out for questions and answers related to English Language Arts instruction and the new California standards.

*We look forward to seeing you at **8:45 am** on Thursday, October 29th:
All grades will meet together in the auditorium for this encore presentation of our first Literacy Night!*

*Warmest Regards,
Mary Scifres and Michael Ostrom
Literacy coaches, McKinley Elementary*

*****For your information and planning purposes, Session Two of our Literacy Nights will be held on Tuesday, November 17th at 6:45pm and Thursday, November 19th at 8:45am.*****



**We can't wait to see you at the
Halloween Parade...**

**OCTOBER 30TH AT 9AM
KINDERGARTEN PLAYGROUND**

**PARENTS AND FAMILY MEMBERS ARE
INVITED TO JOIN US**

Parking will be available on the school playground for the parade, however if possible try to carpool or walk to school.

Please remember that all costume weapons must remain at home and in consideration of our younger students please refrain from using gory makeup.

**HALLOWEEN HARVEST FESTIVAL
October 30TH 4PM - 7PM**

Join us for an evening of old-fashioned fun with a haunted house, game booths, delicious food and fun activities for the whole family!



Friday, October 30

4:00 - 7:00 pm

McKinley Elementary

halloween harvest festival

Games! Prizes! Haunted house! Face painting!
Pumpkin decorating! Giant slide! Bake sale!

PLUS

Green Corn Tamales, Rice and Beans from El Cholo!
Pizza from Santa Monica Pizza Kitchen! Chili!
Roasted Corn at the ELAC booth!



**Volunteer for a 1-hour shift 4-5, 5-6 or 6-7pm at www.McKinleyEvents.com.
Work an hour and play for two!**

Tear off and drop off in the PTA Box in the main office with your payment.

www.McKinleyEvents.com

advance ticket purchase

Enter Qty. **PACKAGE 1** 2 Bonus Tickets!
22 Tickets for \$20

PACKAGE 2 4 Bonus Tickets!
44 Tickets for \$40

TOTAL Enclosed \$ _____

Name: _____ **Phone:** _____ **e-mail:** _____

Cash **Check** (to McKinley PTA) **Credit:** **MasterCard** **VISA**

Cash or Checks preferred.
\$40 minimum for credit card purchases.

Number: _____

Name on Card: _____

Expiration Date: _____ **Security Code:** _____ **Zip Code:** _____

Pick up your tickets outside the Main Office during PRESALE HOURS:

Tues 10/27 - Wed 10/28 - or Thurs 10/29 after school. Tickets will be for sale during the Festival at the Ticket Booth.

Thank you for your order. We regret no refunds or replacements can be offered.

Reminder - Veterans' Day Celebration at McKinley Elementary

October 20, 2015

Dear McKinley Families,

On Friday, November 6, 2015, McKinley Elementary School would like to honor our veterans with a very special morning celebration. Each student may bring veterans to our celebration. The celebration will be held in the library from 7:45-8:30 a.m. Our veterans and students will be treated to a special assembly.

Please note, this special morning is for our students and their veteran guest(s) ONLY. Unfortunately, we are unable to accommodate additional family members. Parking will be provided for our veteran guest(s).

We need to know how many students and veteran guest(s) to plan for. Please have your child turn in their RSVP slips (bottom of the attached invitation) by Friday, October 30TH. You can also call or email your RSVP to Ms. Raneq Barber, Administrative Assistant, at 310.828-5011 Ext. 65.123 or email rbarber@smmusd.org.

Thank you,
Susan Yakich, Ed.D.
Principal

Cut here and return bottom portion to the office by Friday, October 30th.

Student Name _____ Room # _____

I will be attending the Veterans' Day celebration on Friday, November 6 at 7:45 a.m.

_____ Number of veteran's attending.

Please return the bottom portion to the office by Friday, October 30th.



McKinley Paperless Families:

From the following classrooms:

**Cervantes, Dempsey, Galasso, Galvan, Marks, Marshall
& Portner**

*Please check your child's Wed. Folder for an
updated class roster.*

If you would like your updated class roster emailed to you, please email your request to:

loyenoki@smmusd.org

