



McKinley mini-messenger

wednesday to wednesday **December 16, 2015 - January 5, 2016**

TODAY	6pm	PTA Meeting with Reflections Art Show & Awards - Auditorium - Everyone welcome!
Thurs. 12/17	8:30am	ELAC Meeting - Auditorium
Fri. 12/18		Box Tops Due Today - Collect boxtops and support McKinley
Sun. 12/20	10am-2pm	Picnic in the Park - McKinley Playground
12/20 - 1/4/16		Winter Break - See you on January 5th!
Coming Up:		1/7: 8:45am Room Parent Meeting - Cafeteria
HOY	6pm	Reunión de PTA con Galeria de Arte y Premios del Programa Reflections - Auditorio - <i>!Todos son invitados!</i>
Jue. 12/17	8:30am	Reunión de ELAC - Auditorio
Vie. 12/18		¡Recuerde de entregar cupones "Box Tops"!
Sun. 12/20	10am-2pm	Picnic en el Patio - Patio de McKinley
12/20 - 1/4/16		Vacaciones Felices fiestas! !Nos vemos el 5 de enero!
Acercandose:		1/7: 8:45am Reunión Padre de Salón - Cafetería

Help Keep Science, Music and Art Alive at McKinley!

Remember the McKinley Donation Drive to Benefit the Santa Monica Malibu Education Foundation (SMMEF) - The classroom with the most family donations wins a pizza party

¡Ayude Mantener Ciencias, Música y Arte en Vivo en McKinley!

Recuerde la campaña de donación McKinley para Beneficiar a la Fundación Educacional Santa Monica Malibu (SMMEF) – La clase con la mayoría de donaciones de familias gana una fiesta con pizza.

REMINDER:

Lost & Found: All items on the Lost & Found rack in front of the school that are not retrieved will be donated to a local charity.

Perdidos y Encontrados: Todos los artículos Perdidos y Encontrados que se encuentran en el perchero, enfrente de la escuela que no han sido reclamados serán donados a un refugio local.



Week of December 14

Dear Families:

Happy Holidays to you! I can't believe how fast the year is quickly flying by us! I hope you have a wonderful winter break and do something fun and exciting! See you all in 2016!!!!

Special thanks to our hardworking PTA and parent volunteers! We appreciate all your help and support. Thank you for going the extra mile for our students.

Our general PTA meeting will be on Wednesday at 6:00 pm. We will begin with our reflection student awards and will meet in the auditorium.

If you missed our literacy presentation last week, you can find our powerpoint presentation on our website.

Teachers will be working with our site literacy coaches this week and early January to analyze our latest FastBridge data assessments. Teachers will review the data, set learning goals and share best practices. If you have a question as to how your child is doing, please see your child's teacher. Additionally, grade 3-5 teachers will be working with an education consultant the first week of January. Teachers will look at reading and math data, review patterns/trends, set instructional pacing guides and lesson plan together. The more we collaborate as a team, the better we can meet the diverse needs of each of our students. Additionally, most of our kindergarten teachers and our TK/grade 1 literacy coach participated in a learning walk at Roosevelt Elementary to observe small reading groups. Learning walks give us an opportunity to collaborate together and share best practices.

I'd like to invite all of you to our annual winter sing-a-long on Wednesday, December 16. Please see the schedule below for grade level times:

Grades: TK and K 8:45 am
Grades: 1, 2 & 2/3 class 10:40 am
Grades: 3, 4, 4/5, & 5 11:40 am

Please be sure to look at our lost and found area outside of Room 100. We have many jackets and sweaters that are unclaimed. All unclaimed items will be donated during winter break.

Don't forget our library is open before and after school each day. Come check out a book or use one of our computers.

As a reminder, winter break will take place from December 21-January 4 (January 4 is a pupil free). School will resume on Tuesday, January 5.

Just a reminder, we have just received news from corporate partner Dun & Bradstreet that they will be giving SMMEF a matching gift of **\$90,000!** This is the third year in a row that the Malibu-based company has invested in our students and school district. The match will start next Tuesday, December 1 on # Giving Tuesday and will run through December 31. Please donate online at smmef.org. We appreciate your donation.

If you have a question or concern regarding your child's education, please make an appointment with your child's teacher. Teachers are always available to meet with you and discuss your child's progress and any concerns you may have.

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






JANUARY 2016



SMMUSD-Elementary Lunch Menu

Prepay online at www.myschoolbucks.com

Menu is subject to change

4	5	6	7	8
Staff Development Day No School	Grilled Hamburger on Whole Grain Bun Baked Potato Wedges Fresh Fruit  Hamburguesa	Roasted Chicken Delicious Corn Whole Grain Roll Fruit Pollo Horneado	Cool Lunch! Taco Bar Turkey Taco Meat Tasty Refried Beans Tortilla Chips <u>First Day of Salad Bar</u> Bara de Taco con Carne de Pavo	Pizza Friday! Tony's French Bread Pizza Fresh Romaine Salad w/Cherry Tomatoes Fruit  Pizza de Queso en Pan Frances
11	12	13	14	15
Chicken Cutlet Sandwich On Whole Grain Bun Baked Cross Trax Fries Fruit Sandwich de Pollo	Cool Lunch! Bosco Cheese Stix Marinara Dipping Sauce  Palitos de Queso con Salsa Marinara	Brunch For Lunch Waffle Sticks Turkey Sausage Patty Tater Tots 100% Juice  Palitos de Pan Frances	Cool Lunch! Chicken Fajitas w/Flour Tortillas Yummy Refried Beans Sweet Corn  Fajitas de Pollo	Pizza Friday! Big Daddy Primo Pizza Fresh Green Salad w/Cherry Tomatoes Fruit  Pizza de Queso de Big Daddy
18	19	20	21	22
 I Have A Dream Martin Luther King, Jr. Day	Cool Lunch! Touchdown Nuggets Happy Potato Smiles Aloha Roll Piezas de Pollo	Cool Lunch! Home Style Mac & Cheese Broccoli  Macaron con Queso	Cool Lunch! Tostada Boat Turkey Taco Meat Tasty Refried Beans  Tostatda con Carne de Pavo	Pizza Friday! Tony's Thin Crust Pizza Fresh Romaine Salad Cup w/Cherry Tomatoes Cry Baby Sour Fruit Cup Pizza de Queso de Corteza Delgada
25	26	27	28	29
Baked Mini Corn Dogs Baked Potato Wedges Fruit  Peritos Calientes Empanizados	Cool Lunch! Grilled Cheese Sandwich Crunchy Baby Carrots  Sandwich de Queso	Cool Lunch! Orange Chicken Steamed Brown Rice Broccoli  Pollo a Savor de Naranja	Cool Lunch! Señor Felix Bean & cheese Burrito Zesty Corn  Burrito de Frijoles y Queso	Pizza Friday! Tony's French Bread Pizza Fresh Romaine Salad w/Cherry Tomatoes Fruit Pizza de Queso en Pan Frances

Vegetarian Options:
 1/4-1/7- Toasted Cheese Sandwich
 1/11-1/14-Bean & Cheese Burrito
 1/19-1/21- Hummus Bistro Box
 1/25-1/28- Cheese Quesadilla

The Vegetarian option for Friday is Cheese Pizza

1/2 cup serving of fruits/vegetables will be served with breakfast & lunch



MEAL PRICES

Elementary Full Price Breakfast-\$1.25
 Secondary Full Price Breakfast-\$1.50
 Reduced Breakfast-\$0.30
 Elementary Full Price Lunch-\$3.00
 Secondary Full Price Lunch-\$3.50
 Reduced Lunch-\$0.40

Adult Prices: Breakfast-\$2.25
 Lunch-\$4.25





Elementary School Breakfast

Menu Subject to Change

<u>MONDAY</u>	<u>TUESDAY</u>	<u>WEDNESDAY</u>	<u>THURSDAY</u>	<u>FRIDAY</u>
Coffee Cake	Biscuit w/Sausage	Cheese Pizza Bagel	Belgian Waffle	Build Your Own Yogurt Parfait
Or	Or	Or	Or	Or
Cereal	Cereal	Cereal	Cereal	Cereal
w/Graham Crackers	w/Graham Crackers	w/Graham Crackers	w/Graham Crackers	w/Graham Crackers

Offered with Every Meal: Fruit: Assorted 4oz juice, fresh, canned or dried fruit
Milk offered Daily: 1% and nonfat white

Make the
Grade
with **SCHOOL BREAKFAST**



Varieties of Milk offered daily:

- 1% white- (breakfast & lunch)
- Nonfat White -(breakfast & lunch)
- Non-fat chocolate-(lunch only)



Prepay online at www.myschoolbucks.com

Opt out of Nonfat Chocolate Milk via email at fns@smmusd.org

Student Council Newsletter

McKinley Elementary



SCHOOL WATCH

~ Lucy Letscher

Keep McKinley Clean!

Everywhere you look, there is trash on the ground! That is bad for the plants in the garden, and the trees in the yard. It may cause them to wilt and die. But we can stop it by making sure our trash lands in the trash can.

Kids are wetting toilet paper, and throwing it on the bathroom ceiling! That is not okay. If you are one of the kids doing it, you need to stop. It is disrespectful to McKinley and it's students.

Welcome to our Newsletter:

McKinley is starting a newsletter to encourage kids to spread their ideas to support McKinley's climate and to help youths to spread their imagination. All articles and designs are accepted. Please submit your articles to Ms. Lowe's mailbox in the office. ~ Maeli Farr

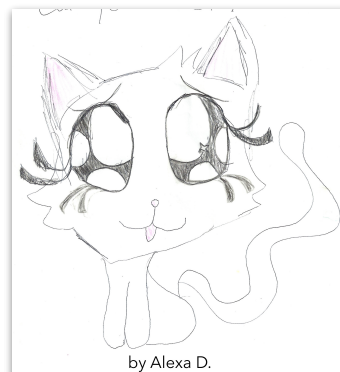
On November 20, 2015, students got to be their favorite character. The character could be from a book, a movie, a TV show, etc. If you wanted to, you could have been a real star! Here are some costumes that student council saw: Cleopatra, Vanelope from Wreck-it Ralph, and something funny - a hobo. Thank you for everyone that participated because you just spread joy across the school. Thanks! ~ Charlotte Boisvert

Working IDEA:

Monday Minders:
People should get the info for the week at the beginning of the week, not in the middle of it.
~G-Ray

FUN IDEA ~ PET DAY:

Pet Day can be a new fun day where you can bring your pets to school. Pets you can bring: hamsters, puppies, cats, bunnies, lizards, ladybugs, mice.~ Alexa D.



by Alexa D.

Giving to Those in Need

If you want to feel you made somebody's day, then give your time to charity. Types of charities are animal charities, environmental charities, international, health, or education charities. Typically, you can't be in a big charity when you are young, but you can support! One way to start helping the world around you is to collect dog and cat supplies for your birthday. Do this by telling your guests to bring cat/dog blankets/toys/food/etc. instead of gifts.

~ Maeli Farr

The Pillars of Character

This year Student Council is supporting the Character Assemblies directed by Ms. Talbott. The Assemblies are educating young minds, to help other kids, and to respect other people. I hope these messages will help kids to be nice to those who are not "popular." Please relate to these educating words, and have all the Characters! ~ Maeli Farr

Buddy Benches!

McKinley buddy benches are a good way to be able to talk to friends that you're having issues with, or if you just need someone to talk to. They are themed differently. Examples are clouds and legos. Student council put a lot of time into painting them after school. The benches were donated. Look out for them, they should be coming in the next couple of months.

~ Lucy Lescher



NO BULLYING ZONE:

VERBAL BULLYING is saying or writing mean things.

SOCIAL BULLYING is when you try to hurt someone's relationships or reputation.

PHYSICAL BULLYING involves hurting a person's body or possessions.

TIPS for Staying Safe from a Bully:

- * If a bully is near, try to keep your friends close by.
- * Tell an adult as soon as it happens.
- * Fighting will not help your problems.
- * Be the bigger person and just walk away.
- * Be confident in yourself because you shouldn't have to hide the inner-you.
- * Know that you are amazing and not what they say you are.
- * ~ Maral Aliashraflo

