



McKinley mini-messenger

wednesday to thursday **May 25 - June 1**

Now- Mon 6/1		Book Fair - Auditorium
Thurs 5/26		Minimum Day - Dismissal TK/K 12:30pm; Gr 1-5 1:35pm
Thurs 5/26		Open House with Book Fair: 6-7pm visit Art Room & Science Room; 6-8pm Bookfair in the Auditorium; 7-8pm Classrooms open
5/27 - 6/3		Class BBQs - check with your teacher for the day and time
Mon 5/30		NO SCHOOL - Memorial Day
Tues 5/31	4pm	SBC Meeting - Room 201
Wed 6/1		Last Family Restaurant Night of the School Year - Poquito Mas
Thur 6/2	8:45am	5th Grade Awards & Clap-Out - Auditorium
Fri 6/3	3:30-5:30pm	5th Grade Party (<i>5th graders only</i>) - Auditorium
Fri 6/3		Last Day to Turn in Box Tops - Keep collecting all summer
Tue 6/7	9am	5th Grade Culmination - Courtyard/Auditorium
Hoy- Lun 6/1		Feria de Libros - Auditorio
Jue 5/26		Dia Minimo - Salida TK/K 12:30pm; Gr 1-5 1:35pm
Jue 5/26		Casa Abierta y Feria de Libros: 6-7pm Visite el Jardín, Ciencias y Salón de Arte; 7-8pm Visite los Salones Ahora
5/27 - 6/3		Barbacoas de las Clases - chequear con su maestro para el día y hora
Lun 5/30		NO HAY CLASES - Día de Conmemoración a los Caídos
Mar 5/31	4pm	Reunión SBC - Salón 204
Mié 6/1		Ultima Noche de Restaurante para la Familia - Poquito Mas
Jue 6/2	8:45am	Ceremonia de Reconocimientos para 5to grado - Auditorio
Vie 6/3	3:30-5:30pm	Fiesta para 5to grado (solamente 5to grado) - Auditorio
Vie 6/3		Entregar los Box Tops/Tapas de las Cajas - Mantenga colección durante el verano
Mar 6/7	9am	Culminación de 5to grado - Patio/Auditorio

Week of May 23

Dear Families:



We just received the news that we won again the city challenge of the highest participation at the “Bike-Walk it” event among all the schools in the Santa Monica Malibu Unified School District! As the city staff calls McKinley “3rd time reigning champs”, we are pleased that our students are motivated in using alternative sustainable transportation to school. The city is planning to recognize McKinley at a school board meeting or PTA council event (more info to follow). Our PTA will receive \$250 from the city for earning this special honor. Students had so much fun during this 3-day event and also

during the last day with the 20-foot long walking school bus and the two large bike trains!! Students were happy to get so many prizes at the gates and at the raffle including many helmets donated by the City of Santa Monica. Again a HUGE THANK YOU to all the SBC volunteers & staff volunteers who helped before and during the 3-day event!! Over 40 SBC parents and staff volunteered during the 3-day event, so this is your success!!

Our McKinley Student Council (both Climate Committee and Green Committee) visited the Tree People Headquarters and their Environmental Learning Center in the Coldwater Canyon Park of the Hollywood Hills. Students were very enthusiastic to participate in this educational eco-tour guided by the Tree People Educational Tour manager, Rosa Donis. Our student council students went on a treasure hunt in search of six treasure rings that symbolize natural cycles existing in the city forest. Each student planted a seedling to take home. While hiking through the park, students also visited the dirt doctor’s laboratory, simulated rainstorms in the urban watershed garden, underground cistern, native plants, drip irrigation, mulch and more. The experience resulted in a better understanding of the sustainable elements and city forest and how everyone can help it thrive. Through interactive games and activities, students learned secrets and most importantly, forest principle that will empower students to take what they have learned and apply it to the McKinley community. After a communal lunch below the native trees, McKinley students presented their own plays to their peers at the outdoor park amphitheater. It was a great moment to express as an actor/actress all the learning of sustainability and earth preservation. The trip to the Hollywood forest was fun and team oriented to learn more about how to preserve and respect our environment!! The field trip was sponsored by our McKinley PTA.

As a friendly reminder, our Open House is on Thursday, May 26th from 6:00 pm-8:00 pm. The Art room (B5) and the Science room (202) will be open for visits from 6:00pm – 7:00pm. Our annual book fair will take place from 6:00 pm-8:00 pm in the auditorium and classroom visits will be from 7:00pm to 8:00pm. Please note, Mrs. Cervantes’ Open House will be on Wednesday, May 25 from 6:00 pm-7:00 pm (and her classroom doors will also be open on Thursday from 6-8 pm).

Check out our lost & found area located by Room 100. It’s very full with lots of lost items. We will be donating unclaimed items to Goodwill shortly.

Do you have a question, comment or concern you’d like to share with me? It’s important to keep the lines of communication open, and your feedback is important to me. Please feel free to email me at syakich@smmusd.org or make an appointment to meet with me. Please see Raneq, my administrative assistant, to schedule an appointment with me.

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



McKinley Elementary School Fundraiser

Wed., June 1st 4pm-10pm

Take a break from the kitchen and come join us for a meal out!



Important! Bring this flyer with you and let them know you are from McKinley Elementary School and the restaurant will give 20% of your dinner bill to our school.

This includes take-out & online orders too!



Santa Monica Location

2025 Wilshire Blvd.

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McKinley Elementary School 5th Grade

Awards Presentation

*Please join us as we recognize
and celebrate your child*

Thursday, June 2, 2016 8:45AM

in the Auditorium

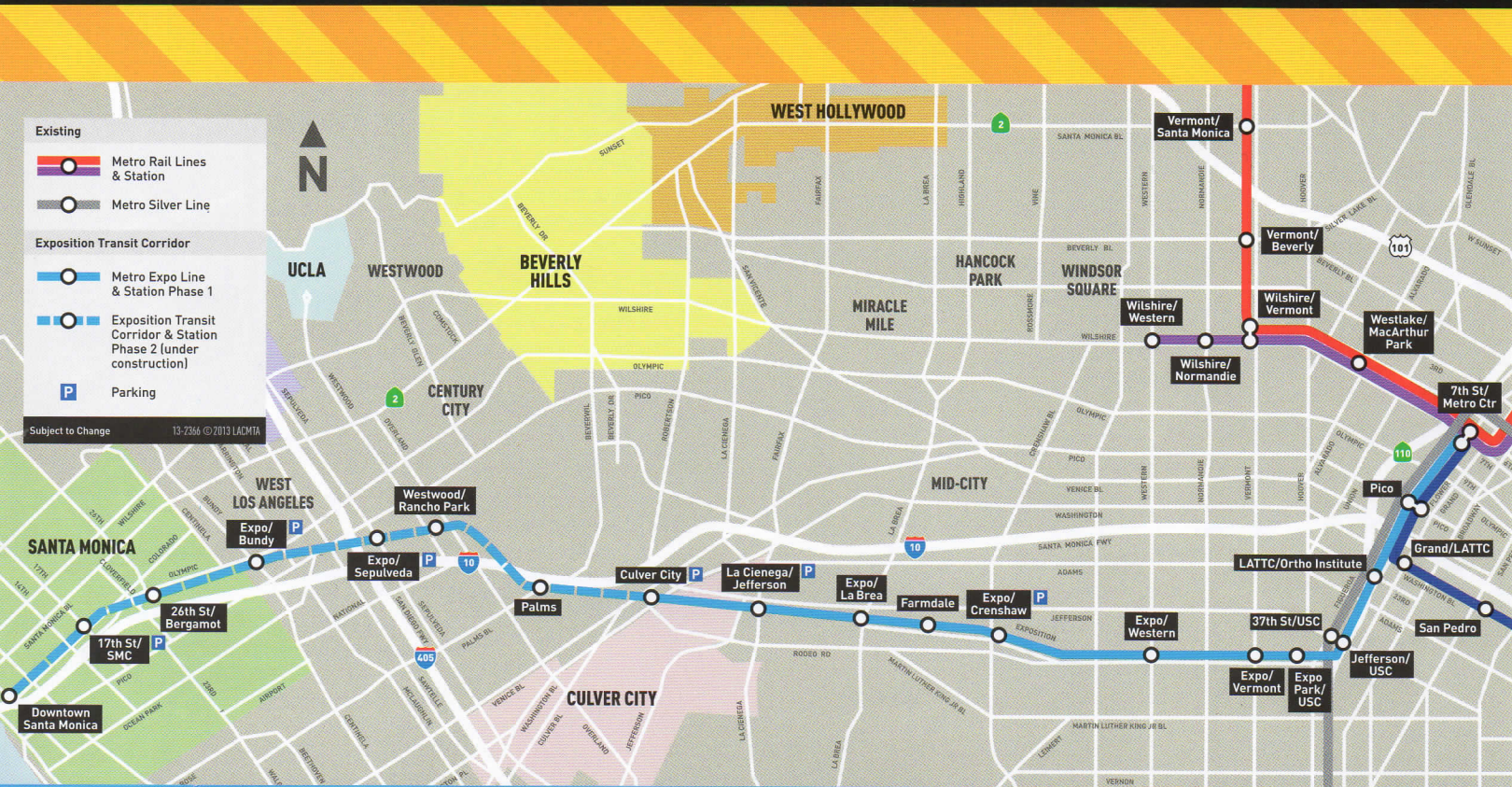
*Please mark your calendar and plan to attend this
very special awards presentation.*

All of our students will be recognized.

The 5th Grade Clap-Out will be immediately after the awards presentation.

**We would like to know that you received this invitation.
Please RSVP as soon as possible to 310-828-5011 ext. 65122 or
Email: Imarquez@smmusd.org.**

Watch for trains on Metro Expo Line.



Please be alert at all times, and pay attention at train crossings when walking, biking, and driving. Always look both ways and listen before you cross the train tracks.

Walking Tips

- > Always wait for a "WALK" signal before entering the crosswalk. Never jaywalk across tracks.
- > Never walk, sit or stand on tracks.
- > Do not go around lowered gates; fines start at \$100.
- > Never run to catch a train.

Biking Tips

- > When crossing lights and arms are activated, do not cross the tracks.
- > Cross tracks at a 90 degree angle.
- > Use hand signals before turning, stopping or changing lanes.
- > Walk bikes on ramps and platforms.

Driving Tips

- > Never try to beat the train – it takes less than a minute for a train to pass.
- > When you hear the bells and see the flashing lights, stop.
- > Never make a left turn on a red arrow. This will be enforced by cameras at intersections.



For more safety information, visit metro.net/safety.