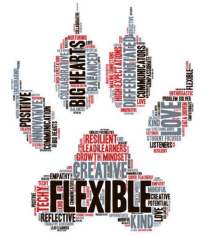




Howling Coyote



Principal's Message:

September 18th, 2017

Dear Coyote Community,

I hope you enjoyed a wonderful weekend with your families. **We are full speed ahead with implementation of our new English Language Arts (ELA) programs.** As I mentioned at Back-to-School night, our new programs (Benchmark and Springboard) incorporate many of the reading and writing best practices that have come to the forefront over the past five years of Common Core implementation. To name a few, students will be learning to closely read fiction and nonfiction texts, annotate, cite textual evidence to support their thinking, conduct research, and synthesize information from multiple texts to create an argument. Although it is challenging, I know that our Coyotes will rise to the occasion and become stronger readers (and thinkers!) this year.

Please note the information for the Coyote Fund Run found below. Our goal is to raise \$33,000 to fund our science lab and Spanish programs! Last year we met and exceeded this goal. We can do it again! Personally, I'm looking forward to challenging the students to run as many laps as possible on September 29th! Some have already told me that they are going to run circles around me :). Bring it on!

As always, thank you for all your ongoing support of our amazing school. I look forward to seeing all of you on campus!

Best,

Bill MacDonald, Ed.D.
Principal
Sunset Ranch Elementary School
#everycoyoteeveryday!



ART RAFFLE WINNING NUMBERS: 7582434, 7581838, 7582257, 7582125

If you have one of these raffle tickets - please bring it to the main office by 3:00 p.m. tomorrow to claim your prize!

This Week at Sunset Ranch - Our Student Newscast:

Upcoming Events:

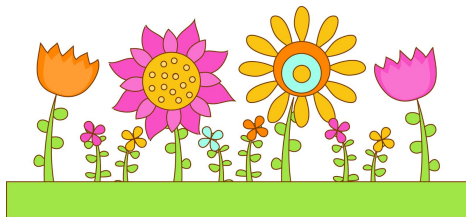
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| 9/19 | Picture Day |
| 9/21 @ 3:00 p.m. | School Site Council Meeting (Library) |
| 9/29 | Fund Run |
| 10/2 - 10/5 | Book Fair |
| 10/5 | Family BBQ Lunch / Book Fair Extravaganza! |
| 10/2, 10/3, 10/4 | Chinese Exchange Students at Sunset Ranch |
| 10/14 | Rocklin Mini Maker Faire |
| 10/20 | Sunset Ranch Carnival |

New Important Information:



Join other Coyotes as we run (for fun and funds) to support our outstanding Science and Spanish programs! This is one of our biggest fundraisers of the year - get involved TODAY!

[Fund Run Flyer](#)
[Fund Run Pledge Sheet](#)



Sunset Ranch Parent Garden Club

Join our growing group of parent volunteers to revitalize our school garden each morning after drop off!
You can find more information [HERE!](#)

Important Ongoing Information:



Parent-Teacher Committee (PTC) Volunteering and Donations. As the year commences, there will be opportunities to join with, volunteer, and donate to our PTC. **I cannot emphasize enough how important this is.** The State of California provides a base level of funding for our schools that does NOT include funding for additional programs such as STEM, Spanish, field trips, after school clubs (to name just a few). Without support from the community and PTC, these programs are not possible. Please consider getting involved as a volunteer, committee chair, and/or contributor. You can find more information [HERE](#).



School Volunteer Checklist! A reminder that if you want to volunteer at Sunset Ranch you will need:

A current TB test

A LiveScan (Fingerprinting)

To sign in at the Main Office and receive a Visitor Badge

Please help us keep our students healthy and safe! All of the items above are easy to take care of and will protect our children and staff.



If you haven't already, ALL Sunset Ranch Families Must Create a Parent Portal Account!

More information can be found [HERE](#).

Once you have registered for AERIES Parent Portal, [HERE](#) is the video I made showing you how to locate the required forms for 2017-18 that need to be turned into your teacher.

It is important that you complete this as soon as possible. If you have questions or need assistance, please contact the Sunset Ranch office and we will walk you through the process.