

Sequoia Elementary School Community Newsletter: May 7, 2018

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Two-Week Calendar

Please note that multiple events may happen on the same day.

Tue • May 8: **SSC Meeting**, 5–6 p.m., *Library*

Wed • May 9: **Bike to School Day**
Sequoia Sings! Student Performance,
8:30–9 a.m., *Auditorium*

Breakfast with the Principal,
9–9:30 a.m., *Cafeteria*

Fri • May 11: **Movie Night**, 5–8 p.m., *Auditorium*

Sun • May 13: **Mother's Day**

Sat • May 19: **SPTO Meeting**, Childcare provided,
10 a.m.–12 p.m., *Diamond Rec Center*

Pancake Breakfast Success: Thanks From the Dads' Club

It was great to see so many of you come out to support the Dads' Club's annual Pancake Breakfast on April 29. It's such a great opportunity to reconnect with old friends and make new ones. We hope all of you had a great time and got a chance to check out the awesome Science Fair and Summer Camp Fair.



Thanks to your support and generosity, the breakfast raised over \$3,000! This money goes to support all of the enrichment programs here at Sequoia. A special thanks to Heidi Dipippo who generously donated all the food for the event! Shout-outs to all the volunteers—moms, dads and more—who pitched in to help make this time-honored community event a huge success. Until next year!

Neighborhood Appeal Thanks

A huge THANK YOU to the army of foot soldiers who literally stepped up to deliver the Neighborhood Appeal/Pancake Breakfast invitation postcards to the Sequoia neighborhood community. This is a monumental undertaking, and we couldn't have done it without so many volunteers. Thank you to Tracey Kelp for rounding up all the volunteers, and to Hailey Magsig and Arianne Wagner for working seamlessly with the team to coordinate the Camp Fair and Science Fair events. Thanks also to Joanne Tateishi for designing the beautiful postcards.

—Caren Roddy + Tracey Kelp, *Neighborhood Appeal Team*

Last Sequoia Sings! This Wednesday

The final Sequoia Sings! of the school year is this week, May 9, starting at 8:30 a.m. in the auditorium. Our fourth graders will be singing and Mr. Bob's drummers will be rocking out, and you don't want to miss it. Bring the whole family!



Breakfast With the Principal

Immediate following Sequoia Sings! at 9 a.m. Wednesday, head to the cafeteria for coffee and Q&A with Mr. Bertolo and other parents.

Wednesday Is Bike to School Day!

Bike to School Day happens every year to encourage all forms of car-free transportation on wheels (whether it be bicycling, scootering, skateboarding or rollerblading). We will have free treats from La Farine and coffee from Peet's. Director Nina Senn will be there handing out stickers and pencils to our students to celebrate alternative forms of transportation. Contact Jennifer Joey Smith for more information: 510-545-6390 or jjoeysmith@kw.com.



El día de ir a la escuela en bicicleta ocurre todos los años para fomentar todas las formas de transporte sobre ruedas sin automóviles (ya sea andar en bicicleta, en monopatín, en patineta o en patines). Tendremos obsequios de La Farine y café de Peet's. La directora Nina Senn estará allí repartiendo pegatinas y lápices a nuestros estudiantes para celebrar formas alternativas de transporte.

每年，我們有自行車去學校和工作日。我們希望你會騎自行車，滑板車，滑板或旱冰鞋，而不是開車。我們將免費享用美食和咖啡從商店 LaFarine and Peet's Coffee. Nina Senn 導演將在那裡發放貼紙和鉛筆給我們的學生慶祝運輸選項。

Ngày đi xe đạp đến trường diễn ra hàng năm để khuyến khích tất cả các hình thức vận chuyển bằng xe hơi miễn phí trên bánh xe (cho dù đó là xe đạp, xe đạp, trượt ván hay trượt patin). Chúng tôi sẽ được thưởng thức các món ăn miễn phí từ La Farine và cà phê từ Peet's. Giám đốc Nina Senn sẽ có mặt ở đó phát các miếng dán và bút chì cho sinh viên của chúng tôi để kỷ niệm các hình thức vận chuyển thay thế.

ويحدث يوم دراسي للدراجة إلى المدرسة كل عام لتشجيع جميع أشكال النقل الخالي من السيارات على عجلات (سواء كان ركوب الدراجات أو السكوتر أو التزلج على الألواح أو التزلج). سيكون لدينا هدايا مجانية من La Farine والقهوة من Peets. سنقوم المخرجة نينا سين بتقديم ملصقات وأقلام رصاص لطلابنا للاحتفال بأشكال بديلة من وسائل النقل.

SSC Meeting This Tuesday

The May meeting of the School Site Council (SSC) is scheduled for next Tuesday evening, May 8 at 5 p.m. in the library. This is your opportunity to get more involved with decision-making at Sequoia.

Sequoia Swag Shows Squirrel Spirit

Attention Squirrels: come get your Sequoia swag this Friday, before and after school, next to the container near the big play structure. Cash, credit/debit card, PayPal or check accepted. Thank you for supporting Sequoia!



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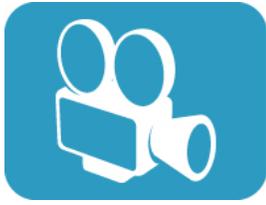
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“Coco” This Friday, 5:30–8 p.m.

The last Movie Night of the school year is this Friday, with a showing of “Coco” (rated PG) in the auditorium. Parents can check-in and drop off their children between 5:30 and 6:30 p.m. and pick up by 8 p.m. in the auditorium. A dinner of hot dogs, fruit, veggies and popcorn is included. The cost is \$5 per child.



The Movie Night is open to all Sequoia students and their siblings. Parents can drop off the kids and enjoy a few hours off. Parents are also welcome to stay and join in the fun. Supervised by the volunteers of the Dads’ Club, kids will be secure and safe and guaranteed to have a blast. We still need volunteers for Movie Night. Please contact dave@krozeja.net if you'd like to volunteer.

Kids are allowed to dress up in PJs, bring a pillow and a blanket, and stake out a spot on the floor. With enough volunteers, the cafeteria will be open for eating, playing games, drawing or reading.

SHS/CDC students who would like to participate should make arrangements with the coordinators of those programs. (Permission slips are available with SHS/CDC.) All TK and Kindergarten students require parent chaperone. All siblings who accompany Sequoia students must sign in and follow the Movie Night rules.

All students are expected to practice the core Sequoia values of Respect, Compassion, Responsibility and Honesty during the movie and will follow these guidelines during the movie: **no running, no rough play, no throwing, no taking belongings, no climbing, no piano, no electronics.**

All Movie Night attendees must stay inside the event boundaries: the auditorium, cafeteria, and downstairs hallways. This include older siblings who may think they are too old for such restrictions. The Dads’ Club volunteers may call a parent or guardian if a child cannot follow these rules. Thank you, everyone!

Shout Outs!

Thank you TK and K!

Donations and supplies: Ms. A, Audrey, Ava, Eliseo, Freja, Jack, Jonah, Jordan, Justin, Kate, Kingston, Liliana, Lucas, Madeline, Malaya, Naima, Naomi, Preston, Ruby, Sam, Siimi, Theo, Violet, Zacheo, Zeke

Book organizing and classroom help: Grandma Sharon, Ms. A, Arin, Tomoko, David, Myisha, Erika

Box Tops: Freja, Kate

Snack setup: Pam, Arin, Tomoko, Sasha, Angela, Saniyyah, Gia

After school help: Myisha, Jebson, Tomoko, Pam

Motor Skills: David, Pam, Melissa, Sasha, Monique, Lynell, Laura, Joanne, Mariana

Teacher Appreciation Week: All of Room 9, Teacher Appreciation Committee & Luncheon and Breakfast Volunteers, Kristen Thibeault, Pablo Larios and family, Abilene Crocker & family, Mr. Bertolo

Dimond Library and Park chaperones: Loren



2018 Science Fair Results

This year's projects were a lot of fun, and our judges really enjoyed looking at them all. The judges had a hard time voting but the results are in. An average was taken of each of the judges scores based on methods, data gathering and organization, presentation, materials, evidence, and results.



The following six projects will go on to represent Sequoia at the OUSD district Science Fair May 21-23:

- TK/K : Mr. Fleischman's Class
- 1st: Starr Fuller- Kellogg
- 2nd: Ayanna Sakamoto
- 3rd: Ms Oby's Class
- 4th: Mr. J's class
- 5th: Alden King, Felix Mott, Jonah O'Brien and Garrott Roddy

Runners Up:

- TK/K: Ms. Love's class
- 1st: Ms Ashunda's Class
- 2nd: Ms Catalano's Class
- 3rd: Carlos Diaz
- 4th: Suriyan Sokol and Coyo Tena

Additional Winners:

- Most Creative: Dante Mosier-Tidd (4th G)
- Best Presentation: Dante Santina (1st G)
- Best Individual Class Project: Ms. Love
- Best Individual Project: Jocelyn Cruz
- Most Fun: Ms Rau's Class
- Honorable Mention: Amiya Robinson, Tula Mendez, Casey Pineda and Sonnet Kearney (4th G)

Thank you for all of the students’ hard work to make another successful year of science!

Thank you to our judges:

- Sequoia Grandparent Mr. Norman
- CAL Science students Alyssa Bormann, Molly Womack, Mallory Ballinger, Pooja Bhardwaj and Erin Creel

—The SPTO Science Fair Team