

Sequoia Elementary School Community Newsletter: Nov. 27, 2017

3730 Lincoln Avenue, Oakland, CA 94602, (510) 531-6696

SequoiaSchool.net and Facebook.com/groups/sequoiaelementary



Two-Week Calendar

Wednesdays are minimum days. Note that multiple events occur on the same days.

- Mon • Nov 27: **School Resumes After Thanksgiving Recess**
- Wed • Nov 29: **Prospective Sequoia Family Tours**, Schedule with School Secretary, *Front Lobby*
- Thu • Nov 30: **Healthy Start Fall Showcase**, 6–7 p.m., *Cafeteria*
- Sat • Dec 2: **artSPARK**, 3:30–6 p.m., *Auditorium*
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- Dec 4-8: **Fall Book Fair**, immediately after school (except on Wednesday 4–6 p.m.), *Cafeteria*
- Wed • Dec 6: **Sequoia Sings**, 8:30–9 a.m., *Auditorium*
- Breakfast with the Principal**, 9–9:30 a.m., *Cafeteria*
- Prospective Sequoia Family Tours**, Schedule with School Secretary, *Front Lobby*
- Thu • Dec 7: **School Portrait Make-Up Day**
- Upper Grade Choir Winter Assembly**, 10:30–11 a.m., *Auditorium*
- Dad's Club Meeting**, 7–8:30 p.m., *Red Boy Pizza (1500 Leimert Blvd.)*
- Fri • Dec 8: **First Trimester Report Cards Sent Home**
- Dads' Club Movie Night**, 5–8 p.m., *Auditorium*

artSPARK This Saturday at 3 p.m.

For artSPARK on Saturday, Dec. 2, from 3 to 6 p.m., the auditorium will be transformed into an art gallery of Sequoia students' work. Much like a science fair, artSPARK is an opportunity for students to share their unique artistic ideas with an art project they work on at home.



Food donations and fifth-grade servers are needed for the event. Go to the school Facebook page for the most updated information this week. Questions? Contact sequoiaartspark@gmail.com.

Helpers Needed for Fall Book Fair Week of Dec. 4

The Fall Book Fair is next week, Dec. 4–8, and the coordinator is looking for volunteer helpers. Please contact Heather King at 510-846-5519 or heatherking.lmt@gmail.com.



The Book Fair will be held immediately after school in the cafeteria (note the location change from previous years) on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday for about an hour (3–4 p.m.). Wednesday the Book Fair hours are later due to choir rehearsals; hours that day will be 4–6 p.m.

A Message From OUSD

It's time to enroll your student for the 2018-19 school year. The OUSD Enrollment Season opened on Nov. 13 and will close Jan. 26, 2018. Whether your student will be transitioning to a new school next year or will remain at his/her current school, you'll find all the enrollment information you need at ousd.org/enroll.

ENROLL OUSD
in 4 easy steps!



Un Mensaje de OUSD

Es hora de inscribir a su estudiante para el año escolar 2018-19. La temporada de inscripción de OUSD se abrió el 13 de noviembre y se cerrará el 26 de enero de 2018. Si su estudiante hará la transición a una nueva escuela el próximo año o permanecerá en su escuela actual, encontrará toda la información de inscripción que necesita en ousd.org/enroll.

来自 OUSD 的消息

现在是时候注册你的学生2018-19学年。 OUSD招生季节将于11月13日开始，并将于2018年1月26日结束。无论您的学生明年是否将转入新学校，还是将继续留在现在的学校，您都可以找到所需的所有招生信息 在ousd.org/enroll。

Thông điệp từ OUSD

Đã đến lúc ghi danh học sinh của bạn cho năm học 2018-19. Kỳ Ghi Danh của OUSD mở cửa vào ngày 13 Tháng Mười Một và sẽ đóng ngày 26 tháng Giêng, năm 2018. Cho dù học sinh của bạn sẽ chuyển sang một trường mới trong năm tới hoặc sẽ ở lại trường hiện tại của bạn, bạn sẽ tìm thấy tất cả thông tin đăng ký mà bạn cần tại ousd.org/enroll.

رسالة من أوسد

حان الوقت لتسجيل طالبك للعام الدراسي 2018-2019. افتتح موسم التسجيل في أوسد يوم 13 نوفمبر وسوف يغلق 26 يناير 2018. ما إذا كان الطالب سوف يكون الانتقال إلى مدرسة جديدة في العام المقبل أو ستنقى في مدرسته الحالية، ستجد جميع المعلومات التسجيل التي تحتاج إليها في ousd.org/enroll.

Shop at Mountain Hardwear to Support Sequoia

Before the Thanksgiving break, students received special invitations to shop at an exclusive Mountain Hardwear store in Richmond during the holiday season, beginning Nov. 20 and continuing through Dec. 24. Sequoia family and friends can buy Mountain Hardwear merchandise at the store for 50% off retail. Ten percent of all purchases made by Sequoia families and friends goes directly to our school. See more information at <http://sequoiaschool.net/donate/shop-for-sequoia/>.

DATE CHANGE: Portrait Make-Up Day Changed to Dec. 7

The school photo make-up day for all grades is Thursday, Dec. 7. Roots & Shoots photographers will be on campus to capture beautiful images of any students who missed the original portrait sessions. Questions or concerns? Contact Roots & Shoots at grow@roots-shoots.com or 510-859-4148.



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Shout Outs

Send shout outs to

shoutouts@sequoiaschool.net.

Thank you TK and K!

Box Tops: Naima

Donations: Waylon, Katie & Mike, Rollie,

Liliana & Grandma, Kate & Paul

Motor Skills: Leslie, Pam, David, Andy, Lynell, Erik, Annie,

Daniel, Noah

Ardenwood Chaperones: Rollie, Kate, Jebson, Mike, Leslie, Mary

Claire, Arin, Gami, Melissa, Pam, Clint

Book Organizing and Classroom help: Sharon, Ms. A, Erika, Tomoko

Snack set-up: Pam, Erich, Tomoko, Sasha, Saniyyah

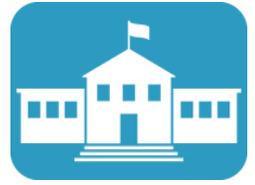
Lunch help: David, Pam

Snack: Siimi, Justin, Jack, Naima, Ava



Principal's Corner

Tonight, Monday, Nov. 27, an important OUSD school board meeting gives the Sequoia community an opportunity to join teachers, parents and other community members to speak out against extreme and unnecessary cuts to our school sites.



The meeting will be held at La Escuelita, 1050 2nd Ave., in the Great Room at 6 p.m.

You can also call or write to your school board member (ousd.org/findyourdirector) and sign a petition at tinyurl.com/nocutstokids. Thank you for supporting Sequoia!

Volunteers: We Want YOU!

Our vibrant school community needs volunteers to help us thrive. Here's a list of current volunteer opportunities—some only needing just a small amount of your time:

- Salad bar coordinator(s) to help set up/break down and monitor student participation
- Safety Patrol scheduler (stipend available)
- Someone to put up and take down safety signs in the mornings
- Committee on researching raises for our enrichment teachers
- Science Fair co-lead for event setup/breakdown

Please contact jennykimball@gmail.com if you can help. Thank you!

Printed Newsletter Opt-Out

To help Sequoia save money, we offer families the option to opt out of receiving a printed copy of the newsletter (which is posted on the school website, the school's Facebook page and Yahoo community group). Complete the form on the website to opt out; capitalize "Oakland" in the security question field (on a computer, not phone): <http://sequoiaschool.net/parent-resources/newsletters-communities/newsletter-opt-out/>.



Shop AmazonSmile and Support Sequoia

Do your holiday shopping and support our school with every purchase, using AmazonSmile—a charity version of Amazon.com with all same products and prices.



When you click the link on our website (<http://sequoiaschool.net/donate/shop-for-sequoia/>) and shop on AmazonSmile, Sequoia Dads' Club will receive 6–8% of the cost of your purchase, and if you choose Sequoia Dads' Club as your AmazonSmile charity, we will receive an extra 0.5%.

Family Dance & Silent Auction

The Sequoia Family Dance & Silent Auction is Saturday, Feb. 10, 2018, from 5 to 8 p.m. If you have made a donation or were able to sponsor the event in the past and can do so again, please fill out the forms on the Sequoia website.



- **Donate an item:**
<http://sequoiaschool.net/calendar-events/dance-auction/>
- **Sponsor the event:**
https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfzXRxeHHKAByr2XxWdJjHMzwK_Eeh7rfNiY6mCCjaT6Me5lQ/viewform

If you are new to this event, there are lots of ways to help. You can donate an item or service, sponsor the event, host a party or activity (as an auction item), or solicit items from businesses, restaurants and/or places you frequent.

If you are interested in helping in any capacity, please contact sequoiaauctionteam@gmail.com and we will get you started!

Sequoia Swag for Sale Dec. 4–8

Show your school spirit with Sequoia shirts, hoodies, hats, bags, and more! Sequoia swag will be available for purchase on campus during the week of Dec 4–8. Stay tuned for specific hours.



Arabic Translations Needed

The Sequoia newsletter team needs a parent volunteer to help with Arabic translations. Each week the newsletter features an article translated into several languages, thanks to parent translators. To help, email SequoiaNewsTeam@googlegroups.com.

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