



Two-Week Calendar

Wednesdays are minimum days.

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

Thu • Oct 25: **"Lights On After School" Healthy Start Celebration, Cafeteria**

- 3:30–6 p.m., Open House
- 6–7 p.m., Potluck Dinner

Sat • Oct 27: **Harvest Festival, 11 a.m.–3 p.m., Cafeteria and School Yard**

Wed • Oct 31: **Halloween Parade, 9–9:30 a.m., School Yard**

Lost & Found Items Cleared and Donated

Nov 1–2: **Días de los Muertos**

Sun • Nov 4: **Daylight Savings Time Ends**

Halloween Festivities at Sequoia

The Sequoia Halloween Parade will be held Wednesday, Oct. 31, from 9 to 9:30 a.m. on the playground. Teachers will be sending home specific information about their classroom parties and activities, so please be on the lookout for that information.

Because the parade is in the morning and parties may not take place until after lunch, students should come in their costumes and have something to change into after the parade.

As always, weapons, or anything that could be construed as a weapon, even if it's an integral part of the costume, must be left at home. In addition, masks that obstruct vision or field of view should be left at home.

As always, families are welcome to come join the fun and take pictures!

Book Fair Nov. 5–9, Helpers Wanted



The Fall Book Fair will be held the week of Nov. 5 immediately after school in the auditorium.

Hours for the Book Fair will be different on various days of the week:

- Monday, Tuesday and Friday for about an hour (2:45–4 p.m.)
- Due to choir rehearsals on Wednesday, the hours will be 4–6 p.m.
- On Thursday, the Book Fair will be open 2:45–6 p.m.

As always, we need volunteer helpers to set up on Friday, Nov. 2, and to break down on Friday, Nov. 9. A volunteer is also needed on Monday to help the kids in the classrooms get a sneak preview during the school day. This also allows the teachers to pick out their free books.

Please contact Heather King at 510-846-5519 or email heatherking.lmt@gmail.com to volunteer.

Harvest Festival This Weekend

Sequoia's annual Harvest Festival is this Saturday, Oct. 27, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

This fun event for children and families fosters the amazing connection between the Sequoia Community and the neighborhood. Please join us for games, pumpkins, jumpy house, arts & crafts, food, music, haunted house, sugar skulls, water balloon toss, frozen treats from Flavor Brigade and more! Come with your family and friends. This event is run entirely by our student and family volunteers.



There are plenty of big and little tasks, such as running a booth, bringing baked goods and setting/cleaning up. For more information on how you can help, please contact event volunteer coordinators Kyra Lilien (kyralilien@gmail.com) or Heidi Aboites (heidiaboites@gmail.com).

El festival anual de cosecha de Sequoia es este sábado, 27 de octubre, de 11 a.m. a 3 p.m. Este evento divertido para niños y familias fomenta la increíble conexión entre la Comunidad Sequoia y el vecindario. ¡Únase a nosotros para juegos, calabazas, casa saltada, artesanía, comida, música, casa embrujada, calaveras de azúcar, lanzamiento de globos de agua, golosinas congeladas de Flavor Brigade y más! ¡

Lễ hội thu hoạch hàng năm của Sequoia là Thứ Bảy, ngày 27 tháng 10, từ 11 giờ sáng đến 3 giờ chiều. Sự kiện thú vị này dành cho trẻ em và gia đình nuôi dưỡng sự kết nối tuyệt vời giữa Cộng đồng Sequoia và khu phố. Hãy tham gia với chúng tôi để chơi game, bí ngô, nhà nhả, nghệ thuật và đồ thủ công, thức ăn, âm nhạc, ngôi nhà ma ám, hộp sọ đường, nước bóng ném, đồ đông lạnh từ Flavor Brigade và hơn thế nữa!

红杉的一年一度的丰收节是10月27日星期六，上午11点到下午3点。这个有趣的儿童和家庭活动促进了红杉社区和社区之间的惊人联系。请加入我们的游戏，南瓜，跳房子，工艺品，食品，音乐，鬼屋，糖头骨，水气球折腾，Flavor Brigade冷冻零食等等！

مهرجان الحصاد السنوي سيكوييا هو يوم السبت ، 27 أكتوبر ، من الساعة 11 صباحاً حتى الساعة 3 عصرًا. هذا الحدث الممتع للأطفال والعائلات يعزز العلاقة المذهلة بين مجتمع سيكوييا والحي. يرجى الانضمام إلينا للألعاب ، اليقطين ، منزل غاي ، الفنون والحرف اليدوية ، والطعام ، والموسيقى ، منزل مسكون ، جماجم السكر ، إرم بالون المياه ، يعامل المجعدة من اللواء نكهة وأكثر!

Shout Outs

Thank you TK & K!

Donations: Jules, Izumi, Charlie, Nathan, Siena

Box Tops: Gwyneth

Guest readers: Izumi, Grace, Dahlia, Ezra, Nathan

Motor Skills: Janet, Elana, Ms. J, Nate, Bruce, Colby, Mike, Amie, Jen, Pam, Nathan, Daniel

Afterschool help: Jaime, Amy, Ivy, Adeline

Classroom help and support: Grandma Janet, Brent, Clio, Sarah

Snack setup: Elaine, Bobby, Barbara, Ivy, Ofer

Snack: Ellie, Siena, Daymion, Grace



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Support Sequoia and the Duct Tape Mr. Bertolo to a Wall, Nov. 9



Save the date and get out your scissors! On Nov. 9, Mr. Bertolo will be DUCT TAPED TO A WALL! Don't miss this, kids. Parents, bring your cameras. Everyone come celebrate our success in raising over \$80,000 by helping Mr. B make good on his promise of doing something outrageous!

This money goes towards our overall fundraising goal, which supports Sequoia's amazing enrichment classes. So BIG pat on the back to everyone for helping to make this happen.

Arianne Wagner, Volunteer Coordinator

Shop Good Eggs, Help Sequoia



This fall, 5% of every grocery order you place on Good Eggs (grocery delivery service) will go back to Sequoia Elementary.

How to join the fundraiser:

1. Visit schools.goodeggs.com.
2. Enter the code SQUIRRELS and click "Shop Now."
3. Add your groceries to your Good Eggs basket and check out.

New customers get \$15 off with this code; if 20 new customers join the fundraiser, the school gets a \$500 fundraising bonus. (See <http://sequoiaschool.net/donate/shop-for-sequoia/> for Terms & Details on this and other school fundraisers.)

Webmaster(s) Needed

Sequoia is looking for one or more interested individuals to take over webmaster duties in preparation for our current webmaster moving on after this year.

Duties involve updating information at the start of each year and working with the communications team to keep our site up to date. It is a great way to volunteer at Sequoia especially for those unable to be on site regularly. Time commitment varies, but often is about 1 (one) hour per week. The webmaster is also a member of the communications/newsletter team.

Familiarity with content management systems (specifically WordPress) is ideal, with some basic html, css and web-hosting skills a plus.

Let us know if you are interested by emailing webmaster@sequoiaschool.net. Thank you!

Sequoia Exclusive Discount at Mountain Hardwear

We have partnered again with the Mountain Hardwear employee store in Richmond, where Sequoia family and friends can buy merchandise for 50% off retail. Ten percent of purchases made by Sequoia families and friends goes directly to our school. The store carries winter snow clothes, as well as fall and winter everyday wear and outdoor items like tents, backpacks, water bottles and gloves. Brands include Columbia, Prana and Sorel.



Look for special invitations (valid from Oct. 26 through Nov. 25) via email, classroom folders and the school office. Extra invitations will be available for you to pass out to your co-workers, kids' sports teams, churches and whoever else you think would be interested. Questions? Please email our SPTO Fundraising Chair Lina Andersen at lina.andersen@icloud.com.

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Reminder: Drop-Off Policy and Traffic Safety Map

A reminder for everyone who does not have time to park and must drop off quickly, please follow the guidelines below so we can get our kids to school safely. Use the map below to determine your best route to the drop-off zone on Hearst Avenue.

- Do not ever block driveways, double-park, or leave your car unattended in the drop-off zone.
- Do not make U-turns on any streets around the school.
- Pull over completely at legal parking spots or drop-off zone, before letting children out.
- Slow down and watch for pedestrians, especially at crosswalks.
- Please note that there is no yard supervision until 8 a.m.
- If your child is in TK/Kindergarten, you must stay with your child until the 8:45 a.m. bell.
- Be courteous and helpful to neighbors and other parents.

