

Sequoia Elementary School Community Newsletter: Dec. 3, 2018



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SequoiaSchool.net and Facebook.com/groups/sequoiaelementary

Two-Week Calendar

Wednesdays are minimum days. Note that multiple events may happen on the same day.

- Sun • Dec 2: **First Night of Hanukkah**, begins at sundown
- Tues • Dec 4: **ArtSPARK Cleanup**, after school, *Auditorium*
- Wed • Dec 5: **No Sequoia Sings: Breakfast With the Principal**, 8:30–9 a.m., *Cafeteria*
- Prospective Sequoia Family Tours**, Schedule with School Secretary, *Front Lobby*
- Thu • Dec 6: **Dads' Club Meeting**, 6:30–7:30 p.m., *Monaghan's (2820 Mountain Blvd.)*
- Fri • Dec 7: **School Portrait Make-Up Day**
- Movie Night**, 5–8 p.m., *Auditorium*
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- Tue • Dec 11: **SSC Meeting**, 5–6 p.m., *Library*
- Wed • Dec 12: **Sequoia Sings! Student Performance**, 8:30–9 a.m., *Auditorium*

Picture Makeup Day Friday, Dec. 7



Makeup day for school portraits is this Friday morning, Dec. 7. If your child was absent on the original portrait day, Roots & Shoots Photography will automatically take their portrait on makeup day. If you are unhappy with the portrait in package

you received last week, please have your child bring the package back to the photographer and they will take a new portrait, refill your package with that image and deliver packages back to the school in roughly three weeks.

If you wish to order Makeup Day portraits, please use the link: <http://order.roots-shoots.com/form-4444269/sequoia-mud> Orders must be submitted by Tuesday, Dec. 27. If you did not get a chance to order or wish to order more portraits, you may do so here: <https://rootsshootsphotography.zenfolio.com/sequoia18>, password: sequoia18.

REMINDER: There is NO class photo/composite in the package—we will deliver those in January to include all the makeup day students. If you have any questions, please contact Nikki: nikki@roots-shoots.com// 510-859-4148.

Sequoia Sings Dec. 12



Sequoia Sings has been rescheduled to next Wednesday, Dec. 12 at 8:30 a.m. in the auditorium. Don't miss beautiful singing by our second graders, along with Mr. Bob's drummers, plus school announcements and the monthly drawing for Golden Ticket prizes. This is always a wonderful time for our community.

Dads' Club Meeting Thursday

The Dads' Club meets this Thursday, Dec. 6 at Monaghan's on Mountain Blvd. at 6:30 p.m. We would love to see any new parents who are interested in getting involved.

Feel to reach out to Jason Gumataotao at thegumataotaos@gmail.com or Brian Keeffe at briankeeffe@gmail.com with any questions.

Thank You for Another Successful ArtSPARK

Thank you to all of the volunteers who pitched in to help make ArtSPARK happen. Our student art show is truly a reflection of our fantastic community. We felt your kid power.



If you missed the Saturday event, classrooms will have an opportunity to view the show on Monday and Tuesday.

Remember to pick-up your art on Tuesday, Dec. 4 after school. We also need hands dismantling the event on Tuesday after school. Please consider spending a few minutes helping.

EXTENDED: Sequoia and Cub Scout Pack 296 Food Drive

The Alameda County Food Bank has extended the deadline of our food drive to the week of Dec. 10. They really need our help in collecting more food and they want to pick up a FULL barrel.

Please bring in your donations and drop them into the donation barrel in the school lobby. The Alameda County Food Bank assists one in five county residents, many of whom are children. Please consider donating a few food items to help those who are hungry. Suggested items include canned meats and fish, low-sodium soups and stews, nuts and beans, brown rice and quinoa, peanut butter and whole grain cereal.

For more information about Cub Scout Pack 296 or to learn how you can help with the food drive, contact Arianne Wagner at ariannewagner@gmail.com.

Breakfast With the Principal Wednesday at 8:30 a.m.

Join Mr. Bertolo for coffee and treats in the cafeteria at 8:30 a.m. Wednesday, Dec. 5 to be part of a conversation with parents and our school coaching experts. Mr. Bertolo will talk about Toolbox. ****Note the time change to 8:30 a.m.**



Join Us For Movie Night on Friday, Featuring "Home Alone"



The next Sequoia Movie Night is this Friday, with a showing of "Home Alone" (rated PG). Parents can check in and drop off their children between 5:30 and 6:15 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.

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

Noche de películas, 7 de diciembre: "Solo en casa"

La próxima Noche de películas de Sequoia es el viernes 7 de diciembre, con una presentación de "Solo en casa" (PG clasificado). Los padres pueden registrarse y dejar sus niños entre las 5:30 y 6:15 pm. y recoger a las 8 p.m. en el Auditorio. Una cena de calor, se incluyen perros, frutas, verduras y palomitas de maíz. El costo es de \$ 5 por niño.

Phim đêm ngày 7 tháng 12: "Nhà riêng"

Đêm xem phim Sequoia tiếp theo là Thứ Sáu, ngày 7 tháng 12, với phần trình diễn "Nhà riêng" (PG được xếp hạng). Phụ huynh có thể nhận phòng và trả phòng trẻ em từ 5:30 đến 6 giờ 15 chiều. và nhận trước 8 giờ chiều trong khán phòng. Bữa tối nóng chớ, trái cây, rau và bỏng ngô được bao gồm. Chi phí là \$ 5 mỗi đứa trẻ.

晚上看電影12月7日: "Home Alone"

Sequoia 晚上的電影是: "Home Alone" rated (PG) 12月7日, 星期五. 父母可以登錄, 孩子可以留下來5:30 - 6:15至8:00需要接在學校禮堂. 包括香腸麵包, 水果, 蔬菜和爆米花. 每名兒童的費用為 \$5.00

"Night Night 7: "Home Alone" فيلم

اليوم التالي سيكوييا الفيلم هو يوم الجمعة، 7 ديسمبر، مع عرض ل "Home Alone" (تصنيف PG). يمكن للوالدين تسجيل الوصول وتنزيله الاطفال بين 5:30 و

6:15 مساءً والنقاط الساعة 8 مساءً في القاعة. عشاء ساخن يتم تضمين الكلاب والفواكه والخضروات والفاشار. التكلفة 5 دولارات لكل

Shout Outs



Thank you TK & K!

Donations: Bobbie

Guest readers: Grace, Ezra, Sathya, Siena, Izumi, Nyle, Zev, Nyle, Luca, Henry

Box Tops: Owen

November birthday party: Ashley,

Jonathan, Erin, Ofer, Nicole, Erik, Casey, Jaime, Tim, Amy, Maggie

Classroom help and support: Grandma Janet, Casey, Nicole,

Jaime, Tim, Amanda, Tracey, Ms. Aquino, Bobby

Story Cycle bags: Amy

Motor Skills: Ms. J, Amy, Grandma Janet, Nate, Mike, Colby,

Bruce, Nathan, Pam, Harvest, Alice, Jen, Tacy, Harmoni, Journey

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

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"Hog Wild": Volunteers Needed for Silent Auction & Family Dance

It's that time of year again, and we are gearing up for the Sequoia Silent Auction & Family Dance Feb. 9. This year's theme is "Hog Wild," and we need volunteers! With your help, we had an amazing event last year and hope to do even better this year.

There are a number of ways to help. We need the following volunteers:

- **Creative writers** to help promote the event (website copy, updates on Next-door, newsletter/social media posts). All can be done in the comfort of your home.
- **Carpenter** (amateur or professional skills) to make outdoor games, think corn hole or giant Jenga.
- **Photographer** to do mini-photo sessions, about 15 minutes per family for a fixed cost.
- **Silent auction donation solicitors** to ask businesses and individuals for donations.
- **People who work at fun/interesting places** to donate a private tour to the auction.
- **Sponsors** to donate money. If you are a small business, this is a perfect way to promote your business. And, don't forget about asking your employer for an employee match.

If you are interested in helping in any capacity or have questions, contact the Silent Auction team at sequoiaauctionteam@gmail.com. If you have something to donate, please use the form at bit.ly/2019sequoiauction. Thank you in advance.

MLK Oratorical Needs Parent Coaches To Assist Students

The annual MLK Oratorical needs parent/family volunteers to coach students for the January 23 event. **We need at least 12 parent/family volunteers to help coach individuals and groups of students.**



You don't need to be a drama teacher to be a coach! Your main role is to build confidence in the students. We need parents who are available during the school day to pull students from class to practice over a three week time period starting the week prior to Dec. 17. To volunteer, please email laraclayman@gmail.com or johnniecol@gmail.com.

Prospective Sequoia Family Tours

The schedule for Sequoia school tours has changed. Tours will held Wednesday, Dec. 5, Dec. 12, Dec. 19 and Jan. 9.



All interested prospective families are encouraged to contact the school secretary to schedule a tour.

Winter Break Dec. 24–Jan. 4

Sequoia will be closed for Winter Break from Monday, Dec. 24 through Friday, Jan. 4. School resumes on Monday, Jan. 7.