

# Sequoia Elementary School Community Newsletter: Dec. 10, 2018

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## Four-Week Calendar

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

Tues • Dec 11 : **SCC Meeting**, 5–6 p.m., *Library*

Wed • Dec 12: **Sequoia Sings! Student Performance**, 8:30–9 a.m., *Auditorium*

Tues • Dec 18: **Daytime Winter Choir Concert**, 9:30–10 a.m., *Auditorium*

Wed • Dec 19: **Evening Winter Choir Concert**, 7–7:30 p.m., *Auditorium*

Fri • Dec 21 : **Duct Tape Mr. Bertolo to a Wall**, 8:30 a.m.  
**Lost & Found Items Cleared and Donated**

Dec 24–Jan 4: **Winter Recess: No School for Students**

## SSC Meeting Tuesday



The School Site Council (SSC) decides how to spend Title I money on programs/priorities that will best serve Sequoia students. Please come to the next meeting on Tuesday, Dec. 11, from 5 to 6 p.m. in the library.

## Sequoia Sings Wednesday

Sequoia Sings is this Wednesday 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.

## Thank You for Your Food Donations



Thank you for your generous food donations to the Alameda County Food Bank on the behalf of Sequoia Elementary and Pack 296 Cub Scouts. The Food Bank extends its gratitude and appreciates every bit of food collected. This food will

help feed those in need in our community. For more information and further ways to help those in need, visit <https://www.accfb.org/>.

For more information about Cub Scout Pack 296, contact Arianne Wagner at [ariannewagner@gmail.com](mailto:ariannewagner@gmail.com).

## Winter Choir Performances



Come hear the beautiful harmonies of the Sequoia Choir! The daytime performance is Tuesday, Dec. 18, from 9:30 to 10 a.m. The evening concert is on Wednesday, Dec. 19, from 7 to 7:30 p.m. Both performances are free and in the auditorium.

## Holiday Shopping: Support Sequoia

Do your holiday shopping and support our school with every purchase. Shop at AmazonSmile, Sports Basement, Good Eggs or Primary.com. Get the details and find the special shopping links here:



<http://sequoiaschool.net/donate/shop-for-sequoia/>.

### Compras navideñas: Apoyo Sequoia

Haga sus compras navideñas y apoye a nuestra escuela con cada compra. Compre en AmazonSmile, Sports Basement, Good Eggs o Primary.com. Obtenga los detalles y encuentre los enlaces de compras especiales aquí:

<http://sequoiaschool.net/donate/shop-for-sequoia/>.

### Mua sắm trong kỳ nghỉ: Hỗ trợ Sequoia

Hãy mua sắm kỳ nghỉ của bạn và hỗ trợ trường học của chúng tôi với mỗi lần mua. Mua sắm tại AmazonSmile, Sports Basement, Good Eggs hoặc là Primary.com. Nhận thông tin chi tiết và tìm các liên kết mua sắm đặc biệt tại đây:

<http://sequoiaschool.net/donate/shop-for-sequoia/>.

### 假日購物：支持紅杉

每次購買都可以購物並支持我們的學校。在AmazonSmile, Sports Basement, Good Eggs或Primary.com購物。獲取詳細信息並在此處找到特殊的購物鏈接:

<http://sequoiaschool.net/donate/shop-for-sequoia/>.

### بمناسبة فصل الأعياد والمناسبات ممكن دعم سكوي عند التسوق

عند التسوق للأعياد والمناسبات القادمة ممكن تدعمو سكوي بكل مشترياتكم في المحلات كل , Amazon , sports basement , good eggs , primary.com , التاليه التفاصيل موجوده في رابط

<http://sequoiaschool.net/donate/shop-for-sequoia/>.

## Duct Tape Mr. Bertolo to a Wall Rescheduled for Dec. 21

The Duct Tape Challenge is BACK ON! Let's kick off our holiday break right with a BANG . . . like taping our principal to a wall!

The taping begins on Friday, Dec. 21 at 8:30 a.m. **We need a few parent volunteers to help supervise the taping and make sure kids are following the rules** (e.g., no tape on Mr. B's head).

Please contact Arianne Wagner at [ariannewagner@gmail.com](mailto:ariannewagner@gmail.com) if you can help.

## 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.



## No SPTO Meeting in December

There will be no SPTO meeting in December. The next meeting will be on Tuesday, Jan. 15, at 6 p.m. in the cafeteria.



## MLK Oratorical Needs Parent Coaches To Assist Students



The annual MLK Oratorical needs parent/family volunteers to coach students for the Jan. 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 this week. To volunteer, please email [laraclayman@gmail.com](mailto:laraclayman@gmail.com) or [johnniecol@gmail.com](mailto:johnniecol@gmail.com).

## Shout Outs

**Thank you TK & K!**

**Donations:** Zev, Siena, Amanda, Charlie

**Box Tops:** Owen, Lukas

**Dimond Library and Park chaperones:**

Emily, Casey, Ashley

**Classroom help and support:** Grandma

Janet, Emily, Kathleen, Shawn, Drew, Amanda Bloch, Tracey Kelp, Andrea, Ashley, Ivy, Natalie, Brent, Casey

**Motor Skills:** Ms. J, Elana, Grandma Janet, Nate, Mike, Tracey, Bruce, Nathan, Harvest, Daniel

**Story Cycle bags:**

**Snack setup:** Jon, Bobby, Dan, Ivy, Ofer

**Snack:** Lukas, Lucas, Henry, Jules, Luca

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

It's that time of year... We are gearing up for the Sequoia Silent Auction & Family Dance on Saturday, 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.



We need the following volunteers:

- **Creative writers** to help promote the event (website copy, updates on Nextdoor, newsletter/social media posts). All can be done in the comfort of your home.
- **Carpenter** (amateur or professional skills) to make outdoor games (think cornhole 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](mailto:sequoiaauctionteam@gmail.com). If you have something to donate, please use the form at [bit.ly/2019sequoiaauction](http://bit.ly/2019sequoiaauction).

Thank you in advance.