



CHALK TALK



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Final Trimester of '12-'13

It's hard to believe, but the school year will be over in just three more months. March 1st will mark the beginning of the last trimester of the year. I hope all students will finish the year off strongly by putting forth their best efforts everyday.

As we get closer to May 31st, I would like to remind our eighth graders that they must pass every class in third trimester in order to participate in the promotion ceremony. Low citizenship marks and inappropriate behavior (including uniform infractions and excessive detention minutes) may limit participation in some of the promotion activities. I want all our eighth graders to enjoy the fun activities the promotion committee has planned for them, and to cross stage with their peers at the promotion ceremony. Do not wait until the last few weeks to get serious about your academic and behavioral progress.

Important 8th Grade Dates & Information:

February 27th: Promotion Money Due
February 28th: MKHS Registration Packets Due
March 6th: Registration with MKHS Counselors
March 8th: Last Chance to Order a Yearbook

Your promotion t-shirts are in the process of being printed. Once they are distributed, you may wear your promotion t-shirts to school instead of your uniform shirt. (But you must still wear appropriate uniform bottoms.)

Eighth graders who receive any Ds or Fs on their second trimester report cards will begin meeting with Mrs. Gaither on a regular basis to develop a plan to raise your grades and to monitor your progress.

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Important Dates

FEBRUARY

28: End of Trimester 2

MARCH

01: Minimum Day

02: Garden Installation Day

05: STAR Writing Test (Gr. 4 & 7)

08: Report Cards Go Home

08: Yearbook Order Deadline

08: Family Movie Night
Film: *Wreck-It Ralph*
5:30 p.m. Auditorium

11: Mobile Dairy Classroom

13: Bonus/Valet Bucks Store

13: PTA Meeting
6:30 p.m. Cafeteria

14: Mobile Vet Big Rig Display

15: Good Citizen of the Month
7:30 a.m. Auditorium

15: Minimum Day

18-20: PTA's AstroCamp

18-22: Spring Break

Imagination Machine Brings Students' Writing to the Stage

Each year, students write creative and original stories for their teachers to submit to *The Imagination Machine*. The staff at *The Imagination Machine* selects the best stories and uses them as the basis to create live performances.

This year's stories came from students in kindergarten through eighth grade, and were among the funniest of all time. We would like to recognize the amazing writing ability of the students whose stories were selected: Rebecca Chu, Daniel de la Peña, Pedro De Leon, Patrick Ersig, Celeste Gil, Alejandra Gonzalez, Shawnee Gonzalez, Olivia Gutierrez, Mitchell Hoy, Kaycee Lee, Ami Lloyd, Cesar Melgoza, Kristalyn Naka, Michael Rangel, and Mrs. Young's entire class.

The Imagination Machine assembly is always a highlight of the school year, and is made possible through the generosity of our PTA. We can't wait to see what our students will write next year, and hope they were inspired to keep writing.

Family Movie Night - March 8th Film: *Wreck-It Ralph*

(to support Rooms 34 & 35)

5:30 p.m. Concession Stand Opens
6:30 p.m. Movie Begins

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENTS

Important Safety Issues & Concerns: Please help keep our students safe as they arrive at and leave Repetto School each day. Lately, we have noticed several dangerous driving behaviors and even some near misses. Please be aware that we have asked the Monterey Park Police Department to increase their patrol of our school. Parents who drive dangerously may be subject to a citation/fine. Many cars are not stopping at the crosswalks to allow students to cross to and from school safely. (Remember that pedestrians *always* have the right of way at the crosswalk, even if there is no crossing guard present.) We also observed parents making dangerous U-turns and/or turns into the gate/parking lot/neighbors' driveways. Lastly, we would like to remind parents who use the valet drop-off lane to drive slowly through the valet area and to look both ways before merging back into traffic. We are always in need of additional parents to help with the valet lane in the morning. If you can help at least one morning a week, please provide your name and contact information to the office.

Don't Forget to Order a Yearbook: There are only two weeks left to order a 2013 yearbook. Yearbooks are only available by pre-sale, so make sure to purchase yours no later than March 8th. Extra order forms are available in the school office. March 8th is also the deadline to order and submit any dedication pages. If you would like to submit any photos for possible inclusion in the yearbook, please send them to repetto@ausd.us or upload the photos (JPEG format only) using the new eShare website at <http://www.hjeshare.com>. You will need to enter the school code (*repetto2013* for the K-5 yearbook and *REPETTO13* for the 6-8 yearbook.) More detailed instructions for uploading photos to the eShare website are available in the school office.

Lost & Found: There are many sweaters and jackets on our lost & found rack (located near the cafeteria). Please encourage your children to check for any missing items. Parents may also check the lost & found rack after the end of the school day. Items not claimed after two months will be donated to a local charity.

Office Hours on March 1st: The school office will close at 3:30 p.m. this Friday, due to a district training. Thank you for your understanding.

December/January Citizens of the Month

On February 8th, Repetto School recognized 38 students for demonstrating the Developmental Asset of **Planning and Decision Making**. These students know how to plan ahead and make good choices. To learn more about Developmental Assets, please visit www.search-institute.org.

Kiera Huynh - K	William Arauz - 5 th
Aidan Sison - K	Ami Medina - 5 th
Lauren Young - K	Nicholas Ogawa-Monroe - 5 th
Audrey Julianto - 1 st	Marco Serrato - 5 th
Kayla Kamei - 1 st	Tristan Yang - 5 th
Madilyn Tran - 1 st	Daniel Zhou - 5 th
Kayla Huynh - 2 nd	Rebecca Chu - 6 th
Jocelyn Morales - 2 nd	Sharon Deng - 6 th
Dylan Takeda - 2 nd	Joanna Lei - 6 th
Tina Zhuo - 2 nd	Haosheng Li - 6 th
Ami Lloyd - 3 rd	Armen Duran - 7 th
Tina Phannguyen - 3 rd	Casey Kwan - 7 th
Angela Shum - 3 rd	Shannon Leung - 7 th
Beverly Wu - 3 rd	Carina Li - 7 th
Jessica Fung - 4 th	Milton Mak - 7 th
Kyle Lam - 4 th	Justin Khuong - 8 th
Audrey Qian - 4 th	Hui Jing Liu - 8 th
Samuel Salazar - 4 th	Aubriann Navarro - 8 th
Amy Ung - 4 th	Nicole Nguyen - 8 th

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