

# EAGLE PEAK MONTESSORI SCHOOL

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### FRIDAY FOLDER NOTES

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"I am only one, but still I am one. I cannot do everything, but still I can do something; and because I cannot do everything I will not refuse to do the something that I can do."

~ Helen Keller

"Until mankind can extend the circle of his compassion to include all living things, he will never, himself, know peace." ~Albert Schweitzer



#### **Notes from Michelle**

Each staff meeting we start our time together by sharing acknowledgements and appreciations to others on staff or in the EPMS community. Wednesday, there were several appreciations regarding the amazing International Day. All of the teachers commented on how enjoyable, organized, and valuable it was for the students. THANK YOU to the International Day Committee.

As you have most likely gathered from the emails that went out earlier this week, we are working on creating a Cultural Awareness Committee. Many of you have asked me what this committee's work will be. The hope is that the committee itself will define its task, but the overarching concept is for us to have parents and community members work to create cultural celebrations and experiences for the students that do not all come from one perspective. We have a diverse community, but sometimes the way that we expose our students to the beauty of other cultures is strictly from one perspective. Hopefully this committee can help to create more authentic experiences. We will meet Thursday, January 12, at 6:30 pm. Please join us.



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### **Notes from Michelle (con't)**

Report cards will be sent home February 3 in your child's Friday Folder. Please remember to look for them at that time. Eagle Peak divides its reporting to parents into 4 time periods. Your first check-in with the teacher is during the Fall conference, then you receive a report card the end of January/early February. Another parent conference is in April, and then a final report card in June.

Have a fantastic weekend.



## **Monday Gathering**

5<sup>th</sup> Grade Quotes:

<u>Jenny Lopez</u>: "Showing gratitude is one of the simplest yet most powerful things humans can do for each other" ~ Randy Pausch

Angelina Velasco: "Develop an attitude of gratitude, and give thanks for everything that happens to you, knowing that every step forward is a step toward achieving something bigger and better than your current situation." ~ Brian Tracy

<u>Chloe Utter:</u> "Gratitude turns what we have into enough." ~Anonymous

**<u>Leila Chulani:</u>** "Gratitude helps us to see what is there instead of what isn't" ~ Annette Bridges



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## **PTLG Quick Notes**

Welcome back EPMS families!!! PTLG is ramping up for events happening in the spring semester...so stay posted for event updates and volunteer activities.

#### **Upcoming Events**

- <u>Golden Ticket Raffle</u> pull and Crab Feed on January 27!!! Be sure to attend this important event for the AP program!!! You can purchase tickets from an AP student or the EPMS office.
- The EPMS Talent Show will be March 24.
   Information regarding this event and registration forms will be in your Friday Folder after the winter break. If you have questions, please, contact Christie Elwood (christie.elwood@gmail.com)
- <u>The Next PTLG Meeting</u> is February 9<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 at EPMS. Come and get to know your Room Parents and the other parents as well as address any questions you have for PTLG, CFEP, the Board, teachers and Ms. Hammons. You will receive volunteer hours for attending the meeting! Childcare available!!!!!

Cheers, the PTLG Team

Rachel Beeler Leah Karson Jennifer Torres Brandan Ricks Zulay Loftin Akiko Noguchi



# **GOLDEN TICKET RAFFLE Update**

Hope you had success selling your raffle tickets over Winter Break!!!

Each ticket bought will be a chance to win the NEW MacBook Pro, valued at almost \$1,800!

Each ticket sold will be a chance to win the Samsung Smart TV!

We will announce winners at the Crab Feed on January 27th.

Please continue to sell your tickets... and turn in your raffle tickets tabs (filled out) and monies in the envelope provided to the office by January 16th. If you need more time to sell, feel free to sell up until January 23rd. All raffle tabs need to be in the office by this date in order to be collected for the raffle pull!

Looking forward to seeing you at the Crab Feed! The winning number will also be published in the FF at the end of the month.



Save the Date Dine & Donate January 19<sup>th</sup>, 2017

Come and check out the new location just down the street from the old location at 1325 S. Main St, Walnut Creek (parking available in rear). Look for more details and flyer in next week's Friday Folder.



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# Save-the-Date Talent Show 2017! Friday, March 24<sup>th</sup>

Look for details and permission slips in upcoming Friday Folders. If you have any questions please contact <a href="mailto:christy.elwood@gmail.com">christy.elwood@gmail.com</a> if you'd like to get involved.



# Calling all Parents!! Attendance Help

Let's start the New Year Right!!! Please contact the office as soon as possible either by phone or email at <a href="mailto:epmsattendance@gmail.com">epmsattendance@gmail.com</a> or anelson@gmail.com, when you know your child will be out for the day for whatever reason (sickness, doctor/dentist appointments vacation days, etc.).

Do not use eaglepeakmointessori@gmail.com)

It only takes a minute and helps out enormously. Thank you to all the parents who do ©



# **Tardys and Late Arrivals**

If your child is tardy please be sure to sign them in in the Late Arrival/Early Dismissal book located in the Front Office (red-spined binder). Doctor/Dentist notes are required if coming from an appointment.



## **Notes from Childcare**

Childcare payments for the month of January, 2017 are now past due. If you have not already submitted payment, any hours incurred will be charged at the drop-in rate and will be billed at the end of the month.

Drop-In charges for the month(s) of December, 2016 (or any past due charges) are in this week's Friday Folder. Please remember to bring your accounts upto-date. Failure to bring your account current may jeopardize future use of Childcare.

See Mrs. Mahraj or Jason if you have questions regarding hours used.



#### **Office Notes**

#### **Calendared Events**

• Jan 9 CFEP 7 pm

• Jan 12 Cultural Awareness Committee 6:30

• Jan 14 Garden Work Day 9-12

• Jan 16 Martin Luther King, Jr. Day – Off

• Jan 17 Board Mtg 6:30

Jan 19 UE Parent Info Mtg 6:30

• Jan 24 UE Rm 202: Asian Art Museum

• Jan 26 UE Rm 201: Asian Art Museum

Jan 27 Early Dismissal 1 pm

Jan 27 Crab Feed & Raffle Drawing



### **Attachments this Week**

Spanish: Session 2

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# **JANUARY 2017 School Calendar**

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SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
8	CFEP 7 pm	Room 302 Dean Lesher 9:30-10:30	Room 401 Dean Lesher 9:30-10:30	Room 301 Dean Lesher 9:30-10:30 Cultural Awareness Committee 6:30	Friday Market	Garden Work Day 9 am – 12
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
	Day OFF	Board Mtg 6:30 pm		UE Parent Info 6:30	Friday Market	PPM 9:30–10:30 am
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
		Rm 202 Asian Art Museum PPM 6:30–7:30 pm		Rm 201 Asian Art Museum	Early Dismissal 1 PM  AP Crab Feed & RAFFLE 6:30 PM	
29	30	31				
		PPM 6:30–7:30 pm				

# **FEBRUARY 2017 School Calendar**

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
			1	2	3	4
					Friday Market	