



# EAGLE PEAK MONTESSORI SCHOOL

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## FRIDAY FOLDER NOTES

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“Kindness in words creates confidence. Kindness in thinking creates profoundness. Kindness in giving creates love.”

~ Lao Tzu

“Carry out a random act of kindness, with no expectation of reward, safe in the knowledge that one day someone might do the same for you.”

~ Princess Diana



## Notes from Michelle

Eagle Peak is about to blow your mind again by flipping the education system on its head.

No – not really. ...BUT we have found a way to make an “F” on the report card a positive thing!! Some of you may be shocked to see that letter on your child’s report, after all, Eagle Peak does not use traditional grading systems, right? OF course not - but for us “F” means “frequently”, so that is a good thing. Please do not explode when you see them. Our new rubric for Social/Emotional and specialists is:

**C - Consistently**

**F - Frequently**

**O - Occasionally**

**R - Rarely**

Also, it is very important that you read the rubric that we do use for the various “grades”. Most students should only be at a 2 or 3 at this time in the year. If they receive a “1”, that would indicate either that the concept was recently introduced, or that they are struggling with that concept. It is important to read the narrative sections to learn which case it is. As always, please feel free to email your child’s teacher with any questions on clarification.

I hope you are all looking forward to attending the Upper Elementary Science Fair on February 25<sup>th</sup>. Although this is just the UE students presenting, families without UE students are welcome to attend.



## Notes from Michelle

Remember if you have a child whom you are planning to have attend Eagle Peak next fall, who is not currently attending, see Amy regarding the application process for siblings. The deadline is April 15<sup>th</sup>.

**REMINDER** - if you plan to have someone other than yourself pick up your child from school, even another Eagle Peak parent, the office must be notified. If they are not a current Eagle Peak parent they will need to come to the office and provide ID. If this is someone, such as a nanny or neighbor, who might become a regular alternate for picking up your child, please make sure to add them to your list of approved people on your child’s enrollment form.

Imagine what the world would be like if everyone’s first thought was “How can I help?” or “What would be the kind thing to do in this situation?”. In a Montessori classroom we know that we cannot expect the students to innately understand how to do a job unless we demonstrate it for them. The same follows out of the classrooms; we all need lessons sometimes on how to be the best version of ourselves. Choose kindness. ☺

Have a great weekend.



## Monday Gathering

6<sup>th</sup> Grade Leaders: Dylan Keyhantaj  
Sirena Saldavar

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

**Itzel Balcazar:** “We learned about honesty and integrity - that the truth matters... that you don’t take shortcuts or play by your own set of rules... and success doesn’t count unless you earn it fair and square.”

~Michelle Obama

**Colleen VanNote:** “Wisdom is knowing the right path to take... Integrity is taking it.” ~Anonymous



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### Lunch Order: 2/9 - 3/18/16

Look for the next Lunch Order Form in this week's (Jan 29) Friday Folder. Please fill out and return by Wednesday, Feb 3<sup>rd</sup>. The **cutoff deadline** is Friday, Feb 5<sup>th</sup>. If we do not receive your order by Tuesday, Feb 9<sup>th</sup> you cannot order lunch for the 1<sup>st</sup> week.



### Calling All Parents

If you chaperoned on a field trip or you were on campus for Fall Fest, Historical Halloween, Thanksgiving Feast or International Day, and took photographs, Memory Book committee needs your help.

Please save your photos on a labeled flash drive and bring to the office to place in the Memory Book mailbox (this will be returned to you within one week). Or if you only have a handful of pictures taken on your smartphone, please email them to Ms. Prudence at [prudence@eaglepeakmontessoriap.org](mailto:prudence@eaglepeakmontessoriap.org) and save them with "actual size" to ensure highest resolution/quality for use in the Memory Book.

**Please submit your photos by Friday, February 19, 2016.**

## AUCTION UPDATE

A Night to Remember  
April 30, 2016  
Civic Park Community Center  
Assembly Hall  
5:30 pm - 8:30 pm

### Auction Donation Preview:



1 month UNLIMITED yoga sessions in Walnut Creek



1 month children's ballet classes at Tutu School in Walnut Creek



Beautiful hand-made jewelry, made from genuine semi-precious gem stones and Swarovski crystals

**WISH LIST:** - golf items, such as tees, balls, sunscreen, etc:

- Bart tickets
- Gift cards of any kind

Check our Facebook page for daily updates and previews!

Questions? Contact Auction Chair Gundi Younger [gundi.younger@gmail.com](mailto:gundi.younger@gmail.com)



### Notes from the Office

#### Calendared Events

Feb 1	Talent Show Mtg 7:00 pm
Feb 8	Lincoln's Birthday - Off
Feb 9	Field Trip Training 6 pm
Feb 11	CFEP 6:30 pm
Feb 15	President's Day - Off
Feb 16	Board Mtg 6:30
Feb 17	LE Only: Vivarium
Feb 20	Garden Workday 9-12
Feb 22	Talent Show Mtg 3:45 pm
Feb 25	Science Fair 6:30 - 8 pm



### Attachments this Week

- Lunch Order Form: 2/9 - 3/18
- Academic Rubrics Explanation
- Auction Update





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## FEBRUARY, 2016 School Calendar

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
31	1	2	3	4	5	6
	Talent Show Mtg 7 pm				FRIDAY MARKET	
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
	 Lincoln's BD OFF	NEW LUNCH ORDER STARTS  Field Trip Training 6 pm  PPM 6:30-7:30 am		CFEP 6:30 pm	FRIDAY MARKET	
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
	 President's Day OFF	Board Mtg 6:30 pm	Lower EI Vivarium		FRIDAY MARKET	 Garden Workday 9 am - 12  PPM 9:30-10:30 am
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
	Talent Show Mtg 3:45 pm	PPM 6:30-7:30 am		 Science Fair 6:30 - 8 pm	FRIDAY MARKET	

## March, 2016 School Calendar

28	29	1	2	3	4	5
	< - - AP Pedogogy: Hidden Villa 2/29 thru 3/4 - - >					PPM 9:30-10:30 am