The Mariemonter is a monthly communication to the Parents and Faculty of Mariemont Elementary School in Sacramento, CA.

November 2015

Month At A Glance

Nov 6  Teacher Work Day (NO SCHOOL)
Nov 10 Mariemont Visitation Day
Nov 11 Veteran's Day (NO SCHOOL)
Nov 16 - 20  Parent Conferences (dismissal at 11:40am)
Nov 16  Fat Cat Scones and Cookies Fundraiser Begins
Nov 23 - 27  Thanksgiving Break (NO SCHOOL)

**Principal's Message:**

Mariemont Families,

It finally feels like fall is upon us! With the busy months ahead, it is important that we try to keep our kids on schedule and in proper routines. Please make efforts to have your children to school on time, and schedule family trips during our designated breaks. If you are leaving during school hours for trips, it is always helpful to let your teacher know, in case they want to send some work along with your child.

Looking ahead, this time of year usually flies by! With no school this Friday (Elementary only! Middle and High still have school), Veteran's Day next week, and parent/teacher conferences right around the corner, our November break will be upon us before we know it!

CHP has been working with our neighbors and families to keep the kids safe on the street. I am seeing some improvement. Thank you to those of you who are following the flow of traffic and helping ease the situation.

Here's to hoping for a cool, wet November!

Beth Wahl

**PTA Message:**

"Piglet noticed that even though he had a Very Small Heart, it could hold a rather large amount of Gratitude."  A.A. Milne

As our summer has quickly turned to Fall it is the time of year that many of us
think about all the big and small things in our lives we are thankful for. Stepping onto the Mariemont Campus every day I know that our students and parents have so many things to be thankful for. Our kids are in the safe, caring, and mind expanding hands of the district’s Finest Teachers. Our Principal has only the best interest of our kids in mind. All the Support Staff on our campus are working tirelessly for our students. Thankfully we have many, many Parent Volunteers in the classrooms and doing work behind the scenes to make our school an amazing academic community. Our children have SO much to be grateful for!

Have a wonderful November and Thanksgiving,

Laura Lehrer
PTA President

Open Enrollment Visitation Days

The Mariemont Welcoming Committee, along with our Principal Beth Wahl, and the PTA are hosting three mornings for parents to come learn about our school and take tours of our classrooms and campus. The first visitation day will be held on Tuesday, November 10 from 8:45am – 10:00am.

Please help us spread the word about our amazing school and all it has to offer future Mustangs and their families! Volunteers are needed to help make these days successful! To join our Welcoming Committee, please contact
Stephanie Ketsdever at
stephanie.ketsdever@gmail.com

Additional visitation days will be offered on Friday, December 11 2015, and Friday, January 8, 2016.

Fat Cat Scones and Cookies Fundraiser
Order forms for premium, ready-to-bake frozen scone and gourmet scoop-and-bake cookie dough will be coming home this week! The PTA receives 45% of all sales. Please return completed order forms to your child's classroom or the school office by Monday, November 30th. Orders will be available for pick up at school on December 10th and 11th just in time for the holidays!

Please contact Wendi Zaretsky at wendiolt1973@yahoo.com with any questions.

Parent Conferences - Minimum Days
November 16 - 20
In order to provide Mariemont Teachers and Parents an opportunity to meet and review student's progress, November 16 - 20 are Minimum Days.

Grades 1 - 5: Dismissal Time is 11:40
*Kindergarten will remain on their regular schedule*
(AM Kinder 8:15am - 11:45am)
(PM Kinder 11:40am - 3:00pm, Thursday 10:25am - 1:45pm)

Cafeteria Lunch IS offered during Minimum Days. Students will pick up their lunch at the cafeteria during the following times and bring it back to their classroom:
1st Grade: 11:00am
2nd Grade: 11:05am
3rd Grade: 11:10am
4th Grade: 11:15am
5th Grade: 11:20am

All students eat lunch in their classrooms during Minimum Day schedule.

Also, during Parent Conference week, please take the time to check out the lost and found for any missing items.
Thank you Mustangs for participating in October's Box Tops Drive! The winners of this season's contest and recipients of the root beer float parties will be announced soon! Stay tuned for more details and KEEP CLIPPING!

Operation Gratitude was a great success! Thank you to everyone who donated candy that will be sent to our troops! A special thank you to Chalmers Dental who is sorting and shipping all the candy on behalf of Mariemont Elementary School!

2nd Annual Winter Festival

December 16th from 5:30pm - 7:00pm
Mariemont MP Room

Save the date for this fun family event sponsored by your Mariemont PTA. Come and make some Winter crafts to give as a gift or keep for yourself! There will be multiple craft tables for all ages! Make one or make them all! We will have homemade goodies to snack on and hot chocolate to enjoy! More information to follow in the coming weeks!

If you are interested in helping out with this event, please contact Kristi Cooke at kristi.cooke1@gmail.com or Paula Lawrence at paula.lawrence01@gmail.com. We hope to see you there!
Healthy Kids

If you missed the last month’s general PTA meeting, Monique Christian, a Mariemont parent and health expert spoke in regards to keeping our active and energetic kids healthy. Monique spoke about limiting processed foods and added sugars including protein bars and snacks. Our active students need adequate rest, water and protein to build growing muscle. The best way to feed our kids is from the Farmers Market and with unprocessed ingredients. Check out this quick and easy pancake recipe from Monique that would make a great breakfast or after school snack.

If you would like more specific information or have questions for Monique her email is monique304@gmail.com