

RHEEMARKS

January 7, 2018

I know school has been in session for only a short week but the energy and enthusiasm is back to full throttle for our young Roadrunners. To keep in step with our students please take a read at some of the great happenings and opportunities provided to them, and you, in the coming weeks.

This Week at Rheem:

Monday, January 8th:

- Geo Bee contest: 9:00-10:30 in The Frank (M/U Room)
- Calendar Task Force Town Hall meeting in JM Auditorium starting at 11:00 AM

Tuesday, January 9th:

- All Schools Band Concert at Campolindo HS from 7:00-8:00
- School Board meeting in JM Library from 7:00-10:00

Wednesday, January 10th:

- Regularly scheduled Wednesday (K-5 8:25-1:50)

Thursday, January 11th:

- Wellness Committee meeting in JM Library at 6:30

Friday, January 12th:

- Regularly scheduled Friday

Monday, January 15th:

- NO SCHOOL – Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr Day

School News and Highlights

- This Monday, January 8th is the Geo Bee held in the Frank. The following 5th graders will be competing in tomorrow's event: Arnav M., Brandon L., Cooper C., Declan A., Emma A., Hannah B., Luc N., Luka V., Mia H., Sienna B.

- MPD's Officer Ortiz joined the Rheem student body last week for lunch in the cafeteria. Officer Ortiz got a chance to chat with K-3rd graders and hand out "Jr. Officer" badges. It's great having Moraga's finest on campus to support our students, and build relationships with the people they serve.
- Last Thursday, January 4th our strings musicians played a bit o' magic at Campolindo HS. All three elementary schools as well as JM and Campo strings players joined in on the fun. Kudos to our many musicians, Mr. Noel and Mr. Johnson for sharing their time and talents with the large crowd.
- Tuesday, January 9th is the All Schools Band Concert at Campolindo from 7:00-8:00. Rheem musicians should arrive at 6:15 to get set up.
- There is no school next Monday, January 15th. The holiday is to celebrate the life of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

Calendar Task Force Town Hall Meeting this Monday

The Acalanes Union High School District (AUHSD), has initiated a task force with teacher, administrator and parent representatives from partner school districts to examine the school year calendar. The task force is addressing whether the current calendar is optimal for our students and community, or are there alternatives that would better suit the collective interests.

For more information regarding the Task Force and to have any of your questions or concerns answered please attend the Town Hall tomorrow (1/8) at 11:00 in the JM Auditorium. Please click [here](#) for additional info on the Task force and its work.

Rheem Math Night – January 18th

Join us for a fun filled evening of math, rewards, giveaways and games for the entire family. Rheem's Math Night is sponsored by Mathnasium of Lafayette and hosted by Rheem's PTA on Thursday, January 18th from 6:00-8:00 in Elaine Frank Roadrunner Hall. Bring the whole family for refreshments, snacks and fun STEM activities. These interactive math games will keep the

whole family smiling and laughing. Please RSVP by emailing RheemPTA@gmail.com.

Wellness Committee Meeting this Thursday

The Wellness Committee continues to develop a MSD Wellness Plan and will recommend draft language that student birthday celebrations are held with alternatives to food and school staff not use food as an incentive or reward for behaviors or performance. The WC plans to present the Wellness Plan to the Governing Board this spring. This week's meeting (1/11) is in the JM Library at 6:30.

Panel of Wellness Specialists at Rheem's January PTA Association Meeting – as submitted by PTA President Lynette Galarza

Rheem PTA has been hard at work and are excited to announce that we will have a panel of specialists at our upcoming PTA Association Meeting on Wednesday, January 24th. The Panel will include a neurosurgeon and an orthopedic surgeon who specialize in Sports Medicine as well as a physical therapist. The Expert Panel will be discussing injury prevention and the management of concussions in children.

As the PTA would like to continue to bring speakers to our meetings we cannot express enough how important your support and attendance is! We are holding this meeting in the evening from 6:30--8:30pm, hoping this will allow working parents to be able to attend.

If you have any specific topics and/or speakers that you would like us to try and include in future PTA Meetings, please contact Rebecca Eirich at Cerp@mac.com

The Last Word:

Did you know that only 8% of people keep their New Year's Resolution? Personally, I'm not much of a New Year's Resolutions fan, but I do I like the idea of starting the year fresh and setting goals that can make a difference in one's quality of life. With that being said I think goal setting is a valuable skill for students to learn. It's never too early to reinforce good habits with our

children and getting them to think of improvement as their responsibility is essential. Please take a look [here](#) for some great ideas on how you and your child(ren) can make a difference in the way you feel for 2018. Best of luck to any goals you may decide on and in the event you come up short there is always room for ya' with me and the rest of the 92% :)

There is no place like Rheem,

Mr. Sullivan