

RHEEMARKS

September 17, 2017

Dear Rheem Team Families,

There is a lot going on at Rheem and throughout the district these days so please take a look at the happenings below.

This Week at Rheem:

Monday, September 18th:

Regularly scheduled day

Tuesday, September 19th:

Regularly scheduled day

Wednesday, September 20th:

PTA Association Meeting: 9:30 – 11:30

All stakeholders invited

Coordinating Council Meeting, 3:30-5:00 at CP in Room 7

Thursday, September 21st:

Navigating the School Lunch Box – Parent Education

(Starting at 7:00 JM in the Library. See here for more info)

Friday, September 22nd:

Regularly scheduled day

Navigating the School Lunch Box

Please join other parents this coming Thursday, September 21st at 7:00 pm in the JM Library for a presentation by Izzie Brown, professor at San Jose State University, on nutrition and building body appreciation through food choice. For more information please click [here](#) . Seating is limited.

POEMS – Parents of Exceptional Moraga Students

Moraga School District is a proud sponsor of POEMS (Parents of Exceptional Moraga Students). POEMS is dedicated to supporting families who have students with special needs. For more information on POEMS outreach and parent education opportunities please click [here](#) .

Lamorinda Bus Transportation for Late Birds

The Lamorinda Bus Transportation Program is offering service to Rheem families who would like their late birds to take the bus in the morning. Please click [here](#) for more information.

Monarch Butterfly – Art Contest

The California Department of Education and the Consulate General of Mexico in Sacramento are pleased to introduce the XXI Children's Drawing Contest 2017. This year's subject is, "The Monarch Butterfly and its life cycle in North America." Rheem has had a special relationship with the Monarch Butterfly, and every child who attended Rheem as a Kindergartner was able to experience that connection. No matter the grade, encourage your child to rekindle their inner butterfly. For more information please click [here](#) . Drawings are due October 13th .

Roadrunner Club

It is good to see all of the new faces and all of the old ones as well. We are excited about another fun year at Roadrunner Club.

A few reminders to all of you: If you fail to sign out of Roadrunner there is a \$10 fee. If you do not cancel your child's reservation or let us know that he/she will not be at Roadrunners that day, we are required to search for your child and there is a \$25 search fee. Emails and phone calls are not always answered immediately. We have a lot going on at the club and we cannot always get to the computer to check our e-mails or answer the phone. So, if you need to make changes please give us ample time to do so. If you are cancelling a reservation we need to know in advance.

Also:

There is no use of cell phones or Apple watches allowed at Rheem or Roadrunner. We follow the same rules as the school. So please leave them at home, or in your child's backpack at their own risk.

Thank you,

Eleanor

Moraga Odyssey of the Mind

Looking for a fun way for your child to develop self-confidence, team work, and problem-solving? Consider Moraga's Odyssey of the Mind program which will be holding an information meeting on September 28th at the Moraga Library from 7:00-8:00 pm. Please click [here](#) for more information.

Closing Thoughts...

For years now Rheem Elementary has been utilizing a "[Growth Mindset](#)" approach in the way it teaches our students. From teachers and staff to administration and families, growth mindset allows for sustainable growth and an increase in malleable intelligence for our children. It teaches them that learning is a byproduct of dedication and effort compared to predetermined genetics. It also shows students how to deal with setbacks and challenges in a healthier way.

The words we use with our children are as powerful as any action they may see from us. To promote growth mindset we can all look to [choose our words wisely](#) and see what a difference they make. Thanks for indulging me.

I love this school!

Mr. Sullivan