



# PANTHER PRIDE

**October 10, 2014**

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## Principal's Message

It's hard to believe that October is here! Walking through classrooms and seeing students engaged in lessons and trying their personal best is truly a heartwarming experience.

Thank you to everyone who attended Back-to-School Night last month. This was a successful evening where teachers and parents were provided an opportunity to enhance existing partnerships and review the roadmap of this year's educational journey. If you were unable to attend, I encourage you to make an appointment with your child's teacher to review what was discussed.

"It Takes a Village" is our continued mantra as we are lucky to have an expanded Special Education Program at Los Paseos this year. On Friday, September 19th, there was a parent meeting held in the multi-purpose room which provided community members an opportunity to ask clarifying questions about the expansion of classes. Los Paseos staff and Morgan Hill Unified central office staff members are collectively working to make improvements. Here are progress updates that I'm happy to share with you:

- Short-term and long-term adjustments to facilities
- Additional staff members and hours
- Program Specialist to assist and ensure program success

As ensuring student safety and success are among our top priorities, we are confident that our "village" foundation is strengthening daily. Thank you for your patience, and for taking moments like these to help teach about the value of diversity while maintaining equitable environments for ALL students.

Finally, I would like to extend a warm Panther welcome to Mrs. Suzy Delgado who has joined Los Paseos staff as a Reading Specialist. We are thrilled to have you join our family!

Best regards,

**Jenna Mittleman**

## Boletín de Noticias

¡Tenemos buenas noticias para compartir con los padres de estudiantes ELL por favor de programarse para las juntas de ELAC! Nuestra Directora Jenna Mittleman estará presente y tenemos muchos temas que cubrir para este año escolar. ¡Esperamos verlos a todos!

## News

We have good news to share with ELL parents, please attend the following ELAC meetings! Our principal Jenna Mittleman will be present and we have so many topics to discuss. Hope to see you all there!

## Juntas de ELAC / ELAC Meetings

- Tuesday/ martes 10/07/2014 @9am ~ Elecciones para nuestros representantes de ELAC 2014-2015
- Tuesday /martes 12/2/2014 @3:20pm
- Tuesday /martes 2/3/2014 @ 9am
- Tuesday /martes 4/28/2015 @ 9am

Si tiene preguntas por favor deponerse en contacto con:  
Any questions please contact:

## Johana Garcia

Enlace Comunitario/ Community Liaison  
408-201-6420 ext. 14134

## Lost and Found:

Please remember to go through lost and found items before the last day of every month – it's located in the multi-purpose room or in the cafeteria. Any items that are not picked up will be donated.



**Find us on Facebook:**

Did you know Los Paseos Home and School Club has a Facebook page? Be sure to "like" us. We'll give you updates and reminders on everything related to our school and activities.

# Los Paseos Home and School Club News

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## LPHSC Officers for 2014/2015

**President:** Diane Bringuel • **Vice President:** Jen Scadden & Patty Keith • **Secretary:** Cherry Baena-Levstek

**Treasurers:** Summer Hess & Pauline Stuart

HSC would like to thank all the families for who came and made our Movie Night a huge success!

A special thanks to:

- **The Fish Market** for their donation for the yummy clam chowder.
- **Raquel Lopez** for her donation of hot dogs and hamburgers.
- **Chris Escobar** and **Todd Walker** for making Movie Night happen by setting up our movie screen and sound.

Huge thanks to all of our volunteers, we simply could not have done it without you!!

Lilian Ajuartz	Daron & Patty Keith
Cherry Baena	Alison Kelley
Elizabeth Bailey	Heather Lee
Saniata Bond	Raquel Lopez
Trent Bringuel	Michelle Montoya
Victoria Bullock	Lisa Moore
Mike D'Agostino	Swathi Rangarajan
Suzy Delgado	Lillyana Rojas
Rina Esch	Jen & Brad Scadden
Megan Fowler	Chad Seps
Judy Garcia	Daniela Shuman
Candice Guruwaiya	Pauline Stuart
Jon Hess	Christina Talbot
Wendy Huber	Jon Talbot

### October 17<sup>th</sup> – Box Tops for Education Contest Ends:

Don't throw away those box tops! If you purchase any product with the "Box Tops for Education" logo, clip out the logo and turn it in to the school. Each logo is worth 10 cents. Eligible products include General Mills® cereals, Pillsbury® products, Nature Valley® granola bars, Kleenex® tissues, and Ziploc® bags and containers. All those box tops do add up!

To learn about more ways to earn money for our school through Box Tops, visit one of these websites: [www.btfec.com](http://www.btfec.com) and [www.2ways2earn.com](http://www.2ways2earn.com).

### Walk-A-Thon Dates:

**October 9<sup>th</sup>:** Kick-off rally

**October 15<sup>th</sup>:** Home & School Club planning meeting in the office, 6:00PM

**October 16<sup>th</sup>:** Turn in Day #1

**October 23<sup>rd</sup>:** Turn in Day #2

**October 30<sup>th</sup>:** Turn in Day #3

**November 6<sup>th</sup>:** Turn in Day #4



### November 7<sup>th</sup> – Walk-A-Thon:

Plan ahead to join us! We'll have fun and raise funds for our school.



### October 31<sup>st</sup>: Halloween Parade:

Details to follow, please feel free to join us!

### November 12<sup>th</sup> – Home and School Club:

Meeting will be at 6:30 PM. in the office.

**November 3<sup>rd</sup>:** Picture retakes

**November 10<sup>th</sup>:** No School, K-6 - Conference Day

**November 11<sup>th</sup>:** NO School, Veteran's Day

**November 12 – 17<sup>th</sup>:** Minimum Days (1:55 Dismissal)

## OCTOBER K-6<sup>th</sup> MUSIC NOTES

September was a busy month! We began our year with a quick review of past music curriculum. I was so proud of our students and their ability to retain facts about the instruments of the orchestra and the lyrics to songs we've sung in the past. Why, it's almost as if we didn't have a summer break! And, our students also remembered our classroom rules, making it easy for us to learn, learn, learn!

We sang and listened to "The Star Spangled Banner". We learned about the history of our National Anthem, written by Frances Scott Key, during the battle for Fort McHenry. We even sang "Happy Birthday" to our National Anthem in honor of its 200th birthday!

Because September 16th is Independence Day in Mexico, we listened to the National Anthem of Mexico. We were able to compare and contrast the National Anthems of the USA and Mexico. We began studying "march rhythm". This led us to examining the life of John Philip Sousa, the "March King". We listened to "Stars and Stripes Forever". We learned how metronomes help musicians keep a constant beat.

As October approaches, we will be continuing to identify major key and minor key. We will listen to Bach's "Tocatta and Fugue in D Minor", often heard around Halloween.

October will find us learning seasonal songs. We will work on "Charlotte's Web", "Erie Canal", and more. We will honor John Denver by singing "Country Roads" and "Calypso".

Literacy will be integrated into the program as several of his songs will be read as poems. We will also be learning a song entitled "Teach Me To Read". Our TKs, Kindergarteners and First Graders will be reading and singing Raffi's "Spider on the Floor" and "Down by the Bay".



We will discuss the importance of music as it relates to the world around us. We will sing "Take Me Out to the Ball Game" and "Centerfield" in honor of the World Series. We will discuss the life of Jackie Robinson and his contribution to the world of baseball. We will also listen to "We Are the Champions" and discuss how each of us has a seat in the stadium of life!

I hope you were able to attend your school's Back to School Nights. The schools were filled with teachers and parents collaborating on ways to create the best learning environment for our students. We thank you for your support!

On November 11th, Morgan Hill will present its annual Veteran's Day Ceremony downtown at 9 a.m. I always bring students to sing. We gather at Monterey and 1st Street at 8:45 a.m. The event concludes at 9:20 a.m., leaving plenty of time to enjoy the day with your family. Children are invited to join us to experience the true meaning of Veteran's Day. Singers should plan to wear red, white, and/or blue.



With a song in my heart,

**Karen Ann Crane**

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