



# MUSTANG MESSENGER

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### Slow down, Be Safe, Be on Time

Thank you to all of our families who are making sure their kids get to school on time. Remember, they can be here as early as 7:50. Trying to get them to school at the last minute is hard on everyone. They are running to class, starting off their day a bit out of sorts, and risking being marked late. There are still quite a few children coming in after 8:05, and that simply should not be. It is very important for the school and for the child that they be here on time.

Another area of concern for me is the parents who are cutting through the parking lot or parking in the lot and walking their kids in to school. Walking children across the parking lot is not allowed and is extremely dangerous. Walk your children on the sidewalks only, and use extreme caution when crossing areas shared by cars (i.e. driveways). None of us want any of our children to get hurt, and it's our job to do whatever we can to make sure it is safe for them.

Cars are moving too fast through the parking lot and on the surrounding streets. It is not a safe environment for our children, and all measures will be taken -- including reporting those who are speeding -- to ensure it is safe.



### We Need Your Help!

Book Fair time is fast approaching.

We need volunteers to help decorate the wall in the Forum in early March, set up the Fair on March 16th, and help out during the Fair from March 17th through March 26th. If you would like to help with decorations, please contact Nancy Vierra at [Nancysvierra@yahoo.com](mailto:Nancysvierra@yahoo.com). If you think you can help out with set-up or during the Fair, please contact Zori Wloka at [zori\\_w@yahoo.com](mailto:zori_w@yahoo.com). All proceeds from the Book Fair provide the funding for our school library.

### Principal Tea with Mr. Sherman

You are invited to join Mr. Sherman for tea on Tuesday, March 16th between 8:05-9:00am. This will be an informal gathering where parents and Mr. Sherman can get together and talk. If you can, please plan to stop by, grab a snack, and say hello to Mr. Sherman.



### Dropping Off Lunch, Homework, Etc.

When lunch, homework, Science project, glasses and other items are dropped off in the office, the office staff does not make arrangements for these to be picked up by your student. Our office staff is extremely busy, especially this time of the year due to registration and many other things. Lunch, homework, glasses and other items they may need for the day should be with your child when he/she gets to school in the morning.

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CALENDAR	
Kindergarten Registration Begins (8:30-3pm)	Mar. 1
District Budget Forum 6:00-7:30pm LeyVa Middle School	Mar. 2
Evergreen Parent Advisory Committee Meeting (9:30am, District Office Board Room)	Mar. 3
Talent Show Grades 4 & 5: 8:30-9:15 Kinder-3 <sup>rd</sup> : 10:00-10:45 Evening show: 6:30	Mar. 4
Science Fair	Mar. 9
Principal Tea with Mr. Sherman (8:05 - 9:00am)	Mar. 16
Cyber Bullying Info Night 5:30-7pm	Mar. 16
Math Night 6:30-8pm	Mar. 18
Book Fair	Mar. 25

### **Evergreen Parent Advisory Board**

The Evergreen Parent Advisory Committee (PAC) is comprised of parents and administrators who meet monthly to learn about and discuss topics pertinent to their children's education in Evergreen. All Evergreen School District parents are welcome and are invited to attend! The next meeting, for the 2009-2010 school year will be **Wednesday, March 3rd at 9:30 AM** in the District Board Room at 3188 Quimby Road. The focus of this meeting will be "Transitions." We hope to see you there!

### **Walking Wednesday March 3:**

As an extension of Walk to School week in October the school would like to encourage families to walk to school with their children on the first Wednesday of each month weather permitting.

Steps to start a Walking School Bus:

Recruit walking school bus "drivers": Ask neighbors and families of students to take a turn as a volunteer in the mornings or afternoons.

Organize the walking school bus drivers: Work out a regular schedule among the drivers; determine who can walk with the students and when. Create back-up plans with substitute drivers. Designate walking school bus routes: Map out the route to be used to walk to school and pick up students. Make sure all parents involved know the time to have their students ready and waiting for the Walking School Bus.

A Walking School Bus has many benefits:

Increases supervision, safety and fun for students who already walk.

It permits additional students to walk, introducing them to an important and easy habit.

It reduces auto traffic, particularly near schools during drop-off and pick-up times.

It creates a sense of community by getting neighbors to take turns as bus "drivers".

### **Fit for Learning:**

Recommended hiking trail: Anderson Lake County Park Coyote Creek Trail 19425 Malaguerra Ave. Morgan Hill

Directions from Hwy 101, exit @ Cochrane Rd.

Travel east on Cochrane to Malaguerra Ave

Turn left on Malaguerra Ave and proceed to parking lot.

Make a commitment to healthier living and encourage your family and friends to do the same. Becoming healthier takes a lifetime commitment – one day at a time.

Eating healthier and increasing physical activity are the first steps you can take toward healthier living. For more hiking trails in Santa Clara County visit [www.parkhere.org](http://www.parkhere.org).



### **PTA Box Top Contest!**

Have you been saving your boxtops? If so, now is the time to turn them in and help your class earn an ICE CREAM PARTY! Please turn in boxtops to your teacher between now and March 26th. The lower grade and upper grade classroom with the most boxtops will win! Good Luck!

### **Matsumoto Community Service Club Clean-up Day**

Have a green thumb? Come join us as we prepare our school grounds for spring. We'll be pulling out the weeds around the school grounds and planting new flowers. Even if you don't have a green thumb come with your family and help beautify our school. Come by anytime between 12:30 and 3:30 on Saturday March 6th and bring any gloves and gardening tools that you have. For more information please contact Jessica Malonso at [jvmalonso@gmail.com](mailto:jvmalonso@gmail.com).



### **Magnificent Mustang Award Winners**

Ayeeshi P – 3AM, Sareena B – 6, Nikhita K – 11, Christina H – 17,  
Sanfra D – 21, Manav K – 34, Jessica G - 35

### **Mustang Money Award Winners**

Shreya – 5, Sriteja – 6, Numa – 7, Aaron – 8, Luann – 10, Meena – 11, Gavin – 13,  
Sonia – 14, Zenia – 15, Emaan – 17, William – 19, Sofia – 20, Marygrace – 22, Pranath – 25,  
Charan – 25, Jocelynn – 27, Tiffany – 27, J.J. – 27, Ashana – 27, Mariam – 28, Sahil – 29, Patrick – 30,  
Dhruv – 34, Jaspreet - 35

***February Character Trait - Self Discipline***  
***Self-discipline is your ability to think and behave in ways***  
***that lead to improvement and success.***