

Rio Seco School

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Reminders:

Please **label** student lunch pails and jackets. We had three large bags of **lost items** collected in December.

Please make sure your mailbox and/or voicemail box is clear. We cannot leave a message from the office or health office if the voicemail is full. This is a very important safety concern.

Attendance Matters

Our school district is committed to supporting families with strategies and resources to ensure that all students demonstrate regular and law-abiding school attendance.

Preliminary data from a California study found that children who were chronically absent in kindergarten and first grade were far less likely to read proficiently at the end of third grade.

Kids Heart Challenge

- ♥ Be physically active for 60 minutes a day
- ♥ Choose water over other drinks
- ♥ Do a good deed daily



Upcoming Events

- 02/18/19 Washington's Birthday - No School
- 02/22/19 End of Second Trimester
- 02/28/19 10th Annual Art Show & Auction
- 03/13/19 Bubble Run Fundraiser
- 03/15/19 STAR Awards for 4-6 grades
- 03/16/19 Father/Son Seals Lacrosse Night
- 03/17/19 St. Patrick's Day
- 03/20/19 Spring Picture Day
- 03/22/19 PTSA General Mtg./Elections & Book Bingo
- 03/23/19 Aloha 5K Fun Run & Walk
- 03/30/19 Yearbook Order Deadline for K-8 grades



From Our PTSA

Get ready for information overload! We have a lot of awesome and fun events coming up! But first, we have finally caught up with the times and created a site for electronic PTA membership. YAY! If you are already a PTSA member you have been added and should have received an email with the notification. If you did not receive an email please check your junk mail. This site is linked with our national, state and district PTA and is very safe and secure. This also makes things much more simplified and easier on our end which is awesome! You can also find a tab on the site, once you sign up, for discounts that you can access at various places as a PTA member. If you didn't receive your email or would like to become a member please visit the site at

<https://jointotem.com/ca//rio-seco-school-ptsajoin/register>

Rio Seco Reads ~ February 18-March 1

A flier should have come home with more information. If you didn't receive one you can check Peach Jar on the school's website for additional information.

*** BUBBLE RUN ~ Wednesday, March 13**

We will be doing a Bubble Run for our jogathon this year. YAY!!! The funds raised this year will go to buy an electronic marquee for the school. The teachers will also receive 10% back of what their class earns to spend as they see fit for their classroom. Other items we are considering to purchase, depending on if enough money is earned, is playground equipment such as seesaws, interactive sensory equipment like Tic Tac Toe and new benches for the front of the school to replace the old rusted out red ones.

~ Kick-off assembly is Monday, February 25.

All students that raise \$25 or more will get to attend the mega party the afternoon of the run. The mega party will include inflatable obstacle courses, inflatable slides and numerous different games like tug-of-war and a three legged race. SO FUN!!

~ We will need **a lot of volunteers** on the day of the run. **If you would like to help out please contact me emcmackin@cox.net**

****8th Grade parents** please send in your student's baby picture by Friday, February 22 if you would like it to be included in the yearbook.

* YEARBOOK ~ Kindergarten - 8th grade yearbook is now on sale. You may place your order online at YBPAY.LIFETOUCH.COM School code: 13033219.

Please note, this year Rio Seco will have **one combined yearbook for kindergarten through 8th grade**. All yearbook sales are online only. **Order deadline ~ March 30, 2019**

BOOK BINGO Family Night ~ Friday, March 22 @ 6pm in the MPR

Join us for our PTSA elections and book bingo. Pizza, drinks and dessert will be provided.





* **Father & Son event ~ Saturday, March 16 @ 7pm**

Seals Lacrosse Game

This is the inaugural season of the Seals lacrosse team in San Diego! Join us for a fun night watching this fast-paced game with nonstop action. Doors open at 6 PM.

~ The boys will be able to go down on the field and form a tunnel for the players to run through. **You must be at our section by 6:15 PM to participate.**

~ Father and son pictures taken inside the arena.

~ The Seals mascot will be coming to our section for photo ops as well.

****Tickets will be on sale before and after school Wednesday, February 27 through Friday, March 1.**

\$15 per father/son pair and \$8 per additional son. Rio Seco school-age children only!

Emily McMackin, Rio Seco PTSA President emcmackin@cox.net



Meet some of our staff members...

Heather Fuentes, 2nd grade teacher -

She graduated from San Diego State University. She has been teaching in Santee for nine years. She loves family time, traveling and shopping. Her motto is "Just keep swimming!"

Sara Brownell, 5th grade teacher -

Her love for teaching started in third grade when she was a student aide. Since graduating from college she has taught 2nd-10th grade at three different schools. She is happy to now be part of the 5th grade team at Rio Seco. She graduated from Long Beach State and National University. She loves playing board games, reading, spending time at the beach and rock collecting. Her motto is "Work hard, be kind."

Kay O'Hanlon, 4th grade teacher -

This is her 31st year in education. She majored in Developmental Psychology at UCSB and received her teaching credential from SDSU. She loves design, decorating and fashion. She enjoys antique junk because she will shop anywhere for anything. She likes treasures from the beach or a shopping mall or anywhere! She has three very independent kids. She and her husband love to entertain and go out to eat. She is interested in people and enjoys learning about how others live, learn and experience life. Her motto is "If Plan A doesn't work, no worries we can always try Plan B or Plan C."

REFLECTIONS WINNERS

We would like to say thank you to all the volunteers that helped make the “Heroes Around Me” Reflections art show and competition a success! Your help and dedication to keep art alive in our school is greatly appreciated.

A special thank you to....

Honey Donuts for hosting our judges breakfast, donating some raffle prizes, and egg rolls for the show!

Mr. Thomas Higgins for being our MC at the show and for turning down a news interview to be one of our judges. We love the jokes and inspiration you bring for the kids.

Also, we would like to thank Jim Earp for taking time off work to drive from Coronado to introduce so many of us to the harp guitar!

And Now....

Here are the students that won in the Ninth District (competed with all winners in San Diego). This is 3 levels of judging.

3rd place in visual arts:

1st grade: Elle Capati

4th grade: Savana Latter

5th grade: Kimmie Westergren

7th grade: Lily Schwabe

3rd place in Dance Choreography:

6th grade: Brynn Akins

1st place (*Have been sent on to Sacramento to compete in the state*)

Literature 5th grade: Cayden Nguyen

Visual Arts 2nd grade: Sierra Beckerley

Music Composition 5th grade: Williams Do

We are so excited for all of you and hope you enjoyed this opportunity to share your creative ideas!

“**Look Within**” is the theme for the 2019-2020 school year!

~ Nicole Yeagy & Kera McAnally, Reflections Coordinators



IT'S BOX TOPS SUBMISSION TIME! Our school will be sending in the Box Tops we've collected by February 28. Our goal this year is to earn \$1000. You can help us reach that goal by sending in your Box Tops as soon as possible.

Please continue to collect Box Tops and send them in! You can use the collection sheet attached or download forms at www.BTFE.com to help keep track of all your clips.

Clipping Box Tops is an easy way to help earn cash for our school. Each one is worth 10¢ for our school! Just look for the pink Box Tops on hundreds of products. All you have to do is clip them and send them to school. Please do not send in expired box tops.

For more information on Box Tops, including a list of participating products, go to: www.BTFE.com

Thank you we appreciate your participation!

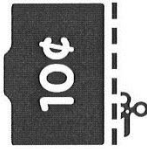
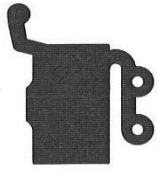
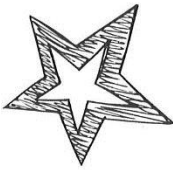
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CLIP

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EARN

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Bonus certificates should not be attached to this sheet - please submit them separately. To see more ways to earn cash for your child's school, including a complete list of participating products, go to BTFE.com.