



# The Pink Panther

## Henry J. Kaiser, Jr. Elementary School

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SCHOOL & COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

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Welcome Kaiser Families,

What a wonderful beginning to a wonderful year! Thanks to all of the children and families for your warm smiles and hugs on the first day of school! Many teachers were here over the weekend to make sure things were ready. A special note of thanks goes to Robin Sasada, our fabulous administrative assistant, for following up on so many details. Our staff is delighted with their classes and is ready for the challenge of another year. We welcomed the new kindergartners and a few upper grade kids too. We're glad you're all here to join our learning community.

We also welcomed a new fourth grade teacher to Kaiser. Doug Feague comes to us with several years of teaching experience. And some of you may remember Sonya Brooks. After several years away Sonya is back as our Student Support and Family Liaison. We welcome Doug and Sonya and their positive energy and smiling faces. They are eager to meet your families and get to know your children. We will publish a complete staff roster with this newsletter in the near future.

It was such a smooth beginning! Thanks so much for looking out, being considerate, and helping where you did. Here are a few other gentle reminders:

- The limited parking space we have on campus is reserved for teachers and staff. Please do not park in the circle, behind the buildings, or in either staff lots.
- In the interest of creating a focused learning environment, please don't use cell phones or chew gum in the school.
- In the morning we ask that all students go to the upper field to meet their teachers and line up.
- For safety we ask that kids don't bring glass bottles for drinks, and that they wear shoes that cover their toes.

This year we have two themes for the Kaiser Learning Community. The first is "Collaboration for Performance" and flows out of educators' efforts to collaborate with each other and with parents to improve and sustain performance for all students. The teachers have a collaboration period each week, but collaboration includes you! Don't hesitate to contact your child's teacher if you are concerned about his/her performance.

Our other theme is "Show us what you can do!" Let's work to encourage every child to grow and go as far as they can. This is true not only in academics, but also in positive behavior. Today I introduced a list of expected behaviors with recognition for getting caught doing good! Please look for it and return it signed. Thanks in advance!

We have all prepared for a wonderful year. Let's work together to make it happen!

Mr. Mel Stenger, Principal

## *Getting In The Know*

Please have your children wait in “The Waiting Zone” out front of the multipurpose room before 8:30 am, and after 3:00 pm when they are waiting for pick-up.

### Thursday Morning....COFFEE WITH THE PRESIDENT

Come join Kimberlee White, PTA President for a cup of goodness and a breakfast treat before you start your day. I can't wait share key information about upcoming meetings, events and fundraisers with you.  
See you Thursday!

### »WHAT'S IN THE KAISER LIBRARY?☐

Now you can see what books are in Kaiser school's library online! Go to <http://library.ousd.k12.ca.us> then go to "Kaiser," then go to the Catalog tab to search for books in our library.

### How to Reach Kaiser School

Our phone number is **(510) 549-4900**  
(includes a 24-hour message service).

To participate in the school community group, go to (and join) this website:

[http://groups.yahoo.com/group/kaiserelementaryschool\\_group/](http://groups.yahoo.com/group/kaiserelementaryschool_group/)

### How to be in the *Pink Panther*

To include your story or information in your school newsletter: forward your news, questions, or article to **both** of the editors by **5 p.m. on Sundays** via e-mail:

[carriemail2001@yahoo.com](mailto:carriemail2001@yahoo.com) – Carrie Shepherd  
[jolie@earthlink.net](mailto:jolie@earthlink.net) – Jolie McRae

Please put “Pink Panther” in the subject of your email to ensure that it is not deleted accidentally!

## KAISER CALENDAR

DATE / DAY	EVENT
<b>Sept. 2</b>	Volunteer Orientation
<b>Sept. 6</b>	Labor Day – No School
<b>Sept. 15</b>	SSC Meeting
<b>Sept. 15</b>	Back to School Night / PTA Meeting 6:30-9
<b>Sept. 29</b>	PTA Board Meeting
<b>Oct. 8</b>	Staff Development Day No School
<b>Oct. 11-15</b>	Parent-Teacher Conferences <b>minimum days all week</b>

*Check out the complete 2010-2011 school year calendar at*  
[www.kaiserelementary.org/calendar](http://www.kaiserelementary.org/calendar)

**The Pink Panther is also available at**  
[www.KaiserElementary.org](http://www.KaiserElementary.org).

**The online Pink Panther includes information from our Wellness Committee**

### **Pink Panther's PTA Sponsors**

PTA President: Kimberlee White

### **Pink Panther Staff**

Co-editors: Jolie McRae & Carrie Shepherd

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## Kaiser Kiosk

Woodminster Summer Musicals presents:

### ***Paint Your Wagon***

*Paint Your Wagon* takes place in the California wilderness of 1853, and tells the story of a crusty old gold miner, Ben Rumson, his daughter Jennifer, and a townful of miners and other colorful Gold Rush characters. Songs include "I Talk To the Trees," "They Call the Wind Mariah," and "Wandrin' Star."

September 3, 4, 5, 9, 10, 11, 12  
Woodminster Amphitheater  
Fri. & Sat. at 8 p.m. / Sun. at 7 p.m.

Children and teens (16 and younger) who are accompanied by a paying adults get in FREE.

The JCC of the East Bay provides Afterschool programming, "School's Out Programming" and holiday camps for OUSD students grades K-5 at our new North Oakland location. Our Olam Yeladim Afterschool Program provides a safe, creative atmosphere that allows each child to have fun and make friends in an enjoyable and comfortable environment. We offer a diverse array of organized activities, enrichment classes, as well as opportunities for kids to relax and make friends after school. Highly trained staff, warm loving community. Transportation is available.

For more information, please contact Liz Donley at [Lizd@jccastbay.org](mailto:Lizd@jccastbay.org) or 510.375.6207 or visit our website at [www.jccastbay.org/youth](http://www.jccastbay.org/youth).

### **The Child Life and Attention Skills Program (CLAS)**

The Child Life and Attention Skills Program (CLAS) is a treatment study for children (ages 7-11, in 2<sup>nd</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> grade) with the Predominantly Inattentive type of ADHD (ADHD-I). The treatment, conducted at both Berkeley and UC San Francisco, is an integrated, psychosocial treatment that combines parenting skills training, teacher consultation, and child skills groups that target ADHD-I and associated impairments. For the next several years, we will be recruiting a total of 210 children and their families to participate. Find out more at: <http://mentalhealthresearch.berkeley.edu/adhdstigma/clas.html>

This program is funded by the National Institute of Mental Health and there is no cost to families. This study does NOT include medication (although children receiving stimulant medication can be considered for enrollment).

**Recruitment Information** We currently are recruiting children who meet the following criteria:

- Who are between 7 and 11 years of age (2nd through 5th grade)
- Who have significant difficulties with inattention and distractibility, but do not have prominent problems with hyperactivity and/or impulsivity
- Who have lived with at least one biological or adoptive parent for the past year
- Who currently attend school full-time
- Who speak English (at least one parent must also speak and read English)
- Who live in the San Francisco Bay Area

If you would like to obtain more information about the CLAS Program or inquire about being a participant, please contact (510) 643-3437 or [clasprogram@berkeley.edu](mailto:clasprogram@berkeley.edu).

**DON'T FORGET TO SIGN UP TODAY!!**

**IF YOU SIGN UP BY SEPTEMBER 1<sup>ST</sup>**

**TO RECEIVE A \$20.00 GIFT CARD FOR  
GAS OR GAMESTOP**

**FIRST DELIVERY SCHEDULED FOR 9/7**



## **PRODUCTS & SERVICE**

*MAKE THE HEALTHY CHOICE... from our vast selection of services designed to meet your nutritional wellness needs. Sign-up for a Annual (10 month) or Bi-Annual (5 month) Membership of the following products and services.*

**Mixed Fruit & Vegetables** is our most popular service with a bounty of up to 12 varieties of farm fresh seasonal produce.

**Why Cook** is a service for people on the go that don't have a lot of time for cooking. These produce varieties don't need to be cooked.

**Fast Fruit** is another very popular service offering a variety of up to 6 ripe fruits.

**Eat Your Veggies** reflects the harvest's best bounty of up to 8 varieties of vegetables.

### **CHOOSE ANY OF THE ABOVE SERVICES ACCORDING TO YOUR NEED:**

- ❖ **STANDARD size (\$33.00)** box is filled with 2-4 ripe juicy fruit varieties and 6-8 delicious vegetables that will easily fulfill the healthy food needs for 2 to 3 persons for up to one week and weights an average of 10lbs
- ❖ **MEGA size (\$44.00)** box is filled with a bounty of the same variety of produce as the standard box yet feeds 4 to 5 individuals and weighs between 12 to 15lbs.

### **ADDITIVES..... \$5.00 each per delivery**

**Marshall "Hood" Honey** is a local family owned and operated bee farm which produces some of California's finest handcrafted honey  
**8 ounces**

**Sebastapol Flowers** is a family owned and operated organic farm established in 1921.

**1 - Seasonal Bouquet (5 to 7 stems)**

**Berkeley Olive Grove Extra Virgin Olive Oil** pressed in Chico, California at the height of the season.

**6 ounces**

**Petaluma Eggs Farms** raise cage and hormone free range chicken that produce the region's highest quality egg.

**18 eggs**

**COMING SOON**

**Bertagna Orchard Raw Almond** reign supreme in one of California's largest farming communities. These heirloom almonds are yielded from trees planted over 100 years ago. **3/4 pounds**