



# The Pink Panther

Henry J. Kaiser, Jr. Elementary School

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School & Community Newsletter

May 30, 2017

## KAISER CALENDAR

<b>Tuesday, 05.30.17 – Friday, 06.02.17</b>		<b>*Kaiser Spirit Week</b>
<b>Friday, 06.02.17 5:30pm – 8pm</b>		<b>Kaiser Alive Picnic Lake Temescal</b>
<b>Last Week of School</b>	<b>Monday, 06.05.17</b>	<b>Regular Schedule Full Day of School</b>
	<b>Tuesday, 06.06.17 – Friday, 06.09.17</b>	<b>Minimum Days 1:30pm Dismissal</b>
	<b>Friday, 06.09.17</b>	<b>Last Day of Classes</b>

*\*See Page X for details*

## MESSAGE FROM MR. GUIKEMA

*No one cares how much you know, until they know how much you care.*

- Theodore Roosevelt

One of the primary reasons families are drawn to Kaiser Elementary is our legacy of being a loving, nurturing and safe community. This year our staff took a deep look at best practices for a positive and healthy school culture and climate. As I reflect back on 2016-17, I am really proud of the strides that we took to further our Socio Emotional Learning (SEL) and Multi-Tiered System of Supports (MTSS).

A few data points from the California Healthy Kids Survey (CHKS) jump out to illustrate this. For example, last year 63% of staff agreed or strongly agreed that “Kaiser makes it clear how students are expected to act.” In 2017, 100% agreed or strongly agreed with this statement. Our kids noticed a shift in expectations and consistency as well. Only 31% of last year’s 5<sup>TH</sup> graders felt that Kaiser’s rules were fair: this year that number more than doubled to 68%. And when 5<sup>TH</sup> graders were asked if they were happy at Kaiser, there was a 20% jump in those answering “yes - most or all of the time” from 62% in 2016 to 82% in 2017.

Changes like these do not happen by accident, and they only happen when a community works together through a variety of approaches. In education jargon, we call this a “Multi-Tiered System of Supports” (MTSS).

Tier I are supports that ALL students experience school wide. At Kaiser these include clear expectations, framed around being “safe, mindful, and responsible”. Our “Panther Paw” positive incentive is another example. Kaiser is a part of a “Positive...

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## KAISER CALENDAR 2017 - 2018

<b>Monday, 08.21.17</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Day of School!</b>
<b>Monday, 08.21.17 – Friday, 08.25.17</b>	<b>Minimum Days 1:30pm Dismissal</b> <b>(1 week, not 2 weeks of minimum days)</b>

See next page for details on mandatory pre-class registration!





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## MESSAGE FROM MR. GUIKEMA, CONTINUED...

...Behavior Intervention Support” (PBIS) cohort which brings resources for coaching and professional development.

Tier II supports are more intensive. An excellent example of this is the work of Issere Christopher. Issere is a noon supervisor whose rapport with students and capacity for this work proved so strong that we brought her on board for additional hours after lunch (paid by our PTA) to help with conflict resolution, restorative justice, and other interventions.

Tier III supports are generally longer term. They include the support of the Uzma and Barry, the counseling interns who we have been so fortunate to work with this year. Our School Site Council (SSC) has identified this program as a priority for next year, when we will welcome two new counseling interns.

In the coming school year, we will continue this trajectory of enriching our SEL and MTSS work at Kaiser. This could not be done without the partnership of families, specifically the commitment of our PTA and SSC. Thanks!

- Dennis Guikema, Principal

## 2017-2018 KAISER REGISTRATION INFORMATION



**Who:** All students / all grades attending Kaiser Elementary for the 2017 – 2018 school year.

**What:** Onsite Registration – Registration is mandatory prior to starting classes. Class assignments will be given with completed registration.

**When:** (3) dates available:

- **Wednesday, August 16<sup>th</sup>. 3PM – 6PM.**
  - “Live Scan” fingerprinting onsite. (Required for many volunteer opportunities, including driving to field trips. If this was done during the current school year, it does not need to be done again.)
  - Dads’ Club BBQ! from 5 – 7 PM
- **Thursday, August 17<sup>th</sup>. 9AM – 11AM.**
- **Saturday, August 19<sup>th</sup>. 9AM – 11AM.**





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**KAISER SPIRIT WEEK: TUES, 30-MAY – FRI, 02-JUN**

## **Tuesday, May 30<sup>th</sup>:**

- ✧ CELEBRITY DAY...Favorite Athlete, Favorite Movie Star, Favorite Singer, Favorite Super Hero...

## **Wednesday, May 31<sup>st</sup>:**

- ✧ WACKY WEDNESDAY.....Wacky Hair, Wacky Clothes..Everything Wacky

## **Thursday, June 1<sup>st</sup>:**

- ✧ JERSEY DAY....Wear your favorite team jersey or shirt..represent your favorite team...even if it's your own baseball/softball.etc. team!

## **Friday, June 2<sup>nd</sup> :**

- ✧ KAISER DAY..Wear school colors (green/yellow) or Kaiser shirt..Be Kaiser Proud!

# PTA News

**PTA PRESIDENT'S NOTE: THANK YOU!!!!**

Greetings Kaiser Family,

As we approach the end of the 2016-17 school year I look forward to the sweetness of summer break and back with amazement at all that has been accomplished. Serving as your PTA president this year has been a fulfilling growth experience for me and a source of pride. I've met and worked with the most dedicated and wonderful people I've ever encountered, and I've enjoyed every moment of the challenge. I owe a debt of gratitude to Mr. Guikema, the PTA board members, the office staff, Guadalupe, Gayle and Mrs. Pearl, our custodian, Oscar, the entire teaching staff, the Dads Club, my own family and all of the volunteers and family members who contributed so much in terms of finance and time to make this such a successful year for Kaiser Elementary School. I reported a total of 7,500 volunteer hours in our school historian report this year with every hour representing a labor of love, a sacrifice and an investment in our children's future. Let's congratulate each other on a job well done. Let's enjoy a well- earned summer vacation and let's come back and do it all again next year. Only bigger and better.

- Linda Handy  
Kaiser Elementary School PTA President



# PTA News

## WALK-A-THON UPDATE

Dear Kaiser Community:

### **PLEASE GET YOUR PLEDGES IN!**

Thanks to all who are working to collect their hard earned Walkathon pledges! We have raised \$17,374 - - 79% of our \$22,000 goal! Please help us get there!

Thanks to the Dad's Club and the Girl Scouts who donated the proceeds from their lunch and bake sales to the walkathon... a total of ~ \$800! To submit outstanding pledges, please place them an envelope with the walker's name and drop the envelope in the black PTA lock box on the wall of the front office.

And, remember, our online pledge site, WALKSTARTER remains open and available to accept online donations. It is not too late to send out emails to friends and family with the link (<https://kaiser.walkstarter.org/>) or to set up a page for your child on Walkstarter! If you have questions, please email [jennifer.sed12@gmail.com](mailto:jennifer.sed12@gmail.com).

Remember...there is still one Prize remaining - **Top Pledger Earner! The deadline for returning pledges for this prize is Wednesday May 31<sup>st</sup>!**

**An Apology:** We owe second grader **Layna Cook** an apology! We missed her lap card when we announced the highest lap winners. She walked 66 laps...the second highest lap total of the K-2<sup>nd</sup> graders! Good job Layna!

Thanks!

Walkathon Chairs - Jennifer Sedlachek, Christine Kizziah & Carolyn Sacramento

## END OF YEAR PICNIC!



End of Year

# PICNIC

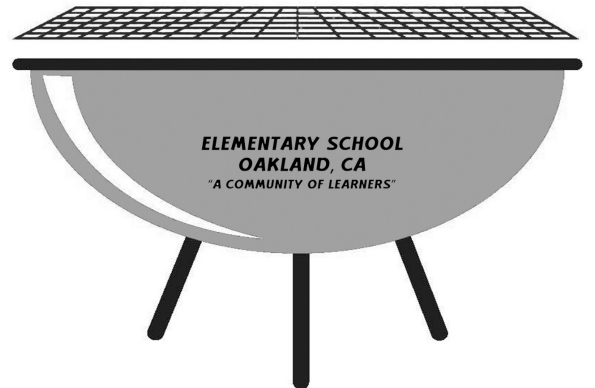
Fri, June 2nd 2017 5-8pm

Temescal Regional Recreation Area

6500 Broadway

● Landvale Picnic Area

**Kaiser Alive Students Awards  
African Dance Performance**





# Community News and Opportunities

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## **CODEING – DIGITAL DESIGN – GAMING**

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with Mr. O

### SUMMER CLASS @ KAISER ELEMENTARY

JUNE 12 - 16<sup>th</sup>

10am to 2pm  
MONDAY thru FRIDAY

Sliding scale cost: 75.00 to 150.00 per student for the week.

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[pgohearn@gmail.com](mailto:pgohearn@gmail.com)

*Registration forms can be mailed or left in the Computer Lab box in the Kaiser office.*

The worlds of web and visual arts collide with this cutting edge introductory course. Students will learn simple HTML tags like background color, tables, images, links, emails, etc. Using beginning coding with Khan Academy's web design for beginners and Codecademy.org, this class offers an exciting adventure into the world of coding and technology. Class also includes video games, digital design and Scratch and code.org.

**SLIDING SCALE AMOUNT ENCLOSED: \_\_\_\_\_**

#### REGISTRATION

Name of Parent or Guardian \_\_\_\_\_

Contact info. \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

email: \_\_\_\_\_

Student \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

Experience with computers: \_\_\_\_\_

