



Claire Lilienthal Alternative School



September 13, 2017

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

Week of September 11th

Thurs. 9/14 - Back to School Night, Grades 6 – 8, 5:30-6:30

Week of September 18th

Mon., 9/18 – Picture day grades K – 2 & 3 – 5

Tues., 9/19 – Picture day grades 6 - 8

Sun., 9/24 – Back to School Picnic Grades K-5 →

Week of October 9th

Sat., 9/14 – 5th Grade Sand Castle Contest @ Ocean Beach

Sat., 9/14 – SF Enrollment Fair, 9-2 pm, John O'Connell HS

MIDDLE SCHOOL ATHLETICS

Boys Soccer

Fri., 9/15 – CL vs. A. F. Yu @ Franklin

Wed., 9/20 – CL vs. Francisco @ Franklin

Wed., 9/22 – CL vs. Revere @ Crocker #1

Baseball

Wed., 9/13 – CL vs. BVHM @ Sunberg

Fri., 9/15 – CL vs. Presidio @ Graham

Wed., 9/20 – CL vs. Aptos @ Graham

Fri., 9/22 – CL vs. Lawton @ Hennessey

Softball

Thurs., 9/14 – CL vs. Francisco @ Lang #1

Tues., 9/19 – CL vs. Hoover @ Moscone #1

Thurs., 9/21 – CL vs. Presidio @ Lang #1

Dear Lilienthal Community,

In 2017 schools are asked to do a lot for the communities they serve. Not only are we asked to educate students by teaching them reading, writing, science, math, and social studies, we're also asked to teach children the soft skills they need to be ready for school. Whether it's on the playground or while working on a group project in math, it's our responsibility (alongside parents) to teach students the social norms that will help them succeed in school and life.

Here at Lilienthal, we're walking into year three of our initiative to deepen our approach to social-emotional learning. In recent years we've developed school-wide rules (Be Safe, Be Respectful, Be Responsible, and Be Your Personal Best) that focus on positive behavior. We've reinforced those rules by handing out Wolf Bucks to students who are following our expectations. But teaching rules, it's quite enough. As I'm sure you experience at home, rules get broken and children have bad days, just like us!

Knowing that, we've implemented Peace Tables in all classrooms across the school to allow students a quiet place to reflect and turn their day around. We've also expanded the number hours we have a social worker on campus, due in large part to the support from our wonderful PTA!

We've also started weekly (often times more often) community circles in elementary classrooms and Advisory on Monday mornings for our middle school students. These are great opportunities to teach lessons that deal with emotional regulation, build community, and reset expectations for our kids.

Another partnership we've fostered over the last three years has been with the IT department at Salesforce. With support from Ms. Harrington (our Scott Campus Social Worker) they helped to build out a Wellness Center on the Scott Campus that serves to support students through challenging days, issues at home, and interpersonal conflicts at school. We've also invited the IT Department to come read books focused on social development to our kids. These are intentionally selected books that help students build the skills necessary navigate the social challenges they will inevitably face at school and in life.

Last year the Salesforce team read [Recess Queen](#), [One](#), and [Simon's Hook](#), all great books on how to deal with social challenges and bullying. This year the team will read [Stand Tall Molly Lou Melon](#), [Enemy Pie](#), and [The OK Book](#), all of which focus on including others. Feel free to read these books to your children again, they'll really love them! All of these books will provide rich opportunities for you to talk with your child about their social development. You can also find other books focusing on inclusion [here](#) if you'd like to take the social lessons a step deeper at home.

As always, thanks for all you do for our kids. Your modeling, reflecting, and explicit teaching help to shape our school culture in positive ways.

With admiration for the challenging work you do as parents,

Tyler Graff

Principal, Claire Lilienthal K-8



Howlin' Moon 1k/5k Fun Run

- October 29

Register now for the Howlin' Moon 1k/5k Fun Run and save more than 25%! Visit clairelilienthal.org/howlin-moon-run and click "register" before the end of the month to save on registration fees. Our website has all the details, including how to sign up for volunteer opportunities. Email Mike Zwibelman at mzwebelman@gmail.com if you have any questions. Register today!

Notes from the School Office:

- Lilienthal picture days are coming up soon. If you would like to get FREE pictures of your child, please consider being a picture day helper. Call Candy if you are interested in helping on picture day for middle school NEXT Tuesday, 9/19. Two more volunteers are needed.
- **Many thanks to the following families for donating to the Madison Campus Wish List: Lianoglou, Jordan and Polianos families.**

The Annual Fund Drive is here!

Did you know...

- The PTA will spend about [\\$440,000 this school year](#) in funding programs that make our school unique
- PTA spending amounts to [\\$634 per student](#) this school year
- Without PTA funds, our children would not have a Green Schoolyard Program; or Outdoor Education programs; or a PE teacher for K-2 students
- Without PTA funds, our teachers would not have \$1,000 each for classroom supplies; or extra professional development days to collaborate with their colleagues; or technology to incorporate into their teaching

Look out for donation envelopes in your child's backpack this week or donate today online www.clairelilienthal.org/giving



PTA News:

A big shout out to the staff and teachers for the extra hours and informative presentations shared with families on Back to School nights last week. Two down, one to go!

Thank You! Jill Standlee and volunteers who quickly organized a school wide "Loose Change for Harvey" fundraiser and Bake Sale. Thank you for demonstrating community values and what we can do by working together.

At last night's PTA meeting, you were treated to an overview of the Green Schoolyard and Outdoor Classroom programs. These impactful programs bring spice and variety to our children's learning, taking them out of the classroom to reinforce science, math, and language standards with real, interactive experiences. We hope to host more speakers at future meetings so you can learn more about the important programs funded by your PTA dollars.

Volunteer Corner:

We're currently seeking volunteers for the following events:

[Scott Parking Lot Fundraiser](#) - Saturday, Oct 7 and Sunday, Oct 8

Movie Night @ Madison - Friday, October 13

[Howlin' Moon Fun Run](#) - Sunday, October 29

[Halloween Fun at Scott & Madison](#) - Tuesday, Oct 31

Remember, if every family volunteered 10 hours a year that would be 10,000 hours!

Just log onto the Volunteer page on School Pages, to find your spot! [Sign-up today!](#)

Questions about volunteering? Please email us @ clpta.volunteering@gmail.com



Curious about the week-long educational trip to Costa Rica next summer?

There will be a parent information meeting held right after Middle School Back to School Night on Thursday, Sept 14th at 6:30pm in room 3. This trip is available for students in grades 4 and up! Come to ask Ms. Eller any questions you might have about the trip. See you there!

SCHOOL PAGES:

Are you a new family to Claire Lilienthal?

[Click here to register on SchoolPages >](#)

This is a secure, password-protected internal website that allows our entire school community to easily communicate and organize school-wide events in a safe environment.

School Pages Update

As you may have noticed, School Pages 2017-2018 directories are updated. Each classroom's Directory and Broadcast buttons are located on your individual Class Page.

Forgot your CL SchoolPages password?

No worries, go to: www.school-pages.com/cl and click Forgot Your Password. Follow the instructions for resetting your password, check your email and pick a new password, then try signing on again.

Did you change your email and want to update that on SchoolPages?

Sign on with your old email, pull up your profile, and click the Edit Your Contact Info Here button. If you can't sign on with your old email address, register as a New User, go to [Click Here to Register >](#)

Still have questions, email us

at clpta.message@gmail.com. We will reply to your emails as promptly as we can, and we are grateful for your patience.

