

Aorthwood Times



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November 2018

November	
1st 2nd 5th 7th 7th-16th 12th 19th - 23rd 22rd	Thursday Flag Salute / Crazy Hair Festival of Lights Second Chance Breakfast begins Diwali Fall Conferences/Minimum Day Veteran's Day (NO SCHOOL) Thanksgiving Break (NO SCHOOL) Thanksgiving Day
December	
4th 6th 21st 24th-Jan 4	Make up Picture Day Thursday Flag Salute / Pajama Day Minimum Day Winter Break (NO SCHOOL)

Principal's Message

It's already November and that means our teachers will be conducting conferences with parents this month to go over our students' first trimester grades. This is an excellent opportunity to get to know more about your child's progress. Conferences are a great way to build understanding and a connection from the instruction students are receiving at school to their study habits at home. I encourage all parents to come prepared to listen as well with questions and specific feedback that will help you understand more about what you can do to help your child's academic achievement. Our students' success depends on a network of support to ensure that all students are provided with an outstanding education. Our families and teachers make our school a wonderful place for students to learn and grow.

Warmest regards,
Mr. Derrick

How did Thanksgiving Day become a holiday?

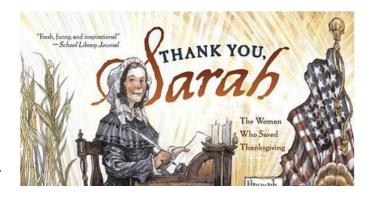


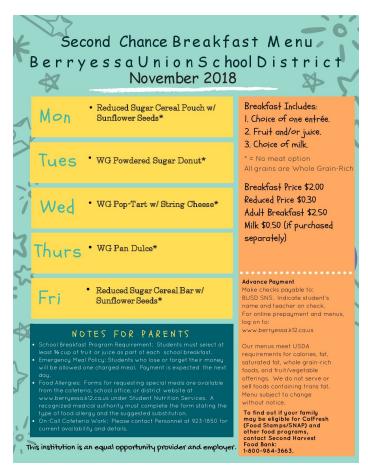
During the 1800s, a famous editor of the Ladies' Magazine and Godey's Lady's Book by the name of Sarah Josepha Hale (author of "Mary had a little lamb") worked many years to promote the idea of a National Thanksgiving Day.

She was credited for persuading President Abraham Lincoln to declare Thanksgiving a national holiday. Abraham Lincoln proclaimed the last Thursday in November 1863 as "A day of thanksgiving and praise to our beneficent Father."

However, in 1939, President Franklin D. Roosevelt changed it to one week earlier. This was to help businesses by lengthening the shopping period before Christmas. There was an uproar and it was changed back to its original date two years later.

Congress changed it again after 1941 to the fourth Thursday of November and it would be a legal federal holiday. You can read about her story in the book <u>Thank you</u>, <u>Sarah</u> by Laurie Halse Anderson, available to view in our Library.





Attendance Policy

If your child is absent from school due to an illness or appointment please call the Northwood Office at (408) 923-1940.

Please give the reason for the absence and the name of your student's teacher. If you do not call, you will receive an automated phone message asking you to call in your student's absence. If you do not call the office the unverified absence will be marked unexcused.

Please be reminded that three unexcused absences will warrant a truancy letter. Five unexcused absences and you will have to attend a meeting with the Berryessa Union School District's SARB Board (School Attendance Review Board).

Make up Picture Day - Tuesday, December 4th

- Dress Nicely Common or Free Dress
- Please keep attire appropriate for school
- Send your order with your child to school
- More info can be found at mylifetouch.com

What is Veterans Day?

On November 11th, we honor the wartime service and sacrifice of men and women in the armed forces. Originally proclaimed Armistice Day in 1919 to commemorate the end of World War I, it was renamed Veterans Day



in 1954 to include American veterans of all wars. Many parades and events are held on the day to honor retired, active duty, and fallen soldiers.



Daylight Saving Time
Ends
Set your clocks back 1
hour on
Sunday, November 4th at
2:00am.

Substitute Lunch Yard Duty Positions Available

Do you have a flexible schedule? We are looking for substitute yard duties during the lunch hours of 11:15am to 12:45pm. This position would be an on call position. If you are interested please see Holly in the front office with any questions. Position details can be found at Edjoin.org Search under Berryessa for district job opportunities.

For Translation Assistance

Please call the district hotline:
1-408-923-1901 (Chinese)
1-408-923-1902 (Spanish)
1-408-923-1903 (Vietnamese)
An office assistant will get in touch with you to deliver the translation of the document.

請利用校區熱線電話1-408-923-1901 會有人與您聯繫,為您翻譯資料上的重要 內容



Por favor llame al teléfono de asistencia al 1-408-923-1902 y alguien se pondrá en contacto para darle la información esencial del documento.

Xin gọi số hotline của khu học tại 1-408-923-1903 và sẽ có người giúp quí vị để hiểu những điều cốt yếu của văn kiên.



Northwood ELEMENTARY FUN RUN FACTS

FITNESS - LEADERSHIP - SERVICE - FUNDRASING

SCHOOL PROFIT

NUMBER OF PLEDGES

THEME & LESSONS

\$ 24,319

1239

COLLECTION RATE

FUNDS TO BE USED FOR

88%

STEAM, Drama, Outdoor Improvement, Assemblies, Teacher 10%

LEADERSHIP LESSONS TAUGHT

APEX HOURS

180

*30 classes/day x 6 lessons

300

*hours Apex athletes spent running the program and making a positive impact at the school

TOTAL LAPS

18,479

TOTAL MILES RAN

1,155

APEX GIVEBACK CHALLENGE!



36

YEARS OF CLEAN DRINKING WATER

*for every student that reaches \$10/lap in pledges, Apex makes a donation to The Thirst Project, to help provide up to 4 years of clean drinking water to those in need.



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