



# The Weekly Read-It

John Muir School PTA Newsletter

June 11, 2018

## From the Principal

### End-of-Year Report Cards and Farewells

Report cards will be sent home by Friday, June 15. Any child who has not turned in library books or musical instruments will have their report card held at the School Office until those items have been returned. Please call the School Office (510-644-6410) with any questions.

We are sorry to say good-bye to Mr. Jeff Gordon, 4<sup>th</sup> grade teacher; Ms. Brenda Ramirez, BEARS Teacher; Ms. Cherene Fillingim-Selk, 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade Science Release Teacher; and Ms. Rivka Mason, Gardening Instructor. We thank all of them for their great work with our John Muir students and wish them the best of luck on their new endeavors.

Have a wonderful summer and READ, READ, READ!

### Grizzlies Day Schedule

Grizzlies Day is this Friday! Below is our schedule if you'd like to come out and join the festivities. This year we will have one talent show for the whole school starting at 9:30 am.

- K-5<sup>th</sup> Talent Show: 9:30 - 10:30 am (School Auditorium)
- K-2<sup>nd</sup> Grizzlies Day: 10:30 am – 12:00 pm (grassy field)
- K-2<sup>nd</sup> Lunch: 12:00 – 12:30 pm (grassy field)
- 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> Lunch: 12:45 – 1:15 pm (grassy field)
- 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> Grizzlies Day: 1:15 – 2:30 pm (grassy field)

– Audrey Amos, Principal

## STUDENTS IN THE SPOTLIGHT

4<sup>th</sup> grade: Yandel Andrade-Colungado, Jacob McCaughrin

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### June 14: 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Promotion

The 5<sup>th</sup> grade promotion ceremony will be held on Thursday, June 14, at 1:15 pm in the School Auditorium. If you would like to have a younger John Muir sibling attend, please sign them out at the School Office before the ceremony and have them sit on your lap or on the floor at the side of the Auditorium to ensure we have enough seats for other families. There will be a balloon table at the back of the Auditorium to leave balloons until the end of the ceremony. If you would like to help with the event, please contact the PTA at [ptajohnmuirberkeley@gmail.com](mailto:ptajohnmuirberkeley@gmail.com).

### June 15: Grizzlies Day: We Need Volunteers!

On the final day of school, the student body celebrates with a day of fun on the big grassy field, replete with bouncy slide, obstacle course, field games, and a student talent show. Grizzlies Day runs off the contributions of PTA volunteers—if you are available during the day on June 15 and would like to help, sign up at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080a49a8a82aa2fe3-grizzlies>.

### DATES TO REMEMBER:

6/14 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Promotion, 1:15 pm

6/15 Grizzlies Day / Last Day of School

## **MORE JOHN MUIR NEWS**

### **Library Book Hunt**

Did you find a library book in your classroom or on the yard and you're not sure what to do with it? Return ANY book to the library the week of June 4 (or earlier) and we'll clear those library records—no questions asked! Look around your house, in your desk at school, on the playground, in the car—even if it's from a different library, we'll take it. Just drop overdue and lost books into the box labeled "Book Hunt" at the library and you're all set. Start the summer with a clear library record!

### **Box Tops**

Please continue to save your Box Tops over the summer and turn them into the School Office in the fall. Thanks to Marija Barac (Filip's mom) for organizing this year's contributions. We raised over \$500 on Box Tops this year. Encourage your neighbors, grandparents and friends to collect Box Tops over the summer.

### **Terracycle**

Terracycling will likewise keep rolling in the fall—please keep collecting your energy bar wrappers, plastic cereal bag liners, and personal care products. We are not collecting shoes. (Old shoes may be brought to the shoe recycling bins located at Sports Basement). We will resume Terracycle shipments once school begins in the fall. Please do not drop off Terracycle at school over the summer since the animals tend to get into the materials. The most generous waste stream from Terracycle is for the granola-bar wrappers. Please contact [sara.kashima@gmail.com](mailto:sara.kashima@gmail.com) with any questions.

### **Family Pantry Every 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Friday this Summer**

The Family Pantry will continue this summer. Berkeley students, district employees, and their families are invited to a free pantry stocked with produce and bread.

The events run 2-4 pm on the 2nd and 4th Fridays of every month, at the South Berkeley Senior Center, across Ashby from Malcolm X Elementary School (2939 Ellis St.) For more info, contact Family Engagement & Equity Specialist Jocelyn Foreman at 510-684-4100. Or visit us at <https://johnmuirschool.org/family-pantry/>. Upcoming mobile pantry dates are June 22, July 13, July 27, August 10, and August 24.

### **Grade-Specific Parenting Advice in Free Newsletters from GreatSchools**

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