



PTA NEWSLETTE

Welcome (back) to Taylor Middle School

We hope that the PTA NEWSLETTE will be a helpful source of information for you over the course of the school year. This issue in particular has very important information regarding school and PTA activities. We encourage you to read it carefully and keep it for future reference.

FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL COFFEE, AUGUST 31st

Parents, please join us beginning at 8:15 a.m. on the first day of school, August 31st, for coffee and snacks in the library. You will have an opportunity to meet our principal, and other members of the staff as well as members of the PTA Board. You will also be able to sign up as a member of the PTA and get more information about volunteer opportunities. We look forward to meeting you and wish you and your students a successful school year!



First PTA Meeting, Thursday, September 17, 2009.


We hope that many families will join us for our first PTA meeting. The meeting will be at 7:00 p.m. in the Taylor library. We're very excited about the upcoming year, as we have a full PTA Board and have many activities planned. Please join us! Our executive board meets in the Library from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. and you are more than welcome to drop in and listen to our discussion. These meetings are open to everyone.



Back to School Night Thursday, September 24, 2009.


There will be a general meeting for all parents beginning at 6:00 p.m. in the Auditorium. At this meeting the Principal will introduce staff and discusses school-wide programs at Taylor Middle School. Following the general meeting, parents will go to their student's classroom to meet the teachers at 7:00 p.m. A schedule for ten minute classroom visitations will be given to students at school so that parents know where to go throughout the evening.





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Dear Students and Parents,

On behalf of our entire staff, I would like to congratulate all parents and students for a very successful 2008-2009 school year. I look forward to the 2009-2010 school year, all of the wonderful experiences we share. I extend my **WARMEST** welcome to the sixth grade families and a **BIG** welcome back to all returning families.

Special THANKS to the Taylor PTA parents for hosting a teacher luncheon last year, on Friday, May 22, 2009. The PTA also raised **\$20,000.00** over the course of the school year. As a parent, I know that we can really help make events happen at school. Middle School is a crucial time in your child's life and getting involved is a great opportunity to demonstrate to your children how important school is, as well as, a wonderful time to meet other parents and socialize. Therefore, I invite all parents to join our PTA and become active contributors to our learning community.

*Please Help
Support Taylor
Middle School,
Your donations
help offset
budget cuts!*

Taylor Middle School did not mail first day packets to families this year in an effort to conserve paper and costs. All first day documents and information were available on line, beginning July 15, 2009. There was a link on the Taylor Website as well as the district website, <http://www.millbraeschooldistrict.org>. If parents and/or guardians were unable to access the internet, documents were available at Taylor Middle School, in the lobby beginning on August 12, 2009. MAZE day was on Thursday, August 20, 2009 for sixth graders and Friday, August 21, 2009 for 7th and 8th graders. Students received their class schedules, turned in school and district forms, and were able to purchase physical education clothes, yearbooks and school supplies. Students also took pictures on this day. Having these documents on-line was something new this year and we felt it went very well. If you have any ideas or suggestions for improvement, I would like to hear from you. Please e-mail or call me.

STUDENT SAFETY is most important. Please take extreme caution when dropping off and picking up

students. There are four pick-up and drop-off locations. These locations are as follows: the front of the school, the district office parking lot off Richmond Drive, the West parking lot at Taylor Middle School and the Minorca entrance that leads to the cafeteria loop. There is a white line for loading and unloading so that you do not block traffic on Taylor Blvd. Please discourage your children from walking across the street on Taylor or Richmond, except at the designated crosswalks. Please do not double park at any time on Taylor Boulevard.

Last but not least, **we need your FINANCIAL help!** At MAZE day the PTA began their direct appeal. If you were unable to attend MAZE day, please fill out and return the Taylor PTA donation form. I ask that you and your family donate what you can afford and any amount will be much appreciated. Funds raised by the PTA help support students and teachers.

THANK YOU MEF (Millbrae Education Foundation) for helping the school district fund Music (4-8) and Instructional Aides (K-3). The mission of the MEF is to be a broad-based volunteer organization that provides funding to enrich and sustain quality education for all students in the Millbrae School District. Last spring the MEF conducted a district-wide Walk-a-thon, where they raised \$61,000.00 during the month of May. This fall the MEF will kick off their fall fundraising campaign at each of the Back-to-School nights. Please visit their website at WWW.MillbraeEducationFoundation.org where you can read more about the organization.

The majority of Taylor School communications are sent by e-mail. The Newsette, the school's newsletter, is the main form of communication to parents and is distributed quarterly via e-mail. You may also access the Newsette anytime on the PTA's website. There is a link on the Taylor Website <http://millbraeschooldistrict.org/taylor/>. If you prefer to receive a hard copy they are available in the school's main office.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "David Erwin". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, sweeping "D" and "E".

David Erwin, Principal



Letter from the PTA President

I would like to welcome the incoming 6th grade families and all of the returning families and I hope you enjoyed your summer! I am very excited to be the newly elected PTA president for this year and I look forward to working closely with the Principal and PTA Executive Board. The PTA is looking forward to all of the wonderful events and activities this year and we encourage you to join the PTA.

As a parent of a one Taylor graduate and one seventh grader, I know how important it is to stay involved in my child's life at school. I also know from my experience as president of Green Hills PTA and serving on the executive board at Taylor for the last two years, that parents' involvement is a critical factor in making our school successful. Getting involved is a great opportunity to not only demonstrate how important school is to our students, but it is also a way to meet other Taylor parents.

Together we can help make direct improvements to the school through our fundraising activities, PTA information meetings and social events. Over the years parents have made generous contributions of time and money. We have many special programs and activities throughout the year, such as teacher appreciation events and helping with student activities.

We invite you to support our PTA by attending our meetings and our PTA sponsored events. PTA meetings are the perfect way to voice your thoughts, suggestions or concerns. We look forward to working with you as we support our students, teachers and staff at Taylor.

There are still a few positions available on the PTA Board. They are as follows: Vice President, Corresponding Secretary, Parliamentarian and Historian. If you would like to volunteer for any of the following positions please contact me or the School's Principal.

Please join us for the annual Welcome Back Coffee on **Monday, August 25th at 8:30 am** in Taylor's School Library. Dave Erwin, Principal, and the Taylor PTA board members will be there to greet you. We hope to see you there!

Yours truly,
Brenda M MacDevitt

Brenda M. MacDevitt
Taylor PTA President

There was a form in the MAZE Day packet detailing PTA volunteer opportunities. Please look it over and sign up to help in whatever way you can. If you have any questions, please contact the Principal or me. See contact list at the end of this newsletter.



PTA Wraps Up a Busy Year

The Taylor PTA has filled the school year with fundraising, social and educational events—not to mention lots of refreshments. Last year's PTA helped raised over \$20,000 for Taylor Middle School, through its "We Need You" and membership campaigns, two books fairs, and "A Party for all Ages" casino night event. In this time of tight school budgets, many programs have been helped with this money, such as the Homework Center, supplies and materials, document cameras, LCD projection units and supplies and books for the Taylor Library. Many needs continue to exist—from classroom needs to overall school maintenance. Budget cuts continue to seriously affect our schools, and we encourage you to participate in PTA fundraising this year.

The PTA also held a number of informative PTA meetings, featuring such subjects as student safety and Taylor's math, High School transition, Measure X Bond information, Millbrae Education Foundation (MEF), and Superintendent reports. The PTA also supported our teachers with two Teacher and Staff Appreciation Lunches, Holiday Cookie Buffet, and by helping at events such as our Math Fair, Red Ribbon and Respect Weeks, Open House, book fairs, and musical concerts. PTA members also helped at other school activities, such as vision and hearing screening, MAZE Day.

Many, many parents helped at these activities. We have tried to thank all of our volunteers through the Newsette during the past year, and we hope we did not leave anyone out. We appreciate all of you that have participated this year, whether for a short time or in a bigger way.



On Saturday, February 28, 2009, the Taylor PTA held its annual fundraising event called, "A Party for All Ages." The concept was to have a Casino Night for Parents, a dance party for teens, and a pajama movie night for pre-teens. The Casino Night for adults included a Mexican Dinner Buffet and 1 free beverage, Voucher for \$50 in playing chips, a drawing ticket for main prizes, music, laughter, drawings, and fun for \$45.00 per person. Many staff and faculty dealt cards or acted as "Pit Bosses." Club TMS (School Party grades 6-8) included pizza, 1 free beverage, a drawing ticket for BIG prizes, dancing, games and smaller drawings for \$15.00. The Movie Night (Grades k-5) included pizza, 1 free beverage, and a treat, movie, games, drawings and a stuffed animal to take home for \$15.00. The event was a HUGE success and fun for all ages.

Approximately 250 people attended, including over 50 volunteers. Through this event, we raised over \$10,000. The money went toward offsetting costs for materials, classroom supplies, as well as funding a portion of the Homework center. Thanks to all of the volunteers and staff who gave of their time to make this a success. Thanks also to the individuals and companies who donated money and items for the drawings. As with all of our PTA activities, this would not have been possible without the efforts of students, parents, teachers, staff and the community.



PTA Volunteers Needed!

Taylor Middle School needs parents to help with many activities. If you would like to help out with any of these committees, we would love to have you join us. Please refer to the list below in order to see what need's we have so that we can keep the PTA running smoothly. Although there may already be a chairperson, it would be great if we could have more than one person for each position. We all know that schools with strong parent involvement\ experience profound benefits for students, parents, teachers and administrators. What's more, volunteering is a wonderful way to get to know other families at Taylor. Please do not hesitate to contact Brenda MacDevitt at bmacdevitt@sbcglobal.net or 650-465-4068.

President – Lead the organization; coordinate activities of board members and chairs; preside at board and association meetings; interface with school administration – Time Estimate: 5 – 10 hours/ week

Vice President – act as aide to the president and perform the president's duties in the absence or disability of that officer – Time Estimate: 3 hours/month

Recording Secretary – Keep minutes of all meetings; record all expenditures in minutes – Time Estimate: 3 hours per month

Corresponding Secretary – Prepare all correspondence for the organization; notify officers of their election and chairs of their appointment; send notices of board meetings – Time Estimate: 5 hours per month

Treasurer – Keep books and records of the organization; prepare annual budget; pay all bills of the organization; prepare and present the treasurer's report at all meetings; see to the preparation and filing of all required tax returns – Time Estimate: 5 hours/week

Financial Secretary – Receive all funds and make all bank deposits; supervise the counting of all cash; receive all cash at events sponsored by the organization; act as aide to the treasurer as needed – Time Estimate: 2 hours/month plus 2 hours/week at time of year when organization is receiving funds from activities.

Auditor – Audit the books and records of the organization twice a year. After each audit prepare and present an audit report to the board and the organization twice a year. Cannot be related by blood or marriage or live in the same household as treasurer and financial secretary or signers of checks – Time Estimate: 2 hours/month for meetings; time as needed to perform two audits and prepare audit report

Parliamentarian – Attend all meetings of the board and the organization and advise on parliamentary procedure as needed; review bylaws and advise on content – Time Estimate: 2 hours/month

Historian – assemble and preserve a record of the activities, achievements and volunteer hours of the organization – Time Estimate: 2 hours/month

If you have any questions or need additional information about Board Positions Auditor, feel free to call any one of us. See the contact list at the end of the newsletter.



Committee Positions

<u>COMMITTEE</u>	<u>CHAIR(s) needed</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>TIME ESTIMATE</u>
6th Grade Activities	OPEN	Help plan and supervise 6th grade afternoon or evening activities.	Preferably one fall and one spring event.
7th Grade Activities	OPEN	Help plan and supervise 7th grade afternoon or evening activities.	Preferably one fall and one spring event.
School Dances	OPEN	Help plan and serve refreshments.	4 times a year 5:00 - 8:30
8th Grade Promotion Activity	OPEN	Coordinates the 8th grade promotion activities with help from sub chairs (picnic, dance, ceremony, breakfast)	Meetings throughout the school year
8th grade picnic (sub chair)	OPEN	Organize the 8th grade picnic in June.	Meetings throughout the school year
8th grade dance (sub chair)	OPEN	Organize the 8th grade promotion dance in June.	Meetings throughout the school year
8th grade ceremony (sub chair)	OPEN	organize the 8th grade promotion ceremony including decorations and breakfast	Meetings throughout the school year
Cubby Hole	Karen Morgan, Lisa Huffman	Coordinates the cubbyhole schedule of volunteers; maintains inventory of school supplies.	Sells school supplies at MAZE day in August (2 days) and school-days 8:10-8:28. Cubby hole is not-for-profit convenience.
Scholastic Book Fair	Debbie Lim	Work with Librarian to coordinate set-up, running and taking-down of the book fair. Coordinates schedule of parent volunteers.	Twice a year, once in the fall and once in the spring. Book fair runs 3-5 days each time during school hours.
Membership	Chris Lee	Collect PTA membership forms in the fall and keeps records of members. Sends confirmation letters to members.	Main work takes place in the first few weeks of the school year.
eScrip	OPEN	Keeps track of the eScrip enrollment and proceeds; encourages parents to enroll in eScrip.	Most work in the beginning of the school year.
Box tops Fundraiser	Judy Miyake-Wong	Collect and tally box-tops from classes, sends box-top program; supervises pizza party for winning class.	1-2 hours monthly. Collection of boxes area already in place in classrooms.
Hospitality	Connie Madrigal	Plans and supervises staff appreciation lunches, as well as refreshments for PTA meetings and other events.	Staff lunches in September and May, PTA meetings monthly, and events as determined.
Lucky Shares card coordinator	Leticia Moloney	Coordinated the distribution of Lucky Shares cards. Picks cards up from store branches, delivers cards to the school, and helps to circulate cards at PTA events.	



Committee Positions (Cont.)

<u>COMMITTEE</u>	<u>CHAIR(s) needed</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>TIME ESTIMATE</u>
NEWSETTE	Donna Faber	Design and distribute PTA newsletter. Set edition timelines and due dates for article submission.	Newsletter distributed quarterly. Based on School calendar of events.
Music Liaison	OPEN	Work with the music department to coordinate parent support for music activities.	Fall concert in December, Spring concert in April/May, Play-A-Thon in Spring.
Volunteer Coordinator	OPEN	Coordinates volunteers for various activities such as MAZE day, teacher appreciation, etc...	Time varies depending on number of activities. Preferable to have one representative from previous elementary schools within the district.
Chinese Language interpreter	Mazie Shen	Provides spoken and written translation to Chinese-speaking parents.	1-2 hours monthly.
Spanish Language interpreter	OPEN	Provides spoken and written translation to Spanish-speaking parents.	1-2 hours monthly.
Fundraiser Event(s)	OPEN	Plans and coordinates spring fundraising event.	Most work takes place within two months of each event.
MAZE Day direct appeal campaign		Plans and coordinates fall fundraising direct appeal.	Most work takes place June and August prepare forms for MAZE day.
Donations Letters	Judy Miyake-Wong	Sending thank you donation letters to parents from the "We Need You campaign" during the MAZE Day direct appeal.	Main work takes place in the first few weeks of the school year.
PTA Website	Joe Gibbs	Designs and updates the PTA website. Posts newsletters and messages from the President	1 hour a month.
PTA phone and address directory	OPEN	Inputs data into the PTA directory for circulation.	Main work takes place in the first few weeks of the school year.
Math Fair	Judy Miyake-Wong	Coordinates with the Math department to sell refreshments.	Once a year, during the spring 1 evening event.



ACTIVITIES AT TAYLOR

Here are some of the fun clubs and activities available at Taylor. Details regarding times and start dates will be announced at the beginning of the school year.

MATH CLUB

Members will meet each Wednesday during lunch in Room C-8 to play games, solve puzzles and work on challenging math problems. The goal of the club is to have fun with math. If students are interested, they have the opportunity to attend a regional math competition along with students from about twenty nearby middle schools. Winners advance on to the state championships and, perhaps, on to the nationals. Advisors: Mr. Martin and Mrs. Seffens



CHESS CLUB

The Chess Club will meet every Thursday after school from 3 to 4 p.m. in Room E-4. All Taylor students are invited no matter what skill level. The Chess Club is now in its 9th year! Advisor: Mr. Milch

SCIENCE CLUB

The Science Club's mission is to allow students the opportunity to further explore Science. The students may undertake the studies utilizing various modalities. The Science Club invites all students at Taylor Middle School to further appreciate the Sciences which might not otherwise be possible, due to class size, teacher availability, ratio, or perhaps cost. Our fees are EXTREMELY low, in order to ensure that all students can participate! Donations to fund this Club, of course, are always gratefully accepted! Please see your Science teacher or Ms. Whittington for an application.



FOOTBALL & GYM activity INTRAMURALS

Lunch football & GYM activity intramurals will be held during lunch. All Taylor students are allowed to play. Football intramurals are now in their 15th year! Advisors: Mrs. Agles, Mr. Milch, Mrs. Lotti, and Ms. Kretschmer.



Sports Programs at Millbrae Recreation Center

The Millbrae Recreation Center conducts a number of sports programs for Taylor students. For more information, please see the Millbrae Recreation Center website at:

www.ci.millbrae.ca.us/parksandrec/recguide.html



Notes from the Music Department

We are very excited about our music program for the upcoming school year at Taylor Middle School. This year, we are planning to have six main music groups:

- ❖ **Bulldog Band** for sixth grade woodwind, percussion and brass players
- ❖ **String Orchestra** for all grades
- ❖ **Full Orchestra** for sixth, seventh and eighth grade string players and selected seventh and eighth grade woodwind, brass and percussion players
- ❖ **Concert Band** for seventh and eighth grade woodwind, percussion and brass players

There will also be a string quartet (by audition), and possibly other selected ensemble groups.

Taylor Large Group Rehearsals will begin Tuesday, September 1, 2009. Taylor music lessons will begin Monday, September 7, 2009. **Music Contracts** were not handed out at Maze Day; however, contracts will be handed out during the first rehearsals. They will list the mandatory and optional musical events and performances for the new school year.

Please remember that instruments are given out on a very limited basis at Taylor. Families should work on purchasing their own instruments.

Please consult the music website for information about upcoming events and important dates during the 2009-2010 year: www.smcoe.k12ca.us/msd/mu/mu.htm.





BULLDOG BASICS

School Safety

Student safety is a major concern for all of us at Taylor. These are the designated pick-up and drop-off venues:

- The District Office parking lot off Richmond Drive
- The west parking lot at Taylor Middle School
- The Minorca entrance that leads to the cafeteria



Please drive carefully and slowly in order to reduce potential hazards. There is a white line for loading and unloading so that you do not block traffic on Taylor Blvd. There is also a four way intersection at the end of Taylor and a No U-Turn sign. Please discourage your children from walking across the street on Taylor or Richmond, except at crosswalks. **Please do not double-park at any time**, as this can cause a potential hazard when cars attempt to drive around you. A security officer is occasionally present, and you may receive a citation for double-parking.

School Dress Code

Please make sure your student's clothes comply with the Millbrae School District Student Dress Code. Please remind your students that what they wear says a lot about who they are—and, at school, it can also get them into trouble.



The Taylor principal and vice principal will visit English Core classes, Grades 6 - 8, to discuss expectations for all students. As you buy clothing for your children, please take into account Taylor Middle School expectations before you purchase. They may not be able to wear the clothing to school.

Receiving Important Information from Taylor Middle School

Taylor frequently uses automated phone calls or e-mails for sending information to Taylor families. These methods are used for most school announcements, and for school newsletters and many other materials. These methods work quickly, save paper, and save money on printing and mailing.

It is very important that we have accurate phone numbers and e-mail addresses for each Taylor family. As with all of the information in your Maze Day Packet, please make sure that you **print your phone number and e-mail address clearly**.





BULLDOG BASICS (cont.)

Calling In Absences

Absences mean less money for Taylor. The Millbrae School District no longer receives funding from the state for pupils who are absent from school. Only students who actually attend school for at least part of the day are counted for payment. If it is necessary to keep your child out of school for reasons other than illness, you are encouraged to send your child to school for at least part of the day. In that way, Taylor School will receive all of the financial resources it is due, and reduce the need for program cuts. Whenever possible, please try to schedule medical or dental appointments after school.



If your child is ill or absent, even for part of the day, it is important to notify the school office as soon as possible. **Please call the office at 697-4096 between 7:30 a.m. and 9:00 a.m.** to verify absences. You must call by 9:00 a.m. to enable us to assure that students are absent with permission, and also because attendance is submitted in the morning for accounting purposes. If you need to call before 7:30 a.m., you may leave a message on Taylor's voice mail. The message machine is available 24 hours a day. An Independent Study Contract can be set up for any absences of five days or more.

Taylor School Breakfast and Lunch Information

Taylor Middle School sells breakfast and lunch tickets daily in the cafeteria during morning recess. We offer 5-day and 20-day tickets for breakfast and lunch, as well as daily tickets.



Breakfast ticket prices are as follows:

Full Price 5-day - \$6.25, Full Price 20-day - \$25.00;

Reduced Price 5-day - \$1.50, Reduced Price 20-day - \$6.00.

Lunch prices are as follows:

Full Price 5-day - \$13.75, Full Price 20-day - \$55.00;

Reduced Price 5-day - \$2.00, Reduced Price 20-day - \$8.00.

Reduced Price 5-day - \$2.00, Reduced Price 20-day - \$8.00.

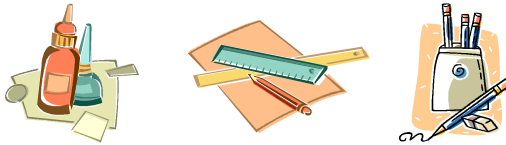
Breakfast and lunch tickets are free for qualified students. Individual breakfast meals may be purchased for \$1.25 and lunch meals for \$2.75. Students should purchase their meal tickets during morning recess. Five and twenty day tickets do not need to be used on consecutive days. Students' tickets will be located in the cafeteria in a ticket holder located near the entry door.



BULLDOG BASICS (cont.)

Cubby Hole

Cubby Hole is the PTA-sponsored, parent-run student supply store at Taylor Middle School. Cubby Hole is open every day from 8:13 a.m. to 8:28 a.m., and carries a wide variety of school and class supplies, from binders to "white-out" (but not including P.E. clothes or binder reminders). The cubby hole is not for profit, and is offered as a service to help students and parents with their last-minute supply needs.



Homework & Technology Centers

Taylor's Homework & Technology Centers are great places to get your homework done! Teachers are available in the Homework Center and one teacher is available in the Technology Center to provide help and support to all students with projects, homework, and research.

Please watch your e-mails for our start dates in early September. The Homework Center is located in the school library. The Technology Center is located in the Tech Lab. These centers will only be open contingent upon available funding.

Hours:

Monday /Tuesday /Thursday - 3:10 p.m. - 4:10 p.m. homework center in the library.
Thursday - 2:10 p.m. - 4:10 p.m. - Tech Center in E-1 or G-6 (signs will be posted)

Locker Use

Please remind your child to utilize his or her locker, especially before school, at the beginning and end of recess and lunch, and at the end of the school day. Students do not need to carry all books with them throughout the entire school day.



Before school, students only need books for periods one and two. After second period (at the beginning of recess), students can return books to their lockers and then carry books for periods three and four. After period four (at the beginning of lunch), students may again return to their lockers and repeat the procedure for periods five and six.



EASY WAYS TO SUPPORT TAYLOR

Please support TAYLOR MIDDLE SCHOOL....your donations help offset budget cuts!

Office Depot

Office Depot will give 5% of all qualifying purchases to Taylor School if you mention the school to the cashier. Our number is ID# 70010836, but you can ask the cashier to look up the number if you don't have it with you. This offer has sometimes been extended through the school year, so always be sure to ask if it is available.

Target

Call (800) 316-6142 or visit www.target.com for information on how to allocate 1% of your Target Guest Card purchases to Taylor Middle School.



Washington Mutual

Washington Mutual also gives a percentage back to schools identified by cardholders. Sign up for their program online or at your bank.

Save Your Box Tops!



Cut out and save box tops to raise money for the school. We raised **\$334** through this program last semester and will have another competition among the classes in the fall. These box tops can be found on many of the common items you already buy, such as cereal, Ziploc bags, and Kleenex tissues.

eScrip

Registering with Escrip is quick and easy. Best of all, it doesn't cost you anything! Just register your cards at the website and then continue shopping as you usually do, while earning money for Taylor. Here are the quick and easy steps to sign up online:

Go to <http://secure.escrip.com/jsp/supporter/registration/step1c1.jsp>

Group Name: Taylor Middle School

PTAGroup #: 500006152

Anyone, even in another part of the country, can sign up to support Taylor through this program. Please be sure to sign up right away and encourage your relatives and friends to do so as well.

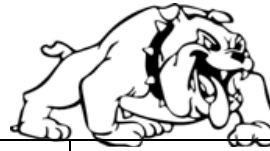


PTA Calendar of Events

AUGUST			
20 (12:30 release)	Thursday	Maze Day	6 th Grade only
21 (12:30 release)	Friday	Maze Day	7 th & 8 th Grade only
27	Thursday	Teachers return	
31	Monday	1 st Day of School	
31	Monday	Welcome Back Coffee TMS library 8:30 a.m.	PTA Hospitality
SEPTEMBER			
7	Monday	Labor Day	School Closed
14-18	Mon – Fri	Respect Week	
17	Thursday	Gift Wrap (ASB fundraiser)	6 th -7 th -8 th Grade classes
17	Thursday	PTA Meeting @ 7:00 pm TMS Library	PTA
24	Thursday	Back to School Night	6:00 p.m. in Auditorium
25 (12:30 release)	Friday	Back to School Teacher Lunch 12:30 dismissal.	Teacher luncheon provided by PTA
OCTOBER			
2	Friday	School Dance 5:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m.	6 th , 7 th & 8 th
15	Thursday	PTA Meeting @ 7:00 pm TMS Library	Topic: Safety discussion
Celebrated October 23-31, 2009.	Mon-Fri @ TMS	Red Ribbon Week	
30	Friday	Halloween	School District / TMS lunchtime costume parade
31	Saturday	Halloween	
NOVEMBER			
6	Friday	Drama Production 7:00 p.m. tickets Adults \$5, Students \$3	TMS Auditorium
11	Wednesday	Veterans Day	School closed
16 – 20	Mon – Fri	Outdoor Ed	School District Has not been scheduled yet.
19	Thursday	PTA Meeting @ 7:00 pm TMS library	PTA
26 & 27	Thurs/ Fri	Thanksgiving Holiday	School closed



DECEMBER			
4	Friday	School Dance 5:00 -8:00 p.m.	6 th , 7 th & 8 th Tentative
8, 9, 10 (3 days)	Tues – Thurs	Book Fair @ MS Library	PTA – Debbie Lim and someone else TBD
14	Monday	Cookie Buffet	Teacher Lounge
15	Tuesday	Music Concert 7:00- 8:30 p.m.	TMS auditorium
18 (12:30 release)	Friday	Last Day of School	
21 – January 1	Mon – Fri (2 weeks)	Winter Holiday	School closed
JANUARY			
4	Monday	1 st day back to school	
21	Thursday	PTA Meeting @ 7:00 pm @ TMS Library	Select Nominating Committee
18	Monday	MLK Holiday	School closed
FEBRUARY			
TBD	TBD	Burlingame High School Info 7pm	@ BHS
TBD	TBD	Capp. High School Info Night 7pm	@ Capp HS
5	Friday	School Dance 5:00-8:00	6 th , 7 th & 8 th Grade
TBD	TBD	Mills High School Info /Parent Night @ 7 pm	@ Mills HS
11, 12 & 15	Thurs-Mon	Presidents Holiday	School closed
18	Thursday	PTA Meeting @ 7:00 pm @ TMS Library	Discuss spending
20	Friday	Final membership deadline	<i>INTERNAL - Council</i>
27	Saturday	Major Fundraiser - Casino Night. Time TBD	PTA Event @ TMS Auditorium
MARCH			
11	Thursday	Math Madness – Math Fair 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.	TMS Auditorium
18	Thursday	PTA Meeting @ 7:00 pm @ TMS library	
TBD	Friday	Report cards distributed to students; Requires parent signature and returned to 1 st period teacher on 3/16/09	
TBD	TBD	Mills High School Orientation 6:00 pm	8 th Grade
TBD	TBD	Open House at all SMUHSD schools 7:00 pm	8 th Grade
TBD	TBD	Programming – Mills High School, 3:30-7 p.m. @ Mills	8 th Grade
TBD	TBD	Programming – Mills High School, 4-6 p.m. @ Mills	8 th Grade



26	Friday	Drama – PLAY 7:00 p.m. “To Be or Not to Be a Pirate” tickets Adults \$5, Students \$3	Taylor Auditorium
APRIL			
TBD	TBD	Orientation & Programming – Capuchino High School 9:00 a.m. @ Taylor Middle School / Informational orientation packets will be distributed to students one week prior to programming date.	8 th Grade
2 (12:30 release)	Friday	Last day of school before Spring Recess	
5-9	Mon – Fri	Spring Break – School Closed	School District
12	Mon	Last Day of Spring Break	
15	Thursday	PTA Meeting @ 7:00 pm	
20, 21, 22 (3 days)	Tues – Thurs	Book Fair	PTA - Debbie Lim and someone else TBD
22	Thursday	5 th Grade Orientation ; General Meeting; Classroom Visitation	6 pm – auditorium 6:45 pm – auditorium 7-8 pm classrooms
23 (12:30 release)	Friday	12:30 Dismissal / PTA Luncheon for Taylor Staff	Library 12:30
30	Friday	School Dance 5:00 -8:00 p.m.	6 th , 7 th & 8 th
MAY			
14	Friday	Field Trip to Great America must be on a Physics Day.	8 th Grade only
20	Thursday	PTA Meeting @ 6:00 pm (LP has Open house)	
25	Tuesday	Music Concert 7:00- 8:30 p.m.	TMS auditorium
31	Monday	Memorial Day	School closed
JUNE			
7	Monday	8 th Grade Picnic	12:35 – 3:00 Rec. Center
10	Thursday	Last day for Taylor 6 th & 7 th grades.	3:00 p.m. dismissal
10	Thursday	8 th grade promotion dance	6:30 – 10:00 Rec. Center
11	Friday	8 th Grade Promotion Ceremony Last day for elementary schools	



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