

## Upcoming Events

Nov. 7 & 8 **Student Council Campaign**  
 Nov. 8 **Election Day**  
 Nov. 9-10 **Parent – Teacher Conferences for 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter**  
 Nov. 21 – 25: **Thanksgiving Vacation**  
 Dec. 4: **CCC Volleyball Tournament**  
 Dec. 8: **Christmas Musical @ 7pm**  
 Dec. 16: **Minimum Day**  
 Dec. 19 – Jan. 6: **Christmas Vacation**  
 Jan. 9: **School Resumes**  
 Jan. 16: **Martin L. King Day, NO SCHOOL**  
 Jan. 20: **2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter Ends**  
 Jan. 23: **3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter Begins**  
 Jan. 23 – 27: **School Spirit Week**  
 Feb. 20: **Presidents' Day**  
 Feb. 27-28: **Ski Trip, Gr. 7 & 8**  
 Mar. 4: **Talent Show, H & S**  
 Mar. 5: **Robotics Tournament in Sacramento, at SAA**  
 Mar. 5: **Basketball Tournament at Miramonte**  
 Mar. 24: **3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter Ends**  
 Mar. 24: **Minimum Day**



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## **Parent – Teacher Conferences this Week**

This Wednesday and Thursday Miramonte will hold its 1st quarter parent – teacher conferences from 1 – 6 pm each day. Your child's teacher has already sent you the conference schedule. Each conference is 20 minutes so please be there a little early; your child's teacher will need to keep the conference moving to stay on schedule for the following parent's time. Thank you for understanding. In connection with the two days of parent – teacher conferences, you need to know a couple of other items.

-  Wednesday and Thursday are Minimum Days. Both days have a noon dismissal; after school care will start at 12:30 pm and continue as usual.
-  Both days will have snack sales at noon. There are lunch combos available for \$4 each. See below for details.

## **Operation Christmas Child – Shoeboxes are Due November 15<sup>th</sup>**

Each fall Miramonte partners with Samaritan's Purse to support their Operation Christmas Child Program. In this program, students take a shoebox (if you need one, see Mrs. Sato) and then fill it with appropriate items as a Christmas present for child in a third world country. Attached to this Mainspring is a brochure which lists what can and what cannot go in these shoeboxes; please be careful to follow the instructions. Let's see how many we can fill up. Each completed shoebox means there will be a child (who has little to nothing in personal belongings) who will enjoy Christmas because of you. This is a chance for each child to participate in evangelism, to be involved in Miramonte's core value of service.

## **Student Council and Classroom Representative Campaign and Election**

Children who have filled out the appropriate forms and submitted them in time to either student council sponsor – Mrs. Corson or Ms. Melbourne, are busy campaigning. They have created a poster and have written a speech, which they will give at our special assembly on Tuesday, November 8. The Election Assembly will begin at 8:20 a.m. and be done around 9 a.m.; elections will occur per classroom. The new elected representatives will be announced at our November 11<sup>th</sup> assembly.

**No Tech Club this Week** – Due to parent – teacher conferences, there will be no Tech Club Meeting this week.

## **Hot Lunch this Week**

**Tuesday, Nov. 8:** Pizza Hot Lunch – upper grade fundraiser

**Wednesday, Nov. 9:** (8th grade fundraiser): Snack sales by kitchen near the library - lunch combo (\$4) - one corn dog, a bag of Goldfish crackers, a cutie, and a juice box; the combo will be delivered to JK-4 students at their regular lunch time. 5th-8th grade students can pick up their pre-ordered lunch combos at a table next to the snack sale tables without having to stand in line. Other items for sale include: Nachos \$2 Corn dogs \$2 Outshine bars \$1 Chips \$0.50 Popcorn \$0.50.

**Thursday, Nov. 10:** (8th grade fundraiser): Snack sales by kitchen near the library - lunch combo (\$4) - one corn dog, a bag of Goldfish crackers, a cutie, and a juice box; the combo will be delivered to JK-4 students at their regular lunch time. 5th-8th grade students can pick up their pre-ordered lunch combos at a table next to the snack sale tables without having to stand in line. Other items for sale include: Nachos \$2 Corn dogs \$2 Outshine bars \$1 Chips \$0.50 Popcorn \$0.50.

**Friday, Nov. 11:** Hot Lunch (Early Learning Center fundraiser) - Veggie-dogs in a blanket, carrot sticks, fruit, cookie, and water. - **\$5**

## **Sports Notes:**

**Mon. Nov. 7** – 3:30 - 4:30 pm 7<sup>th</sup> gr. Girls Volleyball vs. 8<sup>th</sup> gr. Girls Volleyball

**Tues. Nov. 8** – 3:30 – 5:00 pm Co-Ed Volleyball Team Practice

**Wed. Nov. 9** – 3:30 pm 8<sup>th</sup> gr. Girls Volleyball Team Game at Miramonte gym; 4:30 pm – 7<sup>th</sup> gr. Girls Volleyball Team Game at Campbell Community Center (auxiliary gym);

**Thu. Nov. 10** – 3:30 – 5:00 pm Co-Ed Volleyball Team Practice

## **Veterans Day Chapel – Friday, November 11<sup>th</sup> - Inviting All Veterans!**

Please help Miramonte by inviting any veterans to come to our Friday Chapel. It starts at 8:20 am and ends around 8:50 am that morning. Veterans Day Assembly will be a time to recognize and honor our brave men and women who sacrificed themselves to protect our families, our homes, our country. If you know of a veteran in our community, please give the office the person's name and contact information. Thank you!

## **Walk-A-Thon Hits New Heights**

Last Wednesday, Rose Shimizu, our Home & School leader, read through the long, long list of students who qualified for prizes for the most laps, the most money raised, and the most sponsors. A third or more of the whole student body received prizes. The total raised for this year is over \$26,000 – a new, all-time best! Thank you to all of the students and parents who spent the time and effort to do their best for Miramonte. Congratulations to Rose Shimizu and Karen Mock and the whole Home & School team!

## **Day Care from January 3 – 6**

This Christmas we have a longer vacation break because the teachers have a pastor – teacher conference to attend the first week in January. We have heard from a few parents that the extended time is difficult for them. In response, we are considering providing day care on January 3rd through the 6th, from 7:30 am to 6:00 pm. If you are interested, please contact the office and tell us which days (and hours) your children would be in day care; we will determine if there is enough need to make the day care available.

## **Christmas Program on Thursday, December 8th at 7 pm**

This is one of those events you want to make sure you get a front row seat. Please come to Mt. View Central SDA Church (1425 Springer Road, Mountain View) on December 8<sup>th</sup> for our annual spectacular event.

## **Olweus in Practice (the Bullying Prevention Program)**

During our third grade Olweus meetings, we have been talking about respect and being sensitive. Being sensitive can be thinking of others, getting involved in a helpful way, or telling the truth even when it's hard. Being sensitive also can mean watching for changes in verbal and non-verbal communication. For example, if a group is playing keep-away, you should watch faces and listen for tone changes in their voices so you can tell when the game stops being fun and becomes teasing.

Showing respect can mean not laughing when you see something different or telling the truth in a gentle way. During role-play, we practiced how to interrupt a conversation that is turning into gossip and what to do if we saw the ball tag someone out and they didn't leave the game. Students were gentle and gave others the benefit of the doubt instead of calling names or accusing them of cheating, since we all know that sometimes we don't feel the ball hit our shoes or clothes. Being sensitive and respectful helps to keep our school a safe environment.

~ God bless,

Apryl Maloon, grade 3 teacher.

***Miramonte School Mission:*** Miramonte Christian School provides a Christ-centered, whole child education by building upon the strengths of our diverse cultures, learning styles, and spiritual backgrounds to create compassionate citizens, discerning leaders, and purpose-empowered individuals.