

The Montessorigram

California Montessori Project - Elk Grove Campus

Thank You for Making Our Harvest Festival GREAT!

Last Friday was our Annual Harvest Festival and I have to say I think it may have been the best one to date! Thank you to everyone who helped make the evening so much fun and such a success! The raffle baskets, grub hub, and music were great, and this year, by having the event on a Friday evening, families were able to keep their weekend "free" for sports

and other activities. Each year, the organizers of the event (our AMAZING PTFC) discuss ways to make the experience even more fantastic next time for parents and children. This year, to help with their future planning, PTFC has created a survey asking for feedback from our community on the Harvest Festival.

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/MS7Y7NN>

~ Ms. Kathleen



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Red Ribbon Week: October 22nd – 26th

Red Ribbon Week is an alcohol, tobacco, and other drug and violence prevention awareness campaign observed annually in October in the United States.

In honor of DEA Agent Enrique "Kiki" Camarena's memory and his battle against illegal drugs, friends and neighbors began wearing red badges of satin after his death in 1985. Parents, sick of the destruction caused by alcohol and drug abuse, formed coalitions that

adopted the symbol of Camarena's memory. Parents and youth in communities across the country began wearing Red Ribbons as a symbol of their commitment to raise awareness of the destruction caused by drugs in the United States. The first Red Ribbon Week was held in 1988, and today, Red Ribbon Week serves as a catalyst to mobilize communities to educate children and encourage participation in drug prevention activities.

October 22nd – 26th

Theme: Life is Your Journey – Travel Drug Free!

Monday: "Dress like a "Tourist"

Tuesday: "Wear Red Day"

Wednesday: "Show Your School Spirit – Logo Wear"

Thursday: "Put a Cap on Drugs" Wear Cap/Hat

Friday: "Career Day"

Dress up in your Favorite Job or Career

Message from the Executive Director

Dear CMP Learning Community,

CMP's monthly Board Meeting was hosted at our CMP-Shingle Springs campus on Monday, October 8th. The Board approved Melissa (Herman) Goude, as the new Teacher Representative, replacing Sara Meece, who has accepted a .5 position as Dean of Students at the American River campus. Ms. Goude, who has taught lower elementary students at both the Elk Grove and American River campuses, is a graduate of the initial cohort of the American Montessori Society's 'Emerging Leaders Fellowship.'

I am very excited to announce that the Board approved a revised compensatory schedule for CMP's certificated teachers. This action authorizes CMP to continue honoring our teachers with annual pay increases through June, 2022. Our teachers are 'the best' - it is a privilege to serve them, as they serve our students and families!

The Board also revised their annual meeting calendar, as follows: the December, 2018 meeting will now be held on Monday, December 3rd, and the June, 2019 meeting will be held on Monday, June 3rd. Both meetings will be held in the Gibbons Room at the Central Administrative Office.

The next meeting of the Board will be held on November 3rd at the REI store, located on Exposition Boulevard. This will be the Board's Annual Retreat and will include an extended presentation by legal counsel related to Charter School Governance, as well as Roles and Responsibilities of the Board.

Have a great week, and thanks, as always, for your support!

Sincerely,

Gary S. Bowman, M.S.Ed.

Executive Director/Superintendent, California Montessori Project



Save the Date: Next Month's Principal's Cafe

If you are unable to join Ms. Kathleen for tomorrow's Principal's Café at 1:30, don't worry. Though the topic is different, there is another Principal's Café scheduled for November 14th at 9:00 am at the Bradshaw site. Executive Director Gary Bowman will be our guest speaker. Mr. Gary will be speaking with families regarding CMP's history, our vision, and our next steps.

As usual, coffee and treats will be served. Please RSVP to the school office at 916-714-9699 if you plan on attending.



Order Your Square1 Art Now

Information regarding your child's Square1 Art was sent home this week. Please check with your child's teacher if you haven't seen that information or have any questions. Thank you.



CMP 2018 – Design a Holiday Card Art Contest

We invite all CMP students to participate in our 12th Annual Greeting Card Art Contest. The greeting card will be sent to staff, Board Members, Community Representatives and vendors in addition to being placed on our website. None of the artwork will be used for commercial purposes. Entries must be submitted no later than **November 2, 2018** to the campus office. Open to all CMP students,

submissions will become the property of CMP Central Administration. Artwork must be based upon the overall **WINTER/HOLIDAY** theme and for those who want a more specific theme we have chosen: Holiday Kindness/"Kindness Makes the Holidays Brighter". Only individual and original artwork may be submitted. All drawing mediums (crayons, colored pencils, markers, pastels etc.) accepted. Art must be on

accompanied entry form or attached to entry form. Entry forms may be found on the school website. Submit all entries to your teacher, who will forward them to the campus Principal, for delivery to the Central Administration office for voting.



Annual High School Fair

Is your child in the Middle School program? Are they in the Upper Elementary program?

If so, we strongly encourage you to join us on **Thursday, November 15th** for our Annual High School Fair. Hosted by the Elk Grove Campus @BR, high schools from around the Elk Grove and Sacramento areas have been invited to share information about their various programs so that our students can learn more about their choices for high school.



HIGH SCHOOL FAIR

SCHOOL

SAVE THE DATE!

HERE'S YOUR CHANCE TO VISIT WITH SEVERAL LOCAL
PUBLIC AND CHARTER HIGH SCHOOLS.

HIGH SCHOOL IS JUST AROUND THE CORNER (ESPECIALLY FOR THE 8TH
GRADERS!!)

SO COME JOIN SEVERAL TOP RATED HIGH SCHOOLS AND LEARN ABOUT
SOME OPTIONS AVAILABLE TO YOU AND YOUR CHILD FOR HIGH SCHOOL.

THURS, NOV 15, 2018 FROM 2PM – 4:00PM
(MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENTS – 2PM TO 3PM)
(UPPER ELEMENTARY STUDENTS – 3PM TO 4:00PM)

LOCATION: CMP ELK GROVE @ BRADSHAW BOWMAN HALL

CMP – Elk Grove Campus

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8828 Elk Grove Blvd, Ste. 4
Elk Grove, CA 95624
Phone @BR: 916-714-9699
Phone @EG: 916-714-9702

Campus Website:
www.eg.cacmp.org/



Every Day Counts!

Attendance Rate for 10/5/18 to 10/17/18

96.71%

Difference of *-0.41*

Remember, EVERY DAY COUNTS!

Please be sure and take the school calendar into consideration when planning your family vacations. Thank you.

Upcoming Important Dates:

10/19 – Snack Shack CLOSED

10/19 – 7 Habits Class @ BR
9:00 a.m.

10/19 – Principal's Café @BR at
1:30

10/22 - 10/26 – Red Ribbon
Week

10/22 - Monday: Dress like a
Tourist

10/23 – Tuesday: Wear Red
Day

10/24 – Wednesday: Show your
School Spirit – Logo Wear

10/24 – PTFC Meeting @BR at
6:30

10/25 – Thursday: Put a cap on
Drugs - Wear a Hat/Cap

10/25 – CAC Meeting @BR at
6:00

10/26 – Friday: Career Day -
Dress up in your Favorite Job
or Career



10/26 – Friday: Career Day -