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The Eagle Express

Mohr PTA's E-Newsletter

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November starts a two month focus on COMPASSION as our second character trait of the year. During this holiday season, there are many possible ways to learn about and show compassion toward others. At Mohr, there are efforts by the Friends Helping Friends Club to brighten the holiday season for less fortunate families in our community. The spirit of giving is a good way to show compassion. Students will learn behaviors consistent with being compassionate in class using our TRIBES program. Be looking for these activities in materials your child brings home. Through this, you can help us do our part in helping make Pleasanton a true COMMUNITY OF CHARACTER.



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Mohr
Attendance Line



(925) 426-4256

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Innisbrook Wraps -
- it's not too late!



The at-school sale has ended, but you can still purchase gift wrap and other items and the order will be delivered right to your house!

And every purchase earns money for our school. Our school number is 102844. Out of town relatives can participate too!

[Click here to order!](#)

[Join Our Mailing List!](#)

District Info
Check out the Community Events, after-school opportunities, and sporting team sign-ups as publicized by PUSD.

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December 2: Pleasanton PTA Reflections Ceremony

December 4: Recycling Drive

December 14: PTA Board/Chairs Holiday Potluck

December 18: Minimum Day for Grades 1-5, Kindergartens on AM schedule

December 18: Kindergarten Sing-Along Concert

December 21-January 1: NO SCHOOL -- Holiday Break

To view the full Mohr PTA calendar for the year, [click here](#)

Make Your Choice



1 Gourmet Hamburger plus a Coke
Or
Help Your Child's School?

Both Cost \$12

Join Mohr PTA

[Visit the office or click here for a membership application](#)

Lost and Found

Parents, please check the Lost and Found for missing articles (Leftover items will be donated on Friday, November 20th)



Parent/Teacher Conferences

Parent/Teacher Conferences will take place **Tuesday, November 17-Friday November 20.** Tuesday-Thursday will be MINIMUM DAYS for grades 1-5, school runs 8:15-12:30pm (NO LATE START WEDNESDAY.) Wednesday and Thursday will be Early Days for all Kindergartners, Kindergarten will run 8:10-11:30AM. There will be NO SCHOOL on Friday.



[District Posted Flyers](#)

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[Please click here for a brochure with Tips for a Successful
Parent/Teacher Conference.](#)

PTA Meeting

Please join us for the last PTA Meeting of 2009,
Wednesday November 18 at 6:30 pm in the library.



[View the Agenda here.](#)

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Flu Shot Clinic Nov. 19th

Now extended until 8PM!

Pleasanton PTA Council is hosting a NEW seasonal flu shot clinic in conjunction with Flu Busters.

NEW Seasonal Flu Shot Clinic (not H1N1)
Thursday, November 19th, 4 pm to 8 pm
Harvest Park Middle School
Room A-2 (right in front, across from the office)
4900 Valley Avenue
\$25 per shot, in advance



You must make an appointment with Flu Busters by November 15th at [Flu Busters online](#). If you are unable to register online please call 1 (866)358-2878. This is an appointment-only clinic for seasonal flu shots (not H1N1).

Walk-in's will NOT be available. If the clinic fills up, Flu Busters may add extra appointments. Please do not call the school. If you have questions, you may contact Joan Laursen, Pleasanton PTA Council President, at 925-519-5310.

Flu Busters does not issue refunds except under very limited circumstances. [Please see their Refund Policy.](#)

U.S. CHESS MATES

Sign your child up for chess classes, held here at Mohr from 8:15-9:15 AM on Wednesdays (late start day, so the children go directly to class afterwards.)



U.S. Chessmates has been teaching district approved chess classes at Mohr for the past few years. Chess has been credited with teaching children critical analytical skills and having a positive effect on academic performance.

New session starts December 2!

[Click here for more information and the registration form.](#)

Foothill Mini Cheer Camp

Students in grades K-6 are invited to a cheer clinic on **Saturday, December 5, 8:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.**, hosted by the nationally-ranked Foothill Competition Cheer Team. The cost of the clinic is \$45.00 (\$5.00 discount if received before November 5). The price includes the class, certificate, lunch, and T-shirt. Registration forms can be found on the PUSD website (on the Flyers page) or a hard copy will be available in your child's school office. For questions, please email Marti Scalise at mjscalise2@comcast.net. [Click here to download sign-up forms](#)



Student Entertainment Needed!

111th California State PTA Convention is coming to Sacramento! Sacramento Convention Center **April 29 - May 2, 2010**



We would like to showcase local student entertainment at our general meetings during convention.

The performance time is 20-30 minutes maximum; stage size is approximately 20' x 25'.

[See this flier for details!](#)

School Picture Retake Day

Thank you to **Leslie Darga, Kristine Ina, Deb Cardella** and **Maria Weinstock** for helping make picture retake day run smoothly again this year. A special thanks to **Karen Vifian** and **Janet Wolfinger** for their help and support.



Paula Bursley and Laura Murdock
School Pictures Chairs

Fliers for After School/Other Activities at Mohr

The following are extra-curricular activities currently available at Mohr either before or after school:

[Art Experience Classes: Nirmitee Arts](#)

[Chess Classes: US Chessmates](#) -- **New Flier this week!**

[Learn Hindi: HindiforUS](#)

[Foreign Language Instruction](#)

[Cub Scouts Pack 934](#)

[Girl Scouts](#)



[Spectrum of Science](#)

Other activities approved by the district offered at other locations:

[Young Ivy Academy](#)[E.nopi Pleasanton Learning Center](#)[West Coast Olympic Gymnastics Academy](#)[Sports](#)[Community Recreation/Activities Guide](#)[2-1-1 Confidential Services](#)

Nominations for Gifted and Talented Education (GATE) testing are being accepted now

GATE nominations are being accepted until **December 10, 2009**. Schools in Pleasanton are preparing for the annual Gifted and Talented Education (GATE) testing period.



The purpose of GATE services is to address the needs of students who need challenges beyond what the general education program can offer. The district works with school staffs to provide high quality differentiated opportunities for learning that meet students' particular abilities and talents and to focus on the areas of need.

Every student in Pleasanton Unified School District (PUSD) is offered the opportunity to be tested at least once for GATE identification. Students may be tested several times, as often as every other year.

Students in grades 4 to 11 must be nominated by a teacher, parent, or other school staff to be tested for GATE services. Parents may nominate their child by submitting a completed Parent Nomination / Questionnaire / Permission for GATE to the Special Projects Office. Parents wishing to nominate their child are encouraged to talk with their child's teacher about the benefits and implications of GATE testing. The Parent Nomination for GATE form can be found on the district web site www.pleasanton.k12.ca.us. Click on the Educational Services button, the GATE button and then the Identification button. There, parents can read the instructions and download the District GATE parent nomination form. Nomination forms are also available at each school site.

Students are not eligible to be nominated if they took the CogAT test last year. Third grade students are not eligible to be nominated if they were in 2nd grade in Pleasanton Unified last year.

Students will be tested during the school day at their own school. A letter notifying parents/guardians of the testing dates and other information will be sent home mid January. Testing will be begin in late January and finish in late February. The test will be administered at each school on different days during this period.

Stay Healthy,

Beth Limesand
President, Mohr PTA
everychild.onevoice.