



Addison eAdvisor

October 26, 2014

Calendar: Upcoming Addison Events

Mon, Oct 27	Site Council , 3:00pm, Library
Wed, Oct 29	Picture Re-take Day , 7:30-10am
Thu, Oct 30	Vision Screening
Fri, Oct 31	Halloween Breakfast , 7:45-8:15am, Addison Blacktop
Fri, Oct 31	Halloween Parade , 8:30, Addison field
Fri, Oct 31	No Homework Night
Sun, Nov 2-3	Balclutha Overnight, Room 16
Tue, Nov 11	No School - Veteran's Day

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New! Principal Thoughts

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Last night was not only an evening of enchantment and mystery at the Silent Auction, but another opportunity for me to appreciate the amazing Addison parents. Thank you to **Hilary Gudel**, **Catherine Matterson** and the entire Silent Auction Committee for your time and organization of this exciting event. Thank you also to all the parent contributors; you made it possible for everyone in the community (including myself!) to feel connected and bond together in support of our school. I feel so honored to be a part of this special community.



During these past couple months of school, the teachers have been engaged in many conversations about writing, specifically how to teach writing through the **Writer's Workshop Model**. The Common Core State Standards outlines three important areas of writing for all grade levels: narrative, information, and opinion/argument. In reading different professional articles, I found one that I felt could be very helpful to parents: [Parents as Writing Partners](#). The third and fourth pages of the article provide

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strategies and prompts for parents to help support their children. The staff has started to discuss a possible parent education night to offer further support and collaboration in developing creative, proficient, and confident writers.

Get ready for some Halloween fun this Friday! I hope you'll be able to join us for the **annual Halloween Breakfast from 7:45-8:15am on the Addison blacktop**. At approximately 8:30am, the Halloween Parade will begin at room 16. The 5th graders will lead the parade this year as we make our way to the Kindergarten classes. After picking up our last class from room 3, all students will make one more circle on the grass before the categories of costumes are called out. Please keep the hallways and courtyard clear near rooms 6-9 and 17-20 as many students will be passing through this area as we pick up the classes. The best place to observe the parade will be on the blacktop or edge of the field. Please remind your child to leave toy weapons and fake blood at home so that all students feel safe during this exciting event.

Finally, we will be holding our second **School Site Council meeting next Monday, Oct. 27, from 3-5pm in the library**. We will be finalizing our 2014-15 school plan and analyzing results of the 2013-14 California Healthy Kids Survey which was administered to our 5th graders last spring. All parents are welcome to attend and join in the discussion.

[Amanda Boyce](#)

Principal, Addison School

New! PTA Co-Presidents' Corner

If you are still recovering from the auction, don't worry - we are going to keep the party going! Halloween is right around the corner and with that comes the awesome Halloween breakfast! See your kids transform into witches, wizards, robots, aliens, princesses, dragons and more.

Addison's Halloween parade will start right after drop off. Watch the parade, capture the moment on your camera and enjoy the warm breakfast as the kids giggle and laugh with their spooktacular friends. Class parties will start right after the parade, so be sure to drop into your child's class to enjoy the festivities. Talking about class parties, if you have volunteered to bring snacks, treats or prizes for the class - please make sure they are healthy and preferably nut-free. 20% of our children have a nut



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allergy and Halloween is a scary time for these parents. Lets make it a safe and a fun Halloween for all.

Hope to see you there!

Nishita Kothary

[Nishita Kothary](#) & [Komey Vishakan](#)
PTA Co-Presidents

New! BikeMobile Day at Addison

Wednesday, Oct 1

The BikeMobile folks came to Addison to repair bikes for free and kick-off a month long set of biking events. **Steve, Trevor and Andria**, visited Addison in early October to share their skill and expertise. They repaired over 25 bikes - getting them back into working order to ride the roads again. They adjusted brakes, changed cables, lubricated chains and replaced blown out tubes. These bikes were brought to them by parents, staff and students in the Addison Community. A big thanks to all who participated, and if you missed out, we hope to bring them back next spring.



Halloween Breakfast Volunteers Needed



Friday, Oct 31, 7:45-8:15am, Addison Blacktop

Halloween is almost upon us. **We need your help** to make the **Annual Addison Halloween Breakfast SPOOKtacular!** This is a call for those fabulous parent helpers to set-up, serve and clean-up for our cute trick-or-treaters. We need to fuel them up for the sugar day ahead. No costume required - just you. Please consider this great way to help our Addison community. Sign up [here](#) for the fun.

Gratefully,

[Meredith Ackley](#), [Ricki Fakatou](#) and [Melissa Reller](#)

Addison Fundraiser at uforia studios

Saturday, Nov 1 - Friday, Nov 7, 819 Ramona St, Palo Alto



UFORIA studios is a Palo Alto community fitness organization, open to all fitness levels. uforia offers a variety of options: get on a bike and join the party in Revolutions, try a GRIT or a Defy Yoga class, Dance it Up in Hip Hop or Fuego. They want to support Addison parents and help the Addison PTA raise funds this year. To that end, uforia is eager to open up the studio to you or anyone affiliated with Addison from **Nov 1-7**. On sale, at the studio during this week will be the **Addison 5-pack**. Simply use **promo code ADDISON** for your **FREE** class when you sign up. A special 5-class pack is \$110 with 40% or \$44 going back to Addison school!

If exercise is on your to-do list after an indulgent night at the Auction, check out uforia from Nov 1-7 and be sure to mention Addison if you do decide to buy a 5-pack.

New! Arches of Addison

A graphic with the words "Thank You!" in a stylized, cursive font. The text is pink and purple with a slight shadow effect.

Thank you all for making **Unity Day** and the **Auction** a tremendous success! We wouldn't have been able to do this without you. And we most certainly wouldn't have been able to do it without our wonderful volunteers. Stay tuned as we gather the names of all the parents who spent endless days and evenings to make these events special.

Community Announcements

PAUSD Information

New! Minority Achievement and Talent Development Advisory Committee Seeks Applicants

The Superintendent is seeking applicants for appointment to the volunteer Minority Achievement and Talent Development Advisory Committee. Applicants must reside within the boundaries of the District. A description of the purpose of the committee and a link to the application are available on the PAUSD home page www.pausd.org. Please consider applying and joining Dr. McGee on this important work.

Community Events

New! Museum of American Heritage Presents Electrostatics and Electromagnetism

Sat, Nov 1 & 8, 10am - 12pm, 351 Homer Ave

Geared for children 10 and up. Students will learn the basics of the early electrical sciences (starting from early experiments with static electricity up through the discovery of electromagnetism) by integrating science and history, hands-on demonstrations, and the construction of take-home projects. Cost is \$70 for members and \$80 for non-members. For more info: admin@moah.org or call (650) 321-1004.

New! Museum of American Heritage Presents Beginning Electronics

Sun, Nov 2, 9 & 16, 1pm - 3:30pm, 351 Homer Ave

Instructor Larry Pizzella will lead this hands-on class teaching students about electricity, how to control it to do useful things, and how to read a schematic diagram. Each student will then incorporate these ideas to assemble, wire, and solder an electric circuit that will be capable to send and receive Morse Code. Cost is \$70 for members and \$80. for non-members. For more info : admin@moah.org or call (650) 321-1004.

Taking it Personally Workshop: Understanding & Connecting with Your Kids

Mon, Oct 27, Nov 10, Nov 17, Nov 24, Dec 1 & Dec 8, 8:30-10am, El Carmelo Elem.

This six-session study group gives parents tips and tools to keep up with the fast changing growth of our children, tweens and teens. Each week, we explore new ways to build stronger kids, stronger families and stronger neighborhoods. Data collected from our own Santa Clara county youth shows us 8 ways to help kids succeed in school, in relationships and in life, while supporting parents! For

Registration: <http://www.signupgenius.com>

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Palo Alto Children's Theatre Presents: "Lilly's Purple Plastic Purse"

Nov 6, 7, 8, 14 & 15, 7pm; Nov 8, 9, 15 & 16, 2pm, and Nov 12 & 13, 4:30pm, Palo Alto Children's Theatre, 1305 Middlefield Rd

Children will love the madcap antics of these beloved characters taken from three of Kevin Henkes' classic tales: "Chester's Way", "Julius - Baby of the World" and "Lilly's Purple Plastic Purse". Performances are approximately 60 minutes long. View full performance schedule and purchase tickets at

www.cityofpaloalto.org/childrenstheatre, or call (650) 463-4970.

Growing up Asian in America: Balancing Emotional Health & Success

Thu, Nov 6, 7:30-9pm, CHAC, 590 West El Camino Real, Mountain View

A free talk aims to inform Asian parents about the special challenges and opportunities faced by their children as they grow up here in the U.S., and to give parents tips and strategies for effective parenting. While the talk will emphasize East and South East Asian cultures, it will also be applicable to South Asian cultures.

Space is limited and registration is required. For more info visit:

www.paloaltocounseling.com/AsianParent.html.

Starting Strong with Kidpower Workshop: 3-5 Year Olds with Their Adults

Sun, Nov 9, 9-9:50am, Palo Alto

Through puppets and fun, interactive stories, learn how to introduce People Safety Skills and to continue to practice them in your daily life. Register early to ensure your spot. Partial scholarships available. Pre-registration required. [Register here](#), call (800)467-6997 ext. 1, or email safety@kidpower.org.

Kidpower Parent-Child Workshop: 5-8 Year-Olds with Their Adults

Sun, Nov 9, 10:30am-12:30pm, Palo Alto

Protect your child from harm and gain valuable tools for building better relationships. Register early to ensure your spot. Partial scholarships available. Pre-registration required. [Register here](#), or call (800) 467-6997 ext. 1, or email safety@kidpower.org.

New! Concerto Movement Competition for Bay Area Youth

Wed, Dec 31: Due date for submissions

Concerto Movement Competition open to school-aged music students, both instrumentalists and vocalists. The purpose of the competition is to recognize outstanding talent and provide an invaluable learning and performing experience. It is underwritten by J.W. & H.M. Goodman. Applicants must be students from the greater Bay Area who are 18 years of age or younger, and who have not yet graduated from high school as of December 31, 2014. Each applicant should submit an unedited and unaccompanied CD of his or her performance of a movement from a concerto or concert piece for soloist and orchestra, with a duration of approximately 5 to 15 minutes. For more info: Palo Alto Philharmonic, www.paphil.org Or Geri Actor (408) 395-2911; geri.actor@comcast.net

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