



Addison eAdvisor

December 07, 2014

Calendar: Upcoming Addison Events

- Tue, Dec 09 **Noon Chorus Concert**, 6:30-9:00pm, MP Room
- Tue, Dec 09 **Birthday Book Club**, 1:15, Library
- Thu, Dec 11 **No Homework**
- Thu, Dec 11 **PTA Board Meeting**, 8:30-10am, AKC
- Fri, Dec 19 **Minimum Day**, 1:15 Dismissal

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Editor of the Week:
Anneka Cerny

New! Principal Thoughts

Dear Parents and Guardians,

This past week, Addison participated in the national celebration of the **14th Annual Inclusive Schools Week**.



This year's theme, "Inclusive Education: One School Community" provided an opportunity to address the challenge in creating and sustaining inclusive schools for students with disabilities and their non-disabled peers. The teachers read a book and had discussions with their classes about support and acceptance.

In December, our **Project Cornerstone** parents will be reading *Big* by Coleen Paratore in our 1st-5th grade classrooms. We are focusing on the character trait, caring, throughout the month and some of the themes include "using personal power to create change" and "looking for ways to contribute to your community."

Thank you to all the families that contributed to our **Family Giving Tree** campaign! I hope you'll continue to

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find ways to contribute to the greater community this holiday season.

Finally, one of the many wonderful things I have learned about PAUSD is the **Palo Alto Adult School**. The [Winter Quarter catalog and website](#) became available on Dec. 5. Registration for Winter Quarter classes begins Friday, Dec. 12. The Palo Alto Adult School has many classes and programs for your learning enjoyment including CTE to work offerings. Why not consider a new skill or hobby for 2015?!

[Amanda Boyce](#)

Principal, Addison School

New! Birthday Book Club

Wednesday, December 10th is Birthday Book Club day. If your student has a birthday in July, August, September, October, November or December, please join us in the Addison Library from 1:15-1:45pm.



During monthly Birthday Book Club (BBC) celebrations, birthday students select a new book or an old favorite that has already been purchased by the library. This book is then dedicated to the student using a specially designed Birthday Book Club book plate and spine. Students check out their birthday book and return it to the library when they are finished reading it so it can be enjoyed by others for years to come. Every child is welcome to participate during his/her birthday month. Parents are welcome to come with their children to help them select their book. Please [check the Addison website for the dates](#) of all BBC events.

Looking forward to seeing you and your children on Wednesday,

Yoanna Federici, Sharon Hoffman, and Karleen Lykken.

New! Arches of Addison



Card?

Target will support Addison by donating up to 1% of your REDcard purchases at Target stores in the U.S and at Target.com. [Enroll today](#). The Addison School ID is 34180.

Thank you **Vish Ponnampalam** and **Faezeh Ghaffari** for organizing Math night. And thank you parent volunteers, **Elena Chiu, Ricky Chiu, Neelam Amin, Jyothi Nadhani, Krishna Bharat, Maria Adamian, Abhijit Phanse, Gitanjali Singh** and **Komey Vishakan** for helping set up and manning the tables.



New! Safe Routes to School Parent/Caregiver Survey



Your input is requested.

How do your students get to Addison? How would you like to improve the trip to school? The City of Palo Alto Safe Routes to School program, in partnership with PAUSD and the PTA, is conducting an online survey to help us evaluate and improve the program. You may choose between the English, Mandarin or Spanish surveys, if you have not already done so.

For English version, click here:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/DTN5XPZ>

For Mandarin version, click here:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/CX7D9G7>

En Español: Por favor, ayúdenos a evaluar y mejorar el programa "Rutas Seguras a la Escuela" invirtiendo unos pocos minutos para completar esta encuesta electrónica para padres o cuidadores:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/CS6NC2Q>.

Community Announcements

After School Activities

New! Palo Alto Little League registration is open now through Jan 14!

Palo Alto Little League is a nonprofit organization with baseball leagues for boys and girls 5-13 years of age. KINDERGARTEN STUDENTS: Sign-up for Tee Ball! New and returning players can sign-up online now at <http://registration.pabaseball.org>.

League representatives will be available to assist you in person at Walk-in Registration to be held at the PALL Clubhouse (3672 Middlefield Rd.) on Saturday, January 11, 8am - noon and Sunday, January 12, 9am - 1pm. More information at <http://pabaseball.org/registration/index.php>

New! Sign up for Palo Alto Girls Softball Spring Softball League

For girls age 5-15. Register now through January 20, 2015.

Everyone plays, and beginners are very welcome. We provide a safe, fun, well-supervised program at all ages and skill levels for girls 5-15 years old. Our youngest players begin with T-ball in a very relaxed environment; our oldest players compete in fast-pitch leagues. Register by December 7, 2014 for free admission to a Stanford led skills clinic at the beginning of the season. Palo Alto Girls Softball has operated in Palo Alto for more than 30 years and is affiliated with the American Softball Association. Softball is a great game for girls. Register now for the 2015 season! Register at <http://www.paloaltogirlssoftball.org>

New! PSV Union FC Soccer Tryouts

Tryouts for girls and boys now through Dec 20.

PSV Union FC is a non profit soccer club whose philosophy is based on a long term approach that focuses on development and providing top level instruction. If you really enjoy the game, want to learn, and are committed to improving, then you are probably a PSV Union-type player. PSV Union looks for the correct attitude in a player FIRST as a pre-requisite to becoming a member of the club. See [tryout page](#) for contact details and tryouts contact: manager@psvunion.org

New! Celebrate Hour of Code during CS Ed Week

Wed Dec 10, 6-7:30pm; Barron Park Elem Room 15, Palo Alto

Learn about what is coding, code with your student, learn about the tools yourself; all levels of abilities and expertise welcome. If you would like to help or want more info? Contact [Smita Kolhatkar](#).

Palo Alto Children's Theater: Registration for Winter 2015

Dec 5: Reg for PA Residents

Dec 12: Reg for Non-Residents

Click [here](#) to download the winter 2015 brochure. Winter classes include theatre, dance, improvisation, film production and private vocal instruction for youth ages 3 and up!

Join a Club Soccer Team

The Cyclones, a girls U11 Stanford Soccer Club team, are looking to expand their roster (and also start a sister team) for the Spring 2015 season. Prospective players should ideally be born between 7/31/03 - 7/31/04. Come build skills, confidence and friendships with the Cyclones, two-time league champions. For more information, contact [Mike Koehler](#) or [Todd Erickson](#).

Green Apples Education Presents: Computer Classes for Kids

Open enrollment all year round after school

Green Apples Education is a non-profit organization working with Computer Science Internship Programs from local universities to teach computer science courses, such as game design, Java programming, web design and mobile app design. Beginner from ages 5 to 12, advanced from 13 to 18 years. For more info, visit

www.greenappleseducation.org.

Community Events & Opportunities

The Parent Project-a class for parents of adolescents presented by PAPP, PAUSD & PA Adult Education

12 week course begins Jan 8;

If you are the parent of a challenging adolescent, this class is for you. Learn not to argue with your teen anymore, improve school attendance and performance, prevent destructive behavior, and strengthen family unity and self-esteem. [Click here for more information](#) or contact [Det, DuJuan Green](#) 329-2274. Want to talk to a recent graduate from this class? Contact [Sigrid Pinsky](#)

Silicon Valley Boychoir performs "Making Spirits Bright"

Dec 14, 4-5 pm; First Baptist Church of Palo Alto, 305 N. California Ave.

Silicon Valley Boychoir, featuring 65 boys from Palo Alto, Menlo Park, Los Altos and surrounding communities, will present their family-friendly holiday concert, "Making Spirits Bright!" \$10-\$15; free for children under age 5. www.svboychoir.org

Palo Alto Children's Theatre presents Frog & Toad

Dec 11-21, Palo Alto Children's Theatre

Based on Arnold Lobel's well loved books, this whimsical musical tells the story of two great friends. Approximate running time: 70 mins. Call 463-4970.

Family Holiday Volunteering

Ongoing through January (various dates & times for all ages)

If you're looking for a way to get your family into the holiday spirit by helping others, visit <http://familyholidayhelpers.org>, a non-profit web site created by a mom of two PAUSD students to help parents find volunteering opportunities during the holiday season with their children in the San Francisco Bay Area. There are a variety of local opportunities for families, such as making colorful handmade cards for seniors or working a shift at the San Francisco Food Bank. Happy volunteering!

The 2014-2015 Ten Minute Playwriting Contest

Contest Showcase: Feb 25, 2015, 6:30pm

For questions or more information, contact [Christopher Luciani](#).

Registration for Winter 2015

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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: visit the Palo Alto Philharmonic online at www.paphil.org, email [Geri Actor](mailto:Geri.Actor), or call (408) 395-2911.

Spanish-Immersion Summer Program in Costa Rica: all Spanish Levels Welcome

Pre-Registration ends Jan 17, 2015

La Amistad Summer Camp 2015 is now open for pre-registration for Bay Area kids who are currently in 5th through 8th grades. Campers will enjoy traditional summer camp activities while interacting and practicing Spanish with Costa Rican kids on a daily basis. All Spanish levels are welcome, even beginners. Choose from two one-week sessions or attend for both weeks. Dates are: Session 1 (July 25 to August 1) or Session 2 (August 2 to August 9). Students from Escondido School in Palo Alto have enjoyed their class trips to this camp for the past three years. For more information, click [here](#).

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