

Mustang Eblast

March 17, 2023

Happy St. Patrick's Day, Mustangs!

What a fun day with a sea of green! How LUCKY we are to be Mustangs!



Week before Spring Break Spirit Days!

Next Week we have so many fun and exciting spirit days to kick off the sprint to Spring Break!

We are excited to see our Mustang Spirit, especially for Anything but a Backpack Tuesday, which is new to Richland. Please remember that we have a campus full of students and stairs we need to navigate and items must be able to be carried like a backpack! :)



Spring Play in need of Egg Cartons

Luminary Arts is starting to get things rolling on sets for Jungle Book. They are looking for egg cartons to create the jungle, the pulp paper type of carton. (see attached pic). They can be dropped off in the bin inn front of Richland. Thank you!



New Parent Tour

Welcome to Richland, little Mustangs!

WANT A TOUR to learn about our early program or are NEW to Richland since the move to the new school? We are offering tours for NEW parents as follows:

Friday, April 7th 9:30-10:30

Friday, May 5th 9:30 - 10:30

Spread the word to neighbors and community new to Richland!

From The Mustang Chronicle Team

The 6th and last Edition of the school year's Mustang Chronicle is here! The focus of this edition was Abilities Awareness. This issue features an interview with Dr. Johnsen, and amazing artwork from all grades including Special Education students. It also has a roundup of all the wonderful things happening in our busy campus!

Thank you so much for your support & encouragement!

And a BIG thank you to Navya for the creation of The Mustang Chronicle! It is now a big part of

her legacy continue at Richland far into the future! Thank you Navya!

Here's the link:- [TMC 6th Edition](#)

Drop Off/Pick Up and Safety Update

Thank you for everyone's patience and attention during our continued construction (and rain!). We appreciate everyone's kind and caring attitudes. Just a few things to remember:

- Please don't park in the Foothills Mobile Home Park across the street. It is private parking and we have received some concerns. Please be a good neighbor.
- Please DON'T stop in the middle of the street, or the side of the road to drop off and pick up students. It is VERY dangerous, especially when through traffic comes flying by. We KNOW it takes a longer but it is all for the safety of our kids.
- Please keep clear the KEEP CLEAR areas as well as the Left Turn area at the exit of our parking lot. It makes for a smoother end of the school day!
- Keep smiling! Your kind words and positivity has made our days!

From the District Office

Transfer Requests & Enrollment Dates

The SMUSD transfer window is now open. *Intradistrict* transfer requests for students who live inside of the district boundaries, as well as *Interdistrict* transfer requests for students who live outside of the district boundaries, are both open now through March 24, 2023. This includes incoming siblings of current students. For details and to submit a request, [click here](#).

New & Current Student Enrollment Dates:

- NEW student enrollment opens on February 1, 2023
- CURRENT student residency verification opens on June 5, 2023-June 30, 2023

We look forward to continuing to serve your student(s) and family!

San Marcos Sheriff's Office hosting free car seat event

The San Marcos Sheriff's Office is hosting a FREE car seat check event on Saturday March 18, 2023 from 9 am – 1pm. Guests can enjoy free Starbucks and a car seat raffle. [Click here](#) for details.

Safe Streets Parent University

Join the City of Carlsbad on Thursday, March 16 for a Parent University webinar about traffic safety. During this one-hour virtual webinar as part of the Parent University series, you will learn:

- The top causes of local collisions and how to prevent them
- How to talk to your kids about safety
- 3 simple ways to improve safety when walking, driving and biking

- Carlsbad-specific e-bike rules and what happens if you break them
- The very best way to motivate teens to follow traffic rules (it's not what you think)

Keeping our kids safe on Carlsbad streets

What all parents should know

Thursday, March 16

6 to 7 p.m.

Zoom ([Register](#))

CalKIDS Provides Free Money for College

CalKIDS is a new program from the State of California that provides up to \$1,500 in free money for college to eligible public school students. CalKIDS can help families boost their children's college savings and increase access to higher education. Families can choose to attend at the San Diego or San Marcos locations. Learn more and register to attend at www.sdcoe.net/calkids.

March 15, 4:30 to 6:30 p.m.

San Diego County Office of Education

6401 Linda Vista Road

San Diego, CA 92111

April 20, 4:30 to 6:30 p.m.

North County Education Center

255 Pico Ave.

San Marcos, CA 92069

Attn. 4th graders - Vallecitos Water Art Poster Contest

On behalf of the Vallecitos Water District, Mustangs are invited to participate in this year's "Love Water, Save Water" poster contest, which is open to all fourth graders in the Vallecitos Water District's service area. The deadline to submit entries is April 3, 2023. The top three drawings go on to represent the District in the regional North County Water Agency calendar for the following year. Besides being featured in the calendar, winners will receive a gift card, recognition from the Vallecitos Board of Directors and their calendar drawing featured in "Between the Pipes" – the Vallecitos Water District's quarterly newsletter. Poster contest entry forms are attached in this email.

Have you lost anything? Check out the Lost and Found!

Our Lost and Found is OVERFLOWING with jackets, lunch boxes, and water bottles. Our new rolling Lost and Found has arrived and will be out in front of the school every Friday for you to check out. Be sure to ask your students to check it out in the MPR during lunchtimes to find those lost items. Any items left after Friday will be donated over Spring Break.



From your PTO, The FOR Club

FOR Club Meetings:

Our next meeting will be April 11th.

FOR Club meetings are held on the 2nd Tuesday of every month from 6:00 - 7:00 in the Professional Development room. Child care will be provided.

Yearbooks:

Yearbooks are on sale for \$25. Follow our link to order yours today

<https://www.yearbookordercenter.com/product/yearbooks>

Code: 17701

You can also use the share tab to upload your 5th graders baby picture or any other school related pictures you would like the yearbook to consider. If you need help with anything else please let us know.

5th grade families ONLY:

- 5th grade sailing on ads are currently available for \$10 until Spring break!

Once we are in our new school we will have photo opportunities with a fun backdrop for all our 5th graders to enjoy. More info on that to follow.

- We still have room for our special baby picture page for all 5th graders to be a part of.

Lastly, if you have any First day of School pictures of your 5th grader please share those too.

<https://www.hjeshare.com/eShare/?code=mustangs22-23>

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Volunteer Opportunities:

We are also currently searching for two Committee Chairpersons! We need someone to help organize our Adult Only Bingo De Mayo event and someone to help run the Raffle during Bingo. This year Bingo will be on May 5th which guarantees an extra amount of fun to this already

fantastic event! If you are interested please email forclubpresident@gmail.com or check out our online form [here](#), which includes other opportunities as well.

Sponsorships:

We offer a variety of sponsorships and are pleased to have them available online this year. Sponsorships are a great way to get your name out to our Mustang Community while supporting the various programs FOR funds. This year, we are funding over \$110,000 for our enrichment programs, including STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Math) in the form of both in-school assemblies and a STEAM coordinator to provide in-school instruction, VAPA (Visual Arts and Performing Arts), and our Holiday Chorus and Spring Play ran by Luminary Arts. These funds also subsidize our support programs including Reading Intervention, Counseling Support, Classroom Support in the form of mini-grants, Instructional supplies, and our Appreciation program. We hope you will partner with us throughout the year so that our Mustangs can continue to enjoy the enhancements they deserve to their educational experience! Click [here](#) for year round sponsorships.

Mustang Monitors:

This is a great opportunity for Dads to be involved in their Mustang's day. Sign up and you can come on campus to help with drop off, recess, and to monitor the halls, and just say "hi" to the Mustangs. Click [here](#) to sign up.

Hibernate

This is a great passive income fundraiser for us and will run year long. 15% of your purchase goes back to Richland! Richland is already getting \$75 from this fundraiser so far! So let's keep it going!

Keep Hibernate in mind anytime you need to stock up on sheets! We will have sheets for you to feel for yourself at our next Mustang Market, December 16th. We will also have swatches of all 14 of the sheet colors for you to choose from, so you can see them for yourself!

To set up your child's fundraising account check out the flyer [here](#) where you can find the QR code or:

1. Download the Raise365 app and create an account or login to your existing account.
2. Go to the "Fundraisers" tab, hit "Join Fundraiser" and type Richland into the fundraiser search bar.
3. Fill out your child's info and use "Richland" as the fundraiser password.

*Note: If you see the fundraiser from last year, make sure to "exit fundraiser" before you can join the current year's fundraiser. If you need help with this, email forclubtreasurer@gmail.com for trouble shooting.

Here's a quick video showing you how to join the fundraiser on the app and share with family and friends:

<https://youtube.com/watch?v=RylccMpMwMo&feature=share>

Yearlong Fundraisers:

Ralphs Rewards:

Link your phone number to Richland Elementary at Customer Service and a portion of all your proceeds comes back to our Mustangs!

Green Flash Pest and Termite**Brown Family Chem Dry****Lovely Leaps**

Mention Richland during registration at any of the above and a portion of proceeds will come back to Richland! Also, Green Flash offers discounts for Richland Families.

Box Tops:

Earn cash for the school by saving box tops from participating companies. Click here <https://faq.s.boxtops4education.com/s/article/How-do-I-earn-Box-Tops-with-my-digital-receipt> to find out how to digitally submit or simply cut out the box top and give them to your Mustang's teacher.





Important Upcoming Dates to Remember

 Facebook

Tuesday, March 21st 3:15-4:15

ELAC Meeting, New PD Room

Monday, March 27th - Friday, March 31st

Happy Spring Break!

Friday, April 7th 9:30-10:30 am

TK/K/New Parent Tour

Tuesday, April 11th 6:00-7:00 p.m.

Richland FOR Club Meeting, Childcare with Ms. Bev!

Friday, May 5th

9:30-10:30 am TK/K/New Parent Tour

6:00 p.m. Bingo De Mayo, Walnut Grove Barn

Monday, May 29th

No School, Happy Memorial Day

Thursday, June 1st, 6:00 p.m.

Jungle Book Performance in Richland's MPR

Friday, June 2nd, 6:00 p.m.

Jungle Book Performance in Richland's MPR

Wednesday, May 31st 5:00-6:30 p.m.

End of Year Bash and Yearbook signing

Tuesday, June 6th 9:00, 10:00 a.m.

5th Grade Promotion

Wednesday, June 7th 12:55 p.m.

LAST day of school, minimum day

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