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Announcements

TRAFFIC DUTY: Please remember to sign up for your week and even if it's not your class' week, feel free to volunteer if you can. We truly appreciate your help! Sign up [HERE](#).

10/30-11/3- Barraza 11/6-11/10- Kmiec

11/13-11/17- Ralston 11/27-12/1- Bourne

12/4-12/8- Norton 12/11-12/15- Kelfer

TURKEY TROT: ACTUAL EVENT IS FRIDAY, 11/17

Turkey Trot pledge period has kicked off and we have raised over \$10K toward our \$30K goal! Just for signing up, kids get a pedometer to wear on event day. If you haven't already registered, there is still time! Go to www.thegetmovincrew.com. It's free and takes 2 minutes.

Many prizes await. You can check them all out on the flyer or on our website. Top prizes include **Disneyland, Universal Studios and LA Charger tickets.**

Be sure to have your child wear running shoes 11/17 for safe "trotting" around the track. All kids will participate by grade. For questions contact Allyson Nevil anevil721@googlemail.com or Erin Aghai erin.aghai@gmail.com

RALPHS:

If you haven't done it yet – **LINK YOUR RALPH'S LOYALTY CARD to our School!** You will probably spend lots on Thanksgiving and Holiday Dinners so spend like you planned and let RALPH'S DONATE BIG \$\$ Visit www.ralphs.com to update your card or sign up. Questions? Contact the Ralph's chairperson at: davidhurwitz1@mac.com

BENEFIT:

It's HOLIDAY SHOPPING TIME! Use the APP that gives back! You will spend \$\$ during all the upcoming holidays anyway so **MAKE RETAILERS & AIRLINES GIVE A GIFT BACK TO OUR SCHOOL.** It's SO EASY! [Click here for more details.](#)

VISIT PIZZA SALES Every Friday! Everything \$1.00. Whole Pizzas for \$12 while quantities last.

ANGEL BINS Don't forget to save your gently used shoes to drop off at Turkey Trot!

Calendar of Events

NOVEMBER

- 5: Daylight Savings
- 6: Author Event: William Joyce (see next page for more details!)
- 9: Minimum Day, 12:45pm Release
- 10: **NO SCHOOL (Veteran's Day)**
- 13: Parent Teacher Conferences, 1:55pm Release
- 14: **Regular Release Time @ 1:31**
- 15-17: Parent Teacher Conferences, 1:55pm Release
- 16: Charter Meeting
- 17: Turkey Trot
- 20-24: **NO SCHOOL (Thanksgiving break)**

DECEMBER:

- 13: Holiday Show
- 14: Charter Meeting
- 18-1/5: **NO SCHOOL (Winter Break)**

JANUARY:

- 1-5: **NO SCHOOL (Winter Break)**
- 15: **NO SCHOOL (MLK Day)**
- 30: Parent Meeting; 7:00pm auditorium to review mid year budget & GIFTED prgm

President's Message

This month we are filled with thanks for our Amazing Parent Community, Students and hard-working School Staff. Thank you for all those who were able to attend our October Parent Meeting and for participating in our Kinder election! Congratulations to Kim Garr as our new Kinder Advisor. Since November consists of Parent/Teacher Conferences and the Thanksgiving break, we will only have one newsletter this month. Make sure the kids enjoy our Author event on 11/6! We can't wait to see you all on the blacktop for our TURKEY TROT & don't forget to drop off those shoes for our Angel Bin Shoe donation! May the blessings of this Thanksgiving fill your hearts and homes.

Best Always -

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Visit our website, www.encinoelementary.net, for more information on all of these upcoming events.

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Your Kids Are In For A Big Treat!!

AUTHOR EVENT: WILLIAM JOYCE MONDAY, NOVEMBER 6TH

This assembly will be spectacular! Every one of our students is familiar with Mr. Joyce from his books that have been turned into movies, *Meet the Robinsons* & *The Guardians*, and tv shows, *Rolie Polie Olie* & *George Shrinks*. He founded the animation studio that created the Academy Award Winning short film, *The Fabulous Flying Books of Mr. Morris Lessmore*, from his book of the same name. You may have your own favorite among his many books including *Leafmen*, *Mischevians*, *Numberleys*, ***Billy's Booger***, *Dinosaur Bob*, *Buddy* and his holiday classic *Santa Calls*. Students will have the opportunity to hear a successful creative artist discuss his career as an author, artist and filmmaker.

Please return preorder forms to the office by Friday 11/3.

You can download here: [Joyce Order Form.pdf](#)





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STAFF SPOTLIGHT: Hasmik, Jasmine Mgeryan

I started my career with LAUSD at Sutter Middle School. I worked at Sutter for six years teaching sixth and seventh grade math and science. After six years, I said goodbye to middle school and moved back to Encino Elementary School. Prior to becoming a teacher, I worked as a substitute teacher and a teacher's aid. I have earned both a Bachelor and Master's degree in Education. My teaching philosophy is to support, motivate and challenge the young leaders of tomorrow. I believe that as educators we must teach our students to think critically, not just about academics, but also about real-world issues. I strive to plan lessons that are both engaging and thought-provoking. It's my belief that all students, with the help of teachers, parents and the community can succeed.

Professionally, one of my proudest moments came when Sutter Middle School students won the title of Valley Math Champions. It was an honor teaching and working with these students during the competition process. We were featured in a *Daily News* article, and acknowledged with a luncheon and trophies. I am also proud of all my students every year. Through-out the year, we have many ups and downs. It's so rewarding to watch my students grow, persevere and learn.

Personally, my proudest moments are the ones I spend making memories with my family. My children, Lilly and Ella, and my husband are the most important people in my life.

I was born in Abovian, Armenia. I migrated to this country with my parents and brother in September of 1989. I grew up in Glendale, California and later moved to Northridge. I graduated from CSUN with a Bachelor's degree. Immediately after starting my teaching career, I attended CSLA for my Master's degree in education.

Currently my hobbies are my children. I spend most of my time taking them to dance and swim lessons. When I get a chance, I love attending paint nights. I love to turn on the music and paint pictures connected to nature. I am slightly obsessed with the island of Kauai. I dream of sipping my Starbucks coffee, and watching the sunset/sunrises of Hanalei Bay.

Recently as my class was reading *Wonder*, I asked students to write down precepts that they were inspired by. This particular precept/quote resonated with me. I look at it every day, as I enter my classroom and prepare to teach. "SHOOT FOR THE MOON AND IF YOU MISS, YOU WILL STILL BE AMONG THE STARS".

As far as the person who inspires me, that honor goes to my mom. She is the most selfless, giving altruistic person I have ever known. She has and always will be my best friend. I still don't go a day without speaking to my mom.





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