

VINCI PARK EXPLORERS

Vinci Park Elementary's Official Newsletter



FEELING THANKFUL!

Thank you to all our families who participated in and supported the Fall Festival, our first in-person community event this school year!

We appreciate all of our volunteers, sponsors, Trunk-or-Treaters, pumpkin-contest participants, donations, and anyone who was able to attend. We loved seeing our community come together. Go Explorers!

IMPORTANT DATES:

- 11/3 Coffee with the Principal - Zoom
- 11/7 Panda Express Fundraiser
- 11/8 Student Council Elections
- 11/8 BUSD Board Mtg, 7pm
- 11/9 **Early Release** - Parent/Teacher Conferences
- 11/9 Otis Spunkmeyer Fundraiser Pick-up
- 11/10 **No School** - Teacher In Service Day
- 11/11 **No School** - Veterans Day
- 11/12 Campus Clean-Up Day 10:00-11:30am
- 11/14-11/18 **Early Release** - Parent/Teacher Conferences
- 11/15 Make-Up Picture Day
- 11/21-11/25 **No School** - Thanksgiving Break

A MESSAGE FROM OUR PRINCIPAL, MRS. NUNEZ

Happy November!

We stand up.

We create space for each other.

We act with empathy and kindness.

We listen first and listen actively.

We are curious.



Together we are creating the next generation of leaders who will build a world based on knowledge and compassion, the foundation for more democratic, equitable, and just societies.

Hope you are enjoying the beautiful brilliance of the fall season. As we enjoy all that the month of November has to offer us, I would like to mention a few upcoming events. Parent-Teacher Conferences will begin November 9th, and continue the week of November 14th. You will have an opportunity to discuss your child's progress and the contents of the report with his or her teacher/s. Please use these conferences to your advantage. Be sure to come with questions, concerns or compliments. Use the time to discuss things you are unsure about or hope for your child. Pay attention to the comments your child's teacher has, and help us make this a successful year for everyone. If you have questions about content standards or state testing, a good site to visit is the California Department of Education (www.cde.ca.gov).

Finally, I would like to thank all of our parents and community members for your continued support in making Vinci Park the magical place it is. I look forward to our collaboration and partnership as we navigate the rest of this school year. Stay safe and healthy!

Respectfully,
Parisa Nunez



Updates from our PTA



Are you a member of Vinci Park PTA yet?

We would love to have you.

Please join us: <https://jointotem.com/ca/san-jose/vinci-park-pta/join/register>

Volunteers Needed for Otis Spunkmeyer Fundraiser Items - November 9th

We would love volunteers to help organize, sort, and get our Otis Spunkmeyer orders ready for pickup. We will also need volunteers to hand out orders and clean up at the end of the day. Volunteer hours are in 1-hour or more timeslots for Wednesday, November 9th. If you're able to help, please fill out the Google Form:

<https://forms.gle/FFkro2BhmjL64cNg9>

Campus Clean-Up Day - Saturday, November 12th

On Saturday, November 12th from 10:00-11:30am, we'd like to invite Vinci Park families to join us on campus to help clean up around the school grounds! Trash bags and gloves will be provided.

Do a lot of shopping on Amazon?

You can support Vinci Park PTA by shopping on AmazonSmile. When you shop on AmazonSmile, the AmazonSmile Foundation will donate 0.5% of the purchase price of eligible products to the charitable organization of your choice. To get started, simply go to <https://smile.amazon.com> on a computer, log into your Amazon account and select "Vinci Park PTA" as your organization of choice, then shop.

Announcements



Well-Being Curriculum Updates

As we continue learning about our well-being, Vinci Park staff and students will be focusing on asking for help, building social skills, learning to collaborate and how to manage social conflicts. We encourage you to read the Well-Being magazines brought home weekly.

What's happening in the Library? The Vinci Park Book Vending Machine is here!



Last year, students participated in a Read-a-Thon. The goal was to purchase our book vending machine. The students succeeded and the machine was delivered on October 25th, 2022. Students are given special tokens by their teacher and then can use them to get a book to keep from the vending machine. Our goal is to put as many books as we can in students' hands.

If you would like to support our vending machine, our list can be found here:

https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/159NG6DFQFWOO?ref_=wl_share



October Highlights





