# Reach for the Stars!

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Community Newsletter

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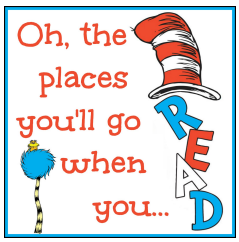


## Dr. Pearson's Message

Thank you for supporting our Read-A-Thon! C/D Track celebrated on Friday, 9/1 and we are looking forward to the A/B Track kick off on 9/18. This is one of our major fundraisers and supports family events, staffing, materials, and teacher supplies. If you choose not to fundraise, please consider a flat donation of $20/ per child for the Read-A-Thon.

## Comets are Optimistic!

★ Optimism is our character education theme this month. We are teaching students to expect and see the good in all things!

★ Beginning 9/7, Kona Shaved Ice will be selling snow cones after school, 2:00-3:00 PM. The price ranges 3-5 dollars depending on the size. Kona Shaved Ice has generously offered to donate 25% back to the school.

★ On September 7 at 4:00-5:30 PM, there will be a School Site Council and English Learner Advisory Committee meeting in the Multi. This meeting is open to anyone who wants to give input to our school plan and yearly spending. Only committee members can vote on the plan, but we'd like your input. Light refreshments will be served.

★ We have two weeks left on our PTA membership Drive! Classes that have 100% membership will win a pizza party. Classes with the highest percentages will have Otter Pops or Popcorn parties. Remember, it is only $5.00 per person to join.

★ You may have noticed several road work projects under way in the neighborhood. Please give yourself a bit more time to get to school. Students are tardy at 8:01 am.

## Find us on Social Media!

Website:blogs.egusd.net/carroll

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## E4 Happenings at Carroll

★ **Instruction:** Awesome things are happening at Carroll Elementary. Students are given opportunities to learn with technology integration. Remember that you can access curriculum by using the portal on the website.

★ **Assessment and Data Analysis:** We still have many Parent Vue login forms that have not been picked up. You can pick them up in the office.

★ **Wellness:** It is our goal to provide ALL students with a safe environment so they can achieve at high levels. If you would like to participate in a safety committee, please let me know.

★ **Family and Community Engagement:** Make sure you check out the attached Months at a Glance for fun activities and events that will provide your students with enrichment and FUN. We have dollars set aside to begin an "After School Academy" that would include clubs and tutoring opportunities. More info coming soon!.

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## Drop Off /Pick Up Guidelines:

★ The outer lane is for drop off/pick up ONLY.

★ The inner lane is for continuous traffic - this allows cars to park and exit the loading/unloading zone. Do NOT use the inner lane to cut in and pull ahead of other vehicles.

★ Move continuously around the circle to the designated YELLOW loading/unloading zone. Pull ALL the way forward in the yellow zone - this helps the line move smoothly and allows as many students as possible to be dropped off/picked up at one time.

★ Students may only be dropped off/picked up in the YELLOW loading/unloading zone or from a vehicle parked in a parking space.

★ Students must exit/enter the vehicle on passenger side only.

★ Parents may NOT exit their vehicle at any time while in the drop off/pick up line. If your child requires one-on-one assistance to exit or enter a vehicle, you will need to park your vehicle in a designated parking spot.

★ NO PICK UP, DROP OFF, OR STOPPING IN THE RED ZONE.

★ No parking along the bus loading area unless directed to do so by a parking lot volunteer.

★ No pickup/No drop off in the parking lot. There is zero supervision in the parking lot. You may use the parking lot for parking only!

★ KINDER - Park your vehicle in a parking space (e.g., in the front of the school or at the park) and walk to the kinder yard gate to pick up your students. All kinder students are picked up from the kinder yard.

★ DRIVE SLOWLY!!!!

★ Drop off times: Supervision for students in grades K-6 begins at 7:45 am. Do NOT drop students off prior to 7:45 am as there is no supervision available.

★ The average time for parking lot clearance starting at 2:30pm ranges from 8 to 10 minutes. Please be patient!

★ Please follow the instructions of the parking lot volunteers.

★ Our number one goal is to keep our students safe!

★ DO NOT PARK IN OR BLOCK PRIVATE DRIVEWAYS.

## Additional Information:

★ If you bring your child's lunch to school after school starts, please make sure their name is clearly marked on the outside. In addition, please make sure they know you are bringing it. You will be asked to take the lunch to a special location in the Cafe' so that your student has more time to eat

★ If students forget their homework and come by the school to get it after 3:00, they will be given one "freebie" and we will open the classroom so that they can get it. After that, students will not be permitted to go back to the classroom. We understand that sometimes, students forget something. On the other hand, the natural consequence of forgetting is that they won't have their work the next day and most likely, they won't forget it again.

UPcoming EVENTS

CARROLL ELEMENTARY COMETS

# Carroll Elementary 2 Months at a Glance for our *Families and Community*

## September

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| **Friday, 9/1** | C & D Track Readathon | In Classrooms all day |
| **Monday, 9/4** | No School (Labor Day) | |
| **Tuesday, 9/5** | Fire Drill/Duck and Cover Drill | 9:00am |
| | Band Practice Begins<br>Beginning 2:30-3:20 Intermediate 3:20-4:10 Advanced 4:10-5:00 | Band Practice Ongoing Event every Tuesday and Thursday |
| **Thursday, 9/7** | Student of the Month Assembly<br>4th & 6th @ 8:15am, 3rd & 5th @ 9:00am, 1st & 2nd @ 9:45am | MP Room |
| | School Site Council/ ELAC(English Language Advisory Committee) | 4:00-5:00pm in MP Room |
| **Friday, 9/8** | Minimum Day (C Track's last day of school before vacation) | *All Kinder: school from 7:45-11:16am<br>*1st -6th Grade: school from 8:00-12:40 pm |
| | Minimum Day Movie-Hosted by 1st Grade | 12:40-2:30 in MP Room |
| **Monday, 9/11** | B Track Starts School | |
| **Wednesday, 9/13** | Cub Scout Presentations during Student Lunchtime | 11:00am-1:00pm in MP Room |
| | Choir Informational Meeting for Parents of 1st, 2nd, & 3rd Graders | 2:45-3:30 in MP Room |
| **Wednesday, 9/20** | Dinner Night Out at Round Table Pizza | 5:00-9:00pm at 10054 Bruceville Rd |
| **Thursday, 9/21** | PTA General Meeting/ Paint Night: Bring your kids, light refreshments will be provided, Please see PTA website for more information | 6:00-7:00pm in Multipurpose Room |
| **9/25-9/28** | 5th Grade A,B,D Track California Healthy Kids Survey | classrooms |
| **Tuesday, 9/26** | Student of the Month Assembly A & B Track<br>Primary @ 8:15am, Intermediate @ 9:00am | MP Room |
| **Thursday, 9/28** | A & B Track Readathon | In Classrooms all day |
| | D Track Trimester Awards Assembly | 8:30-9:30am in MP Room |
| | 5th Grade Field Trip to Backer Park | 10:25-11:45am |
| **Friday, 9/29** | Minimum Day (D Track's Last Day of School before vacation) | |
| | Minimum Day Movie-Hosted by Kindergarten | 12:40-2:30 in MP Room |
| | D Track Report Cards Sent home | |

## October

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| **Monday, 10/2** | C track Starts School | |
| **10/9-10/13** | 5th Grade C Track California Healthy Kids Survey | classrooms |
| **Thursday, 10/12** | Rutherford & Washington Field Trip to Riverbend Park | 8:45am-1:30pm |
| **Thursday, 10/19** | Fire Drill | Between 9:00-9:30am |
| | 4th Grade A/B Track Bike Rodeo | 8:15-10:45am |
| **Friday, 10/20** | C Track Trimester Awards Assembly | 8:30-9:30am in Mp Room |
| | Ghilain & Mallory Field Trip to River Bend Park | 8:45am-1:30pm |
| **Monday, 10/23** | A Track Trimester Awards Ceremony | 8:30-9:30am in MP Room |
| | 5th Grade Field Trip to Backer Park | 10:25-11:45am |
| **Tuesday, 10/24** | B Track Student of the Month Assembly in MP Room | Primary 8:15am Intermediate 9am |
| | A & C Track Report Cards Sent home | |
| | Minimum Day (A Track's last day of school before vacation) | *All Kinder: school from 7:45-11:16am<br>*1st -6th Grade: school from 8:00-12:40 pm |
| | Nelson & Leon Field Trip to Keema Pumpkin Patch | 8:30-11:00am |
| | Minimum Day Movie-Hosted by 5th Grade | 12:40-2:30 in MP Room |
| **Wednesday, 10/25** | D Track Starts School | |
| **Friday, 10/27** | Fall Festival | 5:00-8:00pm in Quad |
| **Tuesday, 10/31** | Licerio, Galapon, Hill, Sackett to Keema Pumpkin Patch | 8:30 - 11:00am |
| | Ellis/Milburn Field Trip to Old Sacramento School House | 8am-12:30pm |
| | Lockdown Drill | Between 9:00-9:30am |

### Ongoing Events

- **Comet Dance Squad Practices:** Tuesdays and Thursdays from 2:30-4:30pm
- **Band Practice:** Tuesdays & Thursdays: Beginning 2:30-3:20 Intermediate 3:20-4:10 Advanced 4:10-5:00
- **Spirit Rallies:** Every Friday 8:00-8:15 am (weather permitting) . Encourage students to wear Spirit Wear!
- **Late Start** for 1st - 6th Grade: Every Wednesday school begins at 8:50am for 1st through 6th grade. Exceptions: Please be aware that on Wednesday, December 20th and April 25th we will follow a minimum day schedule.