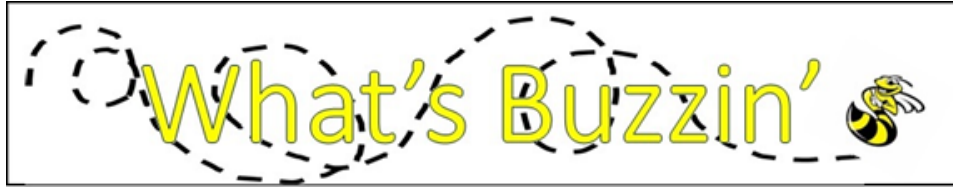


What's Buzzin' September 14th, 2020

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Principal's Message

Greetings Sinsheimer Families!

This week marks the 4th week of Distance Learning, and we're finding our groove! Teachers are excited to see their students on Zoom each morning.

We're settling into new instruction and content, and we want to share the purpose of the time and effort put forth by teachers to create self-sufficient students. Over the past few weeks, we have scheduled more synchronous instructional time than what will be the norm in distance learning - developing routines and understanding expectations takes a lot of time and patience. Many kids and families are feeling the strain of extensive screen time. However, the push to create our expectations will alleviate pressure on families and care-givers when more independent time becomes the norm. Please speak with your teacher if your child is having difficulty with the amount of screen time, but as we look toward the next coming months, your children will become more independent and confident in completing their work without the help of grown-ups. With that, know that movement/stretch breaks are also important. Encourage your kids to stand, shake, and wiggle when they're not sitting for direct instruction.

Additionally, student confidentiality is something we take seriously. Please keep this in mind if you are observing your children in their virtual classroom. Since learning is now taking place in the home/childcare environment, we should all work together to respect each other and not share information regarding other students or families. We must remember that all students will have times where they struggle with focus, engagement and work completion - that's expected, and our teachers will use their professional expertise to help strengthen growth areas. As classroom allies, we must remember that confidentiality is extremely important.

Thank you for all you're doing to partner with us in making this school year a one of growth and possibility! Our school community is truly special - each one of you makes it complete.

Sincerely,

Brittany Tricamo
Interim Principal, Sinsheimer Elementary
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Save The Date

Wed., Sept 16th-

ELAC Meeting - 4:30pm - Zoom

Wed., Sept 16th-

PTA Meeting - 5:30pm -Zoom

Thurs., Sept.24th -

SSC Meeting-3pm Zoom

School News

Guidelines for Visiting the SI Campus

You know that we miss all of your smiling faces and look forward to seeing you soon, but with that being said we must ask that you follow the following guidelines for visiting campus that have been put into place as recommended by the CDC due to COVID-19.

1. Please do not come to campus between the hours of 7am and 5pm Monday thru Friday unless you are coming to pick up prearranged materials or equipment. (Library pick up days, Innovation boxes, electronic devices, etc...)
2. Enter the campus through the main hallway only.
3. Be sure to wear a mask anytime you are coming on campus.
4. Go directly to your destination. (This should be either the library or the main office. Do not enter campus any further.)
5. Once you have collected your items please exit campus and please try to limit your time on campus to less than 15 minutes.

Office Visitation Guidelines

1. Sinsheimer Office hours are Monday thru Friday from 8am to 4pm.
2. Please call ahead (805)596-4088 to make sure your request can be fulfilled prior to coming in. (Drop-in visits are discouraged.)
3. Be sure to wear a mask whenever you are entering campus.
4. To limit office staff's potential exposure to the virus, service will be provided at the walk up window.
5. If office staff does not acknowledge you upon your arrival to the window, please ring office doorbell for assistance.
6. If your visit requires you to step inside the office, please sanitize your hands at the dispenser provided upon entering.
7. Office staff is required to limit your time in the office to less than 15 minutes.

Thank you for your cooperation and help in keeping everyone safe and well during these unprecedented times.

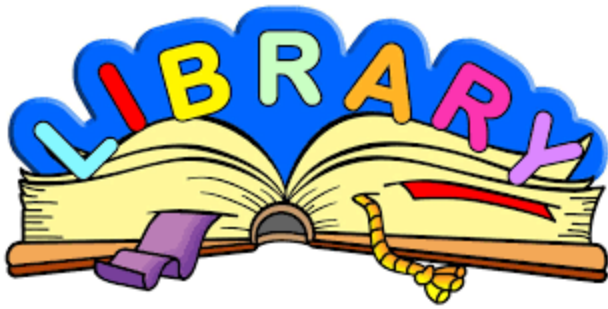
Free Meals For All Children 0-18!

USDA waivers have been extended to allow FREE Meals for ALL children 0-18 until December 2020 (or when federal funds run out).

Families can sign up for weekly meal kits at www.slcsdfood.org. Those families that have signed up, but want to add non district children can [update their choices](#) or call the meal helpline at 805-549-1270. Weekly meals can be picked up each Wednesday at Morro Bay High School or Laguna Middle School.

- Meal Kits are FREE to students on the free/reduced meal program. If you qualify, Free/Reduced weekly meal kits are \$0 (10 total meals). You can apply at anytime at www.lunchapplication.com. We are asking that every family complete this application online even if they think they do not qualify. It is especially important to complete this application if your family qualified in prior school years. This form must be completed every school year to be considered for the program even if your family qualified in a previous year.

Library News



To support student reading, we are happy to announce Sinsheimer library books will be available for check out! Students will be able to browse the library virtually via our [online catalog](#) and request books for pickup.

Click this [tutorial video](#) on how to search for books in our library catalog and place them on hold. If you do not have specific titles in mind and would like to receive a random selection, you can complete this [book request form](#) (ideal for TK-2nd grade).

Students may request up to six books.

All book requests must be submitted at least two days prior to your library pickup day.

Books will be available for pickup between 12:00-4:00 on your library day. ([Library Schedule Here](#))

Requests will be honored on a first-come, first-served basis.

For the safety of all students and staff, all books will be quarantined for at least 7 days and disinfected before going back into circulation.

Happy reading Stingers!

Mrs. Cramer