



Claire Lilienthal Alternative School



December 7, 2016

<http://www.clairelilienthal.org>

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

Week of December 12th

Fri., 12/16 – LOWELL High School Application DUE

December 19 through January 2nd Winter Break

Middle School Athletics:

Boys Basketball Schedule

Thurs., 12/7 – CL vs. Aptos @ Aptos MS (PLAYOFF)

Girls Soccer Schedule

Thurs., 12/8 – CL vs. Giannini @ Beach Chalet #2

Tues., 12/13 – CL vs. Hoover @ Franklin

Thurs., 12/15 – CL vs. Rooftop @ Franklin

Thurs., 1/5 – CL vs. James Lick @ Crocker #2

Dear Lilienthal Community,

Today marks the last installment of my letters from the principal. However, I will continue to highlight key information and progress with social-emotional development, Project-Based Learning (PBL), and Readers and Writers Workshop throughout the school year! If you ever have questions, don't hesitate to reach out. I'm more than happy to talk about the great things we're doing here at Lilienthal.

This year, we making strides in many areas and have expanded counseling services and reading support for kids who are struggling at school. This key investment, with support from the PTA, will help *all* students succeed at school. Although we have a deeper focus on supporting our struggling students this year, we're maintaining a high level of exciting enrichment programs at Lilienthal too!

With support from the PTA we're continuing to have Education Outside classes for all our Kindergarten through 5th grade classrooms. We're also maintaining our robust Outdoor Education program which allows students to take field trips to locations in and outside our wonderful city. Both programs give our kids great opportunities to learn more about the natural environment and develop an appreciation for science through experiential education.

We continue to have strong Arts programming too. We are partnering with [SFArts Ed](#) and have two Art teachers that teach music education for our students.

In addition to these programs and other enrichment lessons that teachers do, we have

great after school programming too. At the Madison site we have CLASP and at the Scott site we have CLLA. Both programs offer structured play, free play, and homework help from 1:45-6:00. Ms. Harmon and I are also working to provide a few paid after school programs as well. From Chess, Renegade Girls, and Korean to Deaf and Hard of Hearing support, and cartooning we're trying to offer classes that are connected to the work we're doing here at school. Ultimately, we have limited space. With CLLA and CLASP using a large number of classrooms after school, we have a select few classrooms left for other programs. Knowing this, we're being very intentional with which ones we bring on board.

Our goal here at Lilienthal is to support all our students. That means we are being strategic about how we support our struggling learners while maintaining and focusing our enrichment opportunities. As an inclusive school, we strive to provide the support and enrichment that all students deserve.

Thank you for supporting us in our efforts to focus and go deeper with a few high-leverage initiatives. For a recap of all the initiatives we have going on, please take a look at the [Letter from the Principal](#) which has the past newsletters highlighting our key work in one document.

With focus and patience,

Tyler Graff

Principal, Claire Lilienthal K-8

Sibling applications are available at both sites. If you have a preschooler that will be turning five years old on or before September 1, 2017, be sure to pick-up or download an application for **Kindergarten. MOST IMPORTANT: Do NOT turn it in at the Educational Placement Center. Be sure to turn it in to Mrs. Shushtar at the Madison Campus.** Your preschooler's birth certificate, your I.D. along with 2 current bills must accompany your completed application.



REMINDER: San Francisco **Food**

Bank barrels are at both Lilienthal Campuses. Please be generous to those in need.

Claire Wear Week Monday, Dec 12 through Friday, Dec. 16 is Claire Wear Week!

Students, staff, and even parents are encouraged to show their school pride by wearing their Claire Wear every day.

Best Class participation gets prizes! Bonus points for Teacher participation, too. Winners announced on Friday.

If you did not order your Claire Wear yet, no worries visit our **small pop-up store tomorrow, Dec. 6, 7:30am to 8:00am** during drop off at Madison campus, (CARDS ONLY/NO CASH pls) OR our

CLAIRE WEAR STORE

(<http://www.clairelilienthal.org/clairewear/>) to place your order. All online orders will be delivered to your child in about a week!

Questions? Email us at ClaireWearStore@gmail.com.

The Starlight Auction + Gala

Our success depends on donations and sponsorships from community businesses. Now is a great time to ask businesses to support our school, before year-end, while you're holiday shopping. Here is how you can help:

Corporate Sponsorship - (a cash donation from a business) is a great opportunity for businesses to advertise to our community, as well as thousands of prospective parents visiting our CL website. A big thank you for our very generous 2016 sponsors! Please consider donating again.

[Click here for more Corporate Sponsorship information >](#)

(<http://www.clairelilienthal.org/corporate-sponsorships>)

Starlight Donations - Every year, our auction offers fantastic finds to tantalize bidders. Please consider asking for gift cards from your favorite stores, services, restaurants and camps, as well as unique experiences, vacation home stays and getaway packages. Think of businesses you already patronize to ask for a donation!

[Click here for our Donation Request Letter and Form >](#)

(<http://www.clairelilienthal.org/starlightdonations/>)

Thank you for going out there, making requests and helping make the auction a success!

Questions? or Want to join our group? Email us at Starlight2017@googlegroups.com.

Attention Families with students who Ride the Bus!

Last week your student received a bus contract that outlines the behavioral expectations for while they are on the bus. We are implementing a new warning system to increase communication between the bus drivers and the school. Please review and sign the contract (If you have not already done so.) with your child and return it to school.



19th Annual

Staff Appreciation Luncheon

The Staff Appreciation Luncheon is our community's opportunity to acknowledge our teachers for their positive impact on student success. As Mr. Graff wrote to us last week, we need to take care of our teachers, nurture them, and appreciate them for the great work they do. We hope you will make a donation to fund this year's luncheon planned for Friday, January 20.

KIP Corner (Brought to you by SFKIEA)

Did you know that the South Korean government, through the Korean Consulate and Korean Education Center of SF, provides financial support for KIP? That money goes toward, among other things, Korean instructional materials and the delicious Korean food we all share during Korean cultural and holiday celebrations.



Winter Break is from Monday, December 19th through Monday, January 2nd. School resumes Tuesday 1/3/17!

