



# Majestic Way Elementary School

1855 Majestic Way San Jose, CA 95131

office: 408.923.1925 fax: 408.254.1315

March 2016

## Dates to Remember

- Mar. 1 **School Smarts Parent Engagement Morning @ 8:30am**
- Mar. 1 - 10 **Original Works Art Projects**
- Mar. 2 **Walk On Wednesday**
- Mar. 3 **Read Across America**
- Mar. 4 **Spirit Shirt Day**
- Mar. 7 – 18 **Coins for Classrooms Coin Drive**
- Mar. 9 **School Site Council @ 2:45pm**  
**PTA Parent Engagement Session @ 6:00pm**
- Mar. 11, 14, 15, 16, 18 **P/T Conferences (Minimum Day-Early Dismissal)**
- Mar. 14 **Spring Pictures**
- Mar. 18 **Monarch Movie Night**
- Mar. 25 – Apr. 1 **No School-Spring Break**

Dear Majestic Way Community,

I am excited to offer a parent engagement program/academy at Majestic Way. The primary objective of the parent engagement program/academy is to create parent leaders who will actively promote a quality education in Majestic Way and beyond. The program/academy will offer training for parents via a series of seven sessions, from 8:30 to 10:00am at Majestic school, in room A3. Below you will find the dates and overview of each session.

**Session 1 (March 8): Parent Involvement** - Parent's role as their child's first teacher and the types of parent involvement

**Session 2 (March 15): Preparing for a lifetime of learning** - How children learn and the basics of college readiness

**Session 3 (March 22): Understanding our education system** - The structure of the California public school system, including academic standards, testing and local school funding

**Session 4 (April 5): Understanding our local school system** - How schools are governed and decisions are made

**Session 5 (April 12): Becoming an effective communicator** - The importance of communication between families, schools and other audiences

**Session 6 (April 19): Standing up for quality education** - Becoming a leader and advocate on behalf of your child and all children

**Session 7 (April 26): Taking action/Celebrating leadership** - Creating personal and group action plans.

I hope to see you at the School Smarts parent engagement program/academy.

Your partner in education,  
Mya Duong  
Principal, Majestic Way Elementary School

### **Parent/Teacher Conferences**

Conferences will be held on the following days: March 11, 14, 15, 16, and 18. Please keep your eye out for a letter from your child's teacher with your appointment date and time. Students in grades 1st – 5th will be dismissed at 1:00p.m. on these days. Your child's education at Majestic Way is a partnership. You are part of the education equation. Parents plus teachers equals positive and successful learning experiences for students.

### **Character Counts**

The following students were awarded a certificate for displaying the character trait of **TRUSTWORTHINESS** in the month of February.

**Kindergarten:** Jillian V., William Z., Kameron I., Eva S., Diandra K., Allen T., Julianna U.

**1st Grade:** Ethan T., Dylan B., Jayce C., Charlene M., Nathan G., Huong T.

**2nd Grade:** Benjamin L., Bao-Quyen T., Kayvon S., Kian S., Phuong V., Katelyn Y., Vanessa M., Jason N.

**3rd Grade:** Shelby S., Layton H., Scarlett L., Jayden L., Jolie C., Acesean C., Neilson V., Jazelle P.

**4th Grade:** Austin B., Alanna Sanders, Nicole L., Ayzeen A., Michael M., Jaiden C., Torence Y., Janis Q.

**5th Grade:** Colleen C., Kyle C., Johan M., Aaron N., April A., Phi Phi M., Kelly S.

**Safety Patrol:** Emily C., Giselle F., Aaron N., Micheline M.

### **Berryessa Music Boosters**

For the past twenty years, The Berryessa Music Booster (non-profit) organization has played a large part in helping to fund our wonderful district music program and provide and maintain instruments and supplies. The current officers are retiring this year and the continuation of the Music Boosters is in question. You are cordially invited to the Berryessa Music Boosters meeting on Monday, March 21, to learn how you can become a part of this great support group. The meeting will be at the District Office at 4:00 pm. We hope to see you there!

### **Enrollment Packets 2016-17**

Enrollment packets for the 2016-17 school year will soon be available in the Majestic Way office. You may also obtain an enrollment packet at our district website: [www.berryessa.k12.ca.us](http://www.berryessa.k12.ca.us)

Completed packets may be returned at the Berryessa Union School District office located at 1376 Piedmont Road on Thursday, March 17<sup>th</sup> from 4:00pm to 7:00pm.

Enrollment at Majestic Way will begin on March 21<sup>st</sup>. Only completed packets will be accepted. The registration hours are from 9:00am to 1:00pm.

### **CAASPP/SBAC Test**

The California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress (CAASPP) include tests for English Language Arts/Literacy and Mathematics. Students in grades 3-5 will be taking the CAASPP/SBAC test April 18<sup>th</sup> – May 6<sup>th</sup>. Smarter Balanced released a set of training tests to provide students an opportunity to become familiar with the testing interface, along with practice and training of the tests. Below you will find the link:

<http://www.caaspp.org/practice-and-training/>

**Berryessa Education Foundation:**  
**"Raffle to Make a Difference"**

Majestic Way Elementary School is working with the Berryessa Education Foundation to participate in selling raffle tickets for the "Raffle to Make a Difference" to be held on Saturday, March 19th at 11:00am at the in the board room at 1376 Piedmont Road. (You do not have to be present to win.)

Each \$4.00 raffle ticket gives you the opportunity to win one of many prizes and to help raise funds. Half of each \$4.00 ticket sold will raise funds that will be made available for our school. Our goal is to sell 2000 tickets and make \$4000 available for Majestic Way's needs. Please help our school by purchasing tickets and to give you chances to win!

Look for a flyer coming home in late February regarding how to purchase tickets, or stop by our office to purchase your tickets. Prizes include: Insignia 55" LED HDTV, four complimentary Disneyland Resort One (1) Day Park Hopper Tickets, Apple iPad Air 2 with Wi Fi 16GB, Xbox One 500, and many other prizes.

The Berryessa Education Foundation was created in 1992 to help support Berryessa teachers in the classroom. Since 1992 they have given over \$300,000 to make a difference for Berryessa students. Half of all ticket sales will be used to help the Foundation continue to provide grants to Berryessa teachers.

**39th Annual Berryessa Art & Wine Festival**

Save the date! The 39<sup>th</sup> Annual Berryessa Art and Wine Festival will be on Saturday, May 7<sup>th</sup> from 10:00am – 5:00pm at Penitencia Creek Park (3050 Berryessa Rd in San Jose, CA 95132). There will be artists, food trucks, and entertainment! The festival will raise funds to support music programs in the Berryessa Union School District.

**39th Annual Berryessa Art & Wine Festival Con't**

For more information, please see the links below.

Volunteers needed:

<http://berryessaawf.com/contact-us/>

For booth information:

Artists - <http://conta.cc/1RC0M30>

Businesses, Non-profits & Government Agencies - <http://conta.cc/1POPI9>

**Classroom Celebrations & Rewards Dates**

Below you will find the dates for classroom celebrations & rewards. On this date the classroom will celebrate **ALL** birthdays, classroom reward parties, and any other celebrations that fall within that month.

March 18, 2016

April 29, 2016

May 27, 2016

June 10, 2016

Please note that the school will not permit or accept classroom celebrations at any other times. Example: If cupcakes are brought to school to celebrate your child's birthday on a non designated day, than it will be returned home.

**Board of Trustees**

**Meeting Dates for 2015 – 2016**

March 8, 2016

April 12, 2016

May 10, 2016

May 17, 2016

June 7, 2016

June 21, 2016

Meetings will begin at 6:00 p.m. for closed session and 7:00 p.m. for open session and will be conducted in the Board Room of the Berryessa Union School District.

### New District E-Newsletter

Our school district now has a monthly email newsletter. It provides relevant and useful information for parents and community members alike. To read our first district newsletter, go to <http://bit.ly/1Lz6CAi> now. Join our mailing list today at <http://bit.ly/1ORrJsh> and receive future newsletters right in your email inbox. Staying up to date is easier than ever now.

### Majestic Way 3 Critical Points

#### Drive Safely!

Please remember to drive safely. A little caution could save a child's life. Obey all traffic laws:

- DO NOT double-park to pick-up your child.
- NO U turns in the middle of the street.
- DO NOT jay walk. Use the crosswalks.
- Follow the directions of our Safety Patrol staff & students.

Xin quy vi hãy ghi nhớ lái xe một cách cẩn thận. Một chút thận trọng có thể cứu một mạng người. Tuân theo luật giao thông:

- KHÔNG ĐƯỢC đầu hàng đôi để đưa đón con em mình.
- KHÔNG U-turn /queo vong U ở giữa đường phố.
- KHÔNG đi bộ giữa đường. Sử dụng các lối băng qua đường.
- Thực hiện theo hướng dẫn của nhân viên tuân tra an toàn và học sinh của chúng tôi.

Por favor recuerden manejar con precaución. Un poco de atención pudiera salvar la vida de un niño. Obedezcan las leyes de tráfico:

- No estacionarse en doble fila para recoger su niño.
- NO dar vuelta en U en medio de la calle.
- No cruzar en medio de la calle. Utilizar el cruce de peatones.
- Seguir las instrucciones del personal y estudiantes de la patrulla de seguridad

### Drive Safely! Con't

請記住安全行駛。多一點謹慎即可挽救兒童的生命。請遵守所有交通法規：

- 請勿並排停車接送孩子。
- 禁止在街道中間 U 型回轉。
- 請勿穿越馬路中央。應使用行人穿越道。
- 遵從我們安全維護人員和學生的指示。

Mangyari lamang na alalahanin na magmaneho ng ligtas. Ang kaunting ingat ay maaaring magligtas ng buhay ng inyong anak. Sumunod lamang sa lahat ng mga batas trapiko.

- HUWAG pumarada ng dalawahan kung susunduin ninyo ang inyong anak.
- WALANG "U turns" sa pagliko sa gitna ng daan.
- HUWAG mag "jay walk". Gamitin ang mga "crosswalks".
- Sumunod sa mga alituntunin ng aming mga kawani at mga mag-aaral na ligas na nagpapatrol

### No School-Spring Break

There will be no school Friday, March 25<sup>th</sup> – Friday, April 1<sup>st</sup> for Spring Break. School will resume on Monday, April 4<sup>th</sup>.

Trương sẽ đóng cửa nghỉ lễ Mùa Xuân từ thứ Sáu, ngày 25 tháng 3 qua đến thứ Sáu, ngày 1 tháng 4. Trương sẽ mở cửa lại thứ Hai, ngày 4 tháng 4.

No habrá clases de viernes 25 de marzo al viernes 1º de abril por las vacaciones de primavera. Las clases se reanudarán el lunes 4 de abril.

從3月25日星期五-4月1日星期五學校放春假，不上課。學校將在4月4日星期一恢復上課。

Walang pasok ang paaralan sa Biyernes, Marso 25 hanggang Biyernes Abril 1 para sa Tagsibol "Spring Break". Ang pasok ay muling magsisimula sa Lunes, Abril 4.

## **Student Absences**

Every day your child is absent from school, you **MUST** call the office to report the absence at (408) 923-1925. If you are calling the office before or after school hours regarding an absence, please leave the following information:

- Your child's first and last name
- Room Number / Teacher's Name
- Briefly state the reason for the absence
- State your name and relation to the child

Mỗi ngày con quy vi vắng mặt ở trường, quy vi phải gọi vào văn phòng để báo cáo sự vắng mặt ở số (408) 923-1925. Nếu quy vi gọi văn phòng vào trước hoặc sau giờ học về sự vắng mặt, xin vui lòng để lại các thông tin sau đây:

- Tên và Họ của con em quý vị
- Phòng học / Tên giáo viên
- Nêu rõ một cách ngắn gọn lý do cho sự vắng mặt
- Để lại tên và quan hệ của quy vi với học sinh

Cada día que esté ausente su niño, usted debe llamar a la escuela y reportar la ausencia al (408) 923-1925. Si usted llama antes o después de horas de oficina para reportar la ausencia, por favor deje la siguiente información:

- El nombre y apellido de su niño
- Su número de salón/ nombre del maestro/a
- Brevemente indique el motivo de la ausencia
- Deje su nombre y su relación con el niño

您的孩子缺課當天，**必須**打電話到學校辦公室 (408) 923-1925 請假。如果您是在上課前後的時間打電話請假，請留下以下信息：

- 您孩子的名字和姓氏
- 課室號碼/老師的名字
- 簡要說明缺席原因
- 請報您的姓名以及和學生的關係

## **Student Absences Con't**

Tuwing araw na ang inyong anak ay liliban sa paaralan, kayo ay **DAPAT** na tumawag sa opisina upang ireport ang kanyang pagliban sa (408) 923-1925. Kung kayo ay tatawag sa opisina bago o pagkatapos ng oras ng pasok sa paaralan ukol sa pagliban, mangyari lamang na mag-iwan ng mga sumusunod na impormasyon:

- Ang una at huling pangalan ng inyong anak.
- Numero ng Silid/Pangalan ng Guro
- Ilahad ng maikli and dahilan ng pagliban
- Sabihin ang inyong pangalan at kaugnayan sa bata

Berryessa Union School District  
1376 Piedmont Road \* San Jose, CA 95132 \* 408-923-1800

**2016-2017 Student Enrollment**

**New Students Entering Transitional Kindergarten, and Kindergarten through 8<sup>th</sup> grade**

2016-2017 Registration packets will be available mid-February 2016 at all school sites, on the district web page ([www.berryessa.k12.ca.us](http://www.berryessa.k12.ca.us)), and at the Berryessa Union School District Office, 1376 Piedmont Rd, San Jose

To enroll your student, you must attend the below date that corresponds to your child's resident home school family, and bring a completed registration packet \*\*

Transitional Kindergarten and Kindergarten through 8<sup>th</sup> grade will be held on the following evenings:

	<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Place</u>
<b>Morrill Family Schools:</b> (Morrill, Brooktree, Laneview & Northwood)	March 3 (Thursday)	4:00 -7:00 p.m.	District Office
<b>Piedmont Family Schools:</b> (Piedmont, Noble, Summerdale, Toyon & Vinci Park)	March 10 (Thursday)	4:000 -7:00 p.m.	District Office
<b>Sierramont Family Schools:</b> (Sierramont, Cherrywood, Majestic Way & Ruskin)	March 17 (Thursday)	4:00 -7:00 p.m.	District Office

Incomplete packets will not be accepted and you will be required to return at one of the below dates to finalize the registration. All required vaccines and tests must be given and properly recorded for age by a doctor or clinic.

All School Families

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Place</u>
March 21 to June 24, 2016	9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.	Resident Home School
June 27 to Aug 4 (Monday -Thurs only) Office (9 a.m. – 2 p.m. ONLY)		9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. ONLY District
Beginning August 8 (Monday), 2016	9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.	Resident Home School

\*\* Please read the "PARENT CHECKLIST" page of the student enrollment packet very carefully in order to ensure that you bring all necessary documents to successfully complete the registration process.

**Intra District Transfer Requests Forms for the 2016-2017 school year  
Are now being accepted until February 29, 2016**

Parents of currently enrolled students may submit an “Intra District Transfer Request Form” to request that their child attend another school within the Berryessa Union School District that is not their resident home school. Transfer Request Forms are available at all school sites and at the District Office. Forms must be submitted directly to the Education Services Department at the District Office, Monday through Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

- In March, the Education Services Department shall conduct a lottery to determine placement on a waiting list of all transfer requests, and families will be notified by mail of their waiting list number.

**Intra District Transfer Request Forms will not be accepted for  
NORTHWOOD ELEMENTARY, RUSKIN ELEMENTARY and  
SIERRAMONT MIDDLE due to lack of available space.**

---

**Kindergarten and new student Intra District Transfer Request Forms for the  
2016-2017 school year will be accepted from March 3, 2016 to April 4, 2016**

Families that have successfully completed the enrollment process and wish to have their child attend a school other than their resident home school may submit an “Intra District Transfer Request Form” at the time that they are submitting their completed 2016-2017 Student Enrollment packet. The Intra District Transfer Request Form will also be accepted at the District Office in the Education Services Department until April 4, with proof of a completed Student Enrollment packet.

- In April, the Education Services Department shall conduct a separate second lottery to determine placement on a waiting list of all transfer requests of Kindergarten and new students enrolling for the 2016-2017 school year, and families will be notified by mail of their waiting list number.

**Intra District Transfer Request Forms will not be accepted for  
NORTHWOOD ELEMENTARY, RUSKIN ELEMENTARY and  
SIERRAMONT MIDDLE due to lack of available space.**

---

Intra District Transfer Request Forms that are submitted after the deadlines of February 29 (for currently enrolled students) and April 4 (for newly enrolled students), will not be included in the lotteries and will receive the next waiting list number in the order that the Intra District Transfer Request Form was submitted. Beginning in May, families who have submitted an Intra District Transfer Request Form and have been given a waiting list number, will be notified, **only** if their transfer has been approved, based on space availability.

---

Si desea una copia de esta información en español por favor acuda a la oficina de la escuela.

If you would like a copy of this information translated in Spanish, please contact the school office.

Nếu quý vị muốn bản dịch thông tin này bằng tiếng Việt Nam, xin liên lạc với trường học của con em quý vị.

If you would like a copy of this information translated in Vietnamese, please contact the school office.

如果您需要一份有關這信息的中文翻譯，請與學校辦公室聯繫。

If you would like a copy of this information translated in Chinese, please contact the school office.

## Majestic Way Elementary School 2015-16 School Calendar

<b>August</b>	
24	1 <sup>st</sup> Day of School (Kindergarten 8:10 – 12:10; 1 <sup>st</sup> -5 <sup>th</sup> 8:10 – 2:30)
<b>September</b>	
7	Labor Day-No School
9	School Site Council (Library 2:45pm-3:45pm)
9	PTA (Library 6:30pm – 7:30pm)
17	Back to School Night (Grades K-3 6:00pm-6:25pm; General Session 6:30pm-6:55pm; Grades 4-5 7:00pm – 7:25pm)
21	Picture Day (Class & Individual)
<b>October</b>	
14	School Site Council (Library 2:45pm-3:45pm)
30	Harvest Day Parade (Blacktop 8:30am-9:30am)
<b>November</b>	
2	Make-up Picture Day
10	School Site Council (Library 2:45pm-3:45pm)
10	PTA (Library 6:30pm – 7:30pm)
11	Veteran's Day-No School
13,16- 20	Fall Parent/Teacher Conferences (Early Dismissal K @ 12:10pm; Grades 1-5 @ 1:00pm)
23-27	Thanksgiving Break-No School
<b>December</b>	
18	Early Dismissal (K @ 12:10pm; Grades 1-5 @ 1:00pm)
21-Jan. 1	Winter Break-No School
<b>January</b>	
13	School Site Council (Library 2:45pm-3:45pm)
13	PTA (Library 6:30pm – 7:30pm)
18	Dr. King Day-No School
<b>February</b>	
10	School Site Council (Library 2:45pm-3:45pm)
10	PTA (Library 6:30pm – 7:30pm)
12	Early Dismissal (K @ 12:10pm; Grades 1-5 @ 1:00pm)
15-19	President's Break-No School



<b>March</b>	
3	Read Across America
9	School Site Council (Library 2:45pm-3:45pm)
11, 14-18	Spring Parent/Teacher Conferences (Early Dismissal K @ 12:10pm; Grades 1-5 @ 1:00pm)
14	Spring Picture Day (Individual)
25-Apr. 1	Spring Break-No School
<b>April</b>	
13	School Site Council (Library 2:45pm-3:45pm)
13	PTA (Library 6:30pm – 7:30pm)
15	Young Author's Faire Due
<b>May</b>	
2-6	Teacher Appreciation Week
4	5 <sup>th</sup> Grade Panoramic Picture
11	School Site Council (Library 2:45pm-3:45pm)
11	PTA (Library 6:30pm – 7:30pm)
12	Talent Show (MPR 6:30pm-8:30pm)
16-20	5 <sup>th</sup> Grade Science Camp
26	Open House (6:00pm-7:00pm)
26	Science Fair Showcase (MPR 6:00pm-7:00pm)
30	Memorial Day-No School
31	4 <sup>th</sup> Grade/SDC BBQ
<b>June</b>	
1	2 <sup>nd</sup> Grade BBQ
1-3	Olympics
6	Kindergarten BBQ
7	5 <sup>th</sup> Grade BBQ
8	3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade BBQ
9	1 <sup>st</sup> Grade BBQ
10	Kindergarten Promotion (Amphitheatre 9:00am-10:00am)
10	5 <sup>th</sup> Grade Promotion (MPR 10:00am-11:30am)
10	Last Day of School-Early Dismissal Grades 1-5 @ 1:00pm)

**Note:** All Thursdays are EARLY DISMISSAL days, as well as the following days: Friday, 12/18, Friday, 2/12, Friday, 6/10 and Parent Teacher Conference Weeks: Nov. 13, 16-20 and Mar. 11, 14-18.  
Dismissal times: Kindergarten @ 12:10; Grades 1-5 @ 1:00pm.  
**\*Dates and times are subject to change**