

Mustang News

May/June 2019

Murdock Newsletter 2018/2019

Upcoming Events



May:

6th-10: Teacher Appreciation

15th: Jersey Mike Meet & Eat

27th: No School

29th: Round Table Meet & Eat

30th: Open House/Art All

Around

Us/PTA General Assoc. Mtg.

June:

7th: AR Pancake Breakfast

13th: 6th Grade Promotion

14th: Last Day of School

For up to date information:

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Elementary PTA

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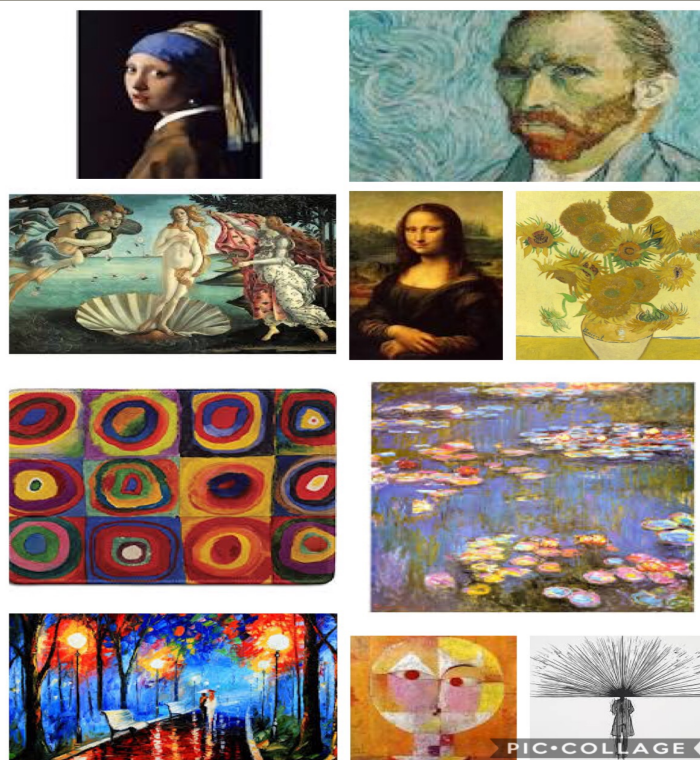
We need your help! We are having a HUGE problem with tardies. On average we have 35 students tardy on a daily basis. Why so many tardies? Poor organization is the most common reason for lateness. People wait until the last minute, and then do not allow themselves enough travel time.

What can we do? In order to be on time for school, you should figure out how much time it takes you to travel from your house to school - **add ten to fifteen minutes to that number** - this gives you a little bit of leeway in case traffic is bad or there is an accident.

- Have your things organized so that you do not spend a lot of time hunting all over the house for clothes, books, keys, etc. Learn how long it normally takes you to get dressed and ready to leave - again, **give yourself an extra ten minutes just in case!** - It is better to be ready early than to be ten minutes late.
- Set your alarm and get up when it sounds - don't get into the habit of "just another five minutes" because it will just make you late. If you are still tired when you wake up, then you need to start going to bed earlier - children need ten to twelve hours of sleep every day; adults need six to eight hours to be completely rested. If you spend a bit of time planning ahead, you can be on time every day.

Thank you for your support and help!

Mrs. Jennifer Luibel - Principal



May Is

Murdock PTA's Art Month!

Your PTA sponsors an entire month of art enrichment for your students. Look for:

Musicians from around the world performing at lunch.

A school-wide art installation that will be unveiled at Open House on May 30st.

Artists from the world of sculpture, drama, literature and textiles

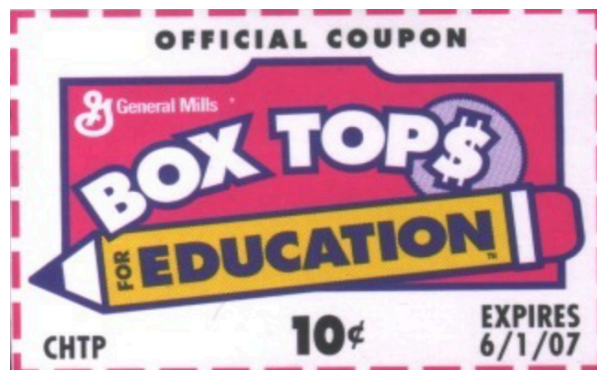
Students reading poetry at Peace Circle every Monday

And MUCH more!

Your Murdock PTA, in conjunction with teachers, classroom volunteer docents and staff bring art into the classrooms on a regular basis. If you would like to learn more about our program, or are interested in becoming involved, contact us! We would love to share and include you in this wonderful program. Contact us at:

Carrie Dillon & Kathy Haase – Art Docent Chairs

artdocents@murdockpta.org



Thank you Murdock Parents, Students and Staff! With your help we collected \$856.10 this school year just from box tops you sent. You can turn in box tops anytime or save them for ongoing classroom contests. There will be one more collection sheet going home before the end of the year. You do not have to fill the entire collection sheet before returning it to school. You can return partially completed collection sheets or you can send in the box tops in an envelope or baggie. The important part is send them in! Our school receives 10 cents from each box tops and as you can see they add up quickly.

Diana Figueroa – Box Tops Chair



We couldn't have done it without you! Yes, you! "Thank you" doesn't seem quite big enough to show our appreciation for all the funds we've raised this school year for our Mustangs! With your support, we've been able to continue the PTA contributions to fund programs such as Art, Music, Garden, Accelerated Reader, Family Nights, Assemblies, STEAM, Field Trip transportation, school site improvements, and so much more!

Traditionally one of the biggest fundraisers of the year is our adults-only Spring Fling. This year's theme was Murdi Gras and was held once again at Thrive Real Estate in La Mesa. Thrive has partnered with us as a pillar of the community and at the event generously offered to donate \$1000 back to Murdock PTA for any home transaction closed thru their office if the client mentions Murdock! We are so thankful to Thrive and all of our sponsors and donors who made this event so successful!

This year we also held our annual fun run, and although we had some rainy weather setbacks, our students were able to hit their fundraising goals, build character traits, and earn some fun prizes along the way! How did you like the new company, Boosterthon? We'd love to hear your feedback on how we can improve this experience in the coming years!

One new way the PTA chose to give back to the school this year is through a book fair that actually earns us books for our library with each book purchased at the Usborne Book Fair! We hope your student enjoys all the new books added to the bookshelves!

Again, none of this would be possible without the parents, grandparents, and friends of Murdock. We are so thankful for your support and generous contributions throughout the year so the PTA can continue to provide the programs and activities for our students.

On a personal note, I am thrilled to be passing the "fundraising torch" to some wonderful ladies who have big ideas for the coming years - Amberly Rowland and Tonia Smith will be your new VPs of Ways and Means and I couldn't be more excited to see what they have up their sleeves!

All the best,

Danielle Abbott

VP Ways and Means

MYTHS ABOUT THE PTA

MYTH:

I'll get roped into
volunteering for
something If I go to
a PTA meeting.

FACT:

There will always be
opportunities to get
involved, If you don't
want to participate
there will be no guilt
and no pressure.

MYTH:

Those PTA parents
know each other
really well and are
just a big clique.

FACT:

The majority of the active
PTA members do know
each other, as a result of
working together on various
PTA projects. Our group is
friendly and welcoming to
ALL! Give us a chance to
know you too! Again no
guilt, or pressure, all are
welcome!

MYTH:

The PTA has
all of the help
they need.

My
participation
will not
make a
difference.

FACT:

The biggest myth of all! We want and need your help
and participation. We have chair and committee
positions that need to be filled, and we need
volunteers to help at all of our events. If you chose to
volunteer, you decide on your time commitment. New
ideas are always welcome – it's an important way to
keep our PTA fresh and exciting! We understand your
time is valuable. All levels of participation are
welcome and needed!

CONGRATULATIONS

2019-2020

Executive PTA Board

Presidents: Danielle Abbott & April Rodriguez

Executive Vice President: Audra McCulloch

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***If you would like to be a part of the PTA in a planning capacity, please contact
Danielle & April at president@murdockpta.org**

JOIN US FOR OUR LAST TWO MEET & EATS!



MEET AND EATS



WED MAY 15th

4pm-8pm

8726 Lake Murray Blvd

San Diego 92119

20% Goes toward our School!!!



MEET AND EATS



The Last Honest Pizza.™



WED MAY 29th

3pm-9pm

9676 Campo Rd
Spring Valley 91977

20% Goes toward our School!!!





**KEEP
CALM**

BECAUSE

**6TH GRADE
ROCKS**

Promotion Thursday June 13th

8:30 a.m.

THANK YOU MURDOCK!

I've been dreading writing this article for seven years. Seven years, that's how long our family has been at Murdock. For those that know us, know that we have only lived close to the school for two of those seven years. We call Alpine our home now ♥ If this isn't a testament to how much we love this school, I don't know what is. If you're new to Murdock, get ready for an amazing experience! If you still have a student or students here, enjoy the time, it goes by so, so fast. There is so much that makes Murdock special, Mrs. Luibel's leadership, the amazing teachers, and all of the amazing parents that volunteer their valuable time to support our Mustangs. The PTA here at Murdock is comprised of so many wonderful people; people who give so much more than just their time. They give their heart. I am honored to have been a part of our PTA and this amazing community.

Thank you so much and enjoy the last few weeks of school!

Jen Bailey

2018-2019 PTA President



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Hosted by Murdock PTA

Father Son

THE AMAZING RACE

**Friday, May 17, 2019 5:30-8:00pm
at Murdock Elementary**

The dads and sons will form (or be placed in) teams of 5-8. Each team will work together to solve clues to find all the activity stations hidden throughout the Murdock campus, complete the challenge at each station, and make it to the finish line. Teams will be timed and 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place medals will be awarded.

Dinner (hamburgers, hot dogs, chips, dessert) and refreshments will be served.

Admission is FREE but space is limited. To save your spot you must return the form below or email the information to FamilyNights@murdockpta.org by Friday 5/10/19.



HEROES WANTED FOR ANNUAL PANCAKE BREAKFAST

What: Every Year, Murdock Elementary PTA runs a year-long Reading Incentives Program for the students. Students reaching their goals get to attend the year end Pancake Breakfast as a reward. We are in need of Parent Volunteers and Community Heroes for serving pancakes to the students as an extra special treat. Friends, and family in uniformed professions such as fire dept and military are especially needed

Where: Murdock Elementary School Auditorium,

When: Friday, June 7, 2019, Any time between 7:30am – 11 am

2019 AR Pancake Breakfast Schedule

Kindergarten: 8:00am	1 st grade: 8:20am	2 nd grade: 8:40am
3 rd grade: 9:00 am	4 th grade: 9:20am	5 th /6 th grade: 9:40am

Contact: April Rodriguez, PTA Reading Incentives Chair, reading@murdockpta.org

*****Please contact if you have an electric griddle that can be borrowed**

Or please fill out the information and return to your teachers by May 24th 2019

Name: _____

Email and Time

Preference: _____

GUESS WHAT?

THERE ARE LIMITED SIZES AND
QUANTITIES AVAILABLE ONLINE OF
MUSTANG GEAR!

VISIT THE FRONT PAGE OF
WWW.MURDOCK.PTA TO PLACE YOUR



‘Glenn E. Murdock Elementary School PTA Calendar of Events 2018-2019

September:

3rd: Start of Read a Thon
 13th: Barnes & Noble/Rubios
 Meet & Eat
 20th: PTA Mtg. 6:30 pm

October:

5th: End of Read a Thon
 6th-21st: No School Fall Break
 22nd-26th: Red Ribbon Week
 25th: PTA Mtg. 6:30 pm
 (due to Fall Break)
 26th: Ident-A-Kid

November:

3rd: Fall Festival
 12th: No School
 13th-16th: Parent Teacher Conf.
 (Minimum days)
 15th: PTA Mtg. 6:30 pm
 17th-25th: No School Thanksgiving
 Break

December:

13th: Deck The Halls/General
 Assoc. Mtg.
 21st: No School
 22nd-Jan. 6th: No School
 Winter Break

January:

17th: PTA Mtg. 6:30 pm
 21st: No School

February:

4th: Start of Boosterthon
 Exercise 4 Education (E4E)
 5th: Grandparents Day (100th Day
 of School)
 11th: No School
 14th: E4E Boosterthon Jog-a-thon
 18th: No School
 21st: PTA Mtg. 6:30

March:

2nd: Spring Fling Auction
 5th-8th: Book Swap Collection
 12th-15th: Book Swap
 21st: Science Night/General
 Association Mtg.

April:

13th-28th: No School Spring Break
 * **No Regular PTA Mtg.**

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Calendar of Events sponsored by:



Look for added event dates and times in your Mustangs red Friday folder, Principal's All Calls, Glenn E. Murdock Elementary PTA Facebook page, & on Instagram @murdockpta