



Junipero Serra Elementary School

# Padre Press

January/February 2022

## January/February Calendar

**January 3:**  
Welcome Back!

**January 4:**  
PTA Meeting @ 7:00 pm  
via Zoom

**January 17:**  
Martin Luther King, Jr.  
Day  
NO SCHOOL

**January 24 – 28:**  
Kindness Week

**January 25:**  
Dining/Take Out Night:  
**Chipotle**  
4:00 – 8:00 pm

**January 28:**  
School Spirit Day  
**TWIN DAY!**

**Jan. 28 – Feb. 4:**  
Scholastic Book Fair

**January 31:**  
Teacher In-Service  
NO SCHOOL

**February 1 – 28:**  
Read-A-Thon

**February 1:**  
PTA Meeting @ 7:00 pm  
via Zoom

**February 11:**  
Family LOVE Run

**February 18 – 21:**  
Presidents' Weekend  
NO SCHOOL

**February 25:**  
School Spirit Day  
**COLOR DAY!**

Dear Parents and Friends of Serra School,

Happy 2022 to all of our Junipero Serra Elementary families! May the New Year bring hope to all of us for a healthy year!

A new year brings the return to the school routine and the opportunity for children and parents to refine their afterschool study habits. Please continue to talk with your child daily about their school day and their classwork and homework.

Thank you to the many parents who volunteered at the Serra Secret Shop! Your help made it fun for our students!

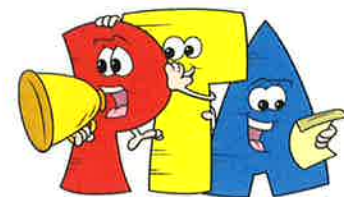
Check out the rest of the newsletter for upcoming events, beginning with the calendar on the left. January and February are busy and fun months! Our students will see two assemblies in February (paid for by Junipero Serra PTA): "The Magic of Reading" (virtual) and "The Dancing Drum." Be sure to ask your children about these assemblies.

Transitional Kindergarten and Kindergarten online registration will begin on March 1. Watch the VUSD website and ParentSquare for more details.

Mrs. Senesac  
Serra School Principal



# President's Corner:



Hello Junipero Serra Families,

Happy New Year! I hope you all had a wonderful Winter Break!

Welcome to 2022 and the second half of the school year at Junipero Serra Elementary. We are looking forward to fun events in the next few months:

- ❖ Dining Out: January 25<sup>th</sup> at Chipotle
- ❖ Kindness Week: January 24<sup>th</sup> – 28<sup>th</sup>
- ❖ Scholastic Book Fair: Jan. 28<sup>th</sup> – Feb. 4<sup>th</sup>
- ❖ Read-A-Thon: February 1<sup>st</sup> – 28<sup>th</sup>
- ❖ Family LOVE Run: February 11<sup>th</sup>

PTA Meetings will be held on Tuesdays: January 4<sup>th</sup> and February 1<sup>st</sup> at 7:00 pm on Zoom. We hope to see you there!

Meeting ID: 897 1507 7696

Passcode: Padres!

Thank you for your continued support of Junipero Serra PTA. With your help, we can provide field trips, art, physical education, and much more for every student and support our teachers.

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## SEEKING NEW PTA BOARD MEMBERS

*Want to get more involved in Junipero Serra?  
The PTA has some great opportunities for you!*

For the 2022 - 2023 school year PTA Board Positions available will be:

- |                             |                            |
|-----------------------------|----------------------------|
| VICE PRESIDENT              | SECRETARY                  |
| PARLIAMENTARIAN             | REFLECTIONS <u>CoChair</u> |
| MEMBERSHIP                  | NEWSLETTER <u>CoChair</u>  |
| 5 <sup>th</sup> GRADE CHAIR | YEARBOOK <u>CoChair</u>    |

Nomination forms are available in the school office or you can submit your nomination on the PTA website.

Detailed information about all positions can be found on the PTA Website [www.juniperoserrapta.org](http://www.juniperoserrapta.org) under Meeting and Membership

Congratulations are due to the 19 creative and determined Serra students who submitted entries to this year's PTA Reflections Program: "I Will Change the World By..." Each entry was recognized in their category at the Serra School awards ceremony on December 10<sup>th</sup>. Fifteen entries qualified to compete at the Ventura Council Level against other schools in the district, and 9 moved on to 12<sup>th</sup> District Level where they competed with entries from around Ventura County! You can see Serra's entries by visiting the Junipero Serra PTA website - <https://www.juniperoserrapta.org/reflections.html>

**Dance Choreography - Primary**

- George Tate\*\*

**Music Composition - Intermediate**

- MaryJane Madden\*\*

**Visual Arts - Intermediate**

- Stella Azevedo\*\*
- Luke Baumgardner
- Tiana Carter
- McKenly Halamiccek
- Kylie Mykytiuk\*
- Kaelynn Pompa\*
- Sophia Spicer
- Maya Tate\*



**Literature - Primary**

- Lucie Tate\*\*

**Literature - Intermediate**

- Luke Baumgardner\*\*
- Kylie Mykytiuk\*\*
- Avery Verardo\*\*

**Photography - Intermediate**

- Luke Baumgardner\*\*

**Visual Arts - Primary**

- Theodore Dixon\*\*
- Maddux Halamiccek\*
- Zoey Hebard-Massey\*
- Kyle Verardo\*

\* Qualified for Ventura Council

\*\* Qualified for 12<sup>th</sup> District



**Congratulations to the following Triple Crown recipients!**

(at time of publishing)



**4<sup>th</sup> Grade:**

- Ximena Abrego Lujan
- Stella Coccia
- McKenly Halamiccek
- Charles Rodriguez
- Sophia Spicer
- Conway Vargas

**5<sup>th</sup> Grade:**

- Jackson Castro
- Ava Henderson
- Brody Holley
- Conner McCauley
- Tyler Simmons
- Mason Ueltschi



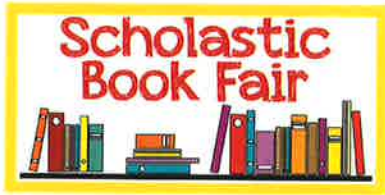
Show your School Spirit on the following Fridays:



**TWIN DAY!**  
Friday,  
January 28<sup>th</sup>



**COLOR DAY!**  
Friday,  
February 25<sup>th</sup>



# The Scholastic Book Fair is coming! January 28<sup>th</sup> – February 4<sup>th</sup>

Students will have an opportunity to visit the Book Fair with their class on a designated day and time. Keep checking with your child for details sent home regarding this exciting week during the month of January. This is a wonderful opportunity to build your child’s home library and support their growing reading skills!

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## >>> Serra School Upcoming Events <<<



Celebrate **Kindness Week**  
with acts of thoughtfulness!



Tuesday, January 25  
4:00 – 8:00 pm  
Our school receives  
**30%** of the proceeds!



Stretch the imagination  
and help raise money  
for Serra School!  
**Read-A-Thon**  
February 1<sup>st</sup> – 28<sup>th</sup>



Fun and fitness  
for the whole family!  
**Family LOVE Run**  
Friday, February 11<sup>th</sup>

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# SCHOOL YEARBOOK

# Information

## WHEN CAN YOU PURCHASE A YEARBOOK?

- Yearbooks will go on sale at the end of January with the distribution of order forms.
- Yearbooks will be \$25 per book for the first 2 books ordered.
- Price will drop to \$20 for the third and fourth book ordered.
- “Hip, Hip, Hoorays” will be \$5.00 per message and will be included on the order form.

Photos being accepted at this time are Pajama Day (due Jan. 28<sup>th</sup>), Twin Day (due Feb. 28<sup>th</sup>), and Color Day.

Email your photos and questions to: [juniperoserrayearbook@gmail.com](mailto:juniperoserrayearbook@gmail.com)