Bear Necessities: November 8th

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PRINCIPAL MESSAGE

Dear Brookside Community,

Spotlight: This week marked the kickoff of our Building Bridges initiative with an inspiring assembly! Building Bridges is a project focused on building community and a sense of belonging within our Brookside community. The event was a vibrant celebration of poetry, music, and student talent. Our gifted student poets shared their heartfelt words, and our guest performer, Zydeco musician <u>Andre Thierry</u>, led us in a joyful celebration honoring French-Kreole music, tradition, and culture. Several students even had the chance to join him on stage, playing traditional Zydeco instruments like the washboard and the accordion!

Special thanks to the parents coordinating our Building Bridges work—Danielle Detrick, Adiam Essman, Raemona Little Taylor, and Anne-Olivia Rose—and to our Parent Club for their support in bringing this project to life!







Important Reminders:

- School will be closed on Monday, November 11, in observance of Veterans Day. School will resume on Tuesday, November 12.
- Parent-teacher conferences are scheduled for November 18–22, with 12:10 p.m. dismissal each day.

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW FOR THIS UPCOMING WEEK

WALK & ROLL WEDNESDAY

Our Brookside Bears are encouraged to walk, ride their bikes, scooter, car pool or bus. Rain or shine, it's a great way to develop healthy habits for us, our community and the environment. Prizes given out to all that participate.

FOOD DRIVE

SF-Marin Food Bank Food Drive

The season of giving is upon us! A group of our Brookside Bears is holding a food drive November 12-15. You can find donation bins at both the drop off circle and Butterfield entrance during school hours. Thank you for supporting this important event!



BROOKSIDE SHOWCASE

We can't wait to see all of our Brookside Bears show their talent on stage! All community welcome Friday, November 22 @ 10:45am in the MPR.

NEW ANNOUNCEMENTS

FALL CONCERTS

Each year, the Marin Symphony Youth Orchestra's Children's Sit-Along Concert introduces generations of young Marin residents to the joys of orchestral music!





HALLOWEEN COSTUME SWAP

Donate your Halloween costumes! The last-minute Halloween costume swap at Brookside was a success! We'd like to make it bigger and better next year. If you're planning to get rid of your Halloween costume now that the fun is over, drop it off at the office and we'll store it for the swap next year!

WAYS TO SUPPORT OUR BROOKSIDE STAFF: SNACK CART

The Teacher & Staff Appreciation Team needs some help to keep the snack cart loaded. This is a place where you can give back to the incredible Brookside Staff!

Individuals or groups of families can sign up to fill the cart in the staff's break room with fun snacks and show our appreciation for all their hard work and dedication. Check out the **Signup Genius** to sign up, there are many weeks coming up that are available. Any contribution is greatly appreciated!

IN CASE YOU MISSED IT

USED BOOK FAIR

Reminder: Donate Books for the Used Book Fair!

Have some old books gathering dust on your shelves? Give them a new home by dropping them off in the donation bin located in the Brookside office! Parent Club is collecting books for our Used Book Fair, where every student in school will have the chance to pick out a free book and after school books sales will support YES. We'll be accepting donations until fall break.

Donation Guidelines:

- -Please donate books suitable for children and teens only (no adult books, please).
- -Avoid donating outdated reference books or items with torn pages, significant damage, or soiled condition.
- -We are especially looking for chapter books for our upper grade readers and graphic novels.

Save the Date: The book fair will be held the week of December 9th. Keep an eye out for more details and email danielledetrick@gmail.com if you want to join the team to help make this event a success!

FAIRFAX WINTER MARKET

Join the Fairfax Chamber of Commerce for their Fairfax Winter Market – A Magical Holiday Experience! The Fairfax Winter Market is a family-friendly event that captures the essence of the holiday season, providing a perfect opportunity to connect with friends and neighbors while celebrating the joys of winter. Don't miss this chance to make cherished memories in the heart of Fairfax.



Rain date: Dec 14



YEARBOOK UPDATES



Don't forget to pick your yearbook portrait pose on Mugsyclicks!

Your access code is found on your order form. If you need your access code, you must request it here:

https://mugsyclicks.com/

- 1. Create your MugsyClicks account.
- 2. Click the Request Code icon in your account.
- 3. Enter the requested information.
- 4. Click Request Photo Code to receive your access code.

To choose the image you want for the yearbook you will need to go into this year's student gallery. You will see a small black circle in the lower corner of the images.

Click on the circle to mark your preference.

Brookside 2024-25 yearbooks are on sale NOW. Order your child's yearbook today using the online link or the QR

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MARK YOUR CALENDARS:

NOVEMBER 11	NO SCHOOL - VETERANS DAY
NOVEMBER 18-22	CONFERENCES - SUPER MINIMUM DAYS
NOVEMBER 22	BROOKSIDE SHOWCASE
NOVEMBER 25-29	NO SCHOOL - FALL BREAK
WEEK OF DECEMBER 9	BOOK FAIR
WEEK OF DECEMBER 16	ADPOT-A-FAMILY HOLIDAY GIFT DONATION
JANUARY 30	FAMILY GAME NIGHT
MARCH 21	MOVE-A-THON
MAY 3	FAMILY DANCE
JUNE 11	FIELD DAY

BROOKSIDE PROUD MOMENTS



















