

Bear Necessities: October 25th

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Brookside's Weekly Newsletter

PRINCIPAL MESSAGE

Dear Brookside Community,

We're excited for Halloween! A few important reminders to ensure a fun and safe day:

- Avoid costumes that may be stereotypical or offensive to any racial, ethnic, or religious groups, or people with disabilities.
- Costumes with masks (except during the parade), weapons, or wheels are not permitted. All masks will need to be put in backpacks after the parade.
- **Please do not send children to school with candy** as we strive to maintain a healthy learning environment for everyone.

We invite parents/guardians to join us for the **Halloween Parade on October 31 at 8:50 AM!** Watch as students show off their costumes in this fun tradition. The Parent Club will be hosting coffee for this event!

Costume Exchange: Have old costumes you no longer need? Bring them to the front office! Families can exchange costumes for new ones this year and in the future. Take one and/or leave one! By Monday afternoon we will have costumes hanging on a rack near the lost and found area!

Important Reminder - To keep our students and community safe, please do not leave vehicles unattended or park in the drop-off/pick-up lanes.

In community,

Amanda Wagner

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW FOR THIS UPCOMING WEEK

CAMPUS CLEANUP DAY TOMORROW, SATURDAY OCTOBER 26

Please join us tomorrow to prepare the garden for fall planting! We'll be giving an overview of our plans for the garden at 8am and then getting to work at 8:30am. The school garden program is 100% volunteer run, so please do your part and sign up for a job!



NEW ANNOUNCEMENTS

BUILDING BRIDGES KICK OFF ASSEMBLY

Please mark your calendars for our second annual Building Bridges at Brookside Community Kick-off Assembly on Wednesday, November 6th! This special day aims to foster a stronger sense of belonging and unity among our students. The assembly will feature student poets from Brookside and a Zydeco performance by local Grammy-nominated musician, Andre Thierry. The program's interactive approach will be an engaging experience that combines traditional and newly composed music. Zydeco showcases a mix of African and Native American Blues and French Kreole dance melodies with elements of Afro-Caribbean music. Children will sing and dance while they learn.

Families are invited to join the assembly from 11:30 - 12:05 pm.

CHILDREN FOR CHANGE

Hello Brookside community! Children for Change is about mid-way through our 10 week lunch club and Ms.

Elizabeth and the kids are full of creative ideas to advocate and take action in their community! Club kids are fueled by their own passion projects that stem from Marine Humane partnerships to canine companionship. The theme all around is: CARE & ADVOCACY for animals!



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 code below.

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IN CASE YOU MISSED IT

PUMPKIN GALLERY ART WALK

Spirit Squad is throwing the first annual 'Pumpkin Gallery Art Walk'

What is this? This is a way to bring **school spirit before Halloween** and to have students in each grade level participate in an art activity. **At home, students may carve a pumpkin to bring in, color in a pumpkin, or do any pumpkin themed art project.**

There is one pumpkin art submission per student, and is completely optional. The art will be displayed in the MPR.

When? Submissions are due the morning of **October 30th** (before school starts).

Where? Art pieces will be brought to the MPR. They will be posted around the room for classes to visit throughout the day.

In school all Brookside students will also be doing pumpkin themed art, so everyone can be included in a mural.

GROWING UP GREEN

Be sure to catch Sloat's Growing Up Green weekend! Shop at any Sloat Garden Center this weekend and mention Brookside. We will receive 10% of purchases back to support our campus beautification and garden projects (promotion ends on 10/27).

There will be several opportunities to do this throughout the year: Nov 22-Dec 1, Jan 3-12, Feb 7-16, Mar 14-23.



Growing Up Green Weeks 2024-2025

A fundraiser benefiting your school!

2024 DATES

Sept 6 - Sept 15

Oct 18 - Oct 27

Nov 22 - Dec 1

2025 DATES

Jan 3 - Jan 12

Feb 7 - Feb 16

Mar 14 - Mar 23

Shop at any Sloat Garden Center location during your school's **Growing up Green** week, mention your school, and your school will receive 10% of purchases back in the form of a Sloat gift card, which can go towards your school's beautification projects, fundraisers or classroom activities. The school with the highest participation will receive 20% of purchases back. *Please note: Purchase of gift cards do not apply.*

Just mention your school to the cashier!

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Concord Martinez Pleasant Hill Danville-Camino Ramon Danville-Diablo Road



Semanas para Creciendo Verde 2024 - 2025

Una recaudación de fondos a beneficio de tu escuela!

FECHAS 2024

Sept 6 - Sept 15

Oct 18 - Oct 27

Nov 22 - Dic 1

FECHAS 2025

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Feb 7 - Feb 16

Mar 14 - Mar 23

Compra en cualquier locación de Sloat Garden Center durante la Semana para Creciendo Verde de tu escuela, mencionala y está recibirá un 10% por las compras hechas en la forma de una tarjeta de regalo, la cuál puede ser utilizada para embellecer tu escuela, recaudación de fondos o actividades escolares. La escuela con mayor participactón recibirá el 20% por las compras hechas. *Nota: No aplicable en compra de tarjetas de regalo.*

Solo menciona tu escuela al cajero!

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BROOKSIDE SHOWCASE

All Brookside students are invited to join the show! Acts can be anything fun such as singing, dancing, acting or just pure silliness! Parents, family & friends are all encouraged to come to the show & support our students.

More details [HERE](#).



Friday, November 22, at 10:45am

Entry forms are due by Monday, November 4th. Forms can found at the link below or in the front office. All participants must attend a lunchtime review for final approval of acts on November 6th or 7th. Students may participate in only one act. Acts are limited to 90 seconds.



ALL GRADES ARE ENCOURAGED TO PARTICIPATE AND PARENTS ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND THE SHOW!

More information and parent club contacts available at the link above.

ASSEMBLY CREW UPDATE

We are students from the 4th and 5th grade Assembly Crew Lunch Club that meets weekly to plan and prepare our school assemblies. We wanted to reach out and get more assemblies here at Brookside. Maybe you know a performer in a local dance troop, an author or illustrator of a children's book or someone who works for a local inspiration speaker? If you know a person, group or organization that would be willing to do a performance or presentation at a school assembly, please contact our Lunch Club teacher Mrs. Forshee

at bforshee@rossvalleyschools.org

Thank you!

Brookside Assembly Crew Members

MARK YOUR CALENDARS:

OCTOBER 26, DECEMBER 7, MARCH 1, MAY 3	GARDEN/CAMPUS WORK DAYS
NOVEMBER 6	BUILDING BRIDGES KICK OFF ASSEMBLY
NOVEMBER 22	BROOKSIDE SHOWCASE
WEEK OF DECEMBER 9	BOOK FAIR & GIFT BAZAAR
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

