

Bear Necessities: October 22nd

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Brookside's Weekly Newsletter

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW FOR THIS UPCOMING WEEK

SPOTLIGHT

Our 1st through 5th grade lunchtime clubs are in full swing, offering students exciting and enriching alternatives during lunch recess. While some students enjoy the freedom of unstructured play, others benefit from more structured activities that allow them to explore their interests. We're thrilled to provide a variety of club options throughout the week. The school library is also open for students on Mondays, Tuesdays, and Wednesdays.

Current Club Offerings:

- **Mondays:** Spirit Squad (3rd-5th)
- **Tuesdays:** Assembly Crew (4th-5th)
- **Wednesdays:** Legos (1st-2nd), BIPOC Group (3rd-5th), Jr. Coaches (5th)
- **Thursdays:** Drawing Clubs (1st-2nd & 3rd-5th), Children for Change (3rd-5th)
- **Fridays:** School Newspaper (4th/5th)

A big thank you to our dedicated teachers who are leading these clubs. Parents and guardians, if you're interested in hosting a lunchtime club, we'd love to hear from you! We're currently looking for a volunteer to lead the Green Team this year. Please reach out if you're interested in getting involved!

CAMPUS CLEANUP DAY THIS SATURDAY

Please visit our [sign up](#) and volunteer to lend a hand Saturday, October 26. In addition to putting you all to work, Emily Hatfield will be presenting our plan for the garden from 8:00- 8:30 am- the space is getting a total redesign and we'd love to show you what's in store and hear your feedback.



In addition, After a long summer off, the kids are finally returning to the garden this past week and next! The lower grades are learning about edible plant parts while the uppers are learning the different ways that seeds travel and are collecting seeds from our garden to take home. If you're interested in joining our Garden Ambassador team that leads these monthly classes, please email christinawhippen@gmail.com, we'd love to have you!

NEW ANNOUNCEMENTS

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).

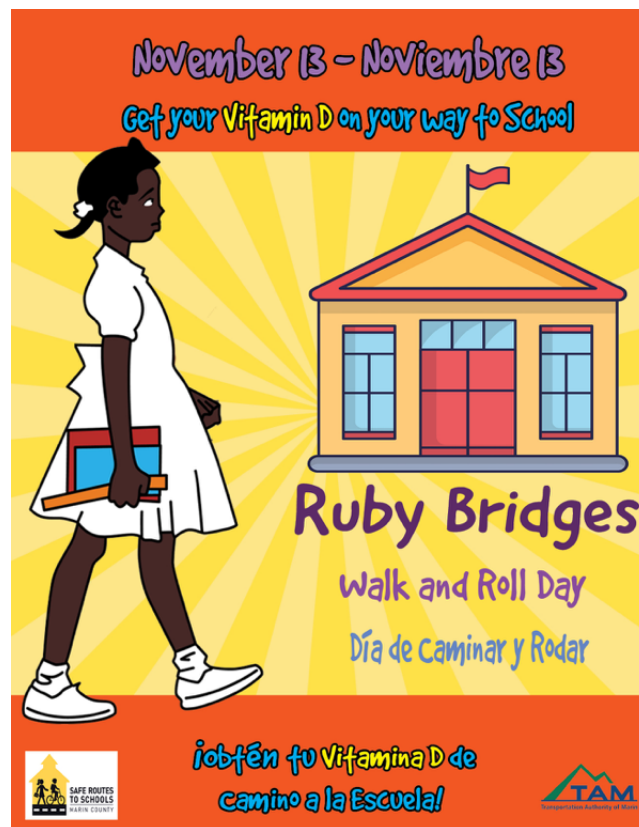
Where? Art pieces will be brought to the MPR. They will be posted around the room for classes to visit throughout the day.

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

RUBY BRIDGES DAY

Walk and Roll for Ruby on Nov. 13. Join a national celebration of the spirit of Ruby Bridges who, as a six-year old African American in Louisiana in the 1950s, successfully helped integrate an all-white school. It was Ruby's daily walk to school, despite bullying and threats, that we'll celebrate by walking, rolling, carpooling, or parking-and-walking to school. Come to the Safe Routes to Schools' welcome table on the morning of Nov. 13 to receive a prize!

Camine y Ruede por Ruby. Únase a una celebración nacional del espíritu de Ruby Bridges, quien, cuando era una niña afroamericana de seis años en Luisiana en la década de 1950, ayudó con éxito a integrar una escuela exclusivamente para blancos. Fue la caminata diaria de Ruby a la escuela, a pesar del acoso y las amenazas, la que celebraremos juntas caminando, rodando, compartiendo auto o estacionando y caminando a la escuela. Lo invitamos a la mesa bienvenida de Rutas Seguras a las escuelas en la mañana del 13 de noviembre para recibir un premio.



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](#).

Be a Part of the First Annual

BROOKSIDE SHOWCASE

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

HOMEWORK HELPERS

Do you have students who are looking for extra help with their homework? Would your students benefit from fun math enrichment? Do you have students who are English language learners and need additional help? If so, Homework Helpers is prepared to provide extra support for your students.

Homework Helpers offers free homework help to students **grades 3-10** at local libraries, provided by local high school students in partnership with Marin County Free Library.

This year, we're in four locations and you can **[learn more about us on our blog.](#)** And please help us spread the word to students that need some extra help.

Times and Locations:

- **Fairfax Library:** Mondays 4:00-5:00 Phone:(415) 453-8151 Starting 9/23. **Sign up here.** Or just drop in!
- **Civic Center Library:** Wednesdays 4:00-5:30 Phone:(415) 473-6057 Starting 10/2. **Sign up here.** Or just drop in!
- **Novato Library:** Wednesdays 3:30-5:30 Phone: **(415) 473-2050** Starting 9/25. **Sign up here.** Or just drop in!
- **Corte Madera Library:** Saturdays 10:00-12:00 Phone: (415) 924-3515 Starting 10/5 **Sign up here.** Or just drop in!

To sign up through the google form, students or parents will be able to select a specific time slot and the subject(s) where help is needed so we can be better prepared to help the student. Drop-ins are welcome too!

Homework Helpers is an excellent opportunity for students to receive extra help from dedicated helpers!



The poster features the Marin County Free Library logo (MCFL) in the top left, a notebook icon, and a central logo of an open book with a sunburst. The text is centered and includes the program name, time slot, location, and a QR code for sign-up. A small illustration of school supplies is in the bottom right corner.

**M C MARIN COUNTY
F L FREE LIBRARY**

**FREE Homework Help for Students
in Grades 3-10**

HOMework HELPERS

**Drop in for multi-subject assistance from
high school students!**

4 PM - 5 PM
Mondays at the Fairfax Library
2097 Sir Francis Drake Blvd

Scan here to sign up! 

For more information call 415.453.8151
or visit marinlibrary.org/homework-helpers/



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FREE LIBRARY

¡GRATIS! Ayuda con las tareas para
estudiantes en los grados 3-10

HOMework HELPERS

¡Entra para recibir asistencia en múltiples
áreas de estudiantes secundarios!

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Todos los lunes en la Biblioteca de Fairfax
2097 Sir Francis Drake Blvd

¡Escanee aquí para registrarse!

Para más información llame al 415.453.8151
o visite marinlibrary.org/homework-helpers/

The poster features a logo with 'MC' in blue and green circles and 'FL' in orange and yellow circles. It includes a QR code and a small illustration of school supplies (pencils and scissors) in the bottom right corner.

IN CASE YOU MISSED IT

GROWING UP GREEN

Be sure to catch Sloat's Growing Up Green weekend! Shop at any Sloat Garden Center between October 18-27 and mention Brookside. We will receive 10% of purchases back to support our campus beautification and garden projects. 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!

Sloat Garden Center • 13 locations throughout the Bay Area • www.sloatgardens.com

Mill Valley Kentfield Novato San Francisco
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

Enero 3 - Enero 12

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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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

