

Sutter Middle School November Newsletter

This month's announcements...



Information from the Principal

Dear Parents,

The end of the first quarter is November 4th! Report cards should be mailed home by November 18th. Please contact the school if you do not receive your student's report card. If your student needs some extra support, please encourage them to check in with their teachers to see when tutoring is available.

This year, local comprehensive high schools will be hosting "High School Visitation Nights". Each comprehensive high school will host their own night, and the small high schools will host a "Small School Visitation Night" at the Serna Center. The dates for these events are TBD. Once we receive the information, we will ensure parents are notified of the dates and times for these important events.

Sutter will be hosting two high school nights in December. One night will be for SCUSD high schools, and the other night will feature other popular high school options for Sutter students. More information regarding dates and times will be forthcoming.

In addition to hosting "high school nights," we will be scheduling our own visits for current sixth graders who are considering attending Sutter Middle School via the Open Enrollment process. We have scheduled eight visitation days in December, the 5th-8th and the 12th-15th. Visitation times will begin at 8:45 am. After Thanksgiving please contact our Office Manager, Ms. Juhlin, at 264-4150 ext.1010 to schedule a visit.

Lastly, our annual Jog-A-Thon is scheduled for November 9th and 10th, and your student should already be collecting donations for a chance to earn some incredible prizes. Funds raised by this event will help beautify our campus and support enrichment activities. It has been an incredible start for me as principal of Sutter Middle School. I appreciate the warm welcome from all the Sutter families.

Sincerely,

David Rodriguez
Principal

Yearlong Calendar Highlights

Nov. 4	End of Qtr. 1 1/2 Day
Nov. 11	Veteran's Day
Nov. 19-27	Thanksgiving
Dec. 24- Jan. 8	Winter Holidays
Jan. 16	M.L.King Jr. Day
Jan. 27	End of 1st Sem. 1/2 Day
Feb. 13	Lincoln's Birthday
Feb. 20	Washington's Birthday
Mar. 31- Apr.8	Spring Holiday Open House 6:30-8:00pm
April 13	End of Quarter 3
May 28	Memorial Day
June 13	Last Day of School

OFFICE DEPOT DOLLAR CREDIT

When purchasing school supplies and products at Office Depot, please keep Sutter in mind. Just mention Sutter Middle School, Sacramento and 5% of your purchase will be credited toward our school. Four times a year we receive a gift card to spend at Office Depot for ongoing supplies needed by our staff.



Announcements cont....



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PRINTER CARTRIDGES

Sutter is collecting empty inkjet and laser cartridges for recycling. This is an excellent fundraising program for the school since it has zero selling and absolutely no cost to anyone.

We encourage parents, students and teachers to participate by collecting them from home and work. Turn them in to the office.



Congratulations to the 2011-2012 Cheer Team!

To the ladies of SMS cheer, I am very excited and ready to get this season started. This year's try-outs were very tough. Out of 115 girls, I had to narrow it down to a squad consisting of only 20. It was a very hard task to do, with such a giant group of talented applicants. Yet after lots of thought and consideration, I am proud to get to work with this group of new girls. The season ahead will have practices starting every Monday and Wednesday after school from 3-4:30pm. Once the basketball season starts, cheerleaders will be attending all home games, which usually fall on Tuesday and Thursday. I am also talking to a Stanford University representative, looking into the possibility of competition and even a half time performance during a King's game. Get ready for a great year!

GO MINERS

Coach Monica



The Sutter Skate Club is up and rolling for the 2011-2012 school year! The Skate Club meets every Friday at 2:30 pm in room 306. Weather permitting, we then skate over to the Sutter's Landing skate park at 28th & B Streets to get our shred on! Sutter Miners receive a discounted admission at the park upon entry. It's a great way to start the weekend, hang out, learn new tricks, or improve your skills. All students interested in joining the Skate Club need to see Mr. Heckey in room 306 to get permission forms. The forms must be completed by parents/guardians as well as one form to be completed by the family physician. Students must return their completed paperwork before participating.

SUTTER JOG-A-THON

Our annual Jog-A-Thon is almost here! On November 9th and November 10th, students will be running on the track during their P.E. period. Students should begin asking for sponsors as soon as possible. Pledge forms were passed out on October 27th. Exciting prizes will be offered for top money earners. Please see attached Jog-a-Thon flyer.



On Friday, November 18, Rosemont High School will host the first of three scheduled "Shadowing Days". Students from Sutter are welcome to come with parents and see the school. Students will be paired with a senior and get to attend classes and meet other students while parents will have a tour and presentation by Ms. Martinez, Principal; Mr. Calas, AP; and Mr. Kroeger, Counselor. The period of time for the event will be from 9 am – 11 am. If parents wish to reserve a spot, they should call Mr. Kroeger by Monday, November 14. Parents are responsible for transporting and getting early dismissals for the child. It is not mandatory for the parents to stay, but it is recommended. Parents may contact Mr. Kroeger at 228-5844, Ext. 1055

VISITOR PASS

Parents, when visiting the school please come up to the Main Office and check-in. You will need to sign-in and get a Visitor's Pass.

Thank you!

RT BUS STICKERS

The **November** bus stickers are available in the office. The cost is \$35 for the month and \$17.50 for a half month. **RT requests CASH ONLY.** Students can purchase the bus stickers during lunch and after school until 3 pm.

Students who need a Photo ID can go to 1225 R Street (light rail station) Monday - Friday 9am-5pm Photo ID cards are \$3.00 cash only. The card is valid for 3 years. Students must be accompanied by a parent/guardian or must show proof of enrollment at Sutter.

HELP NEEDED FOR E-WASTE FUNDRAISER ON JANUARY 28TH , 2012



Adult helpers will be needed from 8:30AM – 1:00PM on Saturday, January 28th. To sign up, please contact Mrs. Grady in the main office so that we can be reassured of securing enough help. Any amount of time would be greatly appreciated. Gloves and closed-toed shoes are required. Our Leadership class will provide us with enough student helpers for the entire day.

See the flier in this newsletter for items that may be donated. For your convenience, donated items may be brought in during the week. Contact family, friends and business associates who would also be interested in donating E-WASTE items. Make arrangements for early drop-off with Mrs. Grady at 264-4150 ext. 1000 or by email at pamgr@scusd.edu

NOVEMBER PTSO NEWS

Our PTSO is off to a great start with close to 350 members. It's not too late to join, as we continue to receive memberships throughout the year! We'd love to have your support. Your \$20 membership supports all the activities that make Sutter the "Pride of the City!"

A goal of PTSO this year is Communication – and we have you covered! We are now on Facebook (Sutter Middle School Miners) and Twitter (@SutterMiners). Also new this year is our website (sutterptso.com) and *PTSO Newsflash!* emails, for periodic e-blasts to keep you connected. To sign up for the *Newsflash!* or to receive blog posts via email, visit sutterptso.com – or go to the Sutter Middle School website (sutterminers.com) and click to the PTSO page. You'll get access to the latest news, fundraisers and activities as well as access to the Sutter calendar, Board emails, and anything you need to know about Sutter! You don't have to be a PTSO member to sign up for our communications. It's a great way to stay connected for your two years here at Sutter!

PTSO ACTIVITIES

Over the Summer, PTSO ran a Fireworks booth and raised over \$6,000, which enabled us to purchase a new sound system for the school. We held a mini food-truck festival at Back to School night, and our first Suzie Burger fundraiser which raised over \$400

Looking ahead, we've got some exciting (and often delicious) fundraisers planned. Suzie Burger fundraisers will be held on the date of every dance, so head around the corner for dinner on dance nights – or any time between 2 p.m. and midnight – to raise easy money for Sutter. The PTSO receives 25 percent of all sales! We also have restaurant nights and teacher appreciation events coming up. And we'll be letting you know how you can use eScrip and company matching programs to easily earn money for Sutter. Everything will be available though our PTSO website on the Fundraising page, so make sure you check in regularly and stay connected to all things Sutter.

Our next event is the Macy's Community Shopping Day fundraiser, taking place on November 12th at the Downtown Plaza Macy's. When you purchase \$10 discount-shopping passes for this event, 100 percent of proceeds go directly to Sutter! Passes are now for sale; for information on discount opportunities and how to purchase passes, visit the fundraising page of our website.

We're looking forward to a great year ahead for Sutter Middle School. PTSO is here to support the parents, teachers, staff and students at Sutter. Join us! Go Miners!!

Kellie Randle
PTSO President



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Sutter Middle School
"Pride of the City"

MESA

"Did you ever wonder how things work? How planes fly? How cars run? Why bridges are so strong? At MESA, you can find the answers! Did you know Sutter now has a MESA Elective course? If you are looking for an opportunity to plan, build, design, and test small-scale bridges, structures, cars, and planes, then MESA is for you! In addition to this, you can hear from guest speakers, attend field trips, and compete with other middle schools. Interested? Contact Ms. Henry in room 308!

LOST & FOUND - Please remember to check the Lost & Found in the main office. There are plenty of jackets, sweatshirts, tennis shoes, lunch boxes, house keys, cell phones and other lost articles. If these are yours, please come to the office.



Macy's Community Shopping Day: Get Your Discount-Shopping Passes Now! It's time for our annual Macy's Community Shopping Day (CSD) fundraiser! The PTSO will be selling \$10 "shopping passes" entitling Macy's shoppers to exclusive 10 to 20% savings plus an additional \$10 off of one purchase of \$25 or more during the pre-sale period and on the day of the event, November 12th. This day-long special event will also feature complimentary food, giveaways, live entertainment and more. You can purchase as many passes as you like, and 100 percent of the proceeds stay with our school! We will also earn a percentage of the total sales made by our Sutter families at CSD. Plus, bonus – every person who purchases a shopping pass and attends CSD will be entered to win a \$500 Macy's shopping spree.

To reserve your shopping passes, please email Christine Trice at fundraising@sutterptso.com as soon as possible. Be sure to include your name, student's name, best contact phone number and how many passes you'd like to purchase.

ATTENDANCE ISSUES

When your child is sick or going to absent, please call the Attendance Office at 916-264-4362 anytime day or night. When your child returns to school, they should report to the Attendance Office for a re-admit slip. If you need to have your child dismissed early, you may send a note with your child before school that day or call/email the Attendance Office at least 30 minutes before the dismissal. Carolyn-Thomas@scusd.edu



SUTTER'S HOLIDAY CANNED FOOD AND TOY DRIVE – This year Sutter's Leadership class and MESA are teaming up to give to those in need during the holiday season. We are combining our annual, school-wide canned food drive and toy drive into one event. This will take place from December 5th through December 9th, 2011. Students will be out in front of campus each day before school collecting your donations. You may bring cans and other non-perishable food items and/or a new, unwrapped toy to drop in our boxes. Canned and non-perishable food items will be donated to the Sacramento Food Bank and all toys will be donated to local Sacramento charities.

Thank you in advance for your support and Happy Holidays!



Sutter Goes Green

Help Sutter and Save the Environment

E-Waste Collection Fundraiser

sponsored by CEAR, INC.

California Electronic Asset Recovery, Inc.

A state approved electronic waste collector and recycler



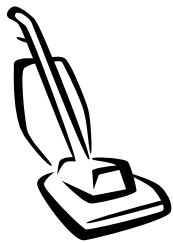
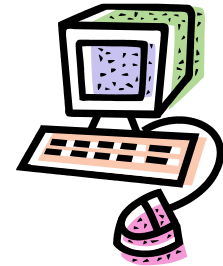
Sutter Middle School

3150 I Street

Proceeds benefit

Sutter's

Technology & Scholarship Programs



Saturday, January 28, 2012

9 AM—1 PM

(School's parking lot—Alhambra & I Streets)



Accepted Items: Monitors / TVs / Desktop PCs / Notebook PCs
VCRs / Stereos / Speakers / Keyboards / Mice / PDAs
Zip Drives / Digital Cameras / Telephones / Cell Phones
Video Game Consoles / Printers / Copiers / Fax Machines
Laser & Multi-Function Peripherals / Scanners
Microwaves / Vacuums / Small Appliances (blenders, mixers, toasters)
Satellite Dishes / Non-PCP Ballasts (without fluorescent bulbs)

Not Accepted: Large Household Appliances (refrigerators, washers / dryers, etc.)
Furniture / Hazardous Household Waste (fluorescent light bulbs,
car batteries, paint, pesticides, used oil, cleaning supplies, tires)

For Optimal Security: CEAR, Inc. shreds all accepted computer hard drives

Their facility is monitored 24/7 by surveillance cameras, www.cearinc.com

Joggy-Jog Prize Breakdown!

Just for running! All participants will receive a popsicle at the end of the run for their efforts.

\$5.00 = Students who bring at least a \$5.00 flat rate or more by November 9th or 10th will receive a Jog-a-Thon T-shirt on the day they run. (Per lap rate pledges will not be considered towards a T-Shirt on the first day.) Bring in \$5.00 or more in flat or per lap rates through November 16th to still receive a T-Shirt, while supplies last.

\$50.00 = Students will receive a Jog-a-Thon T-shirt and a Sutter drawstring shoe bag.

\$100.00 = Students will receive a Jog-a-Thon T-shirt, Sutter drawstring shoe bag, and a Sutter Jog-a-Thon sweatshirt.

\$200.00 and Up = Students will receive a Jog-a-Thon T-shirt, Sutter drawstring shoe bag, a Sutter Jog-a-Thon sweatshirt, **and** an invitation to the pizza party and raffle for prizes - pizza, fro-yo, sandwiches, manicures, pedicures, massages, skateboards, cameras and so much more! For every additional \$200 you bring in, you will earn an additional ticket in the raffle that will increase your odds of picking a prize before the rest!

***TOP MONEY EARNERS:** This year we are offering 2 top spots -Top Money Earner 7th grade and Top Money Earner 8th grade. The two top money earners will get first choice at the GRAND PRIZES!

***EARN A NIGHT DANCE:** The school goal is \$30,000! If we reach that goal there will be a NIGHT dance offered in March!