

~Alder Grove News~  
**December 2022**

Hello Alder Grove Students and Families,

First off, I just want to say how grateful I am to AGCS staff for working so hard for our students and families. I am proud to work with you all.

In addition, I hope you were able to spend Thanksgiving break with your family relaxing and enjoying the cool Humboldt fall weather. My break was cozy and quiet, which was exactly what I needed.

**Governance Council:** Would you like to give more input on school operations? We would love your participation on the Governance Council (which is what we call our school board). The AGCS Governance Council meets regularly on the second Tuesday of most months at 10:30 am, and reviews and approves policies and procedures, staffing, budgets, and other nuts and bolts areas of the school. *The next meeting is Tuesday, December 13th at 10:30 am. Come join us if you can. We would love more parent participation! Email Jenifer for more info: [jenifer.doane@aldergrovecharter.org](mailto:jenifer.doane@aldergrovecharter.org)*

**Flu Season:** We are back in cold and flu season, so please stay home and rest if you're not feeling well. Let's all work together to keep each other healthy. If you need COVID-19 tests, please ask at the front office. We have plenty!

**PBIS:** We are continuing to build our Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports (PBIS) program on campus. The Bark Bucks store is enjoying a robust business. See our new "safe, respectful, and responsible" posters as they go up around the building.

**Craft Fair:** The Holiday Craft Party is scheduled for December 16th from 3:00 to 5:00. Students can be dropped off at this event.



**Science Fair:** If your student is interested in creating a science project, you can find information about how to sign up later in this newsletter. It's always fun and educational to see what our students are working on in the world of science.

Finally, from all of us at Alder Grove Charter School, we hope you have a relaxing and joyous holiday season! Please stay safe and healthy. Talk to you next year!

Tim Warner, Director

**ALDER GROVE CHARTER SCHOOL HOURS OF OPERATION: 8:30am—4:30pm**

Library Hours: 9am—4pm

No appointment needed, but please check in at the front desk.

**TRYING TO REACH A SPECIAL EDUCATION TEACHER OVER THE PHONE?  
YOU CAN DIAL THEIR EXTENSIONS DIRECTLY FROM THE MENU!**

Courtney 319

Nichole 305

Crystal 325

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## DEVELOPING NUMERICAL FLUENCY—PIVOTAL UNDERSTANDINGS 7-9 (PAGES 14-18)

### Pivotal Understanding 7: *Multiplication by 2, 3, 5, and 10*

The mastery of these facts also supports the learning and mastery of all the remaining facts.

- When students understand that  $6 \times 7$  is just  $3 \times 7$  twice, they combine a known fact ( $3 \times 7 = 21$ ) with addition to fluently understand and remember that  $6 \times 7$  must be 42.
- Or another student might understand that  $6 \times 7$  is actually  $5 \times 7 = 35$  but add 7 more.

### Pivotal Understanding 8: *Equivalence in Equations and the Meaning of the Equal Sign*

Equivalence is a prerequisite understanding for creating and using equations and number sentences

- $3 + 4 = 8$  True or False? Why or why not?
- $3 + 1 = 30 + 1$  True or False? Why or why not?
- $10 - 7 = 6 - 3$  True or False? Why or why not?
- $3 + 4 = 43$  True or False? Why or why not?
- $40 - 30 = 10 - 0$  True or False? Why or why not?



### Pivotal Understanding 9: *Place Value and Understanding*

Understanding place value is pivotal for larger number computation

- Facts establish  $4 \times 7 = 28$  but place value helps us understand that  $4 \times 70 = 280$
- Fluency with multiplying by multiples of 10 and 100 and 1000, combined with fact fluency, underlies nearly all numerical fluency with multiplication and division.

From: *Developing Numerical Fluency: Making Numbers, Facts, and Computation Meaningful* by Kanter, Patsy and Leinward, Steven. Heinemann Publishers, 2018.

### ALDER GROVE

## UPCOMING EVENTS

Email [randi.mead@aldergrovecharter.org](mailto:randi.mead@aldergrovecharter.org) for more info

DEC  
16 HOLIDAY CRAFT PARTY /  
BAKE SALE - 3-5PM  
ALDER GROVE STAGE

JAN  
13 WINTER PERFORMANCE  
10AM-12PM  
ALDER GROVE STAGE

JAN  
25 PEKING ACROBATS  
9:30AM - \$8  
CAL POLY HUMBOLDT

### NEW SPRING CLASSES

Look out for Spring Class Packets being mailed out soon, including the following new classes (& grades):

#### MONDAY

- Theatre Arts (4-8)
- Bookmakers Gathering (K-1)
- Social Skills (5-8)

#### TUESDAY (\* & THURSDAY)

- Life Skills (6-12)
- Machine Sewing (9-12)
- Media Literacy\* (9-12)
- Economics\* (9-12)
- Theatre Arts (9-12)

#### WEDNESDAY

- Intro to Digital Art (6-12)
- Music & Movement (K-3)
- Mindfulness, Community, Action & Visual Arts (6-12)

#### FRIDAY

- Beginner Ukulele (K-3)
- Intermediate Guitar (4-12)
- Songwriting (5-12)
- Yearbook (6-12)

## ON CAMPUS AND VIRTUAL LABS

### Study Hall

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday (Room 2)
Tony 8:45-1:30	Tony 8:45-1	Tony 8:45-1	Tony 8:45-1	See Math Lab 10-3
See Math Lab 1:30-3	See Math Lab 1-3	Cassie 1-3	Jasper 1-3	

### On Campus and Virtual Math Lab

Virtual - students can log on to [meet.google.com](https://meet.google.com/mathlab123) with the code mathlab123

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday (Room 2)
Jasper 10-12	Jasper 10-12	Jasper 10-12	Jasper 10-12	Cassie 10-11
Myah 12-1:30	Adelina 12-1	Cassie 12-1:30	Adelina 12-1	Myah 11-1
Jasper 1:30-3	Cassie 1-3	Jasper 1:30-3	Cassie 1-3	Jasper 1-3

### Spanish Lab

ON CAMPUS: Wednesdays from 1:10-2:05pm in **Room 2**

OR VIRTUALLY (ZOOM):

<https://zoom.us/j/92285207482?pwd=NUVWSTFTL1U0bzR4bi9KSVVXeWpMQT09>

Meeting ID: 922 8520 7482

Passcode: 22espanoL

## ATTENTION ALL SCIENTISTS!

Do you dream of completing a scientific investigation on a topic of your choice, and sharing your research with the greater scientific community? You can do this by participating in the Alder Grove Science Fair, which is open to students in all grades, K-12! Interested students in grades 4-12 can also participate in the Humboldt County Science Fair!

Tuesday March 7 will be Alder Grove's annual Science Fair! This means students still have plenty of time to consider different project ideas. With the many different types of scientific research, the possibilities for interesting projects is limitless!

To get started, please check out our [Science Fair Information Slideshow](#) (use this link or the URL below). Once you have completed this step, contact our science fair coordinator Kathy Yeager at: [kathy.yeager@aldergrovecharter.org](mailto:kathy.yeager@aldergrovecharter.org) to ask questions, discuss ideas, and sign up for our science fair!!

Remember, a great science fair experiment isn't flashy or extraordinarily complicated- it's one that carefully follows the scientific method! Completing a scientific investigation is a great way to learn more about a topic that interests you!

Science Fair Information Slideshow URL: <https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1MvnXwgTCxdx6oJCQDkyzWBM-8cVhIFX1Rslsg5z-fCU/edit?usp=sharing>





CTE Culinary Students Paige Cress and Ian Rowley working a catering event for the Ink People

## SANTA'S WORKSHOP—2022 CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PROJECT—T/K THROUGH THIRD GRADE

Santa's Workshop 2022 is a cooperative effort between the Eureka Host Lions Club, the Humboldt Grange #501-Grange Women's Activities (GWA), the Dows Prairie Grange #505, members of the Freshwater Grange #499, the Kiwanis Club of Fortuna, members of Loleta Chamber of Commerce, the South Bay/Pine Hill School District, Loleta Elementary School, and the friends and families of the youth who will be served by this event, at no cost to them. In the past, we have had volunteers from these organizations and many more.

This year, Santa's Workshop will be held on **December 14<sup>th</sup> and December 15<sup>th</sup> at the Humboldt Grange #501**. For this event, children from Pine Hill and Loleta Elementary schools, aged T/K through 3<sup>rd</sup> grades are bussed to the Humboldt Grange over the course of two days.



**MEETING THE BUSES-** Once the children arrive, they are greeted by holiday elves who lead them through familiar holiday song singing with sincerity in all hearts, the doors to the Humboldt Grange are magically unlocked. Prior to arriving, the children have already chosen the four (4) individuals they are selecting gifts for, grandparents, parents, siblings, friends, and even pets.

**PHOTOS WITH SANTA-** Each Student will have an individual photo with Santa. We ask that the teacher goes first to allow us to separate the photos by class. Photos will be returned to the school along with an assortment of Christmas cards to allow the students an additional gift item.

**SHOPPING-** Tables will be set up with a variety of gift items. Each student will be allowed to select a maximum of four gifts. We have a 'shopping list' sheet to help the volunteers better assist the students. The students are allowed to change their minds if they see a gift that they would rather get for someone else. **Our program does not exclude the children from shopping for themselves, if they so choose.** Although the volunteers are able to make suggestions, the gift choices are left entirely up to the students.

**GIFT WRAPPING-** All selections will be gift wrapped and tagged so they are ready to go under the tree at home. A teacher who shops for an absent student may choose to take necessary wrapping materials back to the classroom to allow the student to see what has been selected.



**REFRESHMENTS AND COLORING-**All students will continue to the refreshment area where cookies and drinks will be available. For those students who finish early, we will have coloring pages available while they wait for their classmates.

We would like to thank you for your participation in making this a special event for all. Parents can also volunteer to help by being adult elves or donating merchandise. **We do need more volunteers to be adult elves!** For more information, you can reach Arlene Schneider at 707-499-1514.

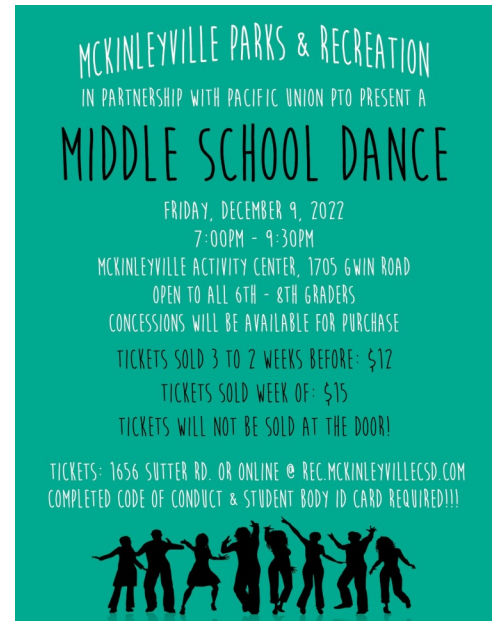
## MIDDLE SCHOOL DANCE IN MCKINLEYVILLE

The McKinleyville Parks & Recreation Department in partnership with Pacific Union PTO is sponsoring a **Middle School Dance** on **Friday, December 9, 2022**, from **7:00-9:30pm** at the Activity Center for Humboldt County's 6th-8th Grade students. Tickets will NOT be sold at the Door! Tickets are \$12 per student November 21–December 4 and \$15 per student December 5-9. Tickets are available in person at the McKinleyville Parks & Recreation Office, 1656 Sutter Rd. in McKinleyville or Online at [rec.mckinleyvillecsd.com](http://rec.mckinleyvillecsd.com). Only 300 Tickets will be sold!


Students MUST have a Student ID or School documentation verifying student status on School Letterhead, signed by a School official and MUST complete a 2022-2023 Code of Conduct Contract to get into the dance. Students can use LAST YEAR's Student ID or this year's school schedule if students do not have this year's ID yet.

There will be NO EXCEPTIONS to this admissions policy. If you do not have verification (Student ID) of your status as a 6th, 7th or 8th grader you will not be allowed to attend the dance. Some Schools send us a list of their students, these lists are used as a last resort! Students without ID will be sent to the end of the line until all students with ID get in. Please have your ID ready and your Code of Conduct already filled out to help us help you get inside faster! Contracts will be available on our website, [mcsd.com](http://mcsd.com), in our office (1656 Sutter Road), at the dance and at some school offices.

Doors open at 7:00pm. For more information, contact visit [mckinleyvillecsd.com/middle-school-dances](http://mckinleyvillecsd.com/middle-school-dances) or call 839-9003



MCKINLEYVILLE PARKS & RECREATION  
IN PARTNERSHIP WITH PACIFIC UNION PTO PRESENT A  
**MIDDLE SCHOOL DANCE**  
FRIDAY, DECEMBER 9, 2022  
7:00PM - 9:30PM  
MCKINLEYVILLE ACTIVITY CENTER, 1705 GWIN ROAD  
OPEN TO ALL 6TH - 8TH GRADERS  
CONCESSIONS WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE  
TICKETS SOLD 3 TO 2 WEEKS BEFORE: \$12  
TICKETS SOLD WEEK OF: \$15  
TICKETS WILL NOT BE SOLD AT THE DOOR!  
TICKETS: 1656 SUTTER RD. OR ONLINE @ REC.MCKINLEYVILLECSD.COM  
COMPLETED CODE OF CONDUCT & STUDENT BODY ID CARD REQUIRED!!!

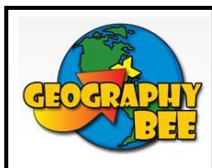


### SPELLING & GEOGRAPHY BEES IN JANUARY!

We will be holding the Alder Grove Spelling Bee on January 23rd @ 4:30pm on the school stage. Sign up with [randi.mead@aldergrovecharter.org](mailto:randi.mead@aldergrovecharter.org) or email her for more information.



We will also be holding the Alder Grove GeoBee on January 30th @ 4:30pm on the school stage. Sign up with [randi.mead@aldergrovecharter.org](mailto:randi.mead@aldergrovecharter.org) or email her for more information.



There is a chance to win a drone or a \$50 gift certificate or more prizes!



# SCHOLARSHIPS

- ARTHUR MEYER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP** DEADLINE 5/12/2023  
CONSTRUCTION TECHNOLOGY AT COLLEGE OF THE REDWOODS
- TRI-COUNTIES BANK SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM** ACCEPTING SUBMISSIONS  
FOR STUDENTS ATTENDING COMMUNITY COLLEGES, TRADE SCHOOLS, AND FOUR YEAR COLLEGES/UNIVERSITIES
- YOUTH ON COURSE** DEADLINE 1/17/2023  
OPEN TO SENIORS WHO HAVE A MINIMUM 3.0 GPA, WILL ATTEND A 4-YEAR COLLEGE IN THE FALL, AND WHO ARE A MEMBER OF YOUTH ON COURSE.
- EQUALITY SCHOLARSHIP COLLABORATIVE** DEADLINE 1/31/23  
OPEN TO SENIORS IN NORTHERN AND CENTRAL CALIFORNIA WHO WILL BE ATTENDING COLLEGE IN THE FALL AND WHO HAVE PROVIDED SERVICE TO THE LGBT+ COMMUNITY.
- CALIFORNIA CANCER CRUSHER** DEADLINE 2/25/23  
OPEN TO HUMBOLDT COUNTY SENIORS WHOSE LIVES HAVE BEEN AFFECTED BY CANCER. MUST HAVE A MINIMUM 3.0 GPA AND PLAN TO ATTEND A VOCATIONAL, COMMUNITY, OR 4-YEAR COLLEGE IN THE FALL.

## BREAKFAST PROGRAM/ WELLNESS POLICY

Check out Alder Grove's School Wellness Policy under the [meal program](#) tab on our website. You can also find the Wellness Policy posted in the entrance hallway and in the breakfast eating area.

If you would like to be on the School Wellness Committee, which meets monthly with the Leadership Team, please contact Stefani Gambrel at [stefani.gambrel@aldergrovecharter.org](mailto:stefani.gambrel@aldergrovecharter.org).  
Hope to see you there!

Also on our website are links to healthy snack guidelines for classroom parties and school events, and a smart snack calculator to help you determine if your treat meets federal guidelines for a healthy snack. Fresh fruits and veggies, nuts and seeds, whole grain baked items, and cheese are always great options!



EUREKA-KAMISU SISTER CITY

# PENPAL PROJECT

## BACK TO SCHOOL UPDATE!

The first batch of postcards will be sent off on **SEPTEMBER 5th!** Make sure to get your letter in the mailbox before then!  
You can now find it at the front office at **ALDER GROVE!**

**INTRODUCTION LETTERS ARE STILL BEING ACCEPTED!** Please make sure you put your name and age at the top of the postcard, so we know who wrote the letter.

**FOR MORE INFO VISIT:  
EUREKA-KAMISU.ORG/PENPALS**

Email [jay.tilghman@aldergrovecharter.org](mailto:jay.tilghman@aldergrovecharter.org) if you have any questions.



INK PEOPLE CENTER FOR THE ARTS

# MARZ

MEDIA ARTS RESOURCE ZONE

[marzproject@inkpeople.org](mailto:marzproject@inkpeople.org) | (707) 442-8413

**DROP-IN UPDATE**  
**TUE-THU. 3-6PM**  
**@ 627 3RD ST IN EUREKA**

Continue your CTE Experience after school! The MARZ Studio is open to all students interested in the Arts, Media, and Entertainment industry!



**EARN CASH FOR YOUR SCHOOL WHEN YOU...**

BUY IN STORE	BUY ONLINE
 <b>BUY</b> Box Tops Products	<b>1 SIGN UP</b> on the app or at <a href="http://BTFE.com">BTFE.com</a>
 <b>SCAN</b> your store receipt	<b>2 SHOP</b> online
 <b>EARN</b> Box Tops for your school	<b>3 FORWARD</b> your digital receipt
	<b>4 EARN</b> Box Tops for your school

MARZ Audio and 3D Animation students Alastair Murphy and Robyn Meif working together on a project after class!



## ATTENTION SENIORS!

The [FAFSA](#) FREE Application for Federal Student Aid opens October 1.

These first come, first served funds that you do not have to pay back is your ticket to reduced university costs, as well as the TWO free years of community college.

Students who graduate from a California high school and meet certain income and GPA requirements are also eligible for the [CAL GRANT](#) which is additional money that can be used for college/training including books, computers, etc. The FAFSA is also used mandatory for many scholarships!

Please welcome our Student Success Coach, Yasmin, who is joining us this year to assist our seniors in completing the [FAFSA](#)! They might be calling you soon to set up a time to chat about your future plans and help you complete this important application.

Registration for CR Spring Classes Open December 6. Students must have a CR application and a current 2022-2023 Concurrent Enrollment Form on file to register.

We have lots of help for students applying to college. Please make an appointment with our college and career counselor:

<https://calendly.com/jen-burtram/college-and-career-counselor-meeting>

Please contact [jenburtram@aldergrovecharter.org](mailto:jenburtram@aldergrovecharter.org) if you have any questions!

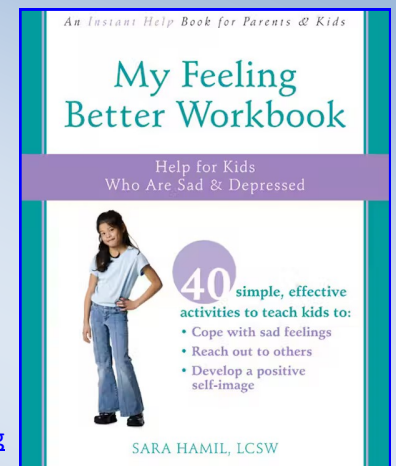


## PBIS BOOK OF THE MONTH: DECEMBER

There are many ways to help children who are sad and depressed, and you might not even realize how much you can do to make your child feel better. By working through this book, guiding your child through just one activity a day, you can empower him or her with the skills necessary to overcome sadness and low self-esteem and live an active, joyful life.

The forty-two simple activities in this workbook help kids explore their feelings and combat the negative self-talk that depletes their motivation and self-esteem. Based on cognitive behavioral therapy, play therapy, and art therapy, this series of activities is designed to help children cope with painful feelings and feel happy again. Studies have shown that teaching these social and emotional skills to children at the onset of their depression can prevent it from becoming more serious in adolescence and beyond. Once children learn these skills, they will not only feel better, but also become more self-confident, capable, and willing to enjoy the best of what life has to offer.

Click here for more information: <https://www.newharbinger.com/9781572246126/my-feeling-better-workbook/>



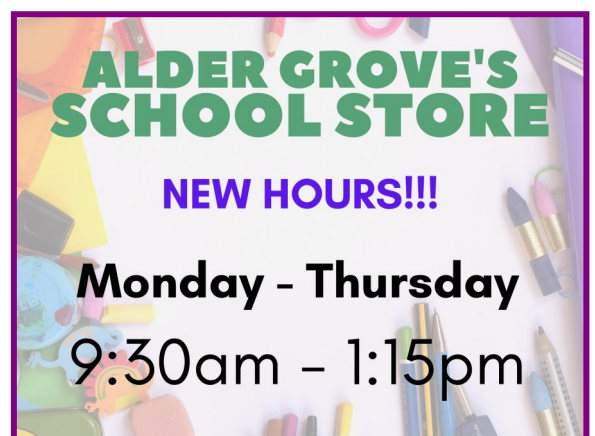
## PBIS UPDATE

The Bark Buck Store has brand new updated hours!

There are some new items in the Campus Store. If you haven't checked it out in a while, it may be time to go back and take another look!

There is also now a suggestion box in the Campus Store, so you can suggest items that you would like to see in the store.

You should also be on the lookout for our new "safe, respectful, and responsible" posters that will be going up around campus. These posters spell out the expectations that will allow the students who follow them to earn more Bark Bucks!





## EARLY COLLEGE PROGRAM!

Earn high school and college credit at the same time!

### NO COST TO STUDENTS!

- Complete a CR online application
- Complete a concurrent enrollment form and return to the office
- Register for classes within two business days
- Contact your CT or [jen.burtram@aldergrovecharter.org](mailto:jen.burtram@aldergrovecharter.org) for more info

Students can take any classes offered at CR including ASL, Science, Math, English, Art, Theater, Spanish, Construction, Computer Science, History, Music...and MORE!! Check it out [www.redwoods.edu](http://www.redwoods.edu)



## COLLEGE CREDIT FOR WORKING AND VOLUNTEERING!

- Apply to CR online
- Complete a Concurrent Enrollment Form
- Sign up for CR Work Experience (Through AG and put on master)
- Pick one day/time per week to check in virtually or in person with instructor (Jen) for 10 mins.
- Earn 1 college credit per semester.

## Sign up for a FREE Math and/or Reading program

Did you know that is as little as 15 minutes a day, your student can work towards closing gaps they have in Reading and/or Mathematics? Ask your CT today if you would like for your student to participate in this FREE program, courtesy of Alder Grove Charter School!

### Targeted Intervention that Delivers a Better Path Forward

Edgenuity MyPath® K-5 and MyPath® 6-12 are personalized learning programs for reading and math that deliver high-impact, engaging lessons that target the specific skills students need to get back to grade level. These innovative programs tailor learning to the needs of each student with technology that prioritizes age-appropriate content and optimizes learning to maximize student success.






ELEMENTARY SCHOOL



MIDDLE + HIGH SCHOOL



# DECEMBER 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2 Roller Skating in Fortuna 3-5pm 	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13 Governance Council 10:30am 	14	15	16  Holiday Craft Party 3-5pm  Class Lottery @ 4:30pm	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
WINTER BREAK—SCHOOL CLOSED						
25	26	27	28	29	30	31
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