



## UPCOMING EVENTS, DEADLINES & NOTICES

**Admissions for New Students  
for the 2024-2025 School Is Open!**  
Applications are available in the office.

**End of 1st Quarter**  
*Friday, November 3rd*

**12pm Dismissal/Free Dress Day  
All Grades**  
*Wednesday, November 8th*

**Boys and Girls Club Closed**  
*Friday November 10th*  
**and Monday, Nov 20th-Friday Nov 24th**

**Middle School Parent/Teacher Conferences**  
*Wednesday, Nov. 8th - Friday Nov. 10th*  
Thursday and Friday No School for 6th-8th.  
See below for more information.

**Lower Grade Parent Teacher Conferences**  
*Thursday Nov. 9th - Friday, Nov. 10th*  
*Thursday and Friday Noon Dismissal TK-5th*  
See below for more information.

**Faculty In-Service - No School**  
*Monday, November 13th*

**Parent Advisory General Meeting**  
*Tuesday, November 14th, 6pm*  
This is an in-person meeting in the Social Center.  
Please come listen to PA announcements and  
participate in discussions about ways to improve  
our kids' time here at Beechwood! Learn about  
up-coming events we will host and ways that  
you as a parent can get involved!

**Thanksgiving Feast**  
*Tuesday, November 21st*

**Thanksgiving Break**  
*Wednesday, Nov 22nd - Friday, Nov 24th*

**Help Needed for The Thanksgiving Feast**  
Sign-ups for the Thanksgiving Feast have begun.  
Please click on the link below to sign-up.  
[Thanksgiving Donation Link](#)

### Tuition Increase for 2024-2025 Academic Year

Beginning July 1, 2024 tuition for our 12 month  
program will be \$2,880 per year and \$2,400 per  
year for our 10 month program.

For your family's convenience we will continue to  
divide your annual amount into 10 or 12 monthly  
payments of \$240.

For questions, please contact Mrs. Christopherson  
at [melinda@cafoundation.org](mailto:melinda@cafoundation.org)

### No Newsletter Next Week!

Due to Parent/ Teacher Conferences, there won't  
be a Newsletter next week.  
The Weekly will resume on Nov. 17th.

## REMINDERS FROM MRS. TAYLOR

### Applications

Admissions for 2024-2025 opened on November 1st.

Applications are available for download/printing at  
[www.beechwoodschool.org](http://www.beechwoodschool.org) and for pick-up in our office  
effective immediately.

For questions please call the office at (650) 327-5052.

### Parent Teacher Conferences

**TK-5th** families should refer to emails sent regarding  
conference sign-up with your child's instructor.

**6th-8th** grade families should review the email sent and  
contact the main office to schedule an appointment.

*As a reminder, parent-teacher conferences are a requirement  
for all Beechwood Families throughout the year.*

### Thanksgiving Celebration

We want to remind families that we will be hosting our  
Thanksgiving lunch on November 21st. While this event is a  
celebration of the Thanksgiving tradition, it is intended to  
foster community building across grade levels. Our focus is  
on gratitude and appreciation for each other, our families,  
and the Beechwood community in the largest sense.

Only parent volunteers may participate in the lunch portion of  
the program.

Please refer to sign-ups and communication from Mrs.  
Nickings regarding any remaining volunteer opportunities.

*For the health and well-being of our community we ask that all  
non-parent volunteers and alumni not attend this event.*

## MESSAGE FROM MS. HARRINGTON

**IMPORTANT  
ANNOUNCEMENT**

**Response Requested:** Light Up the Season  
Performance - Dec 1st (Grades TK-5)  
Beechwood School has been invited to perform for  
the City of Menlo Park's annual winter event  
"Light Up the Season" on  
Friday, December 1st, 5-8pm.

Ms. Harrington would like to know if your TK-5  
student is available Friday, December 1st from  
5pm-8pm (arrive by 4:30) to perform at  
this special event:

**Please respond via survey by Friday, November 3rd.**  
<https://forms.gle/cjBHdkWjuVmNTmsq5>

### PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES

#### TK-5th Grade, November 9th & 10th

Links to lower grade conferences will be sent  
by your child's teacher. Please click on the following link for  
more information on how to schedule your conferences.

Link: [Lower Grade Conference Information](#)

#### 6th-8th Grade, November 8th-10th

*Please call the office to schedule your conferences.*

To view the schedule and links to the teacher's conferences  
please use the following link:

[Middle School Conferences](#)



## Beechwood Reads Update

### Reading Stamina

Students across many grade levels have been working on continuing to build up their reading stamina. Reading stamina is how long a student or a class can read independently without disruption or interruption.



BEECHWOOD READS

This week, we celebrated 1st grade with a quick music blast/dance party because they have worked together to get their reading stamina up to 14 minutes. Nice job, 1st grade! Check in with your child. How long can they read uninterrupted for? In middle school, SSR (Sustained Silent Reading) is twice per week. That is a great time for them to build up their stamina, in addition to reading at home.

### Hot Tip! Car Books

Keeping a small bin of books in the car is a great way to get kids reading. Consider this:

- Putting easy readers in the car can encourage independent reading. Kids may even read aloud to you!
- Nonfiction picture books can foster interest in a special topic or allow some time for readers to notice the many helpful features of nonfiction books.
- Picture books and graphic novels are great for readers who want to read but want to focus on more than just text.

Our "Free Books" cart will be making an appearance at the gate on some mornings. Tell your child to check it out and pick some books for the car.

### CALIFORNIA MANDATORY HELMET LAW

Helmets are required for children 18 years and under on bikes, non-motorized scooters, skateboards and roller or in-line skates, under California Vehicle Code 21212.

We care about the safety of our students so PLEASE do not let your child bike, scoot or skate to school without a helmet.



### Need a Bike?

Coach Hughes has refurbished these two bikes and would like to give them to Beechwood students who need one. They would best fit students in grades 1-3. If you would like a bike, please email Coach. His email is [lhughes@beechwoodschoo.org](mailto:lhughes@beechwoodschoo.org)



### Parent Volunteer Opportunities

For questions call Mrs. Nickings or email her at [xnickings@beechwoodschoo.org](mailto:xnickings@beechwoodschoo.org)

[LUNCH & RECESS SUPERVISION LINK](#)

[CROSSING GUARD LINK](#)

[OTHER VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES](#)



The Parent Advisory Board would like to thank everyone that came to help set-up, monitor activities and clean up at Fright Fest.

Thank you to everyone that came and enjoyed the event. Your support was much appreciated by the 8th grade class and parents!

We had a wonderful turnout and kids seemed to really enjoy themselves. The PAB looks forward to hosting more fun events for our kids and parents!

Remember to like us on Facebook!