

## **Panda Press - Week of Jan. 10, 2022**

### **Important dates**

- Jan. 11 6:30-8:00 PTA General Assembly (Zoom)
- Jan. 12 Info Session at CP 3:30-4:30
- Jan. 13 12:30-8:00 Covid testing clinic at CP (MP room)
- Jan. 13 5-6:00 Mandarin Adult Class Info Meeting (Zoom)
- Jan. 17 No classes - MLK Day

**IMPORTANT: Please contact Principal Singh if your child tests positive or if there is someone close to your family or in another setting your child goes to (ex: after school) who is positive. It is also important that Dr. Singh knows about symptomatic children as well. Please keep children home if they are positive or symptomatic. Thanks.**

**Mandarin Adult Class Info Session:** Please note that we have a new link for the online meeting this week. If you are interested in either beginning or intermediate Mandarin for 2 hours a week x 10 weeks, we ask that you attend so we can get an idea of interest. Thanks. **Meeting ID: 775 7699 1282, Passcode: GBew2y**

<https://smfcsd-net.zoom.us/j/77576991282?pwd=QnJsZ1dzenhzZ3hKVtdSSHEwa2U2dz09>

### **Covid update:**

- Each Tuesday, we do pool testing. If your child is not signed up we strongly encourage you to do so. Katie Garcia, our AA, can help you register.
- If there is a positive pool or there is a report from a family of a positive case, we do rapid testing for students in the pool and require non-pool students to test before they come to school the next day. The second test for non-pool students is in 5 days. We ask for proof of testing, preferably by email before students arrive. Pool students are tested in the following pool. The whole community gets a letter for a positive case and the class/es impacted get the close contact letter. The classes with close contact isolate at recess/lunch during eating time. We monitor the testing of students in impacted classes.
- We will continue to mask, hand wash and/or use hand sanitizer and maintain distancing as much as possible. We ask that families please consider using N95 masks. We will have a limited supply of N95's available. We are not sure what next steps will be on district-provided rapid tests after the initial distribution last week.
- **IMPORTANT:** If your child is showing symptoms, tests positive for Covid or is in close contact with someone who is positive or showing symptoms (family, close friends, after school programs, etc.), please let Principal Singh know ASAP and keep your child home. Principal Singh and the teachers will work with you on an independent study contract if your child is out more than 3 days (Covid quarantine is 10 calendar days).
- Independent study contracts - If students are out less than 3 days, teachers can guide them on work to be done during their absence or upon returning. If students are out more than 3 days due to travel quarantine or voluntary Covid-related quarantine, students can have access to work or can make it up upon return. If students are out more than 3 days related to mandatory Covid quarantine (positive case, close contact) students have work assigned and a 15 minute session daily with each teacher.

- Students testing positive and then returning after the 10 days will NOT be included in the pool so that a positive result is not generated for the pool.

**Math Madness Update:** Our coaches included: Tor Schoenmeyr, Lin He, Nina Aggarwal, Alok Aggarwal and Peter Shen. We got an update on results: Fourth grade GATE team was in second place, Fifth grade GATE was in fourth place and Fourth Grade Mandarin was in twenty-fourth place. Congrats!