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Welcome to Ben Painter Elementary

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Welcome

On behalf of the entire staff, I would like to welcome you back to Ben Painter Elementary! If you are new to Painter School, we offer you our warmest welcome. I hope your summer was filled with family fun and relaxation.

I want to assure parents and guardians we are doing every part of reducing the risk of getting ill. Staff and students are encouraged to use precautions as to always wear a mask indoors, and wash their hands frequently to reduce risks. Test and report right away! Together we can make a difference. Painter staff sets the very highest goals for our students. Teachers work collaboratively in developing lessons and curriculum that align with Common Core and promote "relevant and rigorous" instruction. We recognize that a healthy partnership between home and school is vital to our student's success. In working together with our families, students will reach their fullest potential. We want our school to be safe and fun for everyone. If you ever have any questions, do not hesitate to call the Main Office at 408.928.8400.

New Staff at Painter School

We would like to take this opportunity to introduce and welcome our newest staff: Ms. Gloria Tran, Mr. Tam Le, who is our Transitional Kinder Dual Vietnamese Teacher, Mrs. Nahrain Kaska and Ms. Andrea Souto. Our new staff comes to Painter School energetic and with enriched experiences.

Painter School Webpage

Our Painter Elementary Website is a great place to find information about:

- Bell schedule
- School Calendar/Events
- Important reminders
- Helpful Websites
- Student/Parent Handbook
- Your student's teacher
- You can visit our site at: <http://painter.arusd.org>

Parent Square App

- Parents, we ask that you please download the ParentSquare App on your smartphone. This is our primary communication.

Labor Day Holiday (No School)

There will be no school on **Monday, September 5** in observation of Labor Day. School will resume on **Tuesday, September 6, 2022**. Have a safe and restful holiday!

MidAutumn Moon Festival / Tet Trung Thu

Mid-Autumn Moon Festival will be held at Yerba Buena High School on **Saturday, September 10**. Painter students enrolled in TK, Kinder, 1st and 2nd Grade Vietnamese Dual Language Program will sing traditional songs on the main stage at 6:30 pm. Please come support our students and enjoy this delightful celebration.

Picture Day

Picture Day is scheduled for **Tuesday, September 13** for all Painter School students. Please understand that all students must be in **uniform** for the picture day opportunity. These pictures will go into the student's personal folders. For this reason, uniform is required. Spring pictures will take place in the second semester and students will be permitted modified free dress at that time.

Alum Rock School District Night

You are cordially invited you to join us on **Thursday, September 15** at 5:30 p.m. held at San Antonio School.

Coffee with the Principal

We will have our first principal's coffee on **Friday, September 16** beginning at 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. You will learn about our school-wide goals and how to become an active participant within the Painter community.

Back-to-School Night

Please join us **Tuesday, September 20** from 5 p.m. – 6 p.m. commencing near the Cafeteria. Session I will be moving into the classrooms, which will take place from 5:15 p.m. to 5:35 p.m. Session II is from 5:35 p.m. to 6 p.m. for parents with more than one child attending Painter. We ask that students stay home, so parents can concentrate on the information being presented by the teachers.

Visitors and Volunteers

All visitors must sign in at the Main Office. All visiting adults must have a visible visitor pass, obtained through the Main office, when on campus.



Enrollment for 2022-2023

Enrollment registrations for new students continue to be accepted daily throughout the year. You may enroll your child at the school site or the District Office at 2930 Gay Avenue, in the Student Services Department. Parents please make sure to get your child's physical and oral health exams completed prior to enrollment, as they are required.



Painter School's Preschool

We have a new, high quality co-op preschool for children residing in Alum Rock School District located here at Painter Elementary School! This program is FREE for qualifying parents, who are interested in being involved in their student's educational development. For more information, contact us at (408) 928-7299.

Vietnamese Dual Language Program

We are offering a FREE multilingual program in Vietnamese for Transitional Kinder through 2nd grade students. This will be a great opportunity for your child to become bilingual or even trilingual. Come to the Main Office to fill out an Interest Form for your child to enroll in the program, as spaces are limited.

Painter School Student Breakfast & Lunch

We are proud to announce **all** our students receive daily a FREE breakfast and lunch. Breakfast is provided daily in the classroom from 8:20 a.m. – 8:30 a.m. and instruction begins immediately thereafter.

The 3 B's – Behavior Expectations

Positive Behavior Intervention Supports (PBIS) know to the students as the 3 Bees (Be Safe, Be Responsible, and Be Respectful) is implemented at our school. These expectations are reinforced throughout the school year, and students will be held accountable for their behavior.

Second Harvest Food Pantry



This program is **FREE!** The Mobile Food Pantry continues to provide families with fresh fruits and vegetables every **3rd Friday** of each month beginning at 10:30 a.m. Upcoming distribution is **September 16 and October 21**. **Reminder, you must bring your own bags, box, or cart.**

Student of the Month Assembly

We have an assembly at the end of each month to recognize our student's achievements. Should your child be nominated for recognition, your child's teacher will contact you so you have the opportunity to be part of this wonderful recognition. Our September Assembly is scheduled for **Friday, September 30**.

ARUSD Family Resources Center (FRC)

As we experience unprecedented times, we want you to know we're here to support your family and our students. Located here on campus, we have a Family Resource Center which provides information on a number of programs, services and activities for all families. Support programs such as:

- Support with Preventative Services
- Children's Health Insurance
- Variations of quality early learning programs in ARUSD
- How to enroll in TK through 12th grade
- Document Assistance & District Schools
- Healthy Eating & Nutrition
- Community engagement with other Community Based Organizations
- Special Education
- SCCOE Migrant Education
- Teen Parents
- Referral Home Services
- Assigned Therapeutic Services
- Mental Wellness Support Services
- Extended Year Programs
- School Linked Services
- Housing Resources
- Food Access
- Individual Family needs that may emerge
- District Partnering with Alum Rock Counseling Center PEI

If you are in need of **FREE** children's diapers, please call (408) 928-7299.

Calendar of Events



Important Dates for S.Y. 2022/23

9/05	Labor Day Holiday (No School)
9/13	Picture Day (FALL Picture – Wear School Uniform)
9/22	Autumn Begins
9/15	A.R. District Night @ 5:30 pm
9/16	Principal's Welcome Coffee @ 9 am – 10 am
9/20	Back-to-School Night @ 5 pm in Person
10/03 & 04	No School
10/21 - 28	Minimum Day Schedule (Progress Report)
11/06	Daylight Saving Time Ends
11/11	Veteran's Day Holiday (No School)
11/21 – 25	Thanksgiving Holiday (No School)
12/23 – 31	Winter Break (No School)
01/02 – 06	Winter Break (No School)
01/16	Martin Luther King Holiday (No School)
01/20 & 23	Minimum Day Schedule (Report Cards)
2/20 – 24	Mid-Year Recess/Presidents Break (No School)
3/12	Daylight Saving Time Begins
3/29	Minimum Day Schedule ()
3/31	Cesar Chavez Holiday (No School)
4/03	Minimum Day Schedule
4/10 – 14	Spring Break (No School)
5/29	Memorial Holiday (No School)
6/05 – 07	Minimum Day Schedule