

# MITCHELL WEEK AT A GLANCE

WEEKLY EDITION

October 13, 2024

## A MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Greetings Mitchell Families,

Great news! Mitchell has been awarded the California PBIS (Positive Behavioral Interventions & Supports) Silver Implementation Award, way to go Marauders!!!

Tuesday marks the beginning of Quarter 2 and we have exciting days ahead. Thank you for your support and involvement, it makes a difference when students witness the partnership between the school and community. Below are some updates and opportunities for involvement:

### ***Site Modernization Committee***

Mitchell will be starting a site modernization committee to provide feedback to the Facilities Department and architects on a plan moving forward. It is important to have representation from all stakeholders (admin, teachers, classified staff, office staff, custodial, Instructional Assistants, parents, students, etc.). Your representation is important, please email me directly by Monday, October 21, if you are interested in being part of this committee. [sgarcia@fcusd.org](mailto:sgarcia@fcusd.org)


### ***Measures R and S***

Learn more about Measure R and S by visiting the link below:


[FCUSD Page - Measure R and S](#)

### ***Clubs and Afterschool Programs***

We have several clubs and programs on campus, please see the link below for a quick glance:

 [Mitchell Clubs & After School Programs SY 2024-2025.pdf](#)

**Planet Earth Club** has two exciting events this month!


- **Eco Market:** Friday afterschool, October 18, Planet Earth will be selling pumpkins from the garden, flowers, tomatoes, peppers, and more.
- **Planting Event:** Friday, October 25, join in the gardening as we transition into the fall season. See flyer for more information.  [PlantingEvent-PlanetEarthClub.pdf](#)

### ***School Site Council***

Congratulations to our new parent voting member, Ms. Jennifer Neuenfeld, welcome to the team! Our next School Site Council meeting is this Wednesday at 5pm via Teams. Looking forward to sharing our monitoring of school goals and expenditures. [School Site Council - October 16](#)

### ***Academic After School Homework Help***

Please encourage your child to attend our Academic Homework Help on Mondays and Wednesdays.

 [Academic Homework Help Flyer 24 25.pdf](#)

### ***Athletics***

For students:

- Girls Soccer Tryouts: October 15 and October 16
- Boys Basketball Tryouts: October 15 and October 16

For parents:

- Boys Basketball Parent Informational Meeting: Tuesday, Oct. 22 at 4:45pm
- Girls Soccer Parent Informational Meeting: Wednesday, Oct 23 at 4:45pm

### ***Halloween - Thursday, October 31***

Students may wear a costume on Thursday, October 31 provided these guidelines are followed:

- No full-face masks
- No full-face make-up
- No weapons
- Dress code applies

### **A MESSAGE FROM THE LIBRARY TECH**

If your student has lost their ID card. The library now has the capability to reprint them for a fee of \$5.00. If they never had a school photo taken, please wait for picture retakes on October 24th.

### **A MESSAGE FROM THE INSTRUCTIONAL COACH**

Middle school students are growing their academic skills and knowledge, but they are also developing life skills. One of the biggest challenges they face now is time management in preparation for larger academic projects and assignments. [The tips here](#) might be a help for you at home to help them grow these skills and find success in schoolwork. Families and students have access to all state test results in PowerSchool. If you have questions about any of your student's scores, please contact [chatcher@fcusd.org](mailto:chatcher@fcusd.org).

*Every student at MtMS has a personalized math and reading tutoring experience in Freckle. Students can use Freckle on campus and [at home](#). Please do not wait until the end of the marking period in December to*

ask the questions and look for the opportunities that will build strong learning and skills now. This week's Flex schedule offerings are visible now on the MtMS school website in the Student dropdown and in Clever. Flex gives students time to meet with teachers first thing in the morning [AT 8:25 AM!] on Wednesdays and Thursdays to get academic support, and on Fridays for clubs and other non-academic opportunities. Students will all sign up in Advisory on TUESDAY [after the three-day weekend] this week for Wednesday through Friday Flex time. They receive an email in their school Gmail account confirming their Flex sessions for the week. Wednesday and Thursday Flex might give your student small group instruction or practice before a summative, help or practice with concepts a student is struggling with, or extra support with the current or recent classroom concepts.

Please encourage your children to understand that caring, helpful staff might ask them to join a Flex session for reasons like:

- they feel like something cannot be re-explained or practiced enough during class,
- they have been absent lately and need to ask some questions as they are catching up on missed work,
- they realize that they need help to meet an upcoming due date.

All students will be active in Flex on Wednesday through Friday each week AT 8:25 AM.

### **A MESSAGE FROM OUR ATTENDANCE TEAM**

Thank you for utilizing our online form to report your student's absence. For parents/ guardians who doesn't have access, here is the link:

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1chD3Q-jyQJsMveh6OirVLXhZuLDL\\_MT-P31hxrcNE6M/edit?pli=1](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1chD3Q-jyQJsMveh6OirVLXhZuLDL_MT-P31hxrcNE6M/edit?pli=1)

Also, if your student feels their attendance was marked in error, *please have them talk to their teacher*. The teacher will bring in an attendance correction form to the admin office.

### **SCHEDULE THIS WEEK**

- Monday, October 14: Non-Instructional Day
- Tuesday, October 15: Girls Soccer Tryouts, Boys Basketball Tryouts
- Wednesday, October 16: Girls Soccer Tryouts, Boys Basketball Tryouts, School Site Council Meeting
- Thursday, October 17: ELAC Meeting
- Friday, October 18: Spirit Friday - Sports Day, Eco Market Fundraiser

### **LOOKING AHEAD**

- Tuesday, October 22: Field Trip - District Choir Festival
- Thursday, October 24: Retake School Picture Day, Field Trip - Harry Potter CHS

- Friday, October 25: Planting Event
- Tuesday, October 29: Field Trip - Wakamatsu
- Wednesday, October 30: Fall Concert (Orchestra)
- Thursday, October 31: Fall Concert (Band)
- Friday, November 1: School Dance
- Tuesday, November 5: Field Trip - Wakamatsu, Fall Concert (Choir)
- Monday, November 11: Veteran's Day Non-Instructional Day
- November 25-29: Thanksgiving Break Non-Instructional Week

In partnership,

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