

MITCHELL WEEK AT A GLANCE

WEEKLY EDITION

November 10, 2024

A MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Greetings Mitchell Families,

Please consider adding Papa Murphy's to your menu this Thursday, November 14. Our Mitchell PTSO is sponsoring this fundraiser, proceeds benefit Mitchell students and staff. We thank you in advance for your generosity. [Papa Murphy's - November 14](#)

Also, the holidays are around the corner, and we all look forward to spending time with family. Our attendance team encourages you to schedule your vacations and time together during our school breaks. Daily attendance is the number one indicator of high school graduation and every day counts. We look forward to seeing all our students in school throughout the season. Thank you for your support and partnership.

Choir Fall Concert

Join us and enjoy an evening of music and joy. Our students have been practicing for their Choir Fall Concert, which will be taking place this Wednesday at 6:30pm, Cordova High School.

Reminder: Please complete by Monday, November 11 - California Healthy Kids Survey (CHKS)

Your input is invaluable in shaping the future of our educational system and ensuring a safe, supportive, and healthy environment for all students. The CHK Survey provides critical insights into your child's school experience, highlighting areas where improvements may be necessary. Your perspective on topics like safety, bullying, mental health, and overall wellness help educators and administrators understand the unique needs of our students. This information aids in tailoring educational programs and support services to address specific challenges your child may be facing. Thank you for your active involvement in this crucial process.

- **Below is the link to the parent survey. Please complete by Monday, November 11.**
 - CA Healthy Kids Survey Parent Link: <https://wested.ugam-apps.com/wested/ts/vg3a>

Academic Assistance

Please encourage students who are in need of [academic support](#) to attend our after school homework help Monday and Wednesday 3:05-4:00 pm in the library, and/or Tuesday tutoring during lunch in the Project Room. Staff is ready to help, and this is an additional opportunity to receive academic support.

Athletics

For parents/guardians: Wrestling parent meeting, November 13, at 5:15pm in the Gym.

Thanksgiving Break

There will be no instruction the week of November 25 – November 29.

A MESSAGE FROM THE LIBRARY TECH

November is *National Native American Heritage Month*. Please encourage your student to stop by the library to check out the wide array of books we have on Native American culture. This includes Native American history, famous Native Americans, Native American recipes and much more. Also, want to learn more about the Pilgrims and the first Thanksgiving? We have books on that topic as well. Keep them Reading!

A MESSAGE FROM THE YEARBOOK COMMITTEE

Yearbook Packages are now being sold! Go to <https://yearbookforever.com/> and enter your information to find our pre-sale opportunities. This year, we have added the option to purchase a personal ad for families to celebrate scholar achievements! Buying a pre-sale is the only way to guarantee you will receive a yearbook at the end of the year!

A MESSAGE FROM THE INSTRUCTIONAL COACH

- Rise and shine! Our school day begins in classrooms at 8:25 AM. Please help your child to make it to campus before then.
- Middle school students need supportive socio-emotional interaction all day long, including in their home-to-school connections. [These ten tips](#) can help them grow these skills.
- 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.
- *Every student at MtMS has a personalized math and reading tutoring experience* in Freckle. Students can use Freckle on campus and [at home](#).

- The second quarter of the school year is half-way over. 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 [Flexischedule offerings](#) are visible now on the MtMS school website. 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. Students will all sign up on Tuesday this week during their Advisory for Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday Flex time. All students will be active in Flex on Wednesday through Friday AT 8:25 AM.

A MESSAGE FROM OUR ATTENDANCE TEAM

Please utilize our attendance reporting form found on our [Mitchell website](#). This is the fastest way to report your student's absence. You do not need to call the office if you have reported it online. You can also email our attendance clerk directly at awashington@fcusd.org or use the parent square app.

SCHEDULE THIS WEEK

- Monday, November 11: Veteran's Day Non-Instructional Day
- Wednesday, November 13: 6th Grade Individuals and Societies Field Trip, Sports Picture Day, Choir Fall Concert, Wrestling Parent Meeting
- Thursday, November 14: 6th Grade Individuals and Societies Field Trip, Mitchell PTSO Papa Murphy's Dine and Donate

LOOKING AHEAD

- Thursday, November 21: Physical Education Candy Cane Run
- November 25-29: Thanksgiving Break Non-Instructional Week
- Wednesday, December 11: School Site Council Meeting
- Wednesday, December 18: Early Release Day 1:35pm
- Friday, December 20: Minimum Day 12:45pm, End of Semester 1
- December 23 - January 3: Winter Break - No Instruction
- January 6: Students return to school (Happy New Year!)

In partnership,
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