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| Homework Habitat Mon Sept 25, 3:15 PM, Library |
| 8th Grade Connections Parent Information Night Mon, Sept 25, 7pm-8pm, Rm 730 |
| 7th Grade Parent Network Meeting Tues Sept 26, 8:15 am- 9:15 am, Rm 730 |
| Homework Habitat Tues Sept 26, 3:15 PM, Library |
| Homework Habitat Thurs Sept 21, 3:15 PM, Library |

7th Grade Parent Network Meeting **Tuesday, September 26, 8:15-9:15 am**

The first 7th grade parent network coffee is on Tuesday 9/26 in Rm 730 on the JLS campus. Vice Principal Adam Nelson and counselor Ko Vue will be on hand to talk to parents and address questions and concerns. Please bring something to share and RSVP [here](#) to so we have enough coffee for everyone.

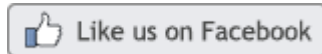
7th and 8th Grade Basketball Registration Wednesday, September 27

7th and 8th grade basketball registration is on Wednesday, September 27th starting at 8:30 am. The two options parents/guardians have is either online at cityofpaloalto.org/enjoy (create an account ahead of time) or they can come in person to Mitchell Park Community Center (across the way from the Mitchell Park Library and next door to Ada's Café).

Lost and Found is Piling Up

Lost and Found is piling up. All items will be out on tables by the front office beginning Monday, September 25, until Friday, September 29. Anything remaining at the end of the school day on Friday will be donated.

Please remind your student(s) to check these many tables for belongings. We have lots of sweatshirts, sweaters, jackets, water bottles, etc.



JLS Online and Printed Directory

JLS ONLINE DIRECTORY

JLS PTA is using UpToUs for its electronic Directory and community messaging (via grade-specific parent networks). UpToUs is password protected and you have control over the information you want viewable by others. You may change your information, preferences or privacy settings at any time. When registering your student this year, you indicated via Infinite Campus your preference to be included in emails from the PTA or in the school Directory. Subsequently, PAUSD has only given us your information if you answered "YES".

- If you are not getting any communications from PTA, cannot sign into the directory or still want to participate, let us know.
- If you want to check or change information seen in the directory, then sign in to hide/delete/update what's associated with your account. Those who already indicated "No Directory" have been hidden.

eDirectory information is replaced each year, so any modifications you make are not shared with PAUSD's database. To make permanent changes to your information or preferences, please change it by logging in to Infinite Campus and making changes there. The volunteers who produced the directory have made every attempt to ensure the data are accurate, reliable, timely and authorized to be published. Information in the directory is available to families and staff of JLS Middle School and may only be used for school related activities. It may not be used for commercial, political or marketing purposes or otherwise distributed/shared.

JLS PRINTED DIRECTORY

JLS PTA is working on creating a printed copy of the directory based on the PAUSD database using subsequent edits made by you on UpToUs. Please read below on how information will be published:

(1) If you added information to UpToUs, but were not included in the PAUSD database, your family information will not be included in the printed directory. However, if you would still like to be included in the printed directory, please contact PTA directly at jlsptaemail@gmail.com (subject line: family name - PRINTED DIRECTORY - ADD IN). Please clearly describe what information can be included.

(2) For families included in the PAUSD database, any subsequent edits made by you on UpToUs (edits to address, telephone, nicknames, etc...) will be included in the printed directory. However, any additional information not in the original PAUSD data will not be included. If you would like any of the additional information in the printed directory, please contact PTA directly at jlsptaemail@gmail.com (subject line: family name - PRINTED DIRECTORY - ADDITIONAL INFO). Please clearly describe what new information can be included.

Information will be downloaded from UpToUs for the printed directory on October 2nd. If you still have questions? Please contact PTA directly at atjlsptaemail@gmail.com (subject line: family name - PRINTED DIRECTORY - OTHER).

Support JLS by Shopping Online

Dear JLS parents,

Did you know that you can do your normal shopping and help fundraise for JLS at the same time?

Here's how:

EScrip

Please take a moment to update your information at www.eScrip.com and verify that your contributions are going to JLS (Jane Lathrop Stanford Middle School, Group ID # 130315138). If you are new to eScrip, sign-up can be done online or at eScrip @ 1-800-

400-7878. Urge your friends and relatives to sign up eScrip and make JLS their supporter group. You can support up to three schools.

Amazon.com

If you shop online at Amazon.com, be sure to start every time by clicking on this [link](#) or make sure your bookmark has the exact url as this active link)

<https://www.amazon.com/?%5Fencoding=UTF8&tag=jp009-20>
if you do, then at least 4% will be donated to JLS PTA.

Kepler's Books

Shop at <http://www.keplers.com> , then 10% of your Kepler purchases will be donated to the JLS library. Support JLS by purchasing Kepler's Gift Cards. They NEVER expire and can be used at the JLS book fair OR at Kepler's book store anytime. They make terrific gifts for teachers and friends! Available in \$10, \$25 and \$40 denominations.

You can go to school website at <https://jls.pausd.org/contribute/donate> or at the PTA page <http://jlswp.paloaltopta.org/> to get more detailed information on how to support JLS by shopping online. Thanks a lot for your supporting to JLS !

PAUSD/PTAC

****NEW**** Superintendent's Weekly Message from Friday September 15

We will re-post Dr. McGee's weekly communications here each week, in case you missed it on his previous Infinite Campus email to you. Visit <https://www.pausd.org/explore-pausd/news/superintendents-weekly-message-sept-15-2017>

Notice of Public Hearing: Sufficiency of Textbooks and Instructional Materials
Tue Sep 26, 6:30 PM, Board Room, 25 Churchill Avenue, Palo Alto

The Board of Education will receive input from the public relative to certification that students have sufficient textbooks and/or instructional materials for the 2017-18 school year. Additional information available through Educational Services at 650-833-4242.

Healthy Habits, Healthy Lives
Wed, Oct 4, 6:30-8:30PM, SDC Room, District Office, 25 Churchill Ave, Palo Alto

Navigating and understanding nutrition guidelines can be challenging and confusing. At this talk, Dr. Rosner will help to clear up some of this confusion. She will discuss healthy eating guidelines, as well as, healthy habits. Finally, she will provide ways to incorporate these suggestions into our daily lives and leave us empowered with the knowledge to

lead a healthy life. Jeanne Rosner is a board certified anesthesiologist who practiced at Stanford Medical Center for nearly 20 years. Since retiring from anesthesia, she has been a nutrition educator at local middle schools throughout the Bay area and started a venture called SOUL (seasonal, organic, unprocessed, local) Food Salon (<http://www.soulfoodsalon.com>).

COMMUNITY

****NEW****Presentation by Acterra: Hear How the Clean Energy Economy is Addressing Climate Change
Thu, Sep 28, 6:30 PM, Foster Art and Wilderness Foundation, 940 Commercial St., Palo Alto

Parents and students are invited to join Acterra for a lecture with former California Controller Steve Westly. Now managing partner for the Westly Group, a sustainability venture firm in Menlo Park, Westly will discuss how developments in the clean energy economy are helping to address climate change.
\$10 for non-members. FREE for Acterra members. Register at <https://www.acterra.org/lectures>

****NEW****Free Math Festival for Girls
Sat, Oct 21, 10AM - 12PM; 555 Post Street, San Francisco, CA 94102

Hands-on, collaborative activities that inspire a love for math, for girls grades 4 through 9. Please plan to stay for the entire duration of the festival, to participate in a sequence of scheduled activities rather than a drop in format. For more information, visit: <http://www.proofschool.org/community/#love-math>.

Like" Your Favorite Photos in the Enjoy! Palo Alto Photo Contest
Vote until Monday, September 25th at [http://bit.ly/ EnjoyContest](http://bit.ly/EnjoyContest)

Vote for your FAVORITE PHOTOS that were submitted to the Enjoy! Palo Alto Photo Contest hosted by the City of Palo Alto's Community Services Department (<http://www.cityofpaloalto.org/gov/depts/csd/default.asp>). The "Overall Audience Favorite" winner will be chosen based on the number of "likes." Enjoy and Happy Voting! Quick tip: Scroll down the page at <http://bit.ly/EnjoyContest> to see photos.

Paly Theatre presents: The Miracle Worker
Thu, Sep 28, 7:30 PM, Fri, Sep 29, 4 PM, Sun Oct 1, 2 PM & 7 PM, Palo Alto High School Performing Arts Center, 50 Embarcadero Rd.

Please join Palo Alto High School Theatre as they present their first play of the year, the 1960 Tony Award for Best Play, The Miracle Worker. Immortalized on stage and screen by Anne Bancroft and Patty Duke, this classic tells the story of Annie Sullivan and her student, blind and mute Helen Keller. Tickets are \$15.00 adults, \$10.00 students/seniors.

Reserved seating can be purchased online at <https://www.palytheatre.com/tickets/> or at the Box office one hour prior to curtain.

Celebration of Oneness Art Exhibition
Deadline: Sun, Oct 1

Call for submissions of original artwork on the theme of the oneness of humanity. Entries open to students and residents of Palo Alto of all ages and artistic levels. Selected artwork will be displayed at the Rinconada Library and other Palo Alto venues, including an opening reception on November 5th. Submission details available at: www.celebrateoneness.com, deadline October 1, 2017.
Email: celebrateoneness@gmail.com. Event sponsored by the Palo Alto Baha'i Community.

Palo Alto Library -- Day of the Dead Altar
Sun, Oct 15 - Sun, Nov 5 Mitchell Park Library, 3700 Middlefield Rd, Palo Alto CA 94306

Submit a photo of a loved one whom has passed on to honor them at the entrance of the library's altar. Display created by Teen Library Advisory Board (TLAB).

FREE Mindful Moms Class with Krassi Harwell
Tues Sep 26 12-1:30PM, 67 Encina Ave, Palo Alto, CA

Join our community of wise and caring moms as we navigate the rich and rewarding journey of raising kids into adults. We will practice yoga, meditate, and tap into the healing power of togetherness as we share stories, strength and support. This FREE class is for moms who have kids of all ages - particularly helpful for moms who have toddlers thru teens! Registration is required for this FREE workshop as space is limited! <http://mindbodymoms.com/free-introductory-classes/>

Titans Youth Cheer Clinic
Sat, Sept 30. 10AM-2PM, Gunn High School Titan Gym.

Come join the Gunn High School Varsity Cheerleaders for a fun-filled Cheer Clinic for kids K-8th grade. Kids will learn cheers and a dance that they can later perform alongside the cheerleaders at the Gunn HS Football game on Friday, Oct. 13. Lunch, water and snacks are provided at the clinic. Check-in time is 9:30AM, cost is \$40 per child (\$30 for siblings after the first registration), cash or check payment at the door. Email gunntitans.cheer@gmail.com to reserve your spot with "Youth Clinic" in the subject line and include the child(ren)'s name, age and grade.

Volunteers Needed for Adopt-a-School and Adopt-a-Teacher Programs at the Ravenswood School District!

Be a part of the exciting new things happening in Ravenswood! The Ravenswood Education Foundation (REF) is kicking off its annual Adopt-a-Teacher program for the

Ravenswood City School District! The program offers the opportunity for individuals or small groups to help teachers in East Palo Alto and eastern Menlo Park purchase much-needed supplies. REF is also launching a teacher appreciation program with an opportunity for volunteers to provide two meals honoring faculty and staff at a school. If interested, please contact Jazmin Sosa at jsosa@ravenswoodef.org or visit REF's website to learn more about other volunteering opportunities at www.ravenswoodef.org.

5th Annual Fiery Arts Fall Glass Sale at Palo Alto High School
Fri Sep 15, 3-6 PM, Palo Alto High School Between Old and New Theatres
Sat Sep 16, 11 AM - 4 PM, Palo Alto High School Next to the Performing Arts Center.

Come see exquisite new glass designs hand-blown by instructors, alumni and students. Over 1000 unique glass pieces - pumpkins, pears, seashells, elephants, acorns, vases and more on sale to benefit Paly's Fiery Arts program. Come learn about the craft with live glass blowing demonstrations. Fall Sale flyer. For more information, contact PalyFieryArts@gmail.com or go to <http://tinyurl.com/PaloAltoHighGlass>

Community E, M

****NEW****The 8th Annual Bike Palo Alto
Sun Oct 1, 1 - 4PM, El Carmelo Elementary School, 3024 Bryant St., Palo Alto

Get ready to ride and explore Palo Alto's enjoyable bike byways from Los Altos to Menlo Park to the Baylands! Bring your helmet, a water bottle for filling at water fountains, and a small pack to hold your maps and other bike goodies. Start at El Carmelo for registration, route maps, helmet fitting, and an ABC Quick Bike Safety Check. Choose from three routes with shorter and longer options with treats at special stops along the routes and start filling up a Frequent Rider Card that is redeemed later for a reward. For more details: <https://bikepaloalto.org/> or [#bikepaloalto](https://twitter.com/bikepaloalto). Originated and organized by neighborhood green team volunteers, this free event provides a fun way for the community to learn about Palo Alto's great bicycling routes and resources. Bike Palo Alto encourages biking safely to more places more often and kicks off Walk & Roll week in PAUSD schools.

Stanford ADHD Study:

Looking for children ages 7-11 with a diagnosis of ADHD or with no diagnoses to participate in a study exploring changes in brain function in response to a novel neurofeedback training. Participation involves 6 sessions of cognitive training and 2 sessions of behavioral assessments. Contact Lindsay Chromik at lchromik@stanford.edu or 650-724-2939 for more information or to enroll. For general information regarding participant rights, contact 1- 866-680-2906.

Community M, H

****NEW**Palo Alto Library Candy Sushi & Teen Anime**

Tue, Oct 10, 4:30-6:30PM, Mitchell Park Library, 3700 Middlefield Rd, Midtown Room

Bring your creativity as we make candy sushi. Yummy! All candy provided. We will also be watching a Studio Ghibli film. Bring a friend after school. Registration Required. Grades 6-12.

****NEW**Matemagos Math Tutoring in Spanish**

Help Kinder & 1st Graders with Math, Gain Valuable Experience Volunteering
Mandatory Tutor Orientation Thu Oct 12, 3:15-4:15PM., Escondido Elementary, Room 1
1st Tutoring Session Oct 19 - Nov 30, Thu 3:15 - 4:15PM, at Escondido Elementary, Palo Alto

Matemagos provides a great opportunity to work with Kinder and First Grade Spanish Immersion students in math through fun and engaging games. Tutors gain valuable experience through service while using their Spanish language skills, building a relationship with the students, and giving back to the community.
Contact matemagos.tutor@gmail.com for details

****NEW**Harry Potter Movie Showing**

Tue, Sept 26, 4:30-6:30PM, Mitchell Park Library, 3700 Middlefield Rd, Midtown Room

Celebrate Banned Books Week with a movie that was challenged for teaching wizardry- Harry Potter! Snacks will be provided to this free event, and come dressed as your favorite Harry Potter character with your friends. Grades 6-12. Registration required at <http://bit.ly/2hibkKm>

Free Community Service Activity for Teens (Sponsored by Get Involved Palo Alto)

Tue, Sep 26 3 - 6 PM, Rinconada Library (Embarcadero Room); Thu, Sep 28, 3 - 6 PM, Mitchell Park Community Center (Matadero Room)

Help Get Involved Palo Alto meet its goal of making 1000 bookmarks for local Meals on Wheels clients. Drop in, learn about issues facing the elderly and earn up to 12 service hours making a difference. Have a snack, have some fun! For more information go to getinvolvedpaloalto.org

Blind Banned Books

Month of September, Mitchell Park Library, 3700 Middlefield Rd, Teen Zone

Banned Books Week in the Teen Zone! YA books wrapped in black paper on display in the Teen Zone have been banned or challenged. Celebrate your freedom to read by checking out banned or challenged books, and taking them home to rate your blind date for chances to win prizes. Grades 6-12.

Banned Book to Teen Movie

Tue, Sept 26, 4:30-6:30PM, Mitchell Park Library, 3700 Middlefield Rd, Midtown Room

Celebrate Banned Books Week with a movie and snacks! We will be watching a movie based on a banned book. Bring your friends. Registration Required. Grades 6-12.

How to foster the Essential Skills Adolescents Need to Thrive in College and Life

Sun, Oct 29. 10AM-4PM. Stanford University, Lathrop Library, Room 299.

This workshop focuses on the key emotional skills that parents must foster in middle-school and high-school students to prepare them for the challenges they will face when they leave home. Enrollment limited to 25 parents. Fee: \$245. Taught by child & adolescent psychiatrists Bina Patel, MD and Sujata Patel, MD, from Stanford University's Counseling & Psychological Services.

Visit <https://continuingstudies.stanford.edu>, course # WSP 323, for further information.

ATTENDANCE PROCEDURE FOR OUT OF SCHOOL EARLY!

Health Appointments- Parents should make every effort to schedule appointments outside of school hours. However, if not possible, parents are urged to consider varying the times of day during which health appointments are made in order to avoid missing the same class consistently. If a student must leave during the day for any reason please either call (**650-856-5179**) or email the [Attendance Office](#) the day before the scheduled appointment, or before first period on the day of the requested early dismissal. **Please note that messages must originate from the parent email address on record in Infinite Campus.** The student will then receive a "**Permit to Leave**" pass and meet you in the Attendance Office at the designated time. If a student returns to school the same day, they are required to report to the Attendance Office before returning to class to provide verification of the health visit.

[Jamey Boccio](#), Attendance Secretary, 650-856-5179

WANT TO BE MORE INVOLVED at JLS NEXT YEAR?

JOIN JLS PTA!

Come volunteer with this year's JLS PTA! Taking part in our programs and events brings you closer to your student's JLS experience, while working with dedicated and interesting parents. There are many different types of jobs, ranging from short-term easy support events and tasks, to longer-term and even year-round positions. We welcome whatever level of time and talents you can contribute, and we promise you'll have fun. Please visit the JLS PTA website, jlswp.paloaltopta.org to see a full list of the JLS PTA events and open positions, and fill out the form to indicate any interests you may have. This is not a

commitment! We will contact you with more information which will help you decide if you would like to join us.

Questions? Contact [Lili Nova-Roessig](#), JLS PTA President 2017-2018

JLS eNews PUBLICATION GUIDELINE!

If you want to publish an announcement relevant to JLS, send an email to JLS.eneews@gmail.com. JLS eNews is a publication of the JLS PTA. Our PTA has a noncommercial policy, which states that we do not associate with any commercial activities of other organizations including, but not limited to, the promotion of their goods and services. Only submissions from nonprofit organizations will be considered for placement in the eNews. Announcements relevant to other schools in the PAUSD district can be sent to eneews@paloaltopta.org. For more detail, please click [here](#).

Join your grade's Parent Network!

Organized by the JLS PTA, Parent Networks provide grade-specific information and regular meetings to foster a supportive and collaborative parent community. TO JOIN, contact the below coordinators:

6th grade coordinators: Gerrie Phillips, Hue Tran, Suman Rangaswany

7th grade coordinators: Anjani Sarma , Mei-Hsia Tan

8th grade coordinators: Claire Kirner, Valerie Sabbag

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Notify your employer of your donation to the JLS PTA, to activate their Corporate Matching Program. And THANK YOU for taking this extra step to contribute JLS Middle School!
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