

Newsletter

From the desk of Mrs. Austin December 17,2021

## **GIVING SPIRIT**

We are proud to announce the success of our drive for The Women and Children Shelter. Bayhill families gave generously with many items needed by women and children in the shelter. We also raised over \$1500 in gift cards.

Students also helped out by giving their extra change in our Penny Wars and we were able to buy more needed necessities for the families in the shelter. The shelter director was over joyed and very thankful.

Thank you to all of our families. Your generosity this holiday season is appreciated!





# **CORPORATE MATCHING**

Bayhill is heading into our **Annual Fund** drive and we know many Bay Area companies offer corporate matching programs to aid their employees in their philanthropy efforts. Companies do this in a couple of ways. First, they might match your donation or money you are able to raise from family members and friends. Second, they may offer to match donations for Bayhill's entire Annual Fund up to a certain amount.

Giving Tuesday is November 30, 2021. Think about asking your employer about charitable matching programs and keep an eye out for information on the Annual Fund drive.

#### **IMPORTANT DATES**

- 12/20 1/3/22 WINTER BREAK
- 1/4/22 First day of Semester 2
- 1/14/21 Report Cards mailed
- 1/17/21 MLK Jr. Day, no school

## CHANGES TO WEDNESDAY SCHEUDLE FOR SEMESTER 2

We will be making a change to our Wednesday schedule for Semester 2. Students have made their voices heard in that they would rather have SEL incorporated into other aspects of the day rather than a separate, every Wednesday event. We've listened and the following will be the new Wednesday schedule as of January 5, 2022.

| Period | Time          | Minutes |
|--------|---------------|---------|
| 1      | 8:25 - 9:05   | 40      |
| 2      | 9:10 - 9:50   | 40      |
| 3      | 9:55 - 10:35  | 40      |
| Brunch | 10:35 - 10:55 | 20      |
| 4      | 10:55 - 11:35 | 40      |
| 5      | 11:40 - 12:20 | 40      |
| 6      | 12:25 - 1:05  | 40      |

# HOLIDAY COVID RECOMMENDATIONS

Numbers are rising quickly, as are hospitalizations. Omicron variant will likely take over as the dominant variant in the U.S. It seems to spread easily, but appears to have mild symptoms in vaccinated individuals. Please protect yourself and others!

- Keep gatherings small
- Mask as much as possible
- Use at home tests prior to gatherings and after.
- Use at home test prior to returning to school.
- If you've traveled by plane. Get a PCR test prior to returning to school.
- Get your booster shot!



### **COVID RESOURCES**

Bayhill Safe Return to School Plan

**Holiday Travel Guidance** 

**Vaccination Information** 

Quick Turn-around PCR tests

# PREVENT ILLNESS. GET A FLU SHOT.



## **COVID 19 BOOSTERS**

Public health departments seem to have the shortest wait times. Try these websites to schedule your booster or initial vaccination.

Alameda County:
Contra Costa County

# WHEN TO KEEP STUDENTS HOME

If your child has any of the following symptoms, please do NOT send them to school.

- Fever
- Cough
- Sore Throat
- Runny nose or congestion
- · Loss of taste or smell
- Persistent headache
- Shortness of breath

When any of these symptoms are present, students must get a negative PCR COVID test in order to return to school. Home tests are NOT acceptable.

Consider using https://www.testthepeople.org/. Walk-ups with no appointments are accepted and results are returned in less than 24 hours. They take all insurance. If you use your primary care provider, expect to wait for an appointment plus 2-3 days for results.

If you are out awaiting COVID results, contact your case manager to set up a period of Zoom/day with Ms. Garner to get help on assignments and be counted as present.

