

NEWSLETTER

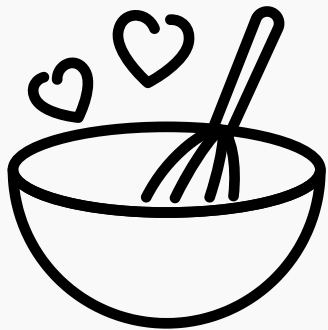
Happy New Year from Redwood Prep! We hope you all had a wonderful holiday season and are ready for a productive and exciting new year.

Important Dates

- January 6th- First Day of School after Winter Break
- January 7th at 4:00- Gym Committee Meeting
- January 7th at 5:00- Facilities Meeting
- January 9th at 5:30- Parent Council
- January 14th at 5:30- Board Meeting
- January 20th- Martin Luther King Day- NO SCHOOL
- January 30th- Earthquake Drill

Exciting news! We are thrilled to announce that 7th and 8th-grade students will receive art instruction this year on Fridays, including a culinary arts unit! We welcome Mrs. Covington as our new 7th and 8th-grade art teacher. As we launch this program, we seek donations of gently used supplies to support our students' creativity. If you are doing some cleaning in the new year and come across any of the following items, we would gladly accept them:

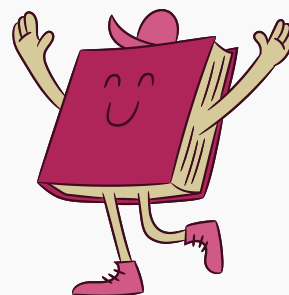
- Measuring Cups
- Chef Knives
- 10" Bowls
- Whisks
- Measuring Spoons
- Blenders
- Food Processors
- Colander
- 2 qt Saucepan
- 5 qt Pot
- Wood Spoons
- Rubber Spatulas



We appreciate any contribution! Many thanks for considering our request.

We are having a **Book Fair** on the week of February 3rd. More information is coming soon!

Have an excellent start to the new year!



LET'S TALK ATTENDANCE!

As we enter a new year, I would like to emphasize the importance of regular school attendance. Every day in the classroom provides valuable learning opportunities that students cannot afford to miss. Consistent attendance is crucial for academic success and helps students build strong foundational knowledge. Missing even a few days of school can significantly impact a student's understanding of key concepts and ability to keep pace with classmates.

Beyond academics, regular school attendance is vital for students' social-emotional development. School provides a safe and supportive environment where students can build friendships, develop social skills, and learn to navigate social situations. Consistent attendance fosters a sense of belonging and connection to the school community, essential for students' well-being.

California Education Code limits independent study to 15 days per school year. Poor attendance can significantly impact a student's academic progress and may result in a referral to the Student Attendance Review Board (SARB). The SARB is a team of school officials, including administrators, counselors, and sometimes parents, who work together to address chronic absenteeism and develop a plan to improve student attendance.

We understand that unexpected circumstances can sometimes impact attendance. We focus on supporting students and families in improving attendance, not perfection. We encourage you to let the school know if you anticipate any absences and to work together to develop a plan to minimize disruptions to your child's education.

Let's work together to ensure our students are in class and ready to learn daily. If you have any concerns about your child's attendance, please don't hesitate to contact the school office. We are here to support you and your child in achieving their full academic potential.

Thank you,

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