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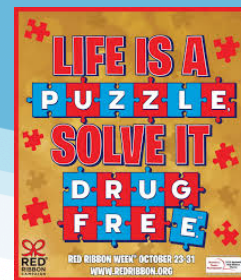


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**Helpful Links:**

[Breakfast Menu \(October\)](#)
[Lunch Menu \(October\)](#)
[Counseling Website](#)
[Shoal Creek Website](#)
[PTA Facebook Page](#)
[Foundation Facebook Page](#)
[Shoal Creek ESS Website](#)
[PUSD Student Calendar 25-26](#)
[Chromebook Support](#)
[SCES Bell Schedule](#)
[SCES Student/Parent Handbook](#)

October Cultural Observances:

[9/15-10/15 National Latino/Hispanic Heritage Month](#)
[Filipino American History Month](#)
[Global Diversity Awareness Month](#)
[German American Heritage Month](#)
[Italian American Heritage Month](#)
[LGBTQ History Month](#)
[Polish American Heritage Month](#)
[National Disability Employment Awareness Month](#)

9/28-10/2 Durga Puja (Hindu)
 10/1 Dussehra (Hindu)
 10/1-10/2 Yom Kippur Begins (Jewish)
 10/2 International Day of Nonviolence
 10/6 German American Heritage Day
 10/6-10/13 Sukkot begins (Jewish)
 10/7 World Habitat Day (UN)
 10/7 Child Health Day
 10/8 Guru Ramdas Jayanati (Sikh)
 10/10 World Sight Day
 10/10 World Mental Health Day (USA)
 10/11 Coming out Day
 10/13-10/15 Shemini Atzeret (Jewish)
 10/14-10/15 Simchat Torah (Jewish)
 10/14 Indigenous Peoples' Day
 10/15 White Cane Safety Day (Blind Awareness)
 10/16 Boss's Day
 10/17 Spirit Day (LGBTQIAA+ Anti-Bullying)
 10/17 International Day for the Eradication of Poverty (UN)
 10/22 Birth of the Báb (Bahá'í)
 10/20 Diwali (Sikh/Hindu)
 10/21 Waste Reduction Week

Red Ribbon Week

Shoal Creek celebrates Red Ribbon Week from **October 20th-24th** by highlighting our core values while joining the mission to keep kids drug free. We will dedicate each day to a school theme and promote positive lifestyle choices. Tomorrow's theme is "Strong Bodies, Strong Minds," so students can participate by wearing workout attire! Check out the [flyer](#) for dress up days and lunch activities happening during the rest of the week!

Join Our School Site Council (SSC)

SSC is a committee of teachers, staff, principal and parents who are responsible for developing, monitoring and revising the schoolwide program through the Plan for Student Achievement (SPSA). Our SSC also serves to enhance two-way communication between our school, families and the district.

SSC members are voted in by their peers and serve a two year term. There are four 1 hour SSC meetings scheduled for the school year. Meetings will be held via Zoom at 5:30pm. If you are interested on joining our SSC, please email Mrs. Omoto at homoto@powayusd.com

Halloween Parade

We will have our annual Halloween Parade on Friday October 31st. Families are invited to attend. Please read this [information about our parade and costume guidelines for students](#). To help with the safety of our campus, please adhere to the following:

- Families attending the parade may walk through the gates with their student. The parade will start at 7:50am.
- Families may choose to dress up, but please do not wear masks or full face make-up.
- When asked to leave, families should do so immediately and not linger. This helps us quickly and safely lock up our campus for the rest of the day.

Planning Ahead- Parent Teacher Conferences

Parent Teacher Conferences will take place November 17th-November 21st Please see the schedule below for that week.

- Monday Nov. 17th- Non-student Day.(School closed for conferences)
- Tuesday Nov. 18th-Minimum Day. Dismissal at 12pm
- Wednesday Nov. 20th-Minimum Day. Dismissal at 12pm
- Thursday Nov. 21st- Dismissal at 12:25pm
- Friday Nov. 22nd-Minimum Day. Dismissal at 12pm

Fall Festival Thank You

Thank you to all our Shoal Creek families for your help and participation at our Fall Festival! We appreciate the generous donations, volunteer hours

10/22 International Stuttering Awareness Day
10/24 United Nations Day
10/25 Larry Itliong Day
10/27 National Organization for Women (NOW)
10/28 National Immigrants Day
10/31 Halloween

This Week At a Glance

Red Ribbon Week

Monday October 20th

Wear your Shoal Creek swag!

Strong Bodies, Strong Minds! -wear workout attire

Tuesday October 21st

Run Club 7:25am

Color your Future! -wear your college shirts

Wednesday October 22nd

Unity Day! -wear orange

Thursday October 23rd

Run Club 7:25am

Team Up To Make Good Choices!-wear your favorite sportswear or team gear

Friday October 24th

VAPA Vision

Red-y To Be Drug Free!-Wear red

Planning Ahead

10/31 Halloween Parade 7:45am
11/3-11/7 Book Fair
11/6 PUSD Board Meeting 6pm
11/7 Friday Flag-Veterans Salute
11/7 Trimester 1 Ends
11/10 Trimester 2 Begins
11/11 Veterans Day No-School
11/12 VAPA
11/13 Kona Ice 12:25pm
11/17 Parent/Teacher Conferences
Non-Student Day
11/18 Minimum Day-12pm Dismissal
11/19 Minimum Day-12 pm Dismissal
11/21 Minimum Day-12 pm Dismissal
11/24-11/28 Thanksgiving Break

and overall support to make this event such a huge success. Our school PTA's primary goal is to provide low-cost or free community building events that give our students something to look forward to, while also supporting and enhancing the relationships that our students have built on campus. We look forward to our next community event and thank you again for your continued support!

Fall Festival Photos Wanted!

Did you take any photos at our Fall Festival? Please send any photos you took our way! We would love to use them in this year's school yearbook!

Please email any Fall Festival photos you may have to:

ShoalCreekYearbook@gmail.com. Thank you!

ArtBox is Here!

Your student's ArtBox order forms are here! What is ArtBox? It's a unique school fundraiser hosted by our PTA that turns your student's artwork into timeless keepsakes. All students created their own masterpiece last month in class, and now those works of art are ready to be turned into priceless gifts and merchandise—mugs, ornaments, luggage tags, coasters, keychains, notepads and more! Think of all the holiday gifting you could accomplish by ordering tote bags or notepads with your student's artwork on it for that special relative, or keychains to go in everyone's stockings! Best of all, a portion of the proceeds will come back to the school! Items start at only \$8, so why not buy a gift for someone...or for yourself! Check your student's backpack for the order form, and don't wait! All orders are **due by November 7th!**

Scholastic Fall 2025 Book Fair

The Scholastic Book Fair is coming back from November 3rd – November 7th! Parents are encouraged to attend with their students during their class' assigned time slot, AND before or after school! Remember that the holidays are right around the corner, and the book fair is a great place to buy gifts that benefit the school!

- Click [HERE](#) to see when your **student's class will be visiting** the Book Fair.
- **Want to plan ahead?** Set up your child's eWallet as a safe way to send your student with money by clicking [HERE!](#)
- **Would you like to help out this year?** We're looking for volunteers! Please take a look at our sign-up sheet [HERE](#) and add your name to a time slot.

Yearbooks On Sale Now!

If you haven't ordered yours yet, this month is the **BEST** time to purchase a school yearbook! From now until **October 31**, Treering is offering an early bird discount making them **10% off!** This is the **ONLY** discount that's offered the entire year, so don't wait. We do not sell yearbooks in-person, so be sure to reserve your book directly with Treering. Create an account using our unique school code:1016618819761634, or simply click [HERE](#) to purchase now!

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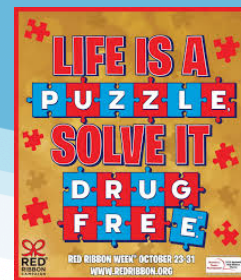


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Winter Photo Session Fundraiser

Our very own Shoal Creek parent, Mandy Perry, is graciously offering her photography services to help raise money for Shoal Creek again this year! Take advantage of this amazing offer and schedule a photo session for your family all while giving back to Shoal Creek, **35%** of the proceeds will be donated to our school! The Liberty Station session happened yesterday, but there are still **5** different locations you can choose from between now and November 9th!

- **Mini Package – \$125**
Includes 6 high-resolution, lightly edited images and an online gallery to choose and download favorites.
- **Standard Package – \$195**
Includes 15 high-resolution, edited images and an online gallery to download all selected images.
- **Deluxe Package – \$295**
Includes all best images from the session (typically 30+ photos), priority photo delivery within 3 business days, and a 10% discount on photo and holiday card prints.

View Mandy's work on her [website](#), then sign up for a session by clicking [HERE](#). This fundraiser is **open to our entire community**, so please feel free to share with friends and family who might want to take advantage of this amazing opportunity. Your participation in this fundraiser will make a huge difference to our school, so please consider signing up today!

Dine-Out at California Pizza Kitchen

It's Pizza with a Purpose! Our next dine-out fundraiser is at California Pizza Kitchen in Carmel Mountain Ranch! Show this [flier](#) or mention Shoal Creek on **October 28 and 29** (all day!), and California Pizza Kitchen will donate **20%** of all food and beverage sales back to the school! Purchases include dine-in, take-out, catering, and online orders at [cpk.com](#) when you enter **BACK20%** at checkout. See you at CPK on October 28 and 29, and thank you for supporting Shoal Creek!

Parent Education Courses

Check out the [link](#) for Parent Education Courses offered through our Caring Connections Counseling Center.

Vendor Fair for Families of Students with Disabilities

Families are invited to attend our upcoming Vendor Fair - Build Your Child's Active Lifestyle, featuring local service providers who specialize in movement and adaptive physical activities for children of all ages and abilities. The event is scheduled for **Tuesday, October 21, from 6:30 to**

8:00 p.m. in the Community Room of the District Office.

Staying physically active isn't just fun—it supports the release of dopamine in the brain, which helps build resilience, improve focus, and promote emotional well-being. The event aims to connect parents with community resources, explore activities designed for diverse needs, and discover new opportunities for every child to grow and thrive.

15 booths will be featured, showcasing programs in areas such as sports, music and sensory exploration, dance and movement, gymnastics, adaptive play, and personalized fitness etc.

Upcoming Cultural Observances

10/20 Diwali (Sikh/Hindu)

Diwali is a celebration of good triumphing over evil, and different legends based on this theme are associated with Diwali. [Here's more info.](#)

10/21 Waste Reduction Week

Waste Reduction Week continues to educate about the waste reduction component of a circular economy, focusing on major waste streams and topics. [Click here for more.](#)

10/22 International Stuttering Awareness Day

Established in 1998, International Stuttering Awareness Day seeks to raise awareness about the millions of people around the world (about one percent) living with this specific communication disorder. [Click here for more.](#)

Birth of Bab:

The Baha'i Faith is one of the most recently established religions to date. The Badí' Calendar, adopted in 2015, is a calendar of celebrations that those who practice Baha'i follow. It is a solar calendar with 19 months of 19 days. Each calendar totals 361 days, with the addition of "Intercalary Days" to adjust the calendar to the solar year. The days and months are named after the attributes of God. Many followers of the Baha'i faith celebrate the Birth of the Báb. They believe the Báb helped awaken people to a new period in human history. [Learn more here.](#)

10/24 United Nations Day

United Nations Day, on October 24th, marks the anniversary of the entry into force in 1945 of the UN Charter. [Click here for more info.](#)

10/25 Larry Itliong Day

Larry Itliong is remembered as one of the "fathers of the West Coast labor movement" and a key figure within the Asian American movement. [Here's more to read.](#)

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