

This newsletter is produced by the PTSA, and was sent out on ParentSquare last Wednesday. If you're not on ParentSquare, please join us there! Find instructions at the bottom of this newsletter.

We welcome your questions and feedback! Feel free to send email to AptosParentSquare@gmail.com.

IMPORTANT DATES

Dec 7: Winter Craft Fair and Concert

Dec 14: PTSA General Assembly Meeting

Dec 15: Arts Showcase Night

Dec 19-Jan 2: Winter Break (No School)

CAMPUS UPDATES: CLUBS, CLASSES & MORE

Winter Concert and Craft Fair - Wed, Dec 7

Aptos will be hosting our Winter Concert and Craft Fair on Wednesday, December 7th. The whole community is welcome to join and participate. The evening will kick off with a craft fair in the cafeteria from 2:00pm-5:00pm followed by a concert performed by the orchestra/band beginning at 6:00pm. Aptos students and families will be able to sign up to reserve a table to sell their homemade crafts or baked goods during our craft fair. In past years students have sold jewelry, knitted items or homemade food items. Students interested in selling at the craft fair are encouraged to start working on those items now and can pick up craft supplies in the library from Ms. Bishop if needed. Arts and Craft club with Ms. René on Mondays is also a place where you can stop by to work on your items. Sign up to reserve a table here!

Aptos Arts Showcase Night - Thurs, Dec 15

Aptos will be having our very first electives showcase night on Thursday, December 15th. The evening will kick off at 5:15pm with interactive activity tables in the cafeteria led by students from all our different electives and our library. We'll have activity tables from drawing to acting and music to story telling. At 6:00pm there will be performances by our performing arts elective in collaboration with orchestra and band. Mark your calendars!

Applying to Lowell

Please see the video link <u>here</u> for information about applying to Lowell High School, provided by the SFUSD Education Placement Center.

Aptos Reflection Room

Staff has recently reintroduced a lunch time reflection session as a response to recent behavior. Click here for more detail.

PTSA UPDATES

PTSA General Assembly Meeting - Wed, Dec 14th, 6:30pm

Parents, students, and teachers are welcome to attend!

The agenda will be posted on the calendar this week. Please submit any questions or requests you would like addressed in the next meeting.

Time: Dec 14, 2022 06:30 PM Pacific Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

https://us06web.zoom.us/i/6486741408?pwd=AFi2Gft7nanAC6OhAteCUhCvRYbIFi.1

Meeting ID: 648 674 1408

Passcode: Sn82VK

PTSA Fundraising

It doesn't have to be Giving Tuesday for you to support our wonderful teachers and programs! Click <u>here</u> for a list of Aptos teacher Amazon wish lists, and PTSA fundraising links.

Also, have you heard of Boon Supply?

If you're getting ready to start your holiday shopping, shop <u>Boon Supply online</u> for hundreds of products! 40% of purchases and 80% of direct donations go back to Aptos Middle School PTSA.

Our fundraising goal is \$5,000 for the Tiger Fund, supporting:

- Teacher professional development initiatives
- Wellness center (investing in our students' social-emotional well-being)
- Indoor bouldering / climbing wall (empowering our kids through healthy physical activity)

OFF CAMPUS EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

Parent/Caregiver Newsletter Contributions

Do you have any information that you think could be useful for the Aptos community? You can send it to us to include in the newsletter! Please email *AptosParentSquare@gmail.com* with the subject "Newsletter."

ATHLETIC UPDATES

New Digital System for all Athletic Physicals!

Anyone wishing to try out for an Aptos sports team must create an account on Home Campus, and also get the pre Participation Physical Form filled out by a doctor. That paperwork then needs to be uploaded onto Home Campus. At the end of the enrollment process on Home Campus, you will need to print out

the Confirmation Message form, sign it, and then upload that on there as well. Note, this is a different form from the old Parent Consent form used on the hardcopy physicals we used in the past. Click for a handout, or for a wideo with instructions/ more detail. I appreciate your patience in the roll out of this new system in the middle of the schoolyear, and if you have any questions or need assistance, please email Coach Haas at haasg1@sfusd.edu.

Current Sports Teams: Standings and Upcoming Games

Girls basketball: Finished the regular season undefeated! They lost a close tie breaker game against Hoover yesterday, and are heading into the playoffs on December 7.

Boys basketball: Finished up the regular season with 7 wins and 3 losses, and heading to the playoffs! **Girls soccer:** Finished up the regular season 1-5-1, and did not make the playoffs. They are a young team, and will be strong in another year or 2. Good work, girls!

The **Aptos flag football team** (Park & Rec league) won their championship game versus Upper Noe at Kezar last weekend, 26-18. Congrats to the boys!

To check on standings and schedules for any sport you can visit the SFUSD middle school sports site.

GET INFORMED AND JOIN

Are you interested in volunteering for Aptos? We have open spots on the PTSA Board and School Site Council as well as on-site opportunities for parents/guardians. Please email aptosptsa@gmail.com for more information and to find out how to get involved. The Aptos PTSA helps support 6th, 7th, & 8th grade activities and events while also striving to strengthen the link between school and home. The PTSA holds General Assembly meetings 4x/year, updating parents on all-things-Aptos. Join Aptos PTSA.

In order to receive up-to-date information and important SFUSD announcements, please **confirm that** your correct phone number and email address are correct in ParentVUE.

If you have any questions or issues with **ParentSquare** (managed by the PTSA, not the school), please email *aptosparentsquare@gmail.com*. If you know anyone that is not on ParentSquare, ask them fill out the <u>Parent Square Opt In Form!</u>