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10/02/2013	Henry M. Gunn High School	Subject: TIME CORRECTION: 100% Extended Time SAT- October 6th and 7th
		<p data-bbox="418 235 597 264">Dear Students,</p> <p data-bbox="418 352 1422 470">I apologize for making an error in my earlier email. We need to begin the second portion of the SAT on Monday at 12pm as the exam is 3 hours and 20 minutes on the second day and my proctor is only available until 3:30. You will miss D, lunch, F and G period.</p> <p data-bbox="418 562 971 592">If you have any questions, please let me know.</p> <p data-bbox="418 680 846 709">Again, I am so sorry for the mistake!</p> <p data-bbox="418 798 553 827">Thank you,</p> <p data-bbox="418 915 558 945">Trinity Klein</p> <p data-bbox="418 974 638 1003">Assistant Principal</p> <p data-bbox="418 1033 586 1062">650-354-8227</p>
		Subject: 100% Extended Time SAT- October 6th and 7th

10/02/2013

Henry M.  
Gunn High  
School

Dear Students,

You will take the SAT with 100% time starting this Sunday.

Please meet Ms. Norma Hesterman at the Staff Lounge this Sunday, October 6th at 1:30pm. Please anticipate staying as late as 5pm. You must bring a valid photo ID and your printed admission ticket. You cannot test without the admission ticket.

The second testing time has shifted so that you miss less classes. You will meet Ms. Hesterman in the Attendance Conference room at 1pm and expect to stay until 3:30pm. Please do your best to eat lunch beforehand as the testing will begin at the start of the lunch period so students only miss periods F & G.

If you have any questions, please let me know.

Thank you,

Trinity Klein

Assistant Principal

650-354-8227

Subject: Special Midweek Update from the Gunn Counseling Department October 3

10/02/2013

Henry M.  
Gunn High  
School

Dear Gunn Community,

Here is a special midweek update from the Gunn Counseling Department.

Parent Information Night for 9th and 12th Graders on Thursday (October 3)

A reminder that on Thursday (October 3), the counseling department will host an information night for 9th graders (6:30 PM) and 12th graders (7:45 PM) in the Gunn Library. The counselors will go over important information that is pertinent for your student in regards to preparation for college and services the counseling department offers. There will be a similar night for 10th and 11th graders on October 9.

First Quarter End on October 11

The end of the first quarter of the 2013-2014 school year will be on October 11. Grades will be due by Tuesday of the following week and will be posted online by October 16. A mailed copy of your student's grades will arrive a few days later.

Thanks for all of your support and see you soon.

Sincerely,

Tom Jacoubowsky

Assistant Principal/Head of Counseling

Gunn High School

Palo Alto  
High School

Subject: Paly Back-to-School packet reminder

<p>10/02/2013</p>	<p><b>Palo Alto High School</b></p>	<p>Dear Paly Parents,</p> <p>I'm reaching out as a gentle reminder that if you have not yet responded to the requests for donations in the Back-to-School packet and were planning to do so, please take a moment to complete this important task.</p> <p>Like many high schools in the bay area, we decided to "go electronic" with our Back-to-School packet this past summer. Unfortunately, the response rate for requests for donation are down from previous years; for example, donations to PTSA are only at 61% of the goal.</p> <p>We are very grateful for our parent donations, which help our school deliver top programs to all our students. Your donations at the beginning of the year allow our programs to run at full speed for the rest of the year.</p> <p>You can find the online packet at <a href="http://paly.net/book-page/back-school-information">http://paly.net/book-page/back-school-information</a> or stop by the Paly office to pick up a hardcopy of the packet. For your convenience, the overall checklist is attached to this email.</p> <p>Thank you to those of you who have already donated. We appreciate our parent support and commitment to supporting excellence at our school.</p> <p>With appreciation,</p> <p>Kim Diorio Principal Palo Alto High School</p>
<p>10/03/2013</p>	<p><b>Henry M. Gunn High School</b></p>	<p>Subject: Titan 101 Digital Citizenship Lesson</p>

10/03/2013	Henry M. Gunn High School	<p>Dear Freshman Families,</p> <p>Gunn has selected October as a month to focus on digital citizenship in our community. We hosted a Parent Ed night on Tuesday this week; next week, on October 8th all students will participate in a lesson during B period and on October 9th we are inviting all students, staff and community members to wear ORANGE in support of National Unity Day, a day to stand against bullying.</p> <p>Today, all freshmen attended a Titan 101 lesson on digital citizenship that focused on the impact of anonymity in online interactions. Students participated in a simulation exercise to get them thinking about how words can hurt, even when online and from someone we don't know.</p> <p>All the lesson materials have been posted on our weblink at <a href="https://sites.google.com/site/gunntitan101/home/titan-101-session-resources">https://sites.google.com/site/gunntitan101/home/titan-101-session-resources</a>. We encourage you to look over the lesson and further the conversation with your child at home. The "insults" page contains profane and hateful language; each one comes from a real online conversation.</p> <p>While students had an opportunity to debrief the thoughts and feelings that the simulation brought up, we know that this experience will impact students differently and that some may need additional opportunities to talk about their own experiences online and their feelings. Please let their Titan 101 coach, counselor or any administrator know if your child needs additional support processing their thoughts and feelings.</p> <p>We hope that our students will walk away from today's experience knowledgeable about how words can hurt and feeling empowered to be an upstander.</p> <p>We look forward to continuing to work with our students and their families in educating responsible digital citizens.</p> <p>Thank you,</p> <p>The Gunn Administration</p>
10/05/2013	Jane L Stanford Middle School	<p>Subject: JLS -- Unity Day</p> <p>Dear JLS Families:</p> <p>Please read the attached flyer about Unity Day and Walk and Roll to School Day. Both are this Wednesday.</p> <p>Thank you,</p> <p>Sharon Ofek</p>
10/06/2013	Jane L Stanford Middle School	<p>Subject: JLS -- Unity Day (2nd try)</p>

10/06/2013	Jane L Stanford Middle School	<p>Good Morning JLS Families!</p> <p>I have received some responses from families letting me know there was no attachment included in the message I sent out last night. When I sent the message to myself, the flyer was attached so I hope it works this time. In case it doesn't, I will have it posted to our website as well.</p> <p>Enjoy this beautiful day!</p> <p>Sharon</p>
	Jordan Middle School	<p>Subject: The Jordan Weekly</p> <p>Dear Jordan Families,</p> <p>Welcome back to the Weekly.</p> <p>This Week's Edition:</p> <p>Unity Week</p> <p>This Week @ Jordan</p> <p>AB 484</p> <p>In the Know: Ice Cream Socials, Jordan Gear, JAG SWAGS</p> <p>Spotlight on Parent Brunches</p> <p>October Calendar &amp; Important Dates</p> <p>The Jordan Cup</p> <p>Please Click on, or copy and paste the link below:</p> <p><a href="https://app.box.com/s/2ipg5vjy9nzf40uwecvh">https://app.box.com/s/2ipg5vjy9nzf40uwecvh</a></p> <p>The Weekly can also be read by visiting our school website at:  <a href="http://www.jordan.pausd.org">http://www.jordan.pausd.org</a> NEWS&gt;JORDAN WEEKLY.</p> <p>Gregory Barnes,</p> <p>Principal, Jordan Middle School</p>
10/07/2013	Henry M. Gunn High School	Subject: Reminder: Gunn New Families Potluck- October 10th

10/07/2013

Henry M.  
Gunn High  
School

Dear New To Gunn Families,

We here at Gunn recognize that joining, or re-joining, a school community with near 2000 families presents a challenge to making connections. In an effort to bring new families together with one another and to connect them to our dedicated PTSA parents and our staff, we welcome you to join us for the 3rd Annual New Families Potluck on Thursday October 10th from 6:30 to 8:30 in the Library.

Please see the attached flyer and rsvp if you are able to join us.

RSVP to [gunnpotluck@gmail.com](mailto:gunnpotluck@gmail.com)

Thank you!

The Gunn Administration, in partnership with the PTSA

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Subject: Gunn Counseling Update October 7

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Dear Gunn Community,

Here is this week's update from the Gunn Counseling Department with a correction from the previous update on the dates of the College Packet Workshop on October 9 and October 23.

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Sincerely,

Tom Jacoubowsky

Assistant Principal/Head of Counseling</

**Juana  
Briones  
Elementary  
School**

Subject: This week at Briones

Dear Briones Families,

I hope you all had a good weekend. We have a lot of events this week, so we wanted to send out a reminder.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 8th- UNITY DAY- Wear Orange- show your commitment to end bullying by wearing orange to school. Students will get orange wristbands to show they are "Upstanders" who help stop bullying when they see it. All students should feel safe and welcome at PAUSD schools, and Juana Briones is proud to be a part of the district's first Unity Week. Juana Briones students should be especially proud, because they're signing a pledge to end bullying that's being handed from classroom to classroom. On Unity Day, the pledge will be on display for the entire school community to see. Let's celebrate our 379 amazing Upstanders on October 8. Parents can show their support by asking their child about the pledge.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 9th- WALK & ROLL DAY- Today is the day "Be Green." We encourage all students to walk, bike, take the bus, or carpool to school. We need a few volunteers to help out. If you can help, please come to school at 7:50 AM and meet at the picnic tables outside the MP Room.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 11th- Santa Clara County is celebrating COLLEGE DAY! If your child has a college tee, sweatshirt, hat, or any other item, have them wear it on Friday. Students will receive a College Day pencil.

Thank you,  
Juana Briones School

**Nixon  
Elementary  
School**

Subject: Online Photo Ordering

To All Nixon Families -

Your photos are now available to preview and order online. The information needed will come home on a yellow flyer with your child's code in the next few days. Please see the attached flyer from iClickSmiles for more information.

Thank you,  
Becky Brewer, Nixon Secretary

10/08/2013

**Henry M.  
Gunn High  
School**

Subject: You Are Invited to Camp Everytown!

10/08/2013

Henry M.  
Gunn High  
School

Dear Gunn High School Camp Everytown Delegate and Family,

You have been nominated to represent Gunn at the Camp Everytown leadership Conference. You should have received a hand-delivered invitation to your classrooms last week and families should have received an informational packet in the mail by now.

This year we are asking students to register and pay online. Please see the attached flyer for the Eventbrite link. If your family is unable to afford any or all of the tuition, we ask that you please complete the scholarship form that was in both the student and family packet and return it to Mrs. Klein in the main office. Your student will then receive hard copies of the registration paperwork to complete.

Please register by October 15th. If you know you absolutely cannot attend, please let Mrs. Klein know as soon as possible, as we had more students who were recommended than could be invited, and we would open up a space to another interested student.

If you have any questions, please contact Assistant Principal Mrs. Klein at 650-354-8227 or tklein@pausd.org.

Thank you and we look forward to seeing you at Camp!

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Subject: RE: PTSA Communication

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Dear Gunn Families,

Good evening please read the following message from the Gunn PTSA and thank you for your continued support of Gunn, Go Titans!

Sincerely,

Katya Villalobos

Gunn High School

Greetings Parents/Guardians of Gunn students,

In addition to the information provided to you by the Gunn staff and teachers, the Gunn PTSA has several channels to provide you with supplemental information on school and student activities, and PTSA initiatives and meetings. Please take a moment to review these choices listed below; we'd love it if you choose to participate in ALL of them, but we strongly encourage you to sign up for at least one, so that you have access to PTSA communication in some form.

Questions or concerns: send an email to

[http://vpcommunications@gunnpta.org](mailto:vpcommunications@gunnpta.org) or visit

<http://http://gunn.paloaltopta.org/>

Gunn Connection: emailed every Friday . Contains news from Gunn Administration, Gunn PTSA, the Palo Alto PTA Council, and related community announcements.  
to subscribe, go to

<http://gunn.paloaltopta.org/connection/gunnconnection.htm>

Gunn Parent Networks: Yahoo Group for each grade level. Group discussions on students' social, emotional, and academic experiences. Periodic meetings with guest speakers on topics especially pertinent to that grade level.  
to subscribe, go to

<http://http://gunn.paloaltopta.org/parentnetwork.pdf>

NEW: Twitter account! @GunnPTSA. Follow us and get tweet reminders of upcoming events and announcements.

PTSA Volunteering: A valuable way to get PTSA information is to be involved in PTSA events! To see a list of events, go to <http://gunn.paloaltopta.org/docs/volunteerform.pdf> (includes both PTSA and Gunn events); to see open PTSA positions, go to <http://gunn.paloaltopta.org/docs/GunnPTSARoster.pdf>; or subscribe to any of the above news channels and watch for calls for volunteers as events happen.

Sincerely,

Gunn Parent-Teacher-Student-Association

10/13/2013

Jordan Middle School

Subject: The Jordan Weekly

10/13/2013

Jordan Middle School

Dear Jordan Families,

Welcome back to the Weekly.

Special Reminder: No School for Students this Friday, October 18th.

This Week's Edition:

Unity Week

This Week @ Jordan

First Quarter is Over

In the Know: Ice Cream Socials, District Wide Emergency Drill, Halloween Concert

Spotlight on Drama Performance

October Calendar & Important Dates

The Jordan Cup

Please Click on, or copy and paste the link below:

<https://app.box.com/s/h93jz5qegcrpbt4ka>

The Weekly can also be read by visiting our school website at:  
<http://www.jordan.pausd.org> NEWS>JORDAN WEEKLY.

Gregory Barnes,

Principal, Jordan Middle School

Palo Alto High School

Subject: Information and Schedule for Upcoming Week

10/13/2013

Palo Alto  
High School

Dear Paly Students and Parents:

We wanted to send you a quick note with this weeks schedule.

Monday is normal &#39;C&#39; day with all 7 periods.

Tuesday is &#39;B&#39; day with periods 1, 3, 5, and 7.

Wednesday is College and Career Awareness Day. Testing starts at 8:15 am for Freshmen, Sophomores and Juniors. Room assignments are posted on the Guidance office and ERC windows along with paly.net. Students remember to bring #2 pencils, calculator, and student ID. Testing will end around noon. Jamba Juice will be in the quad afterwards. There will be no classes for the day. Seniors have workshops starting at 9:00 am.

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Have a great week!

The Paly Staff

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<p><b>10/15/2013</b></p>	<p><b>Henry M. Gunn High School</b></p>	<p>Subject: Register for Gunn's Camp Everytown Today!</p>

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Note: Because of technical difficulties with Infinite Campus, this message was delayed and some formatting on this week's update may be off.

Here is this week's update from the Gunn Counseling Department.

First Quarter Grades (All Grades)

On Wednesday, all Gunn students will have their first quarter grades available on Infinite Campus. A mailed copy of the grades will be sent home at the end of the week and will arrive at your home by early next week.

Special Schedules This Week-Early Dismissal Wednesday-No School for Students on Friday (All Grades)

This week Gunn students will have special schedules. Because of testing and no school on Friday, all classes will meet three times this week.

There will be tutorial on Tuesday.

On Wednesday, all Gunn students will be involved in testing or senior activities and will have an early end to the day. Seniors will be done by 11:45 AM, juniors at 12:05 PM and sophomores and freshmen will be done by 12:30 PM.

On Friday, there will be no school for Gunn students as all secondary teachers in the district will be involved in professional development.

Senior College and Career Day on Wednesday (12th Grade)

While freshmen, sophomores and juniors will be busy taking the EXPLORE, PLAN and PSAT tests next Wednesday, October 16th, we have planned a "College & Career Day" for our seniors. This special event is a wonderful opportunity designed to help students focus on their career and academic goals after high-school graduation.

Whether students are interested in learning more about the UC or CSU application process, would like to find out more about delivering an impressive interview or how to write a persuasive essay, our College Sessions are sure to help provide some answers.

If students ever wondered what it would be like to be an engineer, opera singer, detective, manage large stock portfolios or be the founder of a start-up, our Career Sessions are scheduled to feature a diverse and exciting line-up of professionals, which are sure to inspire our seniors as they are on the threshold of their own future.

Sign-ups for the College and/or Career Sessions are on Naviance, under the college rep visit link. There, students will be able to see the entire list of exciting College & Career sessions that have been planned.

Please remind your senior that this is a mandatory event and that attendance will be taken.

"College & Career Day" starts at 8:30 AM in Spangenberg. Check in is at 8:20 AM and seniors should be prepared for an incredible day of exploration and discovery. The workshops will conclude by 11:45 AM.

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Breaking the Cycle of Bullying October 17 Jordan Middle School 6:45-9:00 PM (All Grades)

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10/16/2013

**Nixon  
Elementary  
School**

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Thank you,

Becky Brewer, Nixon Secretary

Subject: Picture Retakes/Ordering

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	Escondido Elementary School	Subject: Common Core Standards Parent Information Night/Noche Informativa Para Padres de Familia Sobre Las Normas Estatales Comunes de Contenido Básico

10/17/2013

**Escondido  
Elementary  
School**

Dear Escondido Families,

New Common Core State Standards will be implemented in California in the 2014-15 school year, along with Smarter Balanced Assessments. Please join us for an evening informational session that will introduce you to the new standards that focus on 21st century skills, and will prepare our students for college and career readiness. Learn about the shifts in teaching and learning that will benefit our students, and the new performance based assessments that will measure their progress.

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Warm Regards,

Dana Reynolds, M.Ed.

Principal, Escondido Elementary School

Apreciados Familias de Escondido,

El Estado de California implementar nuevas normas comunes de contenido b&#228;sico para el a&#228;mbito escolar 2014-2015, as&#228; como pruebas de evaluaci&#228;n m&#228;s equilibradas e inteligentes. Le invitamos a participar en una sesi&#228;n informativa en la noche, donde se le instruir&#228; sobre las nuevas normas que se concentrar&#228;n en las habilidades de siglo 21, y que preparar&#228;n a los estudiantes para la universidad y sus carreras profesionales. Inf&#228;rme sobre los cambios en la ense&#228;nza que beneficiar&#228;n a nuestros estudiantes, y las nuevas evaluaciones basadas en el desempe&#228;o, que medir&#228;n su progreso.

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Cordial saludo,

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**Juana  
Briones  
Elementary  
School**

Subject: NO SCHOOL TOMORROW 10/18

Dear Juana Briones Parents,

Just a reminder that tomorrow is a staff development day and there is no school. We hope you all have a fantastic weekend. The staff will be at Gunn High School tomorrow attending Common Core workshops.

Also, we are looking forward to our annual Harvest Festival/Great Gatherings event next Saturday, October 26th, from 2:30 PM-5:30 PM. Thank you to all the parents who have been busy preparing for this great event. We still need volunteers, especially to help run the games and activities.

Please click on the link below to sign up to help:

<http://www.jooners.com/guest?!=67362468-f608-4933-925c-53e42b78cca5>

Thank you!

10/17/2013

**Nixon  
Elementary  
School**

Subject: Keeping you informed

Dear Nixon Families,

Tomorrow, Friday, October 18, is a no school day for your children. Teachers and administrators across our district will be using this day to further our understanding of the Common Core State Standards (CCSS) and how best to adjust our instruction to support your students to meet these new expectations.

We will also be offering you several opportunities in the near future to increase your own understanding of these new standards. PAUSD will hold two Parent Information Nights about the CCSS for all parents and will address the full range of K-12 standards. The first presentation will be held on Monday, October 28, 6:00-7:30 pm at the Boys and Girls Club, 2031Pulgas Avenue in East Palo Alto. The second district presentation will be held on Wednesday, October 30, 7:00-8:00 pm at the PAUSD Office, 25 Churchill Ave. in Palo Alto. These two presentations will cover the same information in different locations for parents' convenience.

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These changes are important and exciting, so we hope that you will join us to learn more about what is happening in your child's education.

As always, thank you for your support.

Mary Pat O'Connell

**Palo Alto  
High School**

Subject: Paly Spirit Week from Principal

<b>10/17/2013</b>	<b>Palo Alto High School</b>	Dear Vikings,  I hope you are enjoying your long weekend. Please find attached a letter with some useful information/links regarding Spirit Week. Looking forward to it!  Sincerely,  Kim Diorio Principal Palo Alto High School
<b>10/18/2013</b>	<b>Jane L Stanford Middle School</b>	Subject: JLS - First Quarter grades 2013

10/18/2013	Jane L Stanford Middle School	<p>Dear JLS Families:</p> <p>First quarter grades will be available online through the Infinite Campus parent portal starting tomorrow morning, October 19th. You are able to view and print report cards for your student using your portal account. If you need help with accessing your account, please contact <a href="mailto:infinitecampus@pausd.org">infinitecampus@pausd.org</a>.</p> <p>To locate your child's report card please follow these steps:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. log on to the portal</li> <li>2. go to 'select a student'; at the top of the page</li> <li>3. select your child's name under the drop down menu</li> <li>4. click 'reports on the left side of the page</li> <li>5. click the link to display a page with links to all reports available for your child</li> <li>6. click on the link for the specific report card you wish to view</li> </ol> <p>** The report will open in Adobe and can be printed or saved as a PDF file. Please print or save a copy for your own records. The portal only provides access to report cards in the current school year.</p> <p>** If you are interested in having a report card mailed home, please contact Melissa Kaiser at <a href="mailto:mkaiser@pausd.org">mkaiser@pausd.org</a>.</p> <p>Have a great weekend!</p> <p>Sharon Ofek, Principal</p>
10/20/2013	Jordan Middle School	Subject: The Jordan Weekly

10/20/2013

Jordan Middle School

Dear Jordan Families,

Welcome back to the Weekly.

Special Reminder: No School for Students this Friday, October 18th.

This Week's Edition:

PIE Tour

This Week @ Jordan

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In the Know: Teen Read Week, Spirit Ball Game, Halloween Concert, Common Core Nights

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Gregory Barnes,

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<p><b>10/21/2013</b></p>	<p><b>Duveneck Elementary School</b></p>	<p>Subject: Duveneck - Just Parties Information</p>

10/21/2013

Duveneck  
Elementary  
School

Dear Duveneck Families,

Thank you for your tremendous support for our Duveneck Just Parties fundraiser! This year, Just Parties raised a record \$55,585 -- \$10K through catalog sponsorships and \$45,585 through the parties!! We appreciate everyone signing up for these fun events, and a special thanks to those who are hosting events for our school and community. Money raised through Just Parties goes into our school's PTA budget and is used to purchase items that directly benefit our students -- like iPads, school supplies for all classrooms, playground equipment, and much more. Your support will have a meaningful and lasting impact on our students.

Just Parties invoices went out through email last week. We appreciate your paying these promptly, by October 25, so that we can begin putting these funds to good use. Checks can be made out to Duveneck PTA and left in the Just Parties box in the office. If you have not received your invoice, or if you have questions about your invoice, please contact [REDACTED]

Invasion of Privacy - Private contact information (§ 6254c)

If you are attending events, please make sure that your email Inbox is set to receive Evites. Evites will go out about a week before the party date. The Evite is typically the only notice you will receive about a party, other than the invoice. To make sure you don't miss your events, mark your party dates now on your personal calendars. You can find these listed in the Just Parties catalog as well as on your invoice.

Thank you to everyone for making this fundraising effort a huge success!! It's very exciting and energizing to see how much our community supports and values our students and school!

Sincerely,

Chris Grierson

Duveneck Principal

Henry M.  
Gunn High  
School

Subject: Camp Everytown Info Meeting- Tuesday @ lunch

10/21/2013

Henry M.  
Gunn High  
School

Dear Camp Everytown Delegates,

We are so excited that you will be representing Gunn at Camp Everytown this year.

There will be an informational meeting at lunch in the Staff Lunch Tuesday to help clarify what to pack and what to expect, and to answer any other questions you may have.

Please remember your bus will board outside the administrative building right after school on Wednesday. Please head straight to the busses.

If you have any questions or concerns between now and then, please contact Assistant Principal Mrs. Klein at 650-354-8227 or [tklein@pausd.org](mailto:tklein@pausd.org).

Thank you!

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Subject: Gunn Counseling Update October 21

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Thanks for all of your support and see you soon.

Sincerely,

Tom Jacobowsky

Assistant Principal/Head of Counseling

Gunn High School

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10/22/2013	Escondido Elementary School	<p>Subject: Follow Science on Twitter/Siga a el club de ciencia en Twitter</p> <hr/> <p>Parents and Guardians of Escondido student scientists,</p> <p>Science surrounds our Escondido Students! Our PiE Funded Science Teacher, Mary Jo Ricci, has a new communication tool so we can share with you short updates (in 140 characters or less!) on science learning and teaching ongoing at Escondido. Introducing the Escondido Science Twitter account: <a href="https://twitter.com/EscondidoSci">https://twitter.com/EscondidoSci</a></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* Look for updates, pictures, video or links from the science lab, classrooms and special events.</li> <li>* You are not required to register with Twitter to see our twitter feed.</li> <li>* Access us from the science lab link on the Escondido website or by searching @EscondidoSci at twitter.com</li> <li>* If you do have a Twitter account, by all means request to follow us!</li> </ul> <p>Enjoy,  Dana Reynolds, M.Ed.  Principal, Escondido Elementary School</p> <p>La ciencia rodea a nuestros estudiantes de Escondido!</p> <p>Nuestra maestra de Ciencias, patrocinada por PIE, Mary Jo Ricci, tiene una nueva herramienta de comunicaci&amp;ocaron que nos permite compartir con ustedes actualizaciones cortas (en 140 caracteres o menos!), sobre la ense&amp;ntildeanza y el aprendizaje de las ciencias que se llevan a cabo en Escondido. Les presentamos la cuenta de Ciencias de Escondido en Twitter <a href="https://twitter.com/EscondidoSci">https://twitter.com/EscondidoSci</a></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* Busque noticias, fotos , videos o enlaces del laboratorio de ciencias, de las clases o de eventos especiales.</li> <li>* No es necesario que se registre con Twitter ver nuestra p&amp;acutegina.</li> <li>* Encu&amp;acutenrentenos desde el enlace del laboratorio de ciencias de la p&amp;acutegina de Escondido, o busc&amp;acutenndonos en @EscondidoSci at twitter.com</li> <li>* Y por supuesto, si usted tiene una cuenta en Twitter, solicite seguirnos!</li> </ul> <p>Diviertase,  Dana Reynolds, M.Ed.  Principal, Escondido Elementary School</p>
	Nixon Elementary School	Subject: information for B-4 parents

10/22/2013	Nixon Elementary School	<p>Dear Parents of B4 students,</p> <div style="border: 1px solid red; padding: 2px; display: inline-block;">Invasion of Privacy - Personnel matter (§ 6254c)</div> <p>I explained this to your students today and thanked them for their flexibility and cooperation. Mrs. Bianchini tried to arrange for one of her favorite guest teachers to teach all week but that was not possible. The very best guest teachers are often booked up weeks in advance. Mrs. Salazar who was with the children today will be back tomorrow and then on Thursday and Friday, Mrs. Smestad will teach them. I will check in across the week to see how things are going.</p> <p>Thank you for your support to your children in this situation. Please let me know if there is anything else that I might do to be helpful.</p> <p>Warm regards,</p> <p>Mary Pat O'Connell</p>
10/25/2013	Juana Briones Elementary School	<p>Subject: Harvest Festival/Great Gatherings- SATURDAY, 10/26</p> <hr/> <p>Dear Juana Briones Parents,</p> <p>Please join us tomorrow, Saturday October 26th, from 2:30-5:30 PM for Briones's annual Harvest Festival/ Great Gatherings Event!</p> <p>This is a great event. Thank you to all the parents who have been busy preparing for this great event. We still need volunteers, especially to help run the games and activities.</p> <p>Please click on the link below to sign up to help:</p> <p><a href="http://www.jooners.com/guest?l=67362468-f608-4933-925c-53e42b78cca5">http://www.jooners.com/guest?l=67362468-f608-4933-925c-53e42b78cca5</a></p> <p>Also, please mark your calendars for our next Principal's Coffee on Thursday, November 7th at 8:15 AM, right after drop off in the MP Room. The topic will be 2013 STAR Scores, Assessment Changes, and the Transition to Common Core.</p> <p>Thank you!</p>
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10/28/2013	El Carmelo Elementary	Subject: El Carmelo - Halloween Parade 10/31

10/28/2013

**El Carmelo  
Elementary**

A message about the Halloween Parade, Thursday, October 31 at 8:30am

We hold the parade at the start of school so that more parents can enjoy the festivities before heading off to work. It also makes it possible for parents to help their children get into their costumes at home and, hopefully, take the costumes home after the parade. Those students whose parents are not able to come should bring their school clothes in a bag to change into after the parade.

We ask that parents please consider the appropriateness of the costume for school. And specifically that the children do not bring toy guns or knives of any kind even as part of a costume.

Please let your child's teacher know if your family prefers not to celebrate Halloween. We will make sure they have an alternative to participation.

Sincerely,

Chuck Merritt cmerritt@pausd.org

**Henry M.  
Gunn High  
School**

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Health (All Grades)

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Halloween on Thursday (All Grades)

One of the fun annual traditions the counseling department does each year is the passing out of treats on Halloween during brunch and lunch. This Thursday, the tradition will continue as our counselors, some in costume, will be out and about.

## Daylight Savings Time Ends Sunday Morning (All Grades)

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Every counselor participates on a rotating basis and the response from counselors, students and parents has been very positive. Because of the success of "Counselor on Call" we have made it a permanent part of our counseling services.

#### Camp Everytown (9th and 10th graders)

This past week nearly 70 Gunn students participated at Camp Everytown. Along with the students, two members of our counseling department attended the four day camp held in the Santa Cruz Mountains. Gunn has been participating in Camp Everytown for nearly 15 years and it has been a powerful experience in getting students to connect and to understand each other better. Many thanks goes to Gunn Assistant Principal Trinity Klein for organizing the event and all the Gunn staff who joined Ms. Klein at the camp to help make it a powerful experience for everybody involved. If you have a freshmen or sophomore who might like to go next year or if you would like to learn more, please contact Ms. Klein at [tklein@pausd.org](mailto:tklein@pausd.org).

#### Support PiE (All Grades)

Thanks to all of you who have supported Partners in Education (PiE). The donations to PiE have helped many programs at Gunn including our counseling program. Your donations have made a difference for all Gunn students.

Thanks again for all of your support and see you soon.

Sincerely,

Tom Jacoubowsky

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Gunn High School

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10/30/2013

**Juana  
Briones  
Elementary  
School**

Subject: Halloween Tomorrow

Dear Juana Briones Families,

As you all know, Halloween is tomorrow. Children should arrive in the morning in costume if they choose to dress up. Although the Halloween Parade has been advertised to start at 8:30 AM, it probably won't start until about 8:40-8:45 AM. The parade will be on the blacktop in the upper grade wing. We ask that all parents stand behind the students during the parade.

Please make sure that costumes are school appropriate. Fake weapons are not allowed at school. I explained to the students earlier this week that there might be props for their costume that they could take out to trick or treating at night, but not bring to school.

Students will change out of their costumes by recess time. Make sure that students have a change of clothes. If it works with their costume, it's best if they can simply take off their costume and already have their clothes on underneath.

The Haunted House created by Gunn Robotics will be at our school tomorrow. Make sure to check it out.

Regards,

Lisa Hickey

Principal

**Nixon  
Elementary  
School**

Subject: Picture Day Notice - extension on discounted pricing

Please see the attached notice from iClickSmiles regarding an extension on discounted pricing for pictures.

Becky Brewer, Nixon Secretary



