

# Rosedell Tuesday Telegram

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## Just a reminder that tomorrow is an early release day - 1:44pm dismissal

#### PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

AMGEN BIKE TOUR AND MINIMUM DAY – IMPORTANT!! Parents, the entire Saugus Union School District will have a MINIMUM DAY on Tuesday, May 14<sup>th</sup> due to the 2013 AMGEN Tour of California. We will be dismissing students at 12:30pm at Rosedell. Bouquet Canyon will be closed at 2:30-4pm for the bicyclists for the "Stage 3 Finish." "Stage 4 Start" will begin on May 15<sup>th</sup> from Town Center Drive. Attached are the flyers with all the road closures on May 14<sup>th</sup> and May 15<sup>th</sup>. Please ensure that your babysitters, and afterschool childcare providers (ie. Teddy U, TaeKwonDo, Montesorri, LaPetite, etc.) are made aware. We will send reminders out. Please see attached flyers for more information.

**STAR Testing:** Dear Parents, Students and teachers continue to work on the California Content Standards for each grade level and are making great strides. Our students are demonstrating their knowledge and competence in the classroom daily. Coming up next week our 2<sup>nd</sup> through 6<sup>th</sup> grade students will be participating in the statewide STAR testing.

# The following is our California STAR testing window:

- April 30th Practice Test (2nd-4th)
- May 1st May 10th Testing in the morning, Make-up tests on Fridays

## How to Help Your Child Succeed on Standardized and District End-of-the-Year Tests

Students throughout California take standardized tests to determine academic progress and mastery of state standards. These scores and the scores they receive on the Saugus District End-of-the-Year tests become part of the students' cumulative record.

At school, teachers have based their curriculum on the state adopted curriculum standards and content frameworks. Instruction has been rigorous and has also incorporated test-taking strategies to better prepare students for the testing situations.

As parents, you play a vital role in helping your child succeed in testing situations and can help make your child's test-taking experience a successful one. Following are some suggestions:

Put your child at ease and let them know that feelings of nervousness or anxiety are normal.

- Be aware of the specific days tests will be given. Ask your child how the testing sessions are going and offer encouragement.
- Stress the importance of listening to test directions and following those carefully. Provide practice activities at home such as reading and answering questions about a story, practice math facts etc.
- Make sure your child goes to bed early every night and at the same time every night, especially during the testing window period. Encourage healthy eating, rest and exercise.
- Make sure your child is at school and on time for each day of testing. **Testing begins at 8:30am and students who arrive later than 8:20 will be sent to a primary classroom.**These tardy students will have to make up the test section separately.
- Provide a good breakfast before coming to school.

### TIMELINE FOR END OF YEAR TESTING:

STAR Practice test for  $2^{nd}$ - $6^{th}$  grades

April 30th

STAR Testing window for 2<sup>nd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> grades

May 1st -14th

STAR Science test for 5th

May 8th -9th

STAR P.E. test for 5<sup>th</sup>

Completed by May 29th

• Testing dates determined by grade level

Writing Prompts: All students K-6

May 2<sup>nd</sup>-23<sup>rd</sup>

End of Year District Math Assessment (K & 1st only)

• Testing dates determined by each teacher in May

End of Year English Language Arts Assessment (K & 1st only)

Testing dates determined by each teacher in May

Reading Fluency Rate (all K-3, select students in 4-5th)

Testing dates determined by each teacher in May

ADEPT for English Learners (K-6 ELs who are below Advanced in CELDT)

• May 1st -31st

Arroyo Seco Math Placement Test (6th Grade)

• Completed by May 17<sup>th</sup>

The STAR testing is designed to measure student's understanding of grade level content standards. The California Department of Education provides information, FAQ's, and sample questions for upcoming STAR tests in mathematics and reading/language arts. Please take a few minutes to review the resources available to you at: http://starsamplequestions.org/index.html

<u>Lost and Found:</u> Parents, we have **many** lunch pails, jackets, sweaters, gloves, backpacks and many more clothing items in our Lost and Found. We always encourage the students to visit the lost and found before school and during all our recesses so we can get materials back to parents. We will start bringing the materials out to the front of the school during dismissal in the next few weeks. Please visit our lost and found after school by our MPR to find your children's expensive jackets, pails and sweaters! Thanks!

**Spring Fundraiser:** Thank you to all who participated in our spring fundraiser. The money raised will be helping to support our Rosedell library! For those of you that had back-ordered Love Bag products, as soon as it is delivered to the school, it will be distributed to your child's classroom. If you have any questions, please call Jodi Osburn at 805 279-7100 or by email at jodisplace@sbcglobal.net. Sorry for the inconvenience.

<u>The Results Are In!....</u>The laps have been run,,,, and the winners of this year's Running with Rosie Joga-Thon are:

**Top Lap Runners** – Kobe S. (6<sup>th</sup> grade Mrs. Kubasak) 17, Pedro M. (5<sup>th</sup> grade Mrs. Hutt) 16, Kyle R. (6<sup>th</sup> grade Mrs. Kubasak) 15 and Alan S. (4<sup>th</sup> grade Mrs. Dawkins) 15. Each will receive a gold medal.

Congratulations to everyone who participated! Together you ran more than 5,400 laps (1,350 miles)!

Thanks again to all the volunteers how helped out and all the parents who were there to cheer our Roadrunners on!

We're still counting all the pledges and will have those results next week. If you haven't turned in your pledges yet, please do so ASAP.

## **Dates To Remember**

April 30	PTA Association Meeting – 8:15am – MPR			
	Site Council Meeting – 4:30pm			
April 30-May 16	STAR Testing window for grades 2 <sup>nd</sup> – 6 <sup>th</sup>			
May 9	Band Performance – 7:00pm – MPR			
May 10	Hawaiian Day			
May 14	Minimum Day – 12:30pm dismissal			
	Awards Assembly 1 <sup>st</sup> & 2 <sup>nd</sup> – 8:20am – MPR			
May 15	Awards Assembly 3 <sup>rd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> – 8:20am – MPR			
May 16	Awards Assembly 5 <sup>th</sup> & 6 <sup>th</sup> – 8:20am – MPR			
	Awards Assembly Kindergarten – 12:00pm – MPR			
	Minimum Day – 12:30pm dismissal for all grades			
	Open House – 6:30-7:30pm			
May 17	BMX Assembly $-K-3^{rd}-8:20am$ , $4^{th}-6^{th}-9:25am$			
May 20	Colonial Day for 5 <sup>th</sup> grade			
	Mrs. Haas' class to CLWA			
May 21	Mrs. Haas & Mrs. Mike on SCV Tour			
	Mrs. Stanzione's class to CLWA			
	Ms. Dickinson's class to Albertsons			
May 23	Ancient Civilization Day for 6 <sup>th</sup> grade			
	Mrs. Mike's class to CLWA			
	Mrs. Stanzione's 3 <sup>rd</sup> graders & Mrs. Stewart's class on SCV Tour			
	Parent Appreciation Tea			
May 24	No School – Furlough Day			
May 27	No School – Memorial Day			
May 28	Soup Plantation Night – More information to come			
	PTA Association Meeting – 8:15am – MPR			
	Site Council Meeting – 4:30pm			
May 30	Musical – 6:00pm – MPR			
May 31	Musical – 6:00pm – MPR			
June 1	Musical – 12:00pm - MPR			