

LOVE LEARN LEAD

Dear Families,

We have a full week of learning ahead. Mark your calendars, we are off next week for a well-earned break for our scholars. Please come to the PA meeting this week and pay special thanks to our teachers who make all of this happen. Valentines day is a real holiday at Presentation, dress accordingly:)

Thank you to our amazing PA for hosting a very fun and successful dance this Friday. Keep your eyes peeled for the Mother/Son event to come.

See you Monday,

**Scott Parker** 

## - Save the Date -

**February 12th- PA Meeting** 

February 14th- Valentines Day, wear your Valentines Colors

**February 17th-21st- Winter Break** 

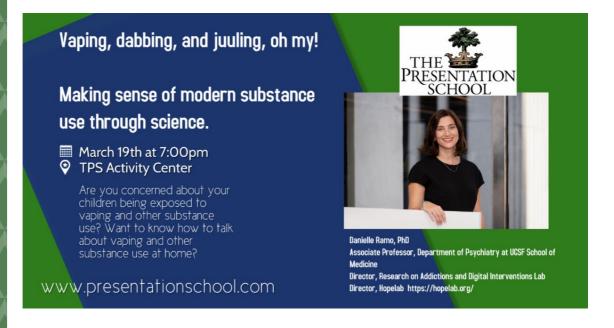
February 24th (New Date)- State of the School (8:30am and 6:00pm)

**This Week in Sports** 



### New Date! Save the Date

Monday, February 24th 8:30am and 6:00pm



our little school raised over \$1,500 for the Port Macquarie Koala Hospital! The girls \$700+ was hard to beat so they will have a non-uniform day in the future.

Great job by all and the real winners are the koalas! Thank you for your participation!





Many of our second grade girls, along with girls from other area schools, belong to a local Girl Scout troop. They will be selling Girl Scout cookies after school on Friday, February 14th. Please consider stocking up on those Thin Mints and Caramel deLites while supporting these young leaders!





### Barbie Robinson. MPP. JD - Director

Celeste Philip, MD, MPH - Health Officer

February 5, 2020

Dear Administrators, Teachers, Staff, and Parents:

The Sonoma Department of Health Services (DHS) is working closely with other Bay Area health departments, the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) to closely monitor the 2019 novel coronavirus.

At this time, residents of the Bay Area are still at low risk of becoming infected with coronavirus, unless they have recently traveled to Wuhan or have come in close contact with someone who was ill who recently traveled in that area. So far there are 11 confirmed cases of coronavirus in the United States, of which six are in California: two people in Santa Clara County, two people in San Benito County, one person in Los Angeles County and one person in Orange County.

Last week the U.S. Secretary of Health and Human Services announced that beginning February 3, all American passengers arriving to the U.S. from mainland China will be screened and placed in mandatory quarantine centers for up to 14 days. All flights arriving to the U.S. from China will be funneled to eleven airports, including San Francisco International (SFO), where enhanced screening and triage activities will be conducted. All U.S. airlines with flights to China have voluntarily suspended services.

When new viruses surface, there can be lots of anxiety and stress. It's important to stay informed. We acknowledge the impact that this outbreak is having on our community, and on those who have friends or relatives who are affected. We are thinking of you.

#### What you need to know

 Any child or staff member who recently traveled from China should stay home from school and school activities for 14 days after they left China.

Please note that the risk of exposure to this new coronavirus in China is increasing over time. The recommendation to exclude students from school is effective Monday, February 3, 2020. Persons who have arrived from China prior to February 3, 2020 are at lower risk and do not need to be excluded.

In the unusual event that a child or staff member is identified who

- recently traveled from mainland China, AND
- · has symptoms of respiratory illness, such as fever and cough,

that person should be provided a surgical mask to wear, sent home, and the school should immediately contact the Sonoma County Disease Control Unit at (707) 565-4567.

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At this time, there is low risk to residents of California from novel coronavirus, but schools can take common-sense precautions to prevent the spread of all infectious diseases. These precautions will be also helpful to prevent the spread of other common illness such as influenza and gastroenteritis.

- Encourage students and staff to stay home when they are sick.
  - o Those who have a fever at school should go home and stay home until at least 24 hours after they no longer have a fever without the use of fever-reducing medicine.
  - o Separate sick students and staff from others, ideally in a separate place, until they can be picked up to go home.
- · Promote hand hygiene among students and staff through education, scheduled time for handwashing, and availability of soap and water or hand sanitizer.
- Avoid touching your face, particularly your eyes, nose, and mouth.
- Teach and encourage proper cough etiquette—cough or sneeze into a tissue, sleeve, or arm (do not use hands).
- Perform routine surface cleaning.
- Consider not attending large gatherings, as this is where cold, flu, and other respiratory viruses often spread
- · Get your annual flu shot, which is the best way to protect you from flu; influenza still kills thousands of people in the US every year.

Finally, the response to coronavirus is evolving quickly, and we are learning more daily. DHS has a webpage dedicated to novel coronavirus at <a href="mailto:sonomacounty.ca.gov/Novel-Coronavirus-Identified/">sonomacounty.ca.gov/Novel-Coronavirus-Identified/</a>; we will keep the webpage updated as we know more. We will monitor the developing situation and inform you of any additional public health recommendations.

Sincerely,

Celeste Philip, MD, MPH Health Officer, County of Sonoma

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