# **CHEETAH CHATTER**

Chet F. Harritt STEAM School Principal's Newsletter





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Ted Hooks, Principal

#### **HEADING INTO 2023**

I have never been a person for New Year's resolutions. Now that I have said that, I also know that there is a sense of a fresh start in a New Year. There's a lot of potential ahead, and I *do* like the idea making the most of the year ahead.

I hope that you and your family have an opportunity to take advantage of the potential we find in each day this year. I hope you find a moment to show or receive kindness each day. I hope you see the wonder and things to learn in the amazing, complicated world around us. I we all have a chance to laugh and learn together in 2023.



Whatever it may be, 2023 has the potential for all of us to see and do amazing things. Here's to a terrific year!

Thank you, and I'll see you in the halls.

Sincerely, Ted Hooks

#### CHESS CLUB IS BACK FOR 2023!

Many students have been enjoying Chess Club after school on Fridays.

Pacific Hills Chess Academy is returning to Chet for Winter Session on Fridays from now until March 17.

See flyers for details.



#### Friday Chess Classes: Grades 1-8

\*1:40/2:05-3:05 pm Room #15

Winter Session January 6 - March 17

Everyone welcome: Beginners to Advanced!!

Chess is a great workout for the mind utilizing continuous problem-solving with changing conditions. Students learn to think ahead, evaluate multiple alternatives and anticipate consequences. They improve spatial reasoning, visual memory and attention span while learning good judgment, reasoning power and self-confidence. Studies show that chess improves cognitive thinking which, in turn, improves school grades!



Former San Diego Chess Club President, Ron Rezendes and staff have over 25 years' experience teaching chess in schools throughout San Diego. The program, dubbed "The Evans Method" by the United States Chess Federation, includes instruction, formal and casual play. Students receive prizes at the end of each class to reward positive participation and trophies or medals at the end of each session. The program (once featured on The Tonight Show) has produced national champions at every scholastic level.

## Fridays \*1:40/2:05-3:05PM • Jan 13, 20, 27 Feb 3, 10, 17, 24 Mar 3, 10, 17

Chet F. Harritt: Fridays 1:40/2:05-3:05PM Register for the Winter Session (11 classes), complete the form bring a check/MO for \$120.00 payable to: Ron Rezendes, to the first class, or sign up online on our website: http://www.pacifichillschessacademy.com/sign-up-online/ Choose local payment method if paying by cash/check/money order.

\*Students dismissed at 1:35 go to chess and will be joined by students released later at 2:00.

| Child's Name  | Grade          | Home Phone | Work Phone   |
|---------------|----------------|------------|--------------|
| Parent's Name | Street Address | <i></i>    | ail Zip Code |

619-630-7667 ◊ www.PacificHillsChessAcademy.com

CHET NIGHT AT THE SAN DIEGO SOCKERS THIS SUNDAY



Did you know that one of Chet's teachers, Miss Zobel, who teaches a 1-2 combination class will be singing the National Anthem at the San Diego Sockers game this Sunday on January 8?

PTA did some last minute work, and you can buy tickets at this <u>special link</u> using the code: CHET.

We know it's last minute, but if you're able, we know you'd love to cheer her on and watch a great game!

#### GRADES 4-8 BUTTER BRAID FUNDRAISER STARTS MONDAY

Students in grades 4-8 will be able to raise funds with our next fundraiser, Butter Braid. It will begin January 9, so be looking for information when we return from Winter Break.

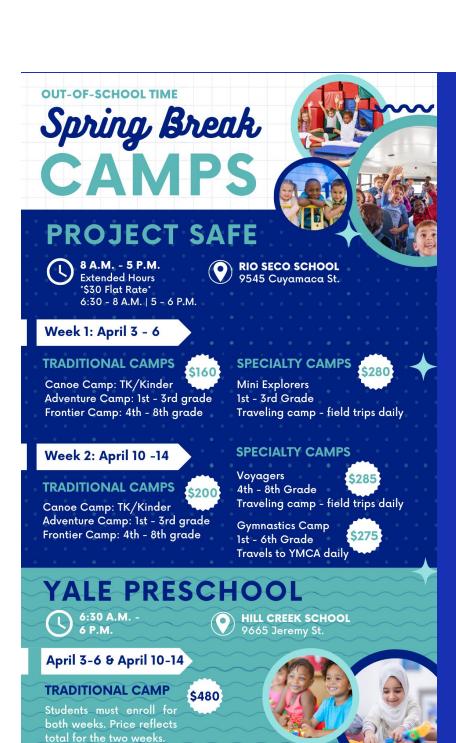
Funds raised are used for Sixth Grade Camp, as well as end of the year activities in grades 7 and 8. It's a simple way to put money in your child's name to offset the costs of these big events.



## SPRING BREAK CAMP REGISTRATION OPEN

The Out-of-School Time Programs department is offering traditional and specialty Spring Break camps for preschool through 8th grade.

Visit <u>santeesd.net/OSTP</u> for more information. Space is limited, so sign up soon!



REGISTER THROUGH EZCHILDTRACK

Santee School District | 619.258.2369 | santeesd.net/OSTP

### REMINDER: PARENT PRESENTATION AT RIO SECO MULTIPURPOSE ROOM JANUARY 19

There is childcare available for this event. You can learn more by clicking <u>HERE</u> for the flyer or just click below to register!

# Tips for Parents in the Digital Age

Join us January 19 at 6 p.m. to learn about technology trends and how to keep our kids safe.

Free childcare will be available.

Click to Register!





# REMINDER: 8TH GRADE FAMILIES SCHOOL CHOICE FOR HIGH SCHOOL IS OPEN NOW!

If your child is planning to attend high school in the Grossmont High School District next year, the window is now open (Dec. 1-Feb. 28) for requesting School Choice (attending a school that is not within your address boundary) and for general registration click here for more information on how to complete the School Choice Requests, and more information about the <u>Grossmont High School Boundaries</u>.

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

January 8 Chet Night at the Sockers

January 9 Butter Braid Fundrasier Begins (grades 4-8)

January 16 Martin Luther King, Jr. Day (NO SCHOOL)

January 24 Butter Braid Fundraiser Ends

January 25 Engineering Family STEAM Night

February 13 Lincoln's Day (NO SCHOOL)

February 20 Washington's Day (NO SCHOOL)

February 28 School Choice for High School Closes (8th gr)

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