



# CHEETAH CHATTER

Chet F. Harritt STEAM School Principal's Newsletter

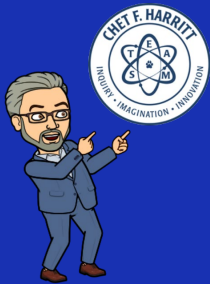


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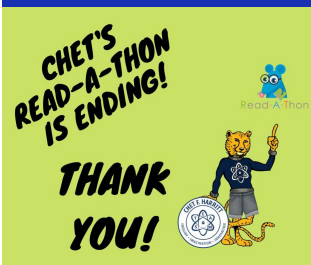
## READ-A-THON CELEBRATION



Ted Hooks, Principal

For the second week in a row, I want to share my appreciation to our Chet students and community. Today we are wrapping up our Read-A-Thon and fundraiser while celebrating Read Across America Week.

As a fundamental academic skill, reading is intricately connected to learning. Finding ways to celebrate reading reinforces the joy that skill can bring, however it doesn't just bring joy. A skilled reader has opportunities available to them that create infinite possibilities in life.



This year's Read-A-Thon showed that our Chet readers engaged in reading over the last ten days for *hundreds of thousands of minutes*. As of this writing, we have 290,176 minutes in ten days of reading. Incredible! That number will increase throughout this evening until we officially end today.

On the fundraising side of the Read-A-Thon, support has been enthusiastic. We have received over \$10,500 in donations. Which means our school will receive nearly \$8,000 toward playground equipment and improvements. Donations will also continue to be accepted today until the Read-A-Thon ends, and we are thankful for the generosity shown!

Important: If your child participated in fundraising, they have earned "Rat Bucks" to spend in their online prize store. Please be sure your child goes online and chooses their prizes immediately. The online prize store will close in the next few days.

We have so much to be proud of!

Thank you, and I will see you in the halls.

Sincerely,  
Ted Hooks

## STEM EXPO AT PETCO PARK TOMORROW

We know it's last-minute, but we wanted to be sure you knew that TOMORROW there is a free STEM Expo at Petco Park, organized by [LoveStemSD.org](https://www.LoveStemSD.org). If you don't have plans, it's been a terrific event in the past. This is their first return to Petco Park since 2020!

Click [HERE](#) or on the image to go to the event webpage. There is no registration required!





This is a day to join your child for a picnic style lunch on the lower field and explore their classroom for Open House.

Remember, it's **March 31**. That is the Friday before Spring Break!

## LOST AND FOUND IS FULL!

Our Lost and Found is still bursting with jackets and other misplaced items.

Please encourage your child to check the Lost and Found. It is located just inside the main gates in front of the Office. Parents are also welcome to check!

**Unclaimed items will be donated to those in need March 17,**  
but don't wait! Check now!



## PARENT PRESENTATION AT RIO SECO SCHOOL



Santee School District Presents:

# CYBERBULLYING

Sexting, Sextortion, and Online Predators



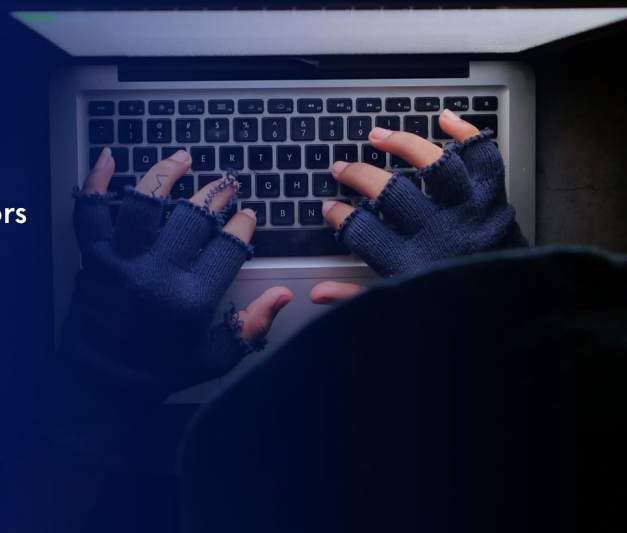
March 6 @ 6 p.m.



Rio Seco School



Free Childcare Available



Join the Santee School District for a parent presentation on Cyberbullying: Sexting, Sextortion, and Online Predators. This free event will take place March 6 at 6 p.m. at Rio Seco. The San Diego Internet Crimes Against Children (SDICAC) Task Force will share what is currently happening in our city, what prevention measures to take, and the available resources if their child becomes a victim. Free childcare will be available for TK – 8th grade children. Register at [bit.ly/3XA30E3](https://bit.ly/3XA30E3).



## REMINDER: CHET NIGHT WITH THE GULLS

The Chet PTA has an exciting family fun event on the horizon. On Saturday, March 11, the Gulls will be playing against Henderson. A Gulls Tailgating event will start prior to the game at 4pm. Doors open at 6pm with the game starting at 7pm. This game is a giveaway night -reversible bucket hats (while supplies last).

There are a few surprises that the PTA have planned throughout the evening. Chet PTA will be selling tickets through an online link only. The online link will be open from Feb 1 until March 9. There will be an Information and Chet gear table every Wednesday in February (Feb 1, Feb 8, Feb 15, and Feb 22) at the main gate. To help us create a sea of Chet Blue, the PTA table will have Chet Gear for sale by cashless sales and preorders. If you have any questions, please feel free to come to the table or email the event chairperson, Kimberli Crook [kimberlipta@gmail.com](mailto:kimberlipta@gmail.com). There will also be discounted Gulls snapback hats and Gulls Logo scarfs available as add-ons with your online ticket purchases. <https://fevo.me/3zYO0Xr>



### Section T11

Standard Ticket **\$20.00**

Ticket with Hat **\$24.00**

Ticket with Scarf **\$26.00**

Ticket with Hat & Scarf  
**\$30.00**

## UPCOMING EVENTS

- |            |                                      |
|------------|--------------------------------------|
| March 4    | STEM Expo at Petco Park              |
| March 6    | Cyberbullying Parent Education Night |
| March 11   | Chet Night at the Gulls              |
| March 31   | Lunch on the Lawn/Open House         |
| April 3-14 | Spring Break                         |

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