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Up-Coming in October

Monday, October 3rd
NO SCHOOL

Friday, October 7th
Coffee With the Principal - 8:15AM,
Staff Lounge

Wednesday, October 12th
NO SCHOOL

Wednesday, October 19th
Booster Club Meeting - 8:15AM, Staff
Lounge

Thursday, October 20th
ELAC Meeting 8:15 AM, Staff Lounge
SSC/LEARN Meeting, 2:45P
Food Truck Night, 5:00 PM

Friday, October 28th
HALLOWEEN HURRAH 5:30P

Principal's News

Dear Clover Families,
In August, a note sent home to parents by a teacher in Fort Worth, Texas describing a new "no homework" policy ignited a social media response about the value of doing any school work at home. Over the past few weeks, the teachers and I have been engaged

in stimulating and reflective conversations regarding homework. The endless debate over homework in American schools is perhaps best summarized by homework researcher Harris Cooper, who noted that "Homework controversies follow a 30-year cycle, with outcries for more homework or less homework occurring about 15 years apart." After reading "Developing a Comprehensive Homework Policy", a two-year study of homework practices that has produced a policy that balances the needs of students, parents, and teachers we worked in grade levels to answer several core questions. The responses from each grade level showed a remarkable level of consistency within each grade level as well as throughout the school. Our discussions also correlated with the results of the study. Here are some of our findings:

- The purposes of homework are to practice newly taught skills, review previously mastered skills, develop independent study habits, or to extend and enrich the curriculum.
- Homework should be related to the curriculum in the classroom
- The recommended homework time limits per day Monday - Thursday:

Kindergarten:	10 minutes
1 st Grade:	15 minutes
2 nd Grade:	20 minutes
3 rd Grade:	30 minutes
4 th Grade:	40 minutes
5 th Grade:	50 minutes

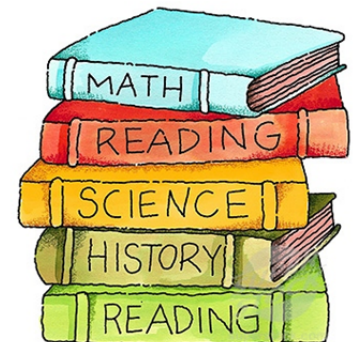
*If your child is struggling to complete the homework in the

recommended time, please have your child stop and let the teacher know.

Grade levels have reviewed their homework content and many grade levels have made adjustments to further align their assignments with our homework goals and purposes.

Lastly, we are aware that there needs to be an understanding that flexibility is a critical element in any successful homework program, and with that in mind, we at Clover need to be prepared to respond to the ever-changing needs of students and society.

Warm Wishes,
Sharon Fabian



From Your Booster Club

HAPPY FALL EVERYONE!

Believe it or not, now in October, we are well into this new school year! We are so excited to see that, true to Clover form, we have such amazing support from our families – new and old! Thank you to those of you who volunteered at our Book Fair to help make it a success. And a

huge thanks to our Book Fair coordinators, Toni and Stefka, who ran a hugely successful and flawless fundraiser for Clover! None of our fundraisers would be successful without our entire community. It takes dedicated coordinators, numerous volunteers, and, of course, our families to do that! So thank you! I hope everyone enjoyed our Friday Night at the Book Fair! It is always such a great night of community to share a meal together and listen to our awesome Clover teachers read to the students. It is a night we look forward to each school year and this year didn't disappoint!

Soon you will start hearing more about many volunteer opportunities with our famed Annual Halloween Hurrah at the end of this month. Our Hurrah is a fantastic and much loved event and is really more fun than it is work! So please respond to the requests of needing more volunteers. I encourage all of you to invite not only your own families to come for a wonderful evening, but also your friends and neighbors to join in the fun on Friday October 28th.

I can't wait to see you all there!

Clover Avenue Booster Club



COMING SOON! Clover's Halloween Hurrah

Join us for our Annual Halloween Hurrah on Friday, October 28th from 5:30-8:30pm. This will be a fun evening for the entire family, filled with games, food, a haunted house, a video game bus, and our all new Fantastic Patrick Circus show! Ticket sales for the show and event games will be on sale the week before the event. Raffle sales will begin October 6th.

THE HALLOWEEN HURRAH RAFFLE

This October look for an envelope in your child's folder, containing 20 tickets for your child to sell. Need more tickets? We have them available in the library and front office. Top raffle sellers have a chance to win great prizes including cash prizes, tickets to Disneyland, a Fujifilm Instax Camera, a backpack and much more. Those who purchase raffle tickets have an opportunity to win cash prizes: 1st Place-\$500, 2nd Place- \$250, 3rd Place \$100, and 4th Place \$50 (3 winners). For more information, visit <http://www.cloveraveschool.org/raffle>

VOLUNTEER SIGN UP

The Halloween hurrah is our biggest event at Clover and we need your help to make the event a success. There are hundreds of positions to fill, including set-up, break-down, game booth staffing, and ticket sales. To sign up go to www.cloveraveschool.org and click volunteer.

This event is open to the entire community. Come as you are or in costume and feel free to invite your friends. We look forward to having everyone come!



Halloween Hurrah Grub!

Please keep an eye out for your Halloween Hurrah Food Order Form with detailed information! We will be offering dinner, drinks and desserts. As in previous years we will be pre-selling tickets for the evening, as we get closer to the event. Have questions? Email Maria Fields at: mfieldmft@sbcglobal.net.

October Restaurant Fundraiser



Join us for a "Day at Marie Callender's". On Thursday, October 13th from 7 am to 10 pm, Marie Callender's West LA will donate 20% of your purchase to Clover Ave Booster Club. Look out for the flyer in your child's

folder or download it from our website and just present our flyer to your server when you order. Dine-in, Take-out or get a whole pie! 11324 National Blvd, just west of Sawtelle. [310-478-0347](tel:310-478-0347). Hope to see you there.

Coffee With The Principal



You're invited to come have a cup of coffee with Mrs. Fabian on October 7th at 8:15am in the staff lounge! Please come with questions and discussion topics pertaining to Clover as a whole because this is time set aside for you! We are looking forward to seeing you!



EARNING 4 LEARNING

Earn 1,000 Points Submit a receipt in September & October

Your school earns 1,000 points for each person that submits a valid receipt for purchases made September 1 - October 31. *Bonus points apply to Earning 4*

Learning school points, not your Westfield Rewards points.

48 Stores and Restaurants Now Open

Click [here for a directory](#). Including: *Bloomington's, The Container Store, Microsoft, Apple, H&M, BreadBar, Obica, Toscanova, Gulfstream, RockSugar Pan Asian Kitchen, AMC Century City 15, and more!*

To submit receipts and credit your school, bring receipts to the Guest Services desk within 7 days of purchase, or [submit them online](#) within 14 days. **Be sure to give Guest Services your school name, or Pick Partner when adding points to your account.** Please note that Guest Services is now located on Level 1 below AMC Theatres, near Yogurtland.

Parking Benefits

Receive parking validation
Spend \$100 or more on same day purchases and receive all day self-park validation at Guest Services. Spend \$750 or more on same day purchases and receive all day valet validation at Guest Services.

Each participating school earns \$250 to \$3,000. Learn more at the [Earning 4 Learning website](#).

Coming in November

Diwali Program

Friday, November 4th

Come and celebrate Diwali at the Palms-Rancho Park Branch

Library! Program includes enjoying authentic Indian food, henna tattoos, Rangoli (traditional Indian folk art), stories and a children's dance performance to traditional Indian music. Children and parents are encouraged to come dressed in their traditional clothes. Cupcakes will also be served. We will also display many children's books on Indian culture and languages.