

— October 2025 —

Montecito News



UPCOMING DATES:

October 2 - Picture Day!

October 10 - Popcorn Day fundraiser – order popcorn through Munch a Lunch

October 13 - Thanksgiving schools are closed

October 16 - “Great Shake Out”. We will have an earthquake drill, and practice what to do in the event of an actual earthquake.

October 21 - Photo retakes

October 24 - Professional Development Day – schools are closed

October 27 – School Wide Pumpkin Patch!

October 28 - Family Photo Night! More information to come.

October 31 - Halloween

Dear Montecito Families,

Happy October! Fall is here, and with it comes crisp mornings, colourful leaves, and many exciting events at our school. Thank you for your continued support in making Montecito a safe, welcoming, and engaging place for all students.

HALLOWEEN CELEBRATIONS

On Friday, October 31, students are welcome to wear costumes for Halloween. Please remember:

- No weapons or overly scary costumes.
- Consider comfortable footwear for safety.

Classroom teachers may also plan activities to mark the day, so stay tuned for information from classroom teachers.



LEARNING HIGHLIGHTS



Orange Shirt Day Reflection - On September 25, our school gathered for Orange Shirt Day to reflect on the importance of "Every Child Matters." Students engaged in meaningful discussions and activities to deepen their understanding of truth and reconciliation, and we participated in a school wide walk and assembly.

REMINDERS

Lost & Found: The lost and found is quickly filling up! Please remind your child to check for any missing items. All unclaimed items will be donated to a local charity.

Attendance: If your child will be absent, kindly notify the school office. Regular attendance plays an important role in your child's success, and arriving on time helps everyone start the day smoothly. Late arrivals can be disruptive to the class, so we appreciate your efforts in helping your child get to school promptly.

Dress for the Weather: We practice "west coast recess" and go outdoors rain or shine! Please have your children dress for the weather. An extra set of clothes left at school is also a great idea!

Many classes are weaving in social-emotional learning by encouraging kindness, resilience, and a growth mindset in every classroom.





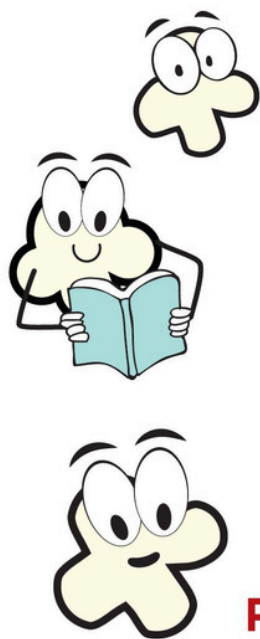
We respectfully remind all members of our community to observe the speed limits and exercise caution when driving through school zones.

Recent observations have highlighted unsafe conditions before and after school, putting our students at risk. Children closely observe the behavior of adults and learn from our actions.

By driving responsibly, we set a positive example and help ensure the safety of all students and families.

Thank you for your attention and cooperation.

PAC Treat Day - Friday, October 10th
PAC Treat Day - Thursday, November 20th



POPCORN FOR BOOKS



Proceeds go to buying new classroom books!

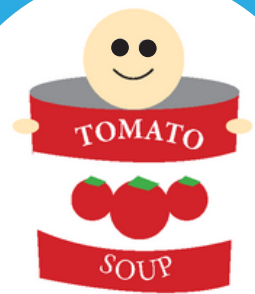
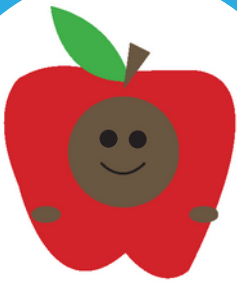
PRE-ORDER ONLY!

Log in to MunchaLunch and click "PAC Treat Day" in the menu bar to pre-order your child \$2 snack-sized bags of popcorn. **Sorry, no cash sales.**

Orders due by the **Wednesday** of that week!



Keeping Costumes Fun



You can be creative and have fun without causing harm.

Culture is not a costume,
such as: Indigenous regalia.

Race is not a costume,
such as: black or brown face.

Religious faith is not a costume,
such as: religious figures.

A harmful stereotype is not a costume,
such as: mocking gender.

Trauma is not a costume,
such as: weapons.

Happy Halloween!