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Hello Bowditch Community,

Please see below for this week's updates.

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WHAT'S NEW?

SMFCSD NEWS

SEDAC Meeting - The next Special Education District Advisory Committee (SEDAC) meeting is on Tuesday, June 9, 2020 from 7:00pm-8:30pm. Please click the link below to join the webinar: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85231442784>. For more details, please refer to the [SMFCSD website](#).

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BOWDITCH NEWS

Student Materials Return/Pick up Reminder - This week, **Monday, June 8 through Friday June 12** students have been given a time to return items, clean out lockers etc... Please see the [schedule and instructions here](#). The schedule is by LAST name.

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Please review this information. We would like a parent to accompany their student, and please bring a bag or sack to carry items you want to bring home from your locker/PE locker. We will be following strict social distancing protocols, all students and parents must wear a mask, and follow the directions of staff on site to facilitate a smooth and quick return of items.

Please note, we are ONLY collecting chromebooks from 8th graders. Any 8th graders who need their device to participate in the promotion, may keep it until the 17th - we will have a special drop off time after the promotion.

Thank you, we look forward to seeing you this week! Ms. Morgan and Mr. Bowers

Library Books - Reminder - Library Books should be returned this week during your scheduled materials return time slot. You can check your library account by going to Follett Destiny.

1. Go to smfcsd.follettdestiny.com
2. Click on "Middle Schools," and this drops down a menu of schools. Click on your school's name.
3. Click on "Log In" in the upper right-hand corner.
 - a. User Name is your Google user name **WITHOUT the @smfcsd.me**.
 - b. Password is your Google password.
4. Click on the "My Info" tab to see your library account and see what books you have checked out (library books and/or math textbooks).

Please e-mail Ms. Alfonso at jalfonso@smfc.k12.ca.us if you have any questions about your library account. Tutorial to get onto Destiny: https://drive.google.com/file/d/1FUYYV_s94JbBpUynkrKzwD1p2gt0jRHdC/view?usp=sharing

Bowditch's Digital Talent Show - Wow! Thank you to everyone who participated in our Virtual Talent Show. Students, check out [this link](#) to see the entries!

We are all stuck in our own homes and going crazy, how do you think life would be if you were stuck away from home on a cruise ship? All Bowditch students and staff are invited to ***Intermediate Drama's live performance on Friday June 12 at 2:00pm on Google Meet*** (Students should be logged into their Bowditch accounts and use [this link](#)) Log in to see how isolation plays with people's minds.

Get a sneak peek of our show through the teaser using [this link](#). Be sure to fill out [this linked form](#) regarding our show afterward, as our performers don't want to miss out on the audiences' reactions.

Yearbooks - Due to COVID19 restrictions, the factory that prints the yearbooks was closed. They are just now starting printing again. Unfortunately this means that Bowditch will not receive the 2019-2020 yearbooks until sometime late in the summer. Yearbooks will be distributed (either in person or by mail) at the start of the 2020-2021 school year. We apologize for this unavoidable delay and thank-you for your patience. Yearbooks can still be [purchased online here](#) through Jostens.



8th Grade Updates -

8th Grade Virtual Promotion - Save the date of **Wednesday, June 17th** for 8th Grade Virtual Promotion. Details will be sent by Ms. Morgan later this week.

8th Grade Promotion Slide - We would like to include a slide show of personalized slides from each 8th grader for our virtual promotion. Please create **ONE** google slide with your name, a photo or two, a favorite quote, and/or a memory from Bowditch. You are welcome to be creative, but remember it needs to be appropriate for school. Please do not include any animations or music, as we will have music included in the presentation. This is voluntary, however, I hope we will have participation from everyone!! Once your slide is ready, please submit it in the google classroom that has been created for the 8th grade promotion using **google classroom code: tgmgaq3** to access the class, and submit your slide to Mr. Umberger. The slides are **due WEDNESDAY, JUNE 10.**

Have fun making the slides, and I hope you are all well, and getting excited to promote to high school! Please let Ms. Morgan or Mr. Umberger know if you have any questions or problems sharing the slides with him. Thank you!! Ms. Morgan

8th Grade Promotion Refunds - Refund checks for money paid during OSS have been mailed. Your prompt deposit of the check is much appreciated so that we can complete our accounting prior to the end of June. Please email bowditchclassof2020@gmail.com. with any questions.

8th Grade Panoramic Photo - The 8th Grade Class took a Panoramic Photo in January. If you have already ordered a photo, please know that Lifetouch could not mail them out due to Shelter in Place requirements. You can expect to receive your photo once Lifetouch has reopened. This photo will be in the Bowditch Yearbook, but if you are interested in purchasing a copy separately you can still call Lifetouch customer service at 1-800-736-4753 and place an order for a copy over the phone.

Hillsdale High School Bound Students - Please "Save the Date" for these virtual **Principal Coffee Chat's** and join other new parents to meet HHS administrators, counselors and learn more about the school and Foundation. Information session to be followed by smaller breakout Q & A groups via zoom. They will be held on **Tuesday, June 10th at 5:30 PM** and **Thursday, June 11th at 8:30 AM**. More details can be found on the Hillsdale High School website along with Zoom login information.

Also, if you are not getting the **Hillsdale Knights Bulletin**, please [SIGN UP HERE](#)

COMMUNITY NEWS

Foster City AYSO - Online pre-registration for the FC AYSO Fall Soccer Program is now open. Please join our wait-list to let us know your kids want to play soccer again! No \$ down, no commitment ... but we need to know you are interested in participating in the safest program we can put together. Also seeking volunteer coaches and referees to sign our interest form. Please go to www.fcayso.org to pre-register for Fall now.

SHARE YOUR CHILD'S SUCCESS

Congratulations to **Evan Wang**, a 6th grader who has been learning public speaking through New Age Learning, a Non-Profit Organization, since 2019. Evan was a quarter-finalist in the original oratory novice division at the Stanford Invitational Speech and Debate Tournament in 2020 and ranked 15th out of more than 120 competitors who were mostly high schoolers. The title of his speech was 'Don't Judge a Book by the Cover'. He was also a semi-finalist in the impromptu speech event at the 10th California state middle school Speech and Debate tournament in 2020.

He wants to thank the coaches at the New Age Learning and the teachers at Bowditch Middle School for continuous support!

THANK-YOU



Teacher Appreciation - Thank you Bowditch teachers and staff for everything you do for our school. Last week each teacher received a "swag bag" containing a Bowditch water bottle, a Bowditch tote and a reusable utensil kit. Thanks to your generous donations, each staff member received a Target gift card. Thank you for your submissions of pictures and videos for the slideshow. If you haven't had a chance to see it yet, please use the link to view it: <https://youtu.be/Ylukq8DZ1SY>. Thank-you **Stacy Ferrer** for going above and beyond and putting together the teacher appreciation gifts and slideshow.



Founder's Day - Congratulations and Thank-You to the following Teachers and parents for their hard work and dedication to the students at Bowditch. Outstanding Teacher Award - **Dustin Umberger, Jessica Koyanagi** and **Deb Freesmeier**. Honorary Service Award - **Caleb Bowers, Divya Malik, Jill Vath**, and **Beth Jordan**. Special Acknowledgements - **Rolilyn Biong** and **Jim Remington**. Very Special Person Acknowledgement - **Harpreet McDermott, Lauren Mansfield, Joyce Ong Lew, Mima Masarova, George Elefante** and **Stacy Ferrer**.

Thank-you to **Pierce Ekel** and **Rhonda Gardon** for your hard work in organizing Bowditch's first virtual Founders' Day.

IMPORTANT DATES

Mon. June 8 - Fri. June 12 - Bowditch Item Return/PickUp
Wed. June 10 - Student Council Application and Video Due
Wed. June 10 - 8th Grade Promotion Slides Due
Fri. June 12 - Intermediate Drama Virtual Performance
Fri. June 12 - Sun. June 14 - Student Council Elections (incoming 7th and 8th Grade)
Wed. June 17 - Bowditch Virtual 8th Grade Promotion
Wed. June 17 - 4th Quarter Ends
Wed. June 17 - LAST DAY OF SCHOOL

REMINDERS

PANDEMIC-EBT Food Benefits - Due to COVID-19, children who receive or are eligible for free or reduced-price meals at school can receive a one-time payment of \$365 per eligible child to help families in California buy food when school is closed. P-EBT benefits will arrive in the form of a card — use it like a debit card for food and groceries. Please see the [SMFCSD Website for more information](#) and how to apply.

Bowditch and SMFCSD Calendars -

- [2019-2020 Bowditch PTSA Calendar May4.pdf](#)
- Online version: <https://www.bowditchptsa.org/calendar>
- [2019-2020 SMFCSD Student Calendar.pdf](#)
- [2020-2021 SMFCSD Student Calendar.pdf](#)

Tip: You can add the Bowditch PTSA calendar to your google calendar by selecting Google's 'Add a friend's calendar' and use bowditch.pta@gmail.com

Join the Bowditch PTSA Facebook Group - Our Facebook page features important reminders and information from the Bowditch community. Be sure to join and like us on [Facebook](#) so you get the latest scoop!

Share Your Child's Success - Did your child have any recent successes ? In keeping with the community spirit, we would love to feature any achievement of your kids that can be shared with all. Please send your stories to bowditch.comm@gmail.com.

Volunteer Opportunities at Bowditch - Please complete the [2019-2020 Volunteer Opportunities form](#). Any amount of time that you have to give is appreciated. Please contact the Harpreet McDermott, PTSA President, at [Bowditch.pta@gmail.com](mailto:bowditch.pta@gmail.com) with any questions.

Log Your Volunteer Hours - Have you volunteered at Bowditch this week? Please take a moment to [log your volunteer hours here](#).

Have a great week!
The Bowditch PTSA



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