

# R Robinson Elementary School

A California Distinguished School  
Tuesday, November 27, 2007



December 3 - 7  
Parent/Teacher Conferences  
Minimum Day Schedule  
All Week For Grades 1-5  
Grades 1-5: 8:15 to 12:40  
All Kinders on Regular Schedule

### Pre-Ordered Box Lunch Available Next Week

We do not have lunch at school on minimum days; however, if you would like your child to pick up a pre-ordered box lunch in the cafeteria after school next week, please fill out the attached order form and return it to the office. We must have your order turned into the Robinson office by Wednesday, November 28<sup>th</sup> at Noon. Thank you.



### Adopted Fire Victim Families ~ Thank You

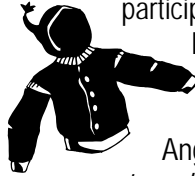
Much thanks to our amazing Riptide community for coming together to help the 4 fire victim families we adopted for the Thanksgiving holiday! Thousands of dollars of scrip was collected. Each family member received personal items and items for their home. Heartfelt thanks to each and every family who generously donated. Warmest thanks to room parents for communication and especially to Ann Marie Johnson and Vikki McMahon for being our great community service leaders. Special thanks goes to our family coordinators, Debby Edwards (Kindergarten), Annette Zuker (1st grade), Susan Tomaro (2nd & 3rd grades) and Zo Byrnes and Linda Rosen (4th & 5th grades). We could not have done it without you. Thank you to Sherolyn Duckworth and her fabulous scrip team for coordinating all the scrip donation sales and to Kathy Lanigan and Irene Ralyea for coordinating the book donations. Lastly, thank you to our student council leaders and Meghan McMahon, our Community Service Commissioner, for searching out families we could assist and bringing community service to the forefront.

### Book Fair is a Huge Success!

Another fantastic book fair thanks to the incredible efforts of Irene Ralyea and her fantastic committee. More information about our success to follow!

### One Warm Coat Drive

Robinson Girl Scout Troops 404 and 559 are participating in the One Warm Coat Drive. Please help us in collecting as many coats/jackets as possible to be delivered to people in need in the Los Angeles area. We will be collecting them *next week* in the box in front of the office, Wednesday and Thursday mornings at the circle, OR at the ice skating rink on Wednesday as an added admission (optional of course). So, please consider visiting your closet, picking out a jacket that no longer fits, and donating it to our One Warm Coat Drive.



### Robinson Family Ice Skating Day

Join us for our annual Family Ice Skating Day on Wednesday, December 5<sup>th</sup>, from 2:15 p.m. to 5:15 p.m. at the Toyota Sports Center. The cost is \$10.00 per person and all proceeds benefit Robinson. There is a limited capacity of 150 people, so get your order form in early! Questions? Call Kelton Durham at (310) 683-8584 or Jill Scott at (310) 937-9933.



### Yearbooks on Sale

Riptide 2007/08, the official yearbook of Robinson Elementary School is now on sale. Yearbooks will be available by preorder ONLY for \$24 each.

This year's Riptide yearbook will again be in full color and filled with photographs of the wonderful activities and smiling students and teachers. Don't miss out on this great keepsake of the year at Robinson. Look for the form in today's Tuesday envelope to order your copies.

### The Robinson Directories are Here!

For everyone who joined the PTSA, you should have received your new Robinson Directory last week. Additional directories may be purchased in the office for \$10. If you joined the PTSA and did not receive your directory, please contact Julie Watts at 318-9121 or [jules.watts@verizon.net](mailto:jules.watts@verizon.net). Thanks!

### Directory Addition

Please add the following family to your directory:  
Maggie Kidder (4<sup>th</sup> Gr.) Home Phone: 310-798-9349  
Parents: Lindsey & Tom Kidder 504 5<sup>th</sup> Street  
M Lindsey: (310) 710-6739; M Tim: (310) 720-2272

# MBEF

## MBEF Annual Appeal Update

With only two months to go the Annual Appeal is over the half way mark to the \$2.6M goal. Thank you so much to all Riptides who have already sent in their MBEF pledge forms. There are generous incentives for classroom participation: **100% participation = \$300 for classroom supplies**, 75% = \$250, and 50% = \$200 for classroom supplies. Please help your teacher earn a little extra cash for the classroom. Below are the current standings for each classroom:

Teacher	Student Count	MBEF %
Asano	21	40%
Brown	31	38%
Dreiling	32	41%
Henderson	20	41%
<b>Herbert/Carlin</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>1/2 way! 52%</b>
Holz	20	40%
Kundrat	20	38%
Lemmerman	20	32%
<b>Lynch</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>1/2 way! 52%</b>
McRae	20	36%
Ortega	20	40%
Roy	31	39%
<b>Stephens</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>1/2 way! 55%</b>
Tanita	21	29%
Walsh	20	45%
Whalley	20	40%
Yerke	20	45%

***The MBEF Annual Appeal ends Jan. 31st. Don't wait until the last day, make your pledge today!***



## Mustang Minute

### Library Renovations Revving Up at Costa

The cosmetics: fresh paint and new carpeting in homey and contemporary colors. The technology: 15 new computer terminals to supplement the 40 machines currently available. The infrastructure: light oak shelving, soundproof student meeting rooms, updated restrooms, and the 'like-new' refurbishment of the librarian's counter to allow for more effective supervision. The crowning glory: a modernized 'storefront' to attract and invite student customers. These improvements -- scheduled to be completed by March, 2008 -- will transform the Costa library into a state-of-the-art 21st century learning center. Who SAYS you can't judge a book by its cover?

# SCRIP NEWS

The Holiday Scrip Contest is in full swing and second grade is in the lead! Be sure to stop by the scrip table this week on Wednesday from 1:15 – 2:00 or Friday from 8:00 - 8:30 and 2:00 - 3:00. Special Holiday and Travel orders are due by December 5<sup>th</sup> and will be ready for pick up on December 12<sup>th</sup>.

Ordering your holiday cards? Shutterfly can help make the process as easy as 1, 2, 3! You can special order shutterfly gift cards to redeem online or visit [www.schoolpop.com](http://www.schoolpop.com) and choose shutterfly from the merchant list. Then log in to your shutterfly account or set up a new one. Robinson earns 9% whether you purchase scrip or shop online via schoolpop. Shutterfly is offering free shipping on orders over \$30. Don't delay....order your holiday cards today!

## Dates to Remember

### November

- 27 Report Cards Go Home  
School Site Council Meeting 3:00 p.m.

### December

- 3-7 Parent Conference Week  
1<sup>st</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> Grades on Minimum Day Schedule  
Kinders on Regular Schedule
- 5 Ice Skating Spirit Event 2:15–5:15  
(at the Toyota Sports Center in El Segundo)
- 11 1A Kinders Field Trip to Roundhouse
- 13 1B Kinders Field Trip to Roundhouse
- 19 1<sup>st</sup> Grade Winter in Manhattan 9:00 a.m.
- 20 Kinder Holiday Sing 10:30 a.m.

### December 24 - January 4 Winter Recess

### January

- 7 School Resumes