

# R Robinson Elementary School

A California Distinguished School  
Tuesday, December 15, 2009



The joy of brightening other lives, bearing each others' burdens, easing other's loads and supplanting empty hearts and lives with generous gifts becomes for us the magic of this holiday season.



The Robinson Staff would like to wish everyone a pleasant & peaceful holiday and winter break. Warmest thanks to all those who have showered our office and staff with gifts. We are so grateful for your ongoing generosity and words of support.

## T-Shirt Contest



Our very own Student Council and the Spirit Committee are upping the spirit here at Robinson by introducing a Project Runway-esque contest.

Students, do you have creative fashion ideas? If so, you can enter designs for a new Robinson Spirit Shirt – any style, any design – to be sold at the Student Store! You may enter as many times as you'd like. There will be a school-wide vote on the top five designs on Thursday, January 7<sup>th</sup>. Entry packets are available in the main office. Entry Deadline: Jan. 6<sup>th</sup>

## Arriving at School - Reminder

Students in grades 1 through 5 should not arrive at school before 8:05 in the morning, as we do not have supervision on campus before that time. Parents, please monitor your children and remind them to be very quiet on campus. Our kinder students are already in session and teachers are planning for their day.



## Would Like For You To Know...

We are grateful and appreciate every family who has donated and pledged this year towards our Annual Appeal. We are fortunate to have such caring parents, teachers, staff and administrators who want to make our Manhattan Beach Schools better for our children. Our work is not done, however and January 31<sup>st</sup> is the last day of our Appeal. Education budget cuts from Sacramento are looming in the forecast and we need to work even harder in January to close the gap on the goal of \$4.1 million. We are approaching a critical time in education funding and every parent and every dollar is needed. The New Year will bring many new challenges and the need to support MBEF will be even greater. Do your part and make a difference. Please give today at [www.mbef.org](http://www.mbef.org).

## Congratulations to Riptide - Lexie Freund!

Congratulations to 5<sup>th</sup> Grader, Lexie Freund for winning the Manhattan Beach Los Angeles County Public Library 2009 Bookmark Contest. Way to go Lexi!



## Attendance

Please be sure to call the office if your child will be out of school for any reason. You may reach us at 310-318-5120. It is very important that we verify with a reason why a child is out of school. All absences this week need to be verified by Friday, December 18<sup>th</sup> at noon with a reason. Thank you in advance for your help & support.

## Lost & Found Items to be donated to Charity

Everyone is invited to check our Lost & Found Bin located in the Robinson Café before leaving school for Winter Break. The bin is overflowing with jackets, sweatshirts, lunch boxes, etc. EVERYTHING will be donated to charity that is left at Robinson over the Winter Break.



## Volunteers of the Week

Thank you to EVERYONE that is supporting the Adopt-A-Family program. It's wonderful to see the difference we can make in the lives of so many deserving families! Also, thank you to Hilary Mahan (Trey - 3rd, Ella - Kinder) and Katie Garrison (Barbara - 5th, Christine - 3rd, Jim - 1st) for coordinating this wonderful program to help LaSalle Elementary through our Riptide Community Service Program. Every month, our Community Service team works hard to support a different charity. We look forward to January where we will be assisting and learning more about Heal the Bay.

## Single Plan for Student Achievement (SPSA)

The Board-approved Single Plans for Student Achievement (SPSA) are now available on the web at the following link:

<http://mbusd.org/edsvc/schplan/index.htm>

The purpose of the Single Plan for Student Achievement is to create a cycle of continuous improvement of student performance, and to ensure that all students succeed in reaching academic standards set by the State Board of Education. Each school must update its Single Plan for Student Achievement annually.

## Kindergarten and 1<sup>st</sup> Grade Parents – Save the Date

All Kindergarten and 1<sup>st</sup> Grade parents are invited to attend a Parent Education Meeting on Thursday, January 14<sup>th</sup>, 2010, from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. in the Robinson Café. We will be discussing reading and writing acquisition. See the attached flyer. Childcare will be provided.

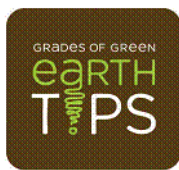
## After School Enrichment Classes

Thank you to all the parents, students, and instructors who helped make our fall session of REP (Robinson Enrichment Program) such a fun success. Please watch for winter session flyers to come home Tuesday, January 5<sup>th</sup>. Classes begin January 25<sup>th</sup>. Gina Marcarelli (310-415-6883)

## Grades of Green Earth Tip: Celebrate an Earth-Friendly Holiday

This year, before stocking up on batteries for the holidays, consider rechargeable batteries.

Rechargeable batteries are an easy environmental win - they have 28 times less potential impact on climate change than disposable batteries, and while using them won't reduce your standard of living, it will hugely reduce your impact on the planet, including consumption of non-renewable natural resources, reduced waste, and more.



## Community Event

### Grease is the word

Come enjoy POP's production of Grease featuring Riptides Alex and Sydney Whitcombe along with several Robinson alumni you are sure to recognize! Shows are January 8<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> at the Hermosa Playhouse. Tickets are \$15 presale, available to purchase from Renee Whitcombe (310-702-4466), Kris Lastition (310 567 0949) or at the door.

## Scrip News

### Holiday Shopping With Scrip

Gifts – Amazon, Barnes & Noble, iTunes, Macy's, Starbucks, Trilogy  
Party Planning – Beckers, Bristol Farms, Grow, Vons, Whole Foods...and much more!

Scrip Table is open after school  
Mon, Tues, Thurs., Fri. 2:00 – 3:00  
Wed. 1:00 – 2:00

### Special Thanks to our Scrip Team & Supporters!

Thanks to parents who have supported our Scrip Program and a special thanks to the following wonderful Scrip volunteers who have been working every week filling order after order: Dora Seiffer, Debbie Strock, Angela Bennett, Kathy Crawford, Tracey Dale, Sherolyn Duckworth, Laura McIntire, Julie Watts, Cara Worley, and Sumei Yee.



## Dates to Remember

### December

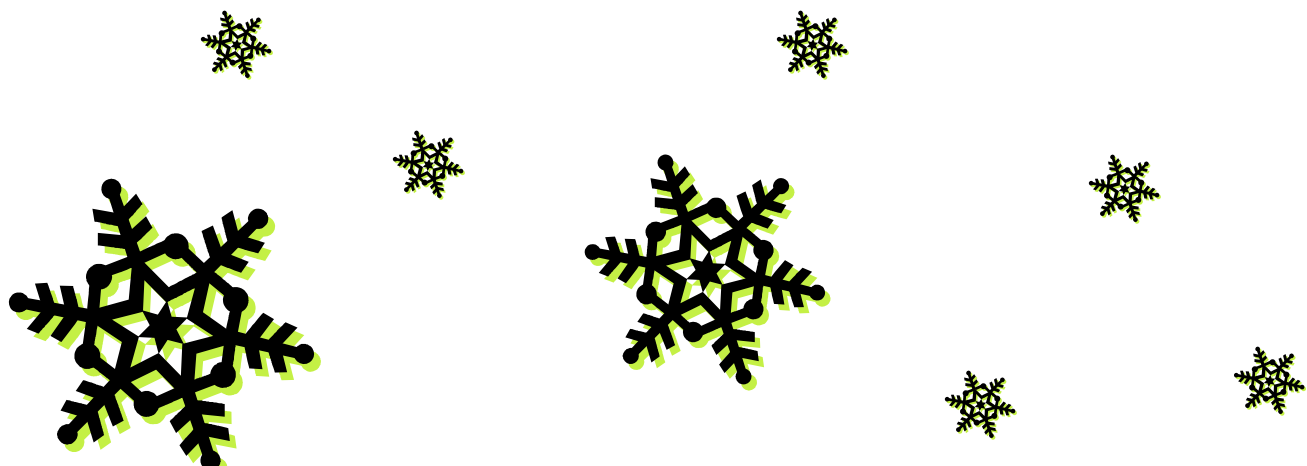
- 16 Winter In Manhattan –1<sup>st</sup> Grade Show 9:15 cafe
- 17 Kinders' Winter Sing 8:20 a.m. cafe

### December 21 through January 1, 2010 ~ Winter Break



### January

- 4 School Resumes
- 8 Spirit Assembly ~ Responsibility



# Kindergarten & 1st grade Parent Education Language Arts Night

Come to an informational meeting to learn about reading and writing acquisition in young children. You will be provided with great tools to help your children at home!

Thursday, January 14<sup>th</sup>, 2010  
5:30 – 6:30 pm

Robinson Cafeteria

Childcare provided



# ROBINSON ELEMENTARY

## REGULAR \$CRIP ORDER FORM

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

PAYMENT METHOD: (CHECK ONE)  
 \*\*\*CHECKS DECREASE CREDIT CARD FEES\*\*\*

CHECK (ROBINSON PTSA) PLEASE ATTACH  
 CHARGE VISA/MC ON FILE (\$250 MIN)  
 CHARGE NEW VISA/MC (\$250 MIN)

CARD # \_\_\_\_\_

EXP. DATE \_\_\_\_\_ SECURITY CODE \_\_\_\_\_

MERCHANT	%	FACE VALUE	AMOUNT	MERCHANT	%	FACE VALUE	AMOUNT	
AMAZON.COM	4%	\$25		MAN. BREAD & BAGEL	10%	\$5		
AMAZON.COM	4%	\$100		MANHATTAN MEATS	5%	\$25		
BARNES & NOBLE	9%	\$10		MASSAGE SPOT	10%	\$25		
BARNES & NOBLE	9%	\$25		MICHAELS	4%	\$25		
BASKIN ROBBINS	9%	\$2		MURAD SPA	15%	\$20		
BECKER'S BAKERY	10%	\$25		PACIFIC THEATRES	10%	\$5		
BEEHIVE	10%	\$20		PATTERSON'S CLEANERS	10%	\$20		
BLOCKBUSTER *	7%	\$10		PEET'S COFFEE	8%	\$20		
BRISTOL FARMS	8%	\$20		POMODORO	10%	\$25		
CALIF. PIZZA KITCHEN	4%	\$10		POTTERY BARN/WM SON	8%	\$25		
CHIPOTLE	10%	\$10		POTTERY BARN/WM SON	8%	\$100		
COFFEE BEAN	9%	\$25		ROUNDTABLE PIZZA	10%	\$10		
COLD STONE CREAMERY	8%	\$10		SEPULVEDA WINE	10%	\$10		
CVS/PHARMACY	6%	\$25		SLOOPY'S	10%	\$5		
DEBONAIR CLEANERS	20%	\$20		SMART & FINAL	3%	\$25		
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DICK'S SPORTING GOODS	8%	\$25		SPORTS AUTHORITY	8%	\$25		
DOOR/DOOR CLEANERS	10%	\$10		SPYDER SURF	10%	\$20		
EL GRINGO	10%	\$10		STARBUCKS	7%	\$10		
EL SOMBRERO	10%	\$20		STARBUCKS	7%	\$25		
FLEMINGS/ROYS	5%	\$25		STRAND CLEANERS	10%	\$20		
FONZ'S	10%	\$20		SUBWAY	3%	\$10		
FRESH BROTHERS PIZZA	10%	\$10		SUPER SPORTS	5%	\$25		
GALLERIA *	4%	\$25		TABULARASA	10%	\$25		
GAP/O. NAVY/BAN. REP.	9%	\$25		TOY JUNGLE	5%	\$20		
GROW	5%	\$25		TRILOGY SPA	5%	\$25		
ISLANDS	8%	\$25		VONS (CHECKS ONLY)	4%	\$100		
ITUNES	4%	\$15		WAHOO'S	5%	\$20		
J. CREW	13%	\$25		WHOLE FOODS	5%	\$100		
JAMBA JUICE	7%	\$10		GIFT CARD HOLDER	1 FOR	\$1		
THE KETTLE	15%	\$10		GIFT CARD HOLDER	8 FOR	\$5		
MACY'S	10%	\$25						
MACY'S	10%	\$100						
MAMA D'S	20%	\$20						
* WHILE SUPPLIES LAST							<b>TOTAL</b>	

TO PLACE OR PICK UP AN ORDER:  
 SUBMIT FORM OR PICK UP ORDER IN THE OFFICE OR STOP BY THE  
 SCRIP TABLE WEDNESDAYS 1:15 - 2:00  
 PLEASE CONSIDER WRITING A CHECK. THANK YOU!

NOVEMBER 16, 2009

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# Teacher/Staff Scrip Wish List - Winter 2009

(\*)denotes needs to be special ordered, takes a week

<b>Principal</b>		Nancy Doyle	Bristol Farms	Pacific	Macy's	Starbucks	Cal Pizza
<b>Reading Specialist</b>		Amy Arrieta					
<b>Office Manager</b>		Joni Wianecki	Barnes & Noble	Cal Pizza	Galleria	Pacific Theatr.	Starbucks
<b>Office Specialist</b>		Carol Strickley	CPK	Chipotle	J. Crew	Pottery Barn	Tabularasa
<b>Health Assistant</b>		Nelly Mracek	Bristol Farms	Amazon	Macy's	Pottery Barn	
<b>Kindergarten</b>	1A AM	Patti Ortega	Amazon				
	1B PM	Megi Asano	Amazon	Macy's	Cal Pizza	Starbucks	Galleria
	1B AM	Chris McRae	Cal Pizza	Barnes & Noble	Macy's	Starbucks	
<b>First</b>	15	Melissa Kundrat	Galleria	Dick's Sport	Amazon	Gap	Pacific
	16	Kate Walsh	*AmericanAirlines	Gap	Peet's Coffee	Pottery Barn	Macy's
	17	Erica Yerke	Galleria	Macy's	Murad		
	18	Heather Whalley	Gap	Pacific Theater	J. Crew		
<b>Second</b>	12	Shannon Henderson	Amazon	Macy's	Gap	Pottery Barn	Flemmings
	13	Liz Herbert	Murad	Pacific Theater	Pottery Barn	Starbucks	Super Sports
	14	Lisa Tanita	Amazon	Pacific Theater	iTunes	Chipotle	
	19	Anne Carlin	J. Crew	Barnes & Noble	Gap	Starbucks	Macy's
	19	KatherineWhitt-Stopp	Amazon	Galleria	Gap	Macy's	
<b>Third</b>	2	Darri Stephens	*AmericanAirlines	Barnes & Noble	Amazon	Starbucks	Murad
	3	Danielle Lemmerman	Trilogy	J. Crew	Amazon		
	4	Kim Holz	Pottery Barn	Murad	Cal Pizza	Starbucks	J. Crew
<b>Fourth</b>	10	Dawn Young	Gap	J. Crew	Macy's	Sports Auth.	Pottery Barn
	11	Alyse McDonald	Gap	Macy's	J. Crew	Murad	
<b>Fifth</b>	7	Michelle Syverson	Barnes & Noble	Gap	Macy's	Pottery Barn	Sports Auth.
	8	Debbie Dreiling	Amazon	Starbucks	Jamba Juice	Murad	*PetSmart
<b>Cafeteria</b>		Reyna Struwve	CVS	Jamba Juice	Manh Meats	Subway	Valentino's
		Bettie Bryant	Baskin Robb.	CVS	Bristol Farms	Pacific Theat.	
<b>EDP</b>	19	Valerie Edwards	Macy's	Galleria	Sports Auth		
	19	Anthony Henry	Pacific	Islands	Dick's Sport.	Sports Auth	Cal Pizza
<b>Computer Lab</b>		Wendy Johnson	Amazon	Barnes & Noble	Islands	Jamba Juice	Pacific Theat.
<b>Counselor</b>		Iris Lee Knell	Macy's	Barnes & Noble	Amazon	Manh B & B	Kettle
<b>Custodians</b>	Days	Richard Gaines	Barnes & Noble	Starbucks	Gap	Jamba Juice	Pacific Theat.
	Nights	MickeyKacherwski	Bristol Farms	Barnes & Noble	Jamba Juice		
<b>Instrumental Music</b>	Band	Amy Johnson	Barnes & Noble	Whole Foods	*El Torito	Macy's	
	Strings	Katie Cavallaro					
<b>Library</b>		Yukari Matsuyama	Amazon	Barnes & Noble	iTunes	El Gringo	
<b>Music Specialist</b>		Jennifer Jordan	Coffee Bean	Galleria	iTunes	Murad Spa	El Torito
<b>Occupational Therapist</b>		Carey Sokol					
<b>Physical Education</b>		Monica Wood					
<b>Physical Therapist</b>		Sara Fox					
<b>Psychologist</b>		Sandra Ottaway	Starbucks	Murad	Galleria	Jamba Juice	ToysRus
<b>Resource/Inclusion</b>		Melissa Levin	Macy's	Starbucks	Pacific	Cal Pizza	Jamba Juice
<b>Assistants (Room 9)</b>		Cam Hullibarger	Barnes & Noble	Bristol Farms	Galleria	Macy's	
		Mabel Camacho	Macy's	Barnes & Noble	Galleria		
<b>Speech/Language</b>		Barbara Steffin	Amazon	CPK	Islands	Bristol Farms	CVS
<b>Enrichment</b>		Gina Marcarelli					
		Sherman Jones	Pacific Theaters	Barnes & Noble	Round Table	Mama D's	Kettle