



John Adams Newsletter

January 8-19th, 2018

It's a Great Day to be a Patriot Star!

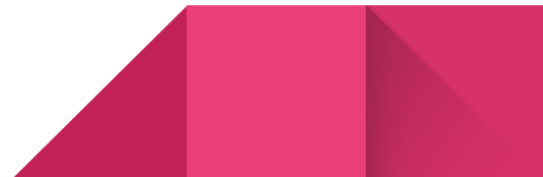


Looking Ahead at Adams Events...

1/22-1/26	Multicultural Week
1/22/2018	ELMAC meeting in Cafeteria @ 9:15 a.m.
1/23/2018	School Wide Vision and Hearing Testing
1/24/2018	Torrance Memorial BMI measurements- By permission slip only.
2/9/2018	Jog-A-Thon 9:00 a.m. - 10:45 a.m.
2/12/2018	No School- Lincoln's Day
2/19/2018	No School-Presidents' Day

Welcome back!

Happy New Year and Welcome Back to School! The Adams staff hope you all had a wonderful Winter Break. We are in full swing of things and students are enjoying being back at school. We thank you all for the wonderful well wishes and tokens of appreciation we received before Winter Break.



Thanks for using Valet safely & please respect our neighbors!

Please remember, safety first! Thank you for continuing to drive carefully, observing all street signs, obeying all parking and traffic laws (i.e. no double parking, not making u-turns in the middle of a road, and be careful of pedestrians crossing the street), and respecting our Adams' families and neighbors; **Please be respectful and don't block or park in our neighbor's driveways on 237th St. and 238th St.**

STEM Night

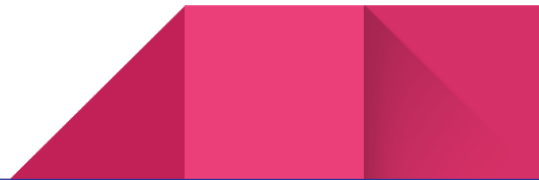
Our STEM night was a huge success for students, staff and Adams families! We had total of 9 fun stations including a salad bar and families were invited to participate in activities. Our students had the opportunity to do things like make Fluffy Slime, Build Electric Circuits, Float a Boat and Ozobot coding. A Special thank you to **Ms. Esther, Torrance High Tartar Knights and Ladies, Mrs. Dean, Mrs. Tomoike, Mr. Chin, Mrs. Joe, Mr. Baca, Mr. Hardison, Ms. Ghobrial, Mr. Correa, Mrs. Blackmon, Ms. Tracey and the Adams' YMCA staff.**

Who, What, Where/Write Away Assembly on Thursday, Jan. 11th

Thanks to our wonderful PTA who provided. Actors from The Imagination Machine got kids excited about writing and storytelling. The performers acted out original stories with the help of our students with emphasis on character and setting.

Evacuation Drill

On Friday Jan 19, we conducted an Earthquake Disaster Drill. For this drill we created scenarios that could actually happen. We had parent volunteers to pretend like they were signing out their children, we had student volunteers who were assigned to be injured or a sign out table runner. Please keep in mind that even in times of emergencies the person picking up a student must be on the Powerschool emergency pick up list. Please also be prepared to show picture identification. Even during an emergency we will not release students to anyone who aren't on the emergency contact list.



The Torrance Fire Department came to oversee our drill and gave us pointers on how to improve. We will conduct more drills throughout the school year to prepare our students and faculty in case of a real emergency.

Fitness For Funds

Thanks to our wonderful PTA the FFF prizes were distributed to the participating students on Thursday, January 11, 2018. Thank you to all of our families for participating in our Fitness For Funds event!

Jog A Thon

John Adams' Jog a Thon is Friday, February 9, 2018. Please look out for the pledge envelopes that are coming home on in Thursday Folders on January 25, 2018. Please help your child get pledges to earn money for their classroom.

Lunch Drop Off

Any lunch dropped off during the school day will be placed on a designated table in the cafeteria for student pick. Please notify your child in the morning if you plan on dropping off a lunch for them to eat at school that day.

PowerSchool Update

Using the Access ID & Password information letter, mailed from the District, parents can create an account to link to their student's PowerSchool profile on <https://torrance.powerschool.com>. The "Information Update" icon link is enabled for parents to use on PowerSchool's website. This allows parents to edit/modify/delete their contacts. This is in "year round update" mode so parents can make changes all year long. Remember to have your I.D. ready when picking up the students from the office. If you have yet to receive your letter from the district, please contact the office.

Lunch Schedule Reminder

Grade K, 1st & 2nd: 11:45 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Grades 3rd, 4th & 5th grade: 12:15 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Lunch Menus

Nutrition Services is holding off on printing our October Elementary menus since there are some occasional changes. Nutrition Services will be sending all parents a copy of the October menu in English, Spanish, Korean and Japanese, along with a new monthly Nutrition Services newsletter. The menus will also be posted on the Nutrition Services website at tusd.org/nutrition-services.

Volunteers

If you would like to volunteer at Adams, please fill out a volunteer form, which can be found in the front Office and bring a copy of your current TB test (valid for up to 4 years) and a copy of your Driver's License. We also would have to clear you through Megan's Law, which can take a minimum of 2 business days. Please wait until you are cleared before volunteering. If you are a previous volunteer, we may still have a copy of your current TB test, but you must fill out the volunteer form and be cleared every school year.

Website

For any other school information and upcoming events, please check out our website at adams.tusd.org

