

# Del Mar News Flash

Bi-Weekly Newsletter

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## Key Dates:

### Week of Jan. 19th-22nd

"A" Groups stay home and Zoom in the afternoon.  
B,C,D groups come to school.

### By Jan 25th

Mid-trimester Progress Alerts to be emailed student not meeting expectations.

### Week of Jan. 25th-29th

Monday: Everyone virtual. Tues-Friday: D groups stay home and Zoom in the afternoon.  
A,B,C groups come to school.

### Week of Feb. 1st- 5th

Monday: Everyone virtual. Tues-Fri: C groups stay home and



## Principal's Message

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Phase 3 is off to a great start. Students appear happier and more engaged and I hope that energy is carried home. It is refreshing to see more students more often on Del Mar's campus. As a community, it is important that we all maintain focus on safety protocols and Marin Public Health guidelines so we can continue to keep our campus open. Please remember to not mix households, refrain from non-essential travel, and most importantly, wash your hands and wear a mask! Thank you for your continued efforts to maintain a safe community.

Sincerely,

Brian Lynch



Zoom in the afternoon, A,B,D groups come to school

**Feb. 2nd**

Makeup Picture Day. A link will be sent for appointment signup next week.

**Week of Feb.8th-12th**

Monday: Everyone virtual. Tues-Fri: B groups stay home and Zoom in the afternoon, A,C,D groups come to school

**Feb. 15th- 19th**

Mid-Winter Break

**Feb. 22nd-26th**

School "Re-Zooms," fully distanced for this week

**March 5th**

Second Trimester Ends

**April 5th-9th**

Spring Break

**May 31st**

Memorial Day

**June 11th**

Last Day of School



**From the Del Mar Leadership Class:**

Hello Del Mar Dragons, and Happy New Year!

In these unprecedented times, kindness is something that we all need. The Leadership Class has organized a food drive from January 20th to February 3rd to give back to the community. Please help those in need by donating non-perishable food items to benefit the SF Marin Food Bank! Canned goods, pasta, and cereal are recommended food items to bring. Please refrain from donating expired food, or food that comes in glass containers. The food drive will be a competition as well; the advisory in each grade level with the most food donated will win a special prize!

To donate, please bring the food items to your cohort's classroom. If you have any inquiries, email Ms. Gaine at [kgaine@reedschools.org](mailto:kgaine@reedschools.org). Together, we can make our community a better place. Thank you, and stay safe and healthy!



**Picture Day Make up- Feb. 2!!**

If you did not have your child photographed on the original picture day back in November, please bring them to campus February 2nd from 3-5, for a quick picture. Dorian did a great job last time keeping the students well distanced and safe. The students will enter the gym for one quick (distanced) snap and are given their school ID on the spot. Please go to [this link](#) to sign up for an appointment time and instructions as to how to order school pictures.

# IMPORTANT ODDS AND ENDS

## Important Ipad Care!

*While we understand many students prefer not to type using the keyboard attachment to their iPad, it is imperative that the keyboard remains with the iPad at all times. This keyboard is the only thing that protects the iPad screen. We are seeing a rise in screen breakage and this is due to iPads not being transported or carried with the keyboard attached. Please help us in delivering and encouraging this message to our students.*

*If your child's iPad breaks, please email [help@reedschools.org](mailto:help@reedschools.org). Please state what happened*

## Rainy Day Protocol

*With much needed rainy days in our forecast, we wanted to take a moment to update you on the protocols we are putting in place to ensure a safe environment during this year of Covid. If it is raining during the student break time, students will refrain from removing their mask and having a snack. This is due to our limited covered areas and social distancing requirements. If a student is in need of a snack, they may ask a teacher for a snack break, and individually the student may have a snack outside.*

# FOUNDATION NEWS

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Matthew Schmitt

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SO WE CAN FULFILL OUR REMAINING  
\$1 MILLION COMMITMENT TO RUSD

LINK BELOW TO PLEDGE OR DONATE TODAY!



In the fourth of **six virtual community discussions** that follow the chapters of **Let's Talk: A toolkit for navigating teen substance use in Marin County**, we will look closely at “Uppers, Downers and All-Arounders.”

The event moderator, Jaclynn Davis, authored the Let's Talk booklet. She received her Masters in Public Health and Social Work, and now focuses on adolescent health and youth development through her work with Huckleberry Youth Programs, local school districts, and teaching at Dominican University.

Our guest expert, Jennifer Epstein, has been a Health Educator for the past 20 years, and has taught in both public and private high schools in San Francisco. Her curriculum focuses on substance use prevention with an emphasis on saying "know." She has talked with hundreds of young people frankly about substances and uses student voices as well as current research to create class sessions that are both informative and relevant.

Michael Danne will share the youth perspective on this topic. Michael is a Senior at Redwood High School and is co-chair of the **Marin Healthy Youth Partnerships Youth Advisory Council**. He is also a Tobacco Use Prevention Education (TUPE) peer educator.

You will have the opportunity to ask questions and share ideas. We hope you can join us. Feel free to share and bring a friend! All attendees will be entered in raffle for local gift cards.

**Register via Zoom**



# PTA News

## PTA MONTHLY MEETINGS

If you'd like to join a PTA meeting, please email [delmarptasitechair@gmail.com](mailto:delmarptasitechair@gmail.com) to get the Zoom link. The next meeting is: January 14th at 9:15AM!

### Seeking 2021 PTA Nominating Committee Candidates

The RUSD PTA is seeking PTA members to serve on the 2021 Nominating Committee for the PTA Executive Board. The committee will be comprised of five members and one alternate with knowledge of all three school sites and their volunteer communities. The names of those expressing an interest in serving on the committee will be voted upon by the PTA membership through a confidential online survey.

Meetings of the Nominating Committee will be held in February and March with the goal of delivering a final slate of Executive Board candidates by late March. Open board positions to be filled include District President, District Secretary, Bel Aire Site Chair, and Treasurer at all three schools.

***\*\*If you are interested in being a Nominating Committee candidate, please contact [rusdptasecretary@gmail.com](mailto:rusdptasecretary@gmail.com) by Friday, January 15th.\*\****

### Let Choicelunch take care of making lunches in Phase 3!

**Place an order with Choicelunch** and your student's lunch will be delivered to their classroom for them to take home to eat. Easy, contactless, and plenty of healthy and delicious options! A portion of every lunch purchased through Choicelunch is donated to the RUSD PTA to help fund PTA sponsored activities. Order today at [www.choicelunch.com](http://www.choicelunch.com).

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## We Are Here for You!



To see updated Phase 1,2,3 schedules, click [HERE](#).  
**We are currently in PHASE 3!**  
To re-read previous Del Mar Newsflashes, click [HERE](#).

To re-read RUSD District News, including Covid19 and Phased Re-entry updates, click [HERE](#)

If you need TECH help, please email: [help@reedschools.org](mailto:help@reedschools.org) and also feel free to call the office at 415-435-1468 ext 0 so we can try to assist as well. We understand your frustration with tech issues!

If you'd like to contact the front office, please dial 415-435-1468 Ext. 0 or email [delmar@reedschools.org](mailto:delmar@reedschools.org)

To reach teachers, please see our website,

linked [HERE](#).

**Absence/Late Policy: Please contact the school absence line if your child will be late or absent: 415-435-1468 ext 4, or email [delmar@reedschools.org](mailto:delmar@reedschools.org).** We do not see health survey results in the office, so please be sure to inform us if your child is staying home.

**If your child is late, please be sure they go directly TO THE OFFICE, rather than waiting at their entry location or heading straight into class.**

**Please don't forget to do the health survey each morning!**

Del Mar Middle School

