



Bel Aire News Flash

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Upcoming Events

- Aug. 30, 6:00-7:30 pm - Back to School Night - Parent-only event.
- Aug. 31, 8:00-8:30 am - New Family Welcome - for Parents new to RUSD
- Aug. 31, 8:30-10:00 am - Volunteer Coffee - sign up to volunteer this year
- Sept. 3 - NO SCHOOL MONDAY - Labor Day
- Sept. 13 - Picture Day
- Sept. 20, 7:30-8:00 am - 5th Grade Outdoor Ed Parent Meeting
- Sept. 24 - NO SCHOOL - Staff Development Day
- Sept. 25, 8:30-10:00 am - 3rd Grade Level Parent Meeting with Dr. Gold
- Sept. 26 - Character Day
- Oct. 2, 8:30-10:00 am - 4th Grade Level Parent Meeting with Dr. Gold
- Oct. 9, 8:30-10:00 am - 5th Grade Level Parent Meeting with Dr. Gold

[Link to Calendar](#)

Bel Aire News

Impact Conversations at Bel Aire

Every Monday morning, we begin the week as a community in our multi-purpose room. This is one of the many times and places we have already begun having conversations with students about our 2018-2019 theme. This week, Ms. Cala read the students a story about impact with a message about how we respond to challenge. Ms. Cala changed it a bit to relate better to our students (for example, she spoke about *tea leaves* instead of *coffee beans*), but you can read a HuffPost version of the story [here](#). When your students are feeling challenged, remind them of the story, and ask if they are more like carrots, eggs, or tea leaves?

Back to School Night, Tomorrow, August 30, 6:00-7:30 pm

This is important event for all parents to attend. We will begin in the MPR promptly at 6:00. Children do not attend Back to School Night.

This Friday, August 31, New Family Welcome and Volunteer Coffee - MPR

8:00 am - New Family Welcome
8:30 am - Volunteer Coffee

This Friday, 8:00-8:30 am, the PTA and Principal, Alexis Cala, welcome families new to Reed Union School District.

At 8:30 am, the PTA welcomes all parents to bring your calendars, enjoy some coffee, and sign up to volunteer in your child's classroom, special events, or help with school activities. Bel Aire spirit wear will also be available for purchase.

Musical Opportunities at Bel Aire

Enrichment music opportunities at Bel Aire:

- **3rd grade percussion ensemble:** meets Thursday a.m. at 7:30. This group provides students an opportunity to play in an ensemble setting using xylophones, drums, and a variety of other percussion instruments. *Starts September 6th.*
- **4th-and 5th-grade percussion ensemble:** meets Thursdays and Fridays respectively during lunch recess. This is an extension of the 3rd grade group. The emphasis here is on precision, and on more complex and challenging material. *Starts September 6th & 7th.*
- **Chorus:** meets Tuesday during lunch recess. This meets the needs of those students who love to sing, and who want to refine their singing skills. Since this is a performing group, it also meets the needs of those students who love to perform before an audience. *Starts September 4th.*

Music is just one of the many programs funded by The Foundation for Reed Schools

For 3rd Grade: 3rd Grade Level Parent Meeting with Dr. Gold

Tuesday, September 19, 8:30-10:00 am - BASDR

Don't miss this opportunity to learn what is typical of the newly-minted 3rd grader. What's normal at this age? Come meet with Dr. Gold and other third grade parents to discuss issues about parenting your third grader.

For 4th and 5th Graders: Bel Aire Math Club is Back!

Bel Aire is once again delighted to offer a weekly math club for highly motivated math students who want an extra challenge. The club will be run by Dr. Allan Gold and volunteer parents. The club is open to interested 4th and 5th graders and will be held on Tuesday mornings from 7:25 to 7:55, starting September 11th. We will be presenting a variety of math questions requiring logical reasoning and problem solving strategies. Students will work together and should be fast and independent learners. The adults will guide students and include some direct instruction. Students will also have the opportunity to participate in some contests for which they will be prepared by the weekly problems. If your child is interested in joining the club (or if you have questions), please email Dr. Gold at agold@reedschools.org by September 7th. We will be meeting in the C-Building classrooms and will place the children in rooms on the first day of the math club. If you are interested in volunteering to guide the students in solving problems at the Math club sessions, please contact Sung Hya Moon, our Parent Volunteer Coordinator, at sungmoon@gmail.com. She will give you specific details about what our volunteers do at the math club.

Thanks so much for your interest! We look forward to a year of fun math challenge!

PTA News

From the Bel Aire PTA

On behalf of the Bel Aire PTA, I would like to welcome you to the 2018-19 school year! I am honored to serve as the Bel Aire PTA Site Chair this year. Please refer to the [Bel Aire PTA webpage](#) for more information and ways you can get involved. Do not hesitate to reach out with any questions.

Save the Date for Picture Day - Thursday, September 13

All you need to do is arrive to school ready to smile!

Our first monthly PTA meeting is **Wednesday, September 5, at 8:30am.**

Thank you for your support. Looking forward to a great year in this outstanding community!

Jacqueline Jaffee

Bel Aire PTA Site Chair

From the RUSD PTA

Join the PTA Today! The PTA subsidizes assemblies, field trips, library books and more for your kids. The PTA also puts on parent education events throughout the school year for parents and teacher appreciation events for our teachers - lunches, coffees, and more! The PTA relies upon annual membership dues and sales of yearbooks and birthday books to help fund all of these activities. [Please support your PTA and sign up for membership, yearbooks and birthday books – all in one place!](#)

Another way to support the PTA is through [Choice Lunch](#). A small portion from every lunch purchased

on Choice Lunch is donated to the RUSD PTA. Order today via their website www.choicelunch.com

NEW! Follow the PTA on Instagram [@rusdpta](https://www.instagram.com/rusdpta) to see what the PTA does for our schools.

Thanks to your PTA membership donations, the RUSD PTA hosted lunch for all of our teachers the week leading up to school.



THE FOUNDATION FOR REED SCHOOLS



Foundation for Reed Schools News

We hope your first week back has been a smooth one!

Please mark your calendars with these important dates:

Volunteer Board Meeting - Tuesday, September 11, 9:00am

Foundation for Reed Schools Office, The Reed School, 1199 Tiburon Blvd

Please join us at our first volunteer board meeting of the year and learn more about volunteer opportunities at the Foundation! Visit our [website](#) for more information.

Run for Reed (R4R) - Friday, October 12 - Downtown Tiburon

Join us for the annual RUN FOR REED, the Foundation's 2018-2019 Family Giving Campaign Kick-off! R4R is a 1 mile and 5K race. R4R is an opportunity for our community to come together to support our schools. Visit the [R4R website](#) for more information.

Pledge Day - Friday, November 9

We have once again made a \$2m commitment to RUSD, and our goal is 100% participation in the annual Family Giving Campaign! Join our generous community and invest in our schools. Early donations and pledges save valuable volunteer time and reduce fundraising costs.

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