

# HAWKEYE



Dear Hacienda families,  
 As the school year comes to a close, and summer beckons, I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of the wonderful families in the Hacienda community. Your

support and commitment to our school is endless, and I can't begin to explain how much your dedication has meant to me during my time here. You are amazing, and you will be missed.

For the past seven years, Hacienda has been my home. Four of those years have offered me the privilege of leading the students and staff as principal. What a journey it has been. The students at Hacienda are so inquisitive, so kind, and have developed such a wonderful appreciation for our Earth and all living things, that my departure will be tinged with a bit of sadness as I think about not seeing their smiling faces each day. The deep curiosity and love of learning that our students demonstrate makes me confident that each of them will accomplish great things long after they leave our school.

It brings me comfort to know that Hacienda will be in good hands under the leadership of Mr. Todd Weber. In the coming weeks, Mr. Weber will be present at Hacienda as much he is able, to ensure a smooth transition as he takes over as the new Hacienda principal for the 2018-2019 school year.

Until then, we still have several weeks of learning, Kids in Motion, Field Day, the first grade Metamorphosis Chorus, and a number of field trips to look forward to. Let's enjoy the rest of the year, and then have a wonderful, relaxing Summer break.

In gratitude and with kindest regards,

CARMEN LOY

HACIENDA PRINCIPAL

## Here are the many things you can do on KONSTELLA



Find our school on [Konstella.com](http://Konstella.com) to be in the communications loop

## USING KONSTELLA

BY DIANA WILSON,  
 HIPS VOLUNTEER

Hacienda Involved Parents and Staff (HIPS) has launched Konstella to help us protect the environment with paperless communications within the school and classrooms.

### SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

When first signing-in to Konstella's website or App, you will see a feed of recent posts. Return to the home page any time by clicking on Konstella on top left of the screen.

Primary Links from the home page:

- **Feed** lists all recent announcements, upcoming events, sign-up opportunities.

- **Calendar** shows all upcoming events and lets you sync events with your personal calendar. That way, you'll never miss an upcoming event! To do so, click on "Sync to my calendar" on the right side of the screen, and then select events you signed-up for and classroom and school events.
- **More** allows you to see all announcements or sign-up pages, and get access to files (like this Newsletter) and photos.

### KONSTELLA GROUPS

There are 4 different kinds of groups: classrooms, committees, social groups, and private groups.

**Classrooms** are associated with students and their teacher and are automatically joined when you sign up.

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## USING KONSTELLA

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**Committees** are HIPS-led volunteer groups. Users can sign up different positions. Committee members can message the group, create events and sign-ups, and share files and photos in the committee. Committee Leads can sign up and withdraw others, edit the committee, and will get notified when others join and leave the committee.

**Social Groups** are typically started by parents. It's a great way for parents to mingle and share information on a topic of interest. Like other groups, parents can message each other, create events, sign-ups, and share photos and files. Parents should join one or more of these groups since you are not automatically part of these groups. This is a great way to share information not directly related to school, such as posting an item for sale or sharing information about a local event, etc.

**Private Groups** are created when users send messages to one or more parents who are not in the same group. Like other groups, parents can message each other, create events, sign-ups, and share photos and files. Private Groups are limited to just 25 people.

### SEND A MESSAGE

The menu on the left shows all the groups that you are a member, including the classrooms your children are enrolled and the committees or social groups you have joined.

Click on the group and a list of members will appear on the right. Click the "+" sign right next to the "Messages" label on the left menu and type in the text area to post a message.

For a classroom group:

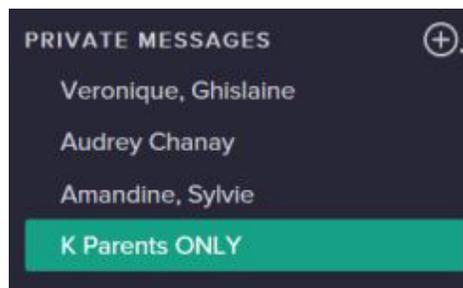
- Teachers
- Room parents, called "Leads"
- Other Parents

By default, the teachers are part of the discussion, however, if you want to send a message to parents only, use the option "create subgroup" from the bottom of the list and name it so all parents can understand who is part of the discussion, and then select the

parents, excluding the teachers. Since some teacher are also parents, they will have two accounts:

- Parents use their personal email address
- Teacher use their SJUSD email address

So create a private discussion with the parents ONLY, for a thank you gift for instance, be sure to remove both! Once your done, a new private group appears on the left under 'Private Messages'.



### SIGN-UP FOR EVENTS

When an event is happening, and volunteers are needed, you'll receive a sign-up in your Feed. Simply click on the sign-up to register yourself for the event. Older events can be seen from the **More > Sign-Ups** link.

### FIND PARENTS IN THE DIRECTORY

If you know the name you're looking for, use the search box on top of the screen, to easily find contact info of the person (parent, staff, teacher) you're looking for and the information they agreed to share (e.g., address, phone number, email)

If you're looking for someone in a specific class or a staff member and you're not sure of the name, click on Directory on the left side panel. Then select the classroom you're interested in or staff (including teachers), and you can see all the information this person has agreed to share (e.g., address, phone number, email)

### JOIN A COMMITTEE

Click the green "Committees" link on the left-hand menu to browse the committees. Click on a specific committee to learn more and/or sign up or remove yourself.

### KONSTELLA APP

Navigate the Phone/Tablet App:

- **School:** Shows recent announcements, events, and sign-ups in your school and classrooms.
- **Messages:** Shows the groups you are in and the group messages.
- **Directory:** Allows you to look up parents, browse Committees (iPhone), and Social Groups.
- **Settings** "gear icon" at the top left corner for account profile, children, privacy, notifications, etc...

The Messages link at the bottom shows all of the groups you are in. Click any group and start typing at the bottom. To send a Message to an individual or a group from the Messages page, click the "Send/Join (+)" at the top right corner. Choose "Send a Private Message."

The "Directory" tab at the bottom can be used to search for Parent, Teacher or HIPS members. Click "Browse Committees" to browse and sign up for the committees.

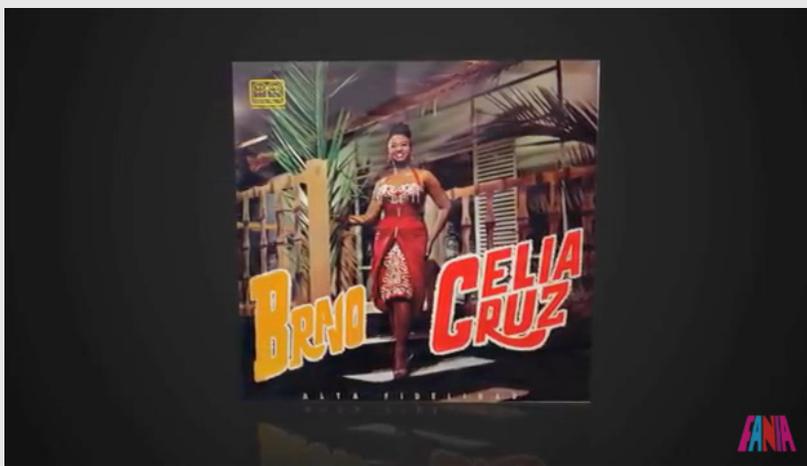


## COMPOSITION OF THE MONTH

“Guantanamera” by Celia Cruz

“Guantanamera” became a standard of Cruz’s repertoire after she left Cuba for Mexico in 1960, and subsequently moved to the United States. Her version of the song, based on Cuban icon Jose Marti’s poetry and made famous internationally by Pete Seeger was released on the 1967 album Bravo Celia Cruz, recorded with La Sonora.

BY MONICA ULRICH,  
MUSIC TEACHER



Celia Cruz – Guantanamera on Youtube

## HIPS NOMINEES!

Nominees for the HIPS Executive Board for the 2018-19 school year:

- President: Michael Elliot
- VP Events & Fundraising: Nancy Minicucci
- VP Communications: Ryan Benech
- VP Community Outreach: Muriel Mawdsley
- Secretary: Elisa Crosby
- Treasurer: Rob Kossayian
- Accounts Payable: TBD
- Accounts Receivable: Michelle Scripoch
- Auditor: Heather Stenshamn
- Parliamentarian: Melissa Belur

Voting will take place at the HIPS general meeting on Tuesday May 22, 2018.

Anyone interested in the Accounts Payable “check writer” position, please contact Melissa Belur at [HIPSParliamentarian@gmail.com](mailto:HIPSParliamentarian@gmail.com) ASAP!



## ONLY ONE OUTDOOR WORKDAY LEFT!

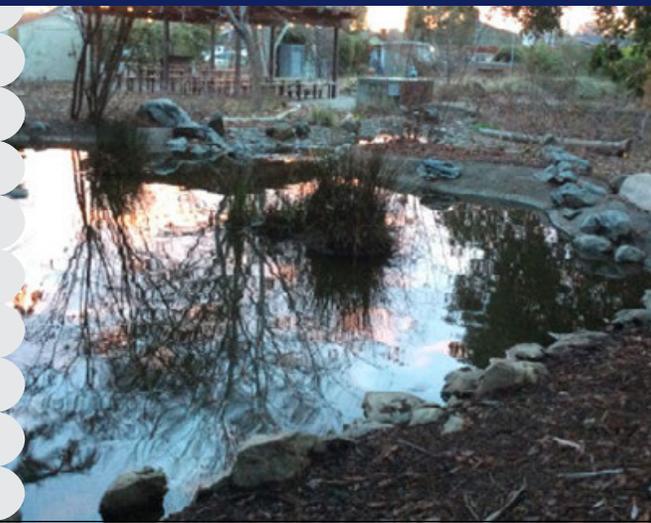
Don't miss this last great opportunity to help maintain the Outdoor classroom and have fun at the same time! We need all the hands-on help we can get! Please consider joining us for our remaining outdoor workday this year:

Saturday, June 2 from 9:00am-1:00pm

- » All children must bring a supervising adult to work alongside them.
- » Come to work for as long or as short as you like. We recommend younger students come for just an hour or less.
- » Wear sunscreen and work clothes that can get dirty.

Alos, are you interested in taking home a Hacienda Animal for the summer?

Contact Audra Deckert ([adeckert@sjusd.org](mailto:adeckert@sjusd.org)) or your classroom teacher (if they have an animal) to get more info.



# Mark Your Calendar

Add HIPS calendar to your device, visit [hips.rocks/calendar](https://hips.rocks/calendar). Submit important dates by email to [newsletterhacienda@gmail.com](mailto:newsletterhacienda@gmail.com).

## MAY 4

5th GRADE MUSICAL "DIG IT"  
In the Cafeteria  
• 9:00am: 1st Student Assembly  
• 10:00am: 2nd Student Assembly  
• 2:05pm: Parent Assembly

## MAY 8

OPEN HOUSE 6:30p-8p

## MAY 8-10

SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR  
Open House on Tues, May 8th  
After school on Wed, May 9th,  
Before & After School on May 10th

## MAY 14

SCHOOL SITE COUNCIL MEETING  
3:15p - 4:15p Library

## MAY 15

SELAC MEETING  
9:00a Faculty Dining Room (FDR)

## MAY 15 - 16

LET'S EAT OUT NIGHT OUT  
4p-10p (Reservations Recommended)  
The Old Spaghetti Factory  
51 N. San Pedro Street 408.288.7488

## MAY 17

PARENT VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION  
TEA (Invitation Only)  
3:30p-4:30p at the Science Patio

## MAY 22

HIPS MEETING  
6:30p Faculty Dining Room (FDR)

## MAY 23

PRINCIPAL'S COFFEE  
9:15a Faculty Dining Room (FDR)

## MAY 24

HACIENDA BAND'S SPRING CONCERT  
6 pm in the Cafeteria

## MAY 25

KIDS IN MOTION  
9:30a - Dance & Movement Shool  
Wide Performance  
Wear these T-Shirts:  
Kinder & SDC = Hunter Green  
1st = Navy Blue  
2nd = Trout shirts  
3rd = Gray  
4th = Red  
5th = Tie-dye  
Staff = Purple

## MAY 28

MEMORIAL DAY. NO SCHOOL.

## JUNE 7

LAST DAY OF SCHOOL.  
Free Dress Day!

## ASK ONE, BE ONE!

Visit [Konstella "Sign Ups"](#) today to join as a volunteer for all the great End of Year Activities!

We are looking for a **Project Cornerstone Coordinator** and **PBIS Fun Buck Store Coordinator** for next year!

## VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT

Hacienda community is so lucky to have parents, teachers, and staff with such dedication...

**Earth Day Expo & Celebration Volunteers**  
**International Night Coordinator and Volunteers**  
**Field Trip Volunteers**  
**Spring Fling Coordinator and Volunteers**  
**Art Vistas Coordinators and Volunteers**  
**Project Cornerstone Coordinator and Volunteers**  
**Sprouts Volunteers**  
**Weeding & Gardening Volunteers**  
**And much much more.....**

THANK YOU for helping to make Hacienda a wonderful and welcoming community!!



Hang in there everyone!!!! We are almost to the end of the year. We need a final push for volunteers to finish the year strong. Thank you for your time, energy, and positive spirit this school year. Enjoy your summer and see you next year!



# Spring Fling Silent Auction

On behalf of the Silent Auction Committee, THANK YOU to everyone who bid on all the donated items and CONGRATULATIONS to all the winners. Special thanks to all the room parents who arranged their classroom's basket. *This year's auction earned over \$9,000.*

The Auction Committee spends a few months submitting donation requests online and in the mail. Send a message to [HaciendaSilentAuction@gmail.com](mailto:HaciendaSilentAuction@gmail.com) to join our group.

In addition to adding more auction procurement volunteers, I am looking for a Silent Auction Chairperson. The job sounds scarier than it really is. The basic responsibilities are overseeing the different parts that make the auction happen. You will coordinate with the procurement team, the item catalog volunteer, the class basket coordinator, the event day check out team, the database / bidder entry volunteer, and handle post event auction pick up. The majority of the work is done over email. I have worked on the Auction Committee for 6 years but my youngest is in 4th grade now so I'll only be at Hacienda for one more school year. I'm hoping to pass along my knowledge and experience. Please reach out to me, Michelle Scipoch, with any questions.

We ask you to support the businesses that have supported us. When you visit them, please be sure to thank them for their donation.

- A Work of Heart
- Aerospace Museum of California
- All Natural Day Spa
- American Girl
- Aperture Academy
- Aqua Adventure Water Park
- Blue & Gold Fleet
- Boulder Creek Golf & Country Club
- California Academy of Sciences
- Charles Paddock Zoo
- Children's Fairyland
- City Sightseeing San Francisco
- Classic Car Wash
- CuriOdyssey
- Dream Dinners
- Elizabeth F. Gamble Garden
- Evergreen Aviation Museum
- Fine Arts Museums of San Francisco: de Young and Legion of Honor
- Foretiere Underground Gardens
- Gilroy Gardens Family Theme Park
- Hair By Stacia
- Happy Hollow Park & Zoo
- Hiller Aviation Museum
- Honig Vineyard and Winery
- In-N-Out Burger
- Innovators
- Irvine Park Railroad
- Jake's of Willow Glen
- Kyoto Palace
- Lindsay Wildlife Museum
- Marie Callenders
- Martinelli & Company

- Mtn. View Center for the Performing Arts
- Niles Canyon Railway
- Oakland Zoo
- Paintball International
- Pizza Factory Willow Glen
- Pizza My Heart
- Poor House Bistro
- Psycho Donuts
- Raging Waters - San Jose
- Railtown 1897
- Ravine Water Park
- Ruth Bancroft Garden
- San Francisco Cruises (Red & White Fleet)
- San Francisco Symphony
- San Francisco Zoo
- San Jose Giants Baseball Club
- Scandia Family Center
- Sharks Ice at San Jose
- Sky High
- Smart Shopping & Organizing
- Sonoma Train Town
- Sports Basement
- The Tech Museum of Innovation
- The Wooden Horse
- Tiny Treks
- USS Hornet Museum
- USS Midway Museum
- Valencia Howard Photography
- Valencia Howard Piano School
- Visual Eyes Optometry
- Walt's Cycle
- Willow Street Pizza
- Yosemite Mountain Sugar Pine Railroad

## SILENT AUCTION