



Reminders:

- Oct 30: School Assembly 1:30pm Library
- Oct 31: Halloween Costume Parade & Special Student Performance Gr. K-8 8:45am
- Oct 31-Nov 8: Día de los Muertos Altar in the Office (Everyone is welcome to visit and contribute photos of departed loved ones to this special exhibit)
- Nov 3: End of Daylight Savings TURN CLOCKS BACK ONE HOUR 2 a.m.
- Nov 6: Lockdown Drill 1:15pm & Emergency Student Release to Parents Drill 1:30pm
- Nov 7: Board Meeting 5pm Library
- Nov 11: SCHOOL CLOSED ~ Veterans Day Holiday
- Nov 15: Early Dismissal 1:30pm - All Grades K-8
- Nov 25-29: SCHOOL CLOSED ~ Thanksgiving Holiday & Recess

Recordatorios:

- Oct 30: Asamblea Escolar 1:30pm Biblioteca
- Oct 31: Defile de Disfraces del Día Brujas & Presentación Especial c/Estudiantes Todos los Grados K-8 8:45am
- Oct 31-Nov 8: Exhibición Día de los Muertos en la Oficina (Todos están invitados a visitar la oficina y contribuir con fotos de sus seres amados en esta exhibición especial)
- Nov 3: Termina el Ahorro de Luz de Día – RETRASEN sus relojes una hora
- Nov 6: Simulacro de Retención seguido 1:15pm por un Simulacro de Entrega de Estudiantes a los Padres de Familia en caso de Emergencia 1:30pm
- Nov 7: Reunión de la Mesa Directiva 5pm Biblioteca
- Nov 11: ESCUELA CERRADA ~ Día de los Veteranos
- Nov 15: Salida Temprana 1:30pm - Todos los Grados K-8
- Nov 25-29: ESCUELA CERRADA ~ Receso y Festividades del Día de Gracias



October 24, 2019

Dear Nicasio Families,

We are getting in the Halloween spirit! Yesterday we had our all-school field trip to the Nicasio Pumpkin Patch. I enjoyed seeing the students spending time with their cross-age buddies. It was especially sweet to see the middle schoolers and Kindergartners together... one of the many things that makes Nicasio School a special place! I hope you enjoy the photos below.

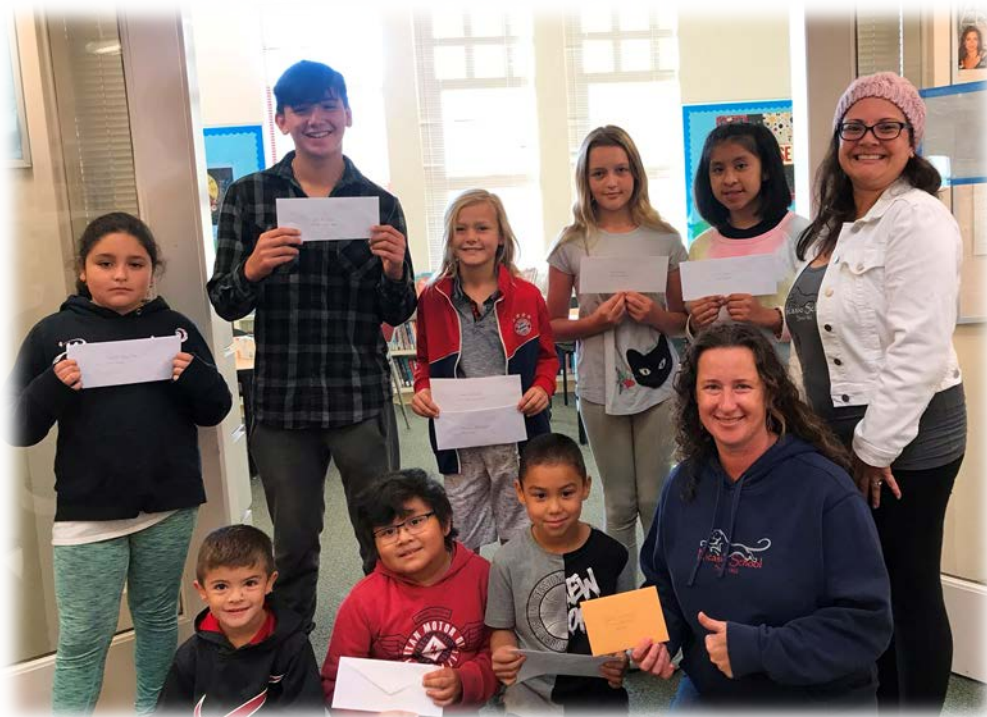
Congratulations to our Walk-A-Thon winners! These students worked hard to raise the most money, collect the greatest number of donations, or complete the most laps: Dylan M., Jaciel D., Damian F., Frankie M., Daniella M., Daniel S., Sophia K., and Valeria V. The K/1/2 class raised the most money and earned an ice cream party. Thank you for supporting your children in collecting their pledges and contributing to the Nicasio School Foundation.

Thank you to all who attended our Principal's Chat this morning. I enjoyed meeting and talking about previous and upcoming school events as well as ideas for updating our school spirit wear. These chats will take place monthly, with our next one on November 14th at 8:20 am.

Finally, as Halloween approaches please see information in Cougar Tracks about our school parade and special student performance. Click [here](#) for Halloween health and safety tips. Student council will also be collecting candy for "Operation Gratitude", a program that sends care packages to troops overseas, beginning on November 1st for those who would like to participate.

All the best,

Barbara







~ Halloween & Día de los Muertos ~

As you know, Halloween is fast approaching, and for any students who would like to do so, **learning-friendly** costumes may be worn to school on **Thursday, October 31st**. These costumes must be *appropriate for the school environment* i.e. no masks, gory or scary costumes, or “weapon-like” accessories.

Parents and siblings are encouraged to join us right after the start of school to watch our **all-school costume parade** beginning at approximately 8:45am (*costumes are optional*). You won't want to miss this fun and wacky procession! Also, please join us in the MPR for a special **student performance** immediately following the parade! Be sure to bring your camera!



While you are on campus for the parade, please visit the office, where a student-created **Día de los Muertos ofrenda** (altar) will be on display through Nov. 8. Bring photos of departed loved ones to add to this special exhibit.

Nicasio School

Lockdown Drill - followed by a Simulated Emergency Student Release to Parents


Wednesday, November 6, 2019

On **Wednesday, November 6th**, all students, teachers and staff will participate in our first lockdown drill of the school year. This exercise will take place from 1:15-1:30pm.

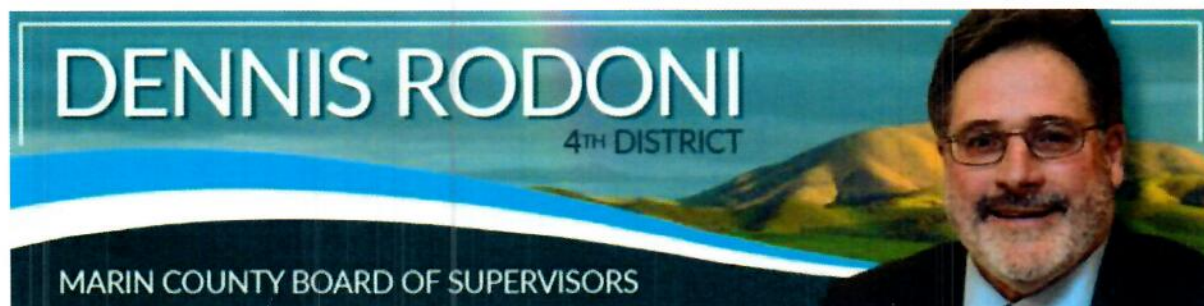
EMERGENCY STUDENT RELEASE TO PARENTS DRILL STARTS AT 1:30pm.

Following the lockdown drill, students, teachers and staff will assemble in the MPR to practice our **Emergency Student Release to Parents** plan. This drill will require the participation of all parents or authorized adults planning to pick up students that day. This exercise will help familiarize our school community with the protocols for releasing students to parents/authorized adults following an actual emergency.

Please note the following regarding the student release drill:

- ◆ Anyone arriving to pick up a student on November 6th (*and every day*) must be named on that student's list of authorized Drivers/Emergency Contacts.
- ◆ Upon arrival, parents/other authorized adults will be asked to form a line at the "**Student Request Table**" located outside the **north doors** of the MPR.
- ◆ You will be asked to show a **driver's license** or other **photo ID**.
- ◆ Because the release process will take longer than normal, parents/other authorized adults may arrive as early as 1:30pm and no later than 2pm.
- ◆ Students will be released in the order in which they have been requested by their parents/other authorized adults.
- ◆  Be prepared for rain! This drill will take place rain or shine, and the Student Request and Release waiting areas for parents/guardians are outside the MPR.

Thank you in advance, for your patience, cooperation and participation!



Supervisor Dennis Rodoni invites you to his 2019 Fall Office
Hours for **San Geronimo Valley and Nicasio!**

Supervisor Rodoni will be joined by Community Development Agency staff member
Kristin Drumm.

Date: Friday, October 25th

Time: 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm

Location: San Geronimo Valley
Community Center – The Valley Room
6350 Sir Francis Drake Boulevard, San Geronimo
Valley, CA 94963

All are welcome and no RSVP is needed

For more information, contact Rhonda Kutter at RKutter@marincounty.org or (415) 473-3246



Free Admission
Free Parking

Saturday, October 26, 2019

10:00 am - 4:00 pm

Sonoma County Fairgrounds

1350 Bennett Valley Rd, Santa Rosa, CA 95404

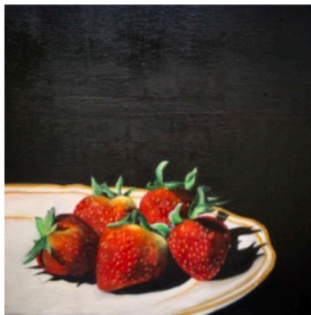
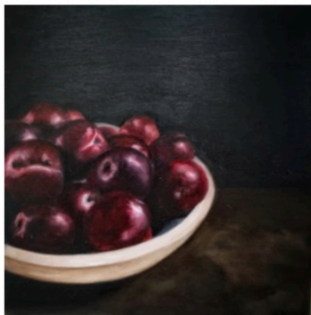


Have fun learning with hands-on science

- Robots
- Astronaut Gear
- Sound Waves
- Telescopes
- Virtual Reality
- Squid
- Rockets
- Drones
- Microscopes
- 3D Printing
- Slime
- Much More!

Part of the Bay Area Science Festival and partnered with Career Technical Education Foundation, Buck Institute for Research on Aging, and University of California at San Francisco.

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NO BULLY

~~OCTOBER 9TH~~

NEW DATE!!

OCTOBER 29TH
6:00PM TO 7:30PM

No Bully Introduction

- Overview of No Bully Program
- How to support and guide children at home
- How to build supportive and collaborative partnerships with school.

Workshops for Parents & Guardians: How to Bully-Proof Children in their Lives and the Digital World

Tools to use at home and in partnership with the school community

NOVEMBER 13 , 2019
6:00PM TO 7:30PM

Power of Zero: Raising Children in a Connected World.

- Understanding the internet and social media
- Building every child's ability to connect positively
- The importance of Digital citizenship
- Helping children thrive in the digital world.

FEBRUARY 5, 2020
6:00PM TO 7:30PM

How to Stop Cyberbullying

- Grades 3-8
- What Cyberbullying is and isn't
- Bully Proof your child on their phone, tablet, and computer.
- Build citizenship skills to promote social emotional learning and respect for diversity.

MARCH 19, 2020
6:00PM TO 7:30PM

Stop Cyberbullying & Navigating the Social Media Landscape

- Grades 6-12
- How to Bully Proof your children on their phone, tablet, and computer
- Navigate the ever changing social media landscape as responsible digital citizens.



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COST: FREE

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TRADUCCIÓN SIMULTÁNEA DISPONIBLE





WILDFIRE EVACUATION CHECKLIST

If evacuation is anticipated and time allows, follow this checklist to give your family and home the best chance of survival. Complete the Family Communication Plan on the opposite side for each family member and keep in your "Go Kit(s)."

ALERT MARIN: Register for emergency notifications at www.alertmarin.org to receive evacuation notices by email, phone, or text. Evacuation notices sent through Alert Marin will use the following terminology:



EVACUATION ORDER

Leave now! Evacuate immediately, do not delay to gather valuables or prepare your home. Follow any directions given in the evacuation order.

EVACUATION WARNING

Evacuate as soon as possible. A short delay to gather your Go Kit and prepare your home (see below) may be ok. Leave if you feel unsafe.

SHELTER IN PLACE

Stay in your current location or the safest nearby building or unburnable area. May be required when evacuation is impossible, too dangerous, or unnecessary.

ON YOUR PERSON

- ☐ Dress all family members in long sleeves and long pants - heavy cotton or wool is preferable no matter how hot it is.
- ☐ Wear leather gloves, head, and eye protection - full coverage goggles are best.
- ☐ Cover your face with a dry bandanna or (cotton or wool) scarf over an N95 respirator.
- ☐ Carry a headlamp and flashlight (even during the day), cell phone, and spare battery.
- ☐ Carry car keys, wallet, and ID on your person.
- ☐ Drink lots of water and stay hydrated.
- ☐ Put your "Go Kit" in your vehicle.

PETS & ANIMALS

- ☐ Locate your pets and place in carriers NOW. You will not be able to catch them when the fire approaches.
- ☐ Be sure your pets wear tags and microchips.
- ☐ Place carriers (with your pets in them) near the front door, with fresh water and extra food.
- ☐ Prepare horses and large animals for transport and consider moving them to a safe location early, before evacuation is ordered.

INSIDE THE HOUSE

- ☐ Shut all windows and doors (interior too) and leave them unlocked.
- ☐ Remove combustible window shades and lightweight curtains; close metal shutters.
- ☐ Move furniture to the center of the room, away from windows.
- ☐ Shut off gas at the meter or propane tank; turn off pilot lights.
- ☐ Leave indoor and outdoor lights on for firefighters.
- ☐ Shut off air conditioning and house fans.

OUTSIDE & IN NEIGHBORHOOD

- ☐ Gather up combustible items outside the house (patio furniture, children's toys, door mats, trash cans, etc) and place in garage or move them at least 30' from structures (optionally: place in your pool).
- ☐ Close propane tank valves. Move small tanks away from structures.
- ☐ Connect garden hoses to outside water valves or spigots for use by firefighters. Attach squeeze-grip nozzles if you have them.

- ☐ Fill water buckets and place them around the outside of house, especially near decks and fences. Don't leave sprinklers on or water running - they are ineffective and can reduce critical water pressure for the entire neighborhood.
- ☐ Hosing your roof down is dangerous and ineffective. Clean your gutters and blow leaves away from house instead (only if time allows).
- ☐ Back your car into the driveway so it is facing out, with vehicle loaded and all doors and windows closed.
- ☐ Unlock and prop open fence and side gates.
- ☐ Place ladder(s) at the corner(s) of structures for firefighters.
- ☐ Seal attic and ground vents with pre-cut plywood or metal covers.
- ☐ Patrol your property and monitor the fire situation.
- ☐ Don't wait for an evacuation order if you feel threatened.
- ☐ Check on or call neighbors and make sure they are aware and preparing to leave.
- ☐ Assist elderly or disabled neighbors.
- ☐ Carpool to reduce traffic when evacuating!

WILDFIRE & EMERGENCY "GO KIT"

Put together an emergency supply kit in advance and keep it easily accessible. Plan to be away from your home for an extended period of time. Each person should have their own Go Kit. Backpacks work great for storing these items.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Bandana, N95 respirator, goggles, leather gloves | <input type="checkbox"/> Copies of important docs (birth certificates, passports, insurance policies, etc) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Water bottles and food | <input type="checkbox"/> Pet food and water, leashes, pet supplies and medications |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Map marked with two evacuation routes (if possible) | <input type="checkbox"/> Spare chargers for cell phones, laptops, etc. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Prescription medications | <input type="checkbox"/> Sanitation supplies |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Change of clothing | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Extra eyeglasses or contact lenses | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Extra set of car keys, credit cards, cash | Items to take only if time allows: |
| <input type="checkbox"/> First aid kit | <input type="checkbox"/> Easily carried valuables |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Flashlight and headlamp with spare batteries | <input type="checkbox"/> Family photos and other irreplaceable items |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Battery-powered radio and extra batteries | <input type="checkbox"/> Personal computer and digital information backups on hard drives and/or disks |



Family Emergency Communication Plan

Write your family's name above

Family Emergency Communication Plan

HOUSEHOLD INFORMATION

Home #:

Address:

Name: Mobile #:

Other # or social media: Email:

Important medical or other information:

Name: Mobile #:

Other # or social media: Email:

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Important medical or other information:

SCHOOL, CHILDCARE, CAREGIVER, AND WORKPLACE EMERGENCY PLANS

Name:

Address:

Emergency/Hotline #: Website:

Emergency Plan/Pick-Up:

Name:

Address:

Emergency/Hotline #: Website:

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Emergency Plan/Pick-Up:

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Emergency Plan/Pick-Up:

IN CASE OF EMERGENCY (ICE) CONTACT

Name: Mobile #:

Home #: Email:

Address:

OUT-OF-TOWN CONTACT

Name: Mobile #:

Home #: Email:

Address:

EMERGENCY MEETING PLACES

Indoor:

Instructions:

Neighborhood:

Instructions:

Out-of-Neighborhood:

Address:

Instructions:

Out-of-Town:

Address:

Instructions:

IMPORTANT NUMBERS OR INFORMATION

Police: Dial 911 or #:

Fire: Dial 911 or #:

Poison Control: #:

Doctor: #:

Doctor: #:

Pediatrician: #:

Dentist: #:

Medical Insurance: #:

Policy #:

Medical Insurance: #:

Policy #:

Hospital/Clinic: #:

Pharmacy: #:

Homeowner/Rental Insurance: #:

Policy #:

Flood Insurance: #:

Policy #:

Veterinarian: #:

Kennel: #:

Electric Company: #:

Gas Company: #:

Water Company: #:

Alternate/Accessible Transportation: #:

Other:



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Emergency Communication Systems

School Messenger

Nicasio School uses an emergency communication system, School Messenger, to communicate with families in the event of an emergency. This system allows communication via phone call, email, and text message. We will conduct our annual test of this system in October. Please be sure your contact information is up to date in the main office.

Alert Marin

Alert Marin is an emergency communication system from the Marin County Sheriff's Office. Follow this link to register for alerts:

<https://www.marinsheriff.org/services/emergency-services/alert-marin>

Nixle

Nixle is an emergency communication system for residents of an area (determined by zip code) that will immediately notify users during emergency incidents. To register, visit:

<http://www.nixle.com/>

Twitter

Follow organizations such as Marin County Sheriff (@MarinSheriff), CHP Marin (@CHPMarin), and The West Marin Feed (@WestMarinFeed) for up-to-date information during an emergency.