

DATE	TIME	DESCRIPTION	LOCATION
Tues, Nov 13	6:00 - 7:30 p.m	ELAC/CASP Meeting	Library
Thurs, Nov 15	6:00 - 7:30 p.m.	PTO Meeting	Library
Mon, Nov 19 - Fri, Nov 23		School Closed - Thanksgiving Recess	
Mon, Nov 26	6:30 p.m.	Parent Ed/Family Enrichment: Sensory Processing	Library
Mon, Nov 26 - Fri, Nov 30		Early Dismissal all week (1:40 p.m.) for Parent-Teacher Conferences	

STOP, DROP, AND GO			
Nov 13 - Nov 16	Mr. Strohm	Room 207	Sign up online
Nov 26 - Nov 30	Ms. Flynn	Room 203	Sign up online

PRINCIPAL'S CORNER

Dear Argonne Families,
 It's hard to believe we are halfway through November and with so much to be thankful for! I hope everyone has a safe, happy, and healthy Thanksgiving- full of delicious food and numerous hugs from our family and friends. I am so thankful to be a part of this great community, from classrooms to school tours to fundraising- we have A LOT of amazing people working so hard behind the scenes to create a very special place for our students to learn. THANK YOU to our teachers, staff, parents, and students for creating our great Argonne community.

Unfortunately, our air quality is forecasted to be unhealthy this week, especially on Tuesday, November 13. Please prepare your students, by reminding them that we will be following an Indoor Recess Schedule for recesses and P.E. will be conducted indoors. Please note that if you wish, it is permitted for you to keep your child home due to the air quality. The absence will be considered excused due to health concerns. Please follow the district protocol and submit a note to Grace for this absence.

Don't forget to schedule your Parent-Teacher conference with your child's teacher the week of November 26th-29th. This is a valuable time to build the relationship with your child's teacher and connect over all the great things our students are learning.

With Much Gratitude, Ms. Catingub

VOLUNTEER NEWS

Critical Need: 1. We have large groups arriving for **Orientation Tours** and we continue to need help from parent volunteers to “show-off” why we love Argonne! The future dates are: 04 December, 09 January. 2019. **Help us out and sign up here > <https://argonnesf.org/volunteer/>**

2. Parent Volunteer **Tad Whitaker**, who has led the *Hour of Code* activity all five years, is leaving Argonne and needs to hand it off for next year. **Please reach out to him at theporkskewer@gmail.com** if you'd like to help/shadow. And no... you don't need to know how to code! The kids can do that. (See the attached event flyer for the upcoming *Hour of Code* happening in December)

SCHOOL/COMMUNITY NEWS

PTO Meeting - Nov 15 at 6 p.m.

Please join us on Thurs, Nov 15 for our last PTO meeting of 2018. Agenda items include an update on the safety assessment of the play structure, next steps for the capitol improvement project, and chair up- dates including Fundraising, Finance, Community, Communications, and Volunteer updates. The yard will be open for parking, and dinner & childcare will be offered. Join us after the meeting for a parent gathering at Orson's Belly.

Parent Ed/Family Enrichment - Mon, Nov 26 at 6:30 p.m.

Hello Community! Please join us Monday Nov. 26 at 6:30 in the Argonne library. FREE Dinner & Parking on the yard. **Topic: Understanding What Sensory Processing Is & Its Effect on Attention and Self-Regulation**
A child's everyday occupations are academics, play and social interaction with their peers. Occupational therapy supports a child's success in these areas, focusing on the foundational pieces that affect function. These include muscle coordination, fine motor and hand skills, visual-perceptual functions, and the body's ability to take in and integrate sensory information.

In this workshop Julia Harris, OTR will help you understand these foundational pieces that need to come together to support a child to be successful in school.

Speaker: Julia Harris, Pediatric Occupational Therapist in a San Francisco Based Private Practice
Contact parented@argonnesf.org with questions.

5th Grade Book Club Meeting Scheduled!

The 5th Grade Book Club will meet during lunch on Friday, November 30 to discuss *Chasing Secrets* by Gennifer Choldenko. Questions? **Contact: Ms. Parker @ parkerj@sfusd.edu.**

Make a difference in the life of a senior this Thanksgiving

Share your holiday cheer with a homebound senior this Thanksgiving. Argonne students and families are invited to create festive placemats that will be delivered to Meals on Wheels clients on Thanksgiving Day. If you are interested in participating, please create a placemat following the guidelines located at <http://www.mowsf.org/sites/mowsf.org/files/MOWSF%20Thanksgiving%20Placemat%20Guidelines.pdf> and drop it off in the box marked "Meals On Wheels Thanksgiving Placemat Drive" near the school office **no later than Thursday, November 15th**. Want to create more than one? Awesome! Submit as many as you'd like. If you need 11 x 17 paper, you can find it next to the drop off box.

Questions? Please contact Gretchen Anderson at ghooversf@gmail.com.

Community Gardening Day Thanks

Thank you to all the wonderful volunteers who came out to our community gardening day on November 4, including **Jessica Romero and Cortez, Shari Wellington, Ritchie Chen, Peilin Yu, Adeena E, Carrie McFarland, Annora Cavoulas, Milo & Baxter Zrob, Jeff Boice, Kyung Hee Kim, Dustin & Miles Moore, Dina Bloom, Jeff Russell, Christien & Dorian Kafton, and Adam Abolfazli & Dana Beigel**. We moved many, many wheelbarrows of mulch and planted a huge number of drought-hardy and native plants in the sidewalk

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gardens and in planters around the yard. **If you are are interested in helping out with the Green Argonne committee, contact Amy Morris (mo@oxhouse.org).**

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SAVE THE DATE:
Parent Ed/ Family
Enrichment Night -
Monday, 11/26 at
6:30PM

Free event including dinner, child care, and parking!

Topic: What is Sensory Processing and how it affects behavior and function.

Speaker: Julia Harris, Pediatric Occupational Therapist

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HOUR OF CODE WEEK

Argonne will once again participate in the Hour of Code week, which is a one-hour introduction to computer science designed to demystify code and show that anybody can learn the basics. All 400+ students will participate the week of December 3-7th.

Progress is already easy to recognize compared with when Argonne began participating five years ago. Originally, it took eight adults over two days to coordinate all the reading buddies and classes across two days due to a lack of familiarity on everyone's behalf. This year, only one parent will be required for one day because kids are so familiar with the programs and concepts.

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More information can be found at hourofcode.com.