

# Park Day Post

• Thursday, Oct 1 at 6:09 PM •



Dear Park Day Families,

600! There were 600 members of our community who came through campus yesterday for our first Park Day testing day. Even though we were together for something not so festive, I enjoyed getting to meet so many of you in person and to begin to build relationships and connections. Our next testing day will be on October 13.

Late this afternoon, Alameda County issued a [press release](#) stating that because of our extended **Tier 2** status, elementary (K-6) schools would be allowed to reopen for in-person learning starting on October 13. We are continuing to work to design a gradual, phased in reopening approach that would begin on November 2. Please stay tuned for more information through ParentSquare and parent Town Halls in the coming weeks.

Be well.

Angela

## UPCOMING EVENTS

**10/2**

- K-8 Assembly 8:45-9:10am

[Zoom Link](#) / Passcode:

Community

- [Program Admin Drop-in Office Hours](#)

**10/12**

- [No School - Indigenous Peoples Day](#)

**10/13**

- [No School - Professional Development Day](#)

- COVID-19 Community

Testing on Campus

- [DJA Presents Special Guest Dr. Ja'Nina Garrett-Walker](#)

**10/16**

- [Program Admin Drop-in](#)

## "If You Knew Me Mondays" Podcast

If you didn't yet catch Park Day School's new **If You Knew Me Mondays** podcast, be sure to listen to this interview with Angela, hosted by Arjuna Sayyed and guest 6th grade interviewers Qadir and Rowen!



## SCHOOL NEWS

### Video Contest Challenge Deadline Extended! Submit by October 8!

The Middle School is holding a video contest! Prizes include Park Day hoodies and T-shirts. Winning videos will be showcased on the Park Day website and in Social Media, and can be shown at assembly. The main audience for this video is younger students at Park Day School to help inspire them to be safe and practice healthy habits during COVID.

**The challenge:** Make a 1 - 2 minute video that shows how to properly wear a mask, wash your hands or maintain social distance. The video should also explain how and why COVID spread can be curbed through the topic you choose. Your video can be in any style: song, dramatic interpretation, stop motion animation, anything at all. **Here are some examples.** Multiple video submissions are welcome, but each entry should be on only ONE of the following topics:

1. Wearing a mask
2. Washing hands
3. Maintaining social distance

**Prizes:** Grand Prize winning video in each category to be featured on the Park Day website, on Social Media and shown in assembly. Selected creator will receive a Park Day hoodie. Runner up will have their video hyperlinked on the Park Day website, and receive a Park Day T-shirt.

### **Rules:**

1. Submissions are due **Thursday, Oct 8 by 3pm.**
2. Make a 1 - 2 minute video that explains how to properly wear a mask, wash your hands or maintain social distance. The video should also explain how and why COVID spread can be curbed through the topic you choose.
3. Upload your video to YouTube or Vimeo (please check with your grown-ups and adhere to the privacy settings established by your

## Office Hours

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- **Virtual East Bay Mini Maker Faire**



## REMINDERS

**Customize your ParentSquare notification settings** so you get information the way that suits you best!

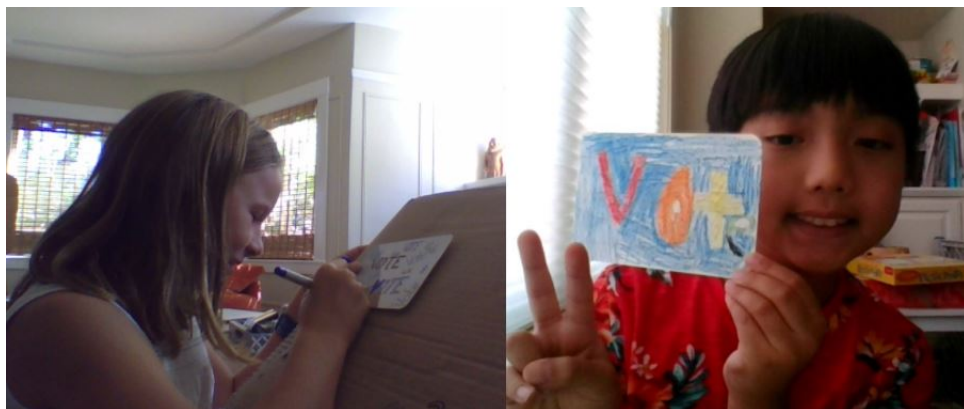
**Check out all the Opt-In Community Groups** on ParentSquare and find folks with similar interests!

**Seeking Parenting Resources**? We've got you covered.

**Navigate** school-related tech issues on the school's **Technology & Tips** section of the website.

**Looking** for some printable visual guides for your students to help them in distance learning? Check out the school's **Distance Learning Guideposts** section of the website.

family). Send the url to [amalia.bob-waksberg@parkdayschool.org](mailto:amalia.bob-waksberg@parkdayschool.org).  
4. Winners will be announced in the Park Day Post.



### **Panetto Kitchen Brings New Offerings & Launches Webpage!**

The enthusiastic response by Park Day families (and their families and friends, too!) inspired the launch of this **new webpage** on the PDS site to support ease of ordering and menu updates.

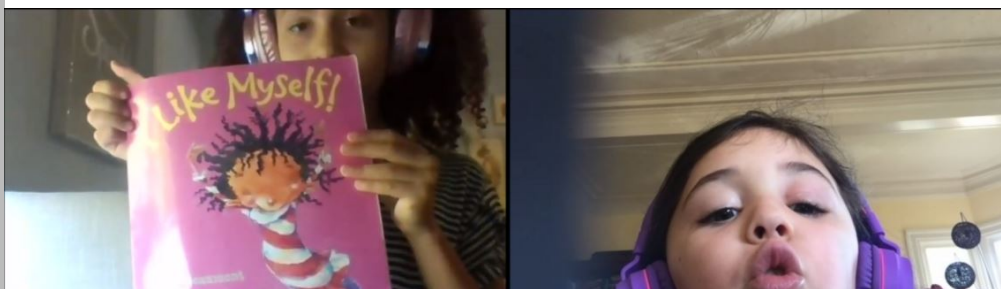


### **Family/Teacher Conferences**

Our next round of Parent/Guardian-Teacher/Advisor Conferences will be on **November 12 & 13**. We decided to move these one week later than originally scheduled.

Sign ups will open three weeks before conferences, and we will alert you 24 hours before we post the sign up slots. We'll share the conference structure with you then, as well.

Please mark your calendars now so you are available to participate in these conferences over Zoom.



### **UPCOMING EVENTS AND OPPORTUNITIES**

#### **Volunteer with Josie and the Admissions department!**

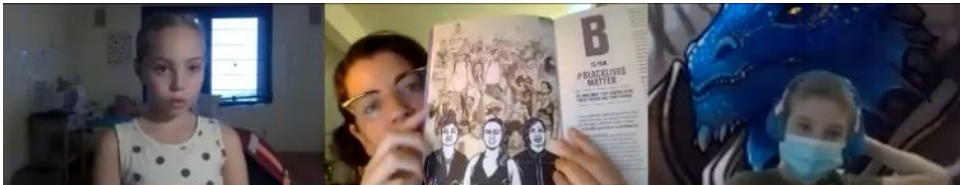
Calling all families who have maintained good relationships with your child's former preschool! We are seeking volunteers who can come to school to pick up a basket of carefully wrapped Panetto Kitchen baked cookies, and drop them off at your child's preschool along with some Park Day informational materials. **Sign up here but first scan the sign-up list to be sure your school has not yet been claimed.** If you came from a K-5 school, we could also use your help once schools reopen or to arrange drop off with your former 5th grade teachers-- email [josie.agshapiro@parkdayschool.org](mailto:josie.agshapiro@parkdayschool.org) if interested.



## October Registration for JCC at Park Day - NOW OPEN

There is still limited space in the October JCC @ Park Day program for Park Day students only. Register for **Learning Lab** (8:30AM to 12PM), **Full Day** (8:30AM to 3PM), or **Half Day** (12PM to 5PM). Watch a **video snapshot of JCC programming** here. Currently the JCC at Park Day hosts a Full Day K/1 pod, and a Full Day plus Learning Lab 2/3 pod. There is a K-2 Half Day pod as well. If you'd like to connect with current Park Day families who are enrolled in the program to ask them about it, contact [leod@jcceastbay.org](mailto:leod@jcceastbay.org).

The JCC understands that Park Day School is waiting on news regarding County reopening options, and that this may cause a pause in service. If that is the case, and JCC programs cannot operate, they will be flexible with the schedule and possible refunds.



## Panetto Kitchen Updates Catering Program With New Pick Up Days!

To increase efficiency and streamline operations, Nels has updated the catering program to include **two pick up days** each week and **your choice of pick up time** windows--either 4:00 - 4:30 pm or 4:30 - 5:00 pm.

View the **ordering webpage** on the PDS site for the latest menu and pick up options!

