



# CHALK TALK

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## Principal's Message

The first trimester is now complete. Students have received their first report card for the 2017-2018 school year. I am very pleased with the hard work students have put forth to take responsibility for their own education. I would like to offer my congratulations and hope students will continue to work to their full potential and establish a love for learning.

Students: Your parents and teachers are proud of your efforts and accomplishment. You should be too, as long as you strived for your best.

Fresh starts and new beginnings are always welcomed. Students should take advantage of the new trimester and use their free time during winter break wisely. Continue to work hard and you will be amazed at what you can accomplish.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank parents for partnering with us at our monthly Coffee Tea Chats, parent meetings, workshops and volunteer opportunities. Parent involvement is vital and allows parents to contribute and connect to their child's school and become active members of the Repetto School Community.

As always, we appreciate our parents' support and commitment to their child's education and our school.

On behalf of the entire Repetto School staff, we would like to wish all our families a very happy and healthy holiday season.



Have a wonderful winter recess!

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## Dates to Remember

### December

- 05: ELAC Parent Meeting  
8:15am, Science Lab M31
- 11: School Site Council District Training,  
8:00am – 11:00am
- 12: School Site Council Meeting  
5:00pm – 6:00pm, Room L28
- 14: See's Candies Delivered (Est. Date)
- 15: Girls Build LA Leadership Summit
- 21: Non-Uniform Day  
(Theme: Holiday/Winter)
- 21: Good Citizen of the Month  
Celebration, 7:30am
- 21: Coffee Tea Chat  
8:00am, Auditorium
- 21: Fun Fit "Thursday" – Recesses

**12/22 – 1/5/18: Winter Break ☺**

Note: Break begins on Friday, 12/22 this year.

### January

Happy New Year!

- 08: School Resumes
- 08: Chalk Talk Goes Home

## Important Announcements and Reminders

- **Coffee Tea Chat:** We invite all Repetto parents and guardians to join us for a cup of coffee or tea at our monthly Coffee Tea Chat, an informal get-together with Ms. Gasca (principal), Mrs. Wong (assistant principal), Mrs. Taggart (instructional specialist) and other parents to discuss district/site goals and address general school concerns. **We hope to see you at our next Coffee Tea Chat at 8:00am on Thursday, 12/21/17, the day before we begin winter recess.**
- **Valet Service:** To continue providing the morning valet drop-off service, we are greatly in need of additional parent volunteers to help out. Please contact the school office if you are able/interested. We will try to provide this service on a daily basis. However, if the parent supervisor is not available to supervise, the student volunteers will not be able to assist at the valet lane. Parents are still able to drop off students at the valet lane. Please do not stop or park at the valet lane and please continue to follow the same valet guidelines to ensure the flow of traffic is moving smoothly. Your cooperation is appreciated.
- **Spark of Love Toy Drive:** Between now and December 20<sup>th</sup>, Repetto has joined ABC 7, AUSD Gateway to Success, the Alhambra Fire Department and the Alhambra Police Department for the Spark of Love Toy Drive. We hope many of our Repetto families and friends will donate an unwrapped toy or stuffed animal to our main office. Thank you in advance for supporting this community cause and for generosity.
- **Winter Grams:** Student Council will sell winter grams to be delivered to students in the classrooms. If you would like to send a special message to your child, winter grams will be for sale in front of the school at dismissal times from Monday, December 4<sup>th</sup> through Wednesday, December 13<sup>th</sup>.
- **8<sup>th</sup> Grade Promotion:** 8th grade parents will soon be meeting (date TBD) to discuss important information regarding the Class of 2018 promotion. A letter will be going home with your child shortly, containing finances/expenses and expectations related to the various promotion activities and the ceremony.
- **Yearbook Photos:** Please send any photos that you have taken (or will take) of school events, field trips and other school functions/activities to our office manager, Yow-Wei Chi, at [chi\\_yow-wei@ausd.us](mailto:chi_yow-wei@ausd.us). Photos to be considered for inclusion in the yearbooks will be forwarded to our two dedicated yearbook coordinators, Ms. Margot Garcia and Mrs. Toni Preciado. Order forms for the yearbook will be sent home in January.

## Girls Build Leadership Summit

We are excited to announce that Repetto School has been selected to participate in the Girls Build Leadership Summit at the Los Angeles Convention Center on Friday, December 15<sup>th</sup>. Forty-five (45) of our 6<sup>th</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> grade girls in middle school will have the exclusive opportunity to attend this very special event that will feature former U.S. Secretary of State, Hillary Clinton, as one of the keynote speakers.

Girls Build is an initiative run by the LA Promise Fund. One of its primary purposes is to challenge our young women from public middle and high schools to use STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) principles and 21<sup>st</sup> Century learning skills to effect social change. Girls Build motivates young women to engage in issues they care about and prepares them to solve the problems and issues of tomorrow.

Though this is the first summit held by the Girls Build Program, we hope this program will continue to provide future opportunities to empower our young women.

For more information, please visit <http://girlsbuildla.weebly.com/faq.html>.

## FUN FIT "THURSDAY" THIS MONTH

For the month of December, "Fun Fit Friday" will be held on Thursday, December 21<sup>st</sup> instead. All students from TK-8 are invited and encouraged to participate in fun activities during their recesses that promote physical health, fitness and well-being.