

# BROOKVALE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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*Be sure to check out our school website at: <https://brookvale-fusd-ca.schoolloop.com/>*



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## PARENT NEWSLETTER

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### PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE:

Greetings Brookvale Families-

It is amazing to think we are in the final 6 weeks of the school year already. Spring break always marks the beginning of the sprint to the end of the school year. It is also a time when our attention span & focus begins to wane due to the warmer weather & ample sunshine but there is still much to accomplish throughout April and May.

Congratulations to room 302, Mrs. Ynzunza's class, for winning the Golden Sneaker Contest sponsored by The Alameda County Safe Routes to Schools. Students each received a pair of golden shoelaces and the classroom gets to host the golden sneaker trophy for the year!

Our 3-6 grade students have started the state mandated testing (CAASPP). All classrooms continue to be busy learning about a vast array of topics. It is important that all students arrive to class on time each day. We appreciate you not scheduling appointments during class time or planning vacation/out of town trips for the duration of this testing window.

Brookvale will have two vacancies in the upcoming school year on the School Site Council and English Learner Advisory Committee. Please consider nominating yourself for this position. The SSC/ELAC monitors the Single Plan for Student Achievement (SPSA) Plan This group also oversees the spending of certain funds provided through LCAP. Contact Mrs. Elliott to let her know you want to be part of the School Site Council/ELAC team for the 2023-2024 School Year.

I want to once again thank our PTA for the continued support of our students through various events this school year. Just a friendly reminder that we will have our last PTA meeting in May and will hopefully have a new PTA Board to welcome for the next school year. According to guidelines, in order to keep the PTA going, there needs to be a President, Secretary and Treasurer at minimum. If you are interested in any of these positions, please feel free to reach out to us and we are happy to answer any questions.

In partnership,  
*Malinda Elliott*



### **OH NO! I'm late again—whoops!**

Please ensure your child arrives to school on time **before 8:25 a.m.** daily. Chronic tardiness leads to students missing valuable instructional time and disrupts learning. When the 8:25 a.m. bell rings, students should be walking to their class and in their classroom for the 8:30 a.m. bell.



### **\*\*\*SBAC TESTING—GRADES 3 – 6 \*\*\***

SBAC testing has begun. It is important that all 3 - 6th grade students arrive at class on time each day. We appreciate you not scheduling appointments during class time or planning vacation/out of town trips for the duration of this testing window.

For questions, please contact your child’s teacher.



### **6<sup>TH</sup> GRADE UPDATES**

Please ensure your child’s immunization record is updated:

- 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Advancement Immunization Requirements: 1) Tdap (Whooping Cough) received after 7<sup>th</sup> birthday; 2<sup>nd</sup> Varicella (Chicken Pox). Please bring your child’s proof of immunizations to Brookvale by **May 26, 2023** or schedule an appointment for your child to receive the required immunization(s), if you have not already done so. After this date, you will be required to wait until Thornton reopens in August 2023 to provide proof. Your student may not attend in-person learning or activities if non-compliant

- **STAY INFORMED!** We urge our parents to visit both the Thornton and Brookvale School websites and calendars to keep up to date regarding important information.

<https://brookvale.fremont.k12.ca.us/>

<https://thornton.fremont.k12.ca.us/>

## **VOLUNTEER**



### **Ways to get involved in the 2023-2024 school year:**

1. SSC/ELAC membership- Brookvale will have multiple vacancies in the upcoming school year. Please consider nominating yourself for this position. More information is included in the article contained within this newsletter.

2. PTA Positions Available for Next Year’s Board-Please see the article under Bronco Updates on the Brookvale website for all positions needed and a detailed description of what each position entails.
3. Noon Duty Supervisors- We are in great need of Noon Duty Supervisors for the remainder of this year and next year. Please contact Mrs. Elliott for more information or complete this [edjoin link](#).



### **BROOKVALE SSC/ELAC 2023-24 OPENINGS**

The purpose of the School Site Council (SSC) and ELAC is to oversee the school programs that include the curriculum and best instructional practices. SSC is made up of the principal, parents and teachers, and ensures that the needs of every Brookvale student are met. The SSC monitors the Single Plan for Student Achievement (SPSA) Plan (see below). This group also oversees the spending of certain funds provided through LCAP (see below).

SSC is made up of an equal number of parents and staff. Parents are elected by parents, and staff are elected by the staff. These members represent the entire school community.

#### **LCAP: Local Control Accountability Plan:**

This is the plan developed to ensure continuous improvement of our school. We write the plan for Brookvale and ensure that it is aligned with the district's visions and goals. It is rewritten yearly to reflect the needs of our current students. It is available on the district website.

#### **SPSA: Single Plan for Student Achievement:**

This plan is developed to make sure there is ongoing improvement of our school. The plan is written specifically for Brookvale on an annual basis to reflect the needs of all of our current students. It is available on the district website.

SSC meetings take place 5 times per school year. An agenda for each meeting will be posted on the website and outside the office at least 72 hours before the meeting date. All meetings are open to the public. Contact Mrs. Elliott to let her know you want to be part of the SSC TEAM for the 2023-2024 School Year.



## EXTENDED DAY KINDERGARTEN IN 2023-2024

We are pleased to announce that the Fremont Unified School District will offer our students and families extended day kindergarten starting in the 2023-24 school year.

Extended day kindergarten is beneficial for our students and our community; this increased instructional time allows our outstanding educators to further support the development of each student's academic and social skills, and the extended day streamlines schedules for many of our families.

The kindergarten start time will match, or align within 15 minutes, to the grade 1-5 schedule at each elementary school. We will post our Brookvale Bell Schedule for 2023-2024 at the end of this school year, once approved.

Also starting in the 2023-24 school year, each elementary school will offer expanded day care to serve students and families after school hours.

Read more: [FUSD and FUDTA Joint Statement on Extended Day Kindergarten](#)

To enroll your **brand NEW TO FUSD** student for Kindergarten this fall school year, which starts on August 16, 2023, please go to the FUSD website: <https://www.fremont.k12.ca.us/enroll2023>



*Do you have a child at home that will be ready to start school next year in TK (Transitional Kindergarten)?*

**TK is for ONLY students born between:  
September 2, 2018 – April 2, 2019**

TK will continue to be a half-day program and will be an AM Session at Brookvale School next year. To learn more, click here: [TK](#)



**2022-2023 IMPORTANT SCHOOL DATES:** Visit our website to view our complete calendar and Bell Schedule <https://brookvale-fusd-ca.schoolloop.com/>

**EVERY WED IS AN EARLY DISMISSAL DAY for 1<sup>st</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> Grade: 8:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.**

View our calendar on our website home page for daily school events and activities!

### April

**21 Progress Reports will be sent home for any students not performing at grade level standards**

### May

**29 NO SCHOOL in observance of the Memorial Day Holiday**

### June

**2 Last Day of School—Early Dismissal for Grades 1 – 6: 8:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.**

Please plan your vacation accordingly and view the [2023-2024 INSTRUCTIONAL CALENDAR](#) to ensure your child is present on the first day of school beginning August 16, 2023.



### STUDENT PLACEMENT INPUT

The placement of students in each class for next year is decided by the administration and the faculty. Student placement is a complex process with many variables, each of which must be considered. The following criteria are used in order to accomplish the placement of students: academic needs, behavior needs, program needs, ethnic balance, student language needs, and gender balance. We will not accept requests for specific teachers. If you would like to give input regarding your child's educational needs, you must use the online [Student Placement Consideration Form](#). **This link is for Brookvale ONLY.** Other schools have their own form. Letters **will not be accepted.** Parents must understand that only the educational needs of the student will be considered. **Online forms must be submitted by April 20, 2023 at 4:00 pm. Forms received after this date will not be considered.** If you cannot access the link above, please email Mrs. Elliott in advance of the deadline.