



# Leitch Elementary



James Leitch Elementary School is a safe, nurturing, and motivating learning environment where student, parents, and teachers form a community of life-long learners who will demonstrate a love for learning, strong self-esteem, and good citizenship.



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**February 25, 2023**

## Principal's Message

Hello Leitch Families and Friends,

March is almost here and we are celebrating Read Across America next week. We hope to have lots of students participate in the fun [Spirit Days!](#) Also starting next week we have a friendly competition called the Golden Sneaker Contest. Families are encouraged to walk, roll or carpool to school. Please remember all students whether on a bike or scooter need a helmet!

There are still 68 families who have not proven residency. The students of these families will not have enrollment for next year until this is completed. Please see the front office if this pertains to you.

Thank you to all our students who participated in the Leitch Science Fair. The projects turned out amazing and I am so proud of all their hard work. If you have yet to pick up your child's project please do so before or after school on Monday, February 27<sup>th</sup>.

Sincerely,  
Tammy Pachote  
Principal



**Mark your calendar for upcoming events:**

**\*Every Wednesday is a minimum day for 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> grade\***

**Feb 27-Mar 3 Read Across America [Spirit Days](#)**

**Feb 27-Mar 10 Golden Sneaker Contest**

**Mar 9 Spring Picture Day**

**Mar 17 No School**

**Mar 21 SSC 3:00**

**Apr 4 Minimum Day 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> 1:15  
Open House  
4:30-7:30 Book Fair  
5:30-6:30 Classroom Visits**

**Apr 6 Minimum Day 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> 1:15**

**Apr 7-14 No School – Spring Break**

## Open House



Please join us for our annual Open House on April 4th. The book fair will be open from 4:30-7:30. Classroom visits will take place from 5:30-6:30. Come see how hard your children have worked this year. We hope to see you there! Open House is a time for your student to

show off their work and things in the classroom. This is not a time to conference with the teacher. Teachers will also be there to help celebrate the students and enjoy watching the children show their parents around the room. All students must be accompanied by an adult at all times. We hope to see you there!

## Library News from Mr. Ronald

Hello Leitch Families and Friends!

I am delighted to announce Leitch will be hosting its first in-person Book Fair after 3 long years! It's going to be quite the undertaking, and I can't do it alone. This is where you come in: The Book Fair needs volunteers! Volunteers will be needed as early as Wednesday, March 29, all the way until clean up taking place Thursday, April 6.



Volunteers can sign up from multiple places:

1. [Official Book Fair Website](#)
2. [Parent/Guardian Volunteer Form](#)
3. [Leitch Library School Site](#)

Look for more details to come closer to the date.

I appreciate all of your support and can't wait to bring this awesome event together!

## Parent Teacher Association

Our PTA is starting to look for board members for next year. In order to be an active parent teacher association we need to have the following positions filled...

- President
- Treasurer
- Secretary

Our current board members are willing to help make the transition smooth. Please consider joining us! Notify the front office know if you are interested.

## Transitional Kindergarten

Do you have a child turning 5 between September 2, 2023 and April 2, 2024? If so they can be enrolled in Transitional kindergarten for next year. Please use this [link](#) for more information about the Transitional Kindergarten program here at FUSD.

## Yearbook

If you would like to order a yearbook please order it through Shoob Photo's website. Please use this [link](#) and click on the right hand side "Purchase Portraits & Yearbooks," select "James Leitch Elementary" and insert your email address then click "Order Yearbooks" and follow the prompts. Sales will continue through April.

## PTA

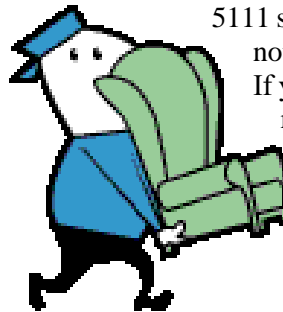
If you are still not a member, please join. Every membership and donation helps our school in big ways. At the end of this month, they will be doing their last large fundraiser for the year. To go along with Read Across America we will host a Read-A-Thon. While we encourage the love of reading, we can continue to raise funds for our school from family and friends.

## Doodle for Google

Google is searching for students to enter their Doodle for Google competition! The National winner will receive a \$30,000 scholarship and a \$50,000 technology package for their school! Start doodling and show google "I am grateful for." Follow the link for [more information!](#)

## Moving? / Moved?

Fremont Unified School District Board Policy 5111 states that if you move, you **MUST** notify the school within **FIVE** days. If you don't, your enrollment may be revoked.



Please note that this also includes changing apartments within the same complex.

## Staff Parking Lots

Please do not drop off or pick up in any staff parking lots. The parking lots are for staff or handicap parking. Please park on the street or dirt lot on the corner of Fernald and Warren.

## 2023/2024 Enrollment



New student enrollment for the 2023-2024 school year will begin January 23rd. (Application link opens December 23, 2022.) If you currently have a student attending a Fremont Unified school in grades TK-5th, you may be eligible to enroll your "new" student during the sibling priority period between January 23rd – April 6th. This Priority Enrollment window will also be for new TK and Kindergarten students for 2023-2024.



### **Science Fair**

Congratulations to our science fair winners!

Kindergarten Winner: Rianika

1<sup>st</sup> Grade Winners: 1<sup>st</sup> place,  
Anwita.

2<sup>nd</sup> place Pranav and Raghav,

3<sup>rd</sup> place Narumugia.

2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Winners: 1<sup>st</sup> place  
Pradyun

2<sup>nd</sup> place Anaisha,

3<sup>rd</sup> place Ashni and Alankritha.

For more information about SARC requirements, see the California Department of Education (CDE) SARC web page at <http://www.cde.ca.gov/ta/ac/sa/>.

### **Golden Sneaker Contest**

It is time for the Golden Sneaker Contest! We encourage families to walk or roll to school as much as possible. For two weeks classrooms will tally the different modes of transportation students used to get to school. At the end of two weeks, the class from each grade with the highest percentage of walking or rolling to school will receive the Golden Sneaker Trophy! We look forward to seeing everyone walk or roll in February 27th - March 10th.

### **English Language Proficiency for California (ELPAC)**

Every Year, California students take several statewide tests. When combined with other measures such as grades, classwork, and teacher observations, these tests give families and teachers a more complete picture of their child's learning. You can use the results to identify where your child is doing well and where they might need more support. Any English Learners at Leitch will take the ELPAC between February and May here at school.

### **School Accountability Report Cards (SARCs)**

Federal and state laws require school districts to make accountability reports available to the public online. Accountability report information is based on data and information from the previous year. Dates will run one year behind.

We are pleased to inform you that our district's School Accountability Report Cards (SARCs) are available in English, Spanish, and/or Chinese, as required. You may view the SARCs on the Fremont Unified School District web site at [www.fremont.k12.ca.us](http://www.fremont.k12.ca.us) under Resources & Contacts/Reports, or by visiting your school office. You may also obtain a hard copy at your school office. To answer any questions regarding the SARCs, there are designated personnel available at each school site.