#### Harada Families!

### **LUNCHES**

Packing lunches is one of those chores that most parents dread. With the craziness that mornings can bring, packing a lunch for school can be the one task that gets put off until later, meaning students arrive to school without their lunch in tow. In an effort to ensure that their child does not go hungry at school, parents find themselves dropping off their child at school, rushing back home to calm the crazy that started in the morning, packing that dreaded lunch (or deciding to just drive through somewhere because amidst the craziness they didn't realize they were out of sandwich bread) and return to school yet again to finally drop off that dreaded lunch.

Policy for Dropped Off Lunches

Because we value and seek to protect every instructional minute at our school site, when lunches are dropped off after the start of the school day, we will NOT call the classroom to let students know there is a lunch waiting for them. The students have been trained to look for lunches on the Lunch Cart in the cafeteria. Should you drop off a late lunch, please make sure it is CLEARLY marked with your child's first and last name so it can be easily located on the cart.

What if I Can't Return with a Lunch?

A lunch back-up plan is just a click away. You can manage your child's lunch account by visiting www.k12paymentcenter.com. This website will allow you to add money to your child's account, alert you when the account gets low, and can even reload itself by automatically charging a credit card, should you choose!

# **BIRTHDAYS**

We LOVE birthdays and we LOVE acknowledging students on their special day. But we also LOVE protecting the classroom from a multitude of interruptions. This is a friendly reminder that bringing food to school for birthday celebrations is <u>not allowed</u>. Many students have severe food allergies and sensitivities and we have an obligation to protect these students from food that may be dangerous to them. Additionally, even these small parties tend to use up valued instructional time.

We do allow interested parents to commemorate their child's special day in other ways. Consider spending the money you would have paid for food to be used to purchase pencils, erasers, stickers and other school supplies. Another great idea would be for the student to present the class with some new paperbacks for their class library.

### **JOIN PTA**

Our PTA works tirelessly to support the staff and students here at Harada. Harada PTA provides Art Stars for our students, money for grade level field trips, Fall Festival, technology, treats to students, and much more. Joining PTA is a simple way to show your support of all this organization does for our school. PTA will have a table in front of the school on Tuesdays and Thursdays to accept membership payments OR you can simply click on the link to join today! <a href="https://jointotem.com/ca/corona/harada-elementary-pta">https://jointotem.com/ca/corona/harada-elementary-pta</a>

## PBIS Rewards

Have you downloaded the PBIS Rewards Parent App? Did you know that you can keep track of the points your child is earning, their referrals, and purchases in Parent App? Please contact your child's teacher for additional information on how to log into the PBIS Rewards Parent App.

Monday 7/22 - \*Step it Up Fundraiser Kickoff for A&D Tracks

**Wednesday 7/24 -** \*Chess Masters after school 1:50-2:50pm

**Wednesday 8/31 -** \*Chess Masters after school 1:50-2:50pm

Thursday 8/1 - \*C Track Tracks OFF Minimum Day Dismissal 12:20 FRONT GATE ONLY

Friday 8/2 - \*B Track Class list will be posted at 5:00pm

Follow us on <u>Facebook</u> and <u>Instagram!</u> Daily posts of upcoming events as well as a sneak peek into all of the learning and fun that occurs at our school every day! Be sure to set up your notifications in order to be alerted to updates!