## JAMES MADISON

San Leandro Unified School District



Our annual Spaghetti Night was a huge success! Thank you to the PTO, 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Families, and the Madison community for supporting this event.

December:

Friday, Dec. 16
PTO Movie Night 6:30pm
Friday, Dec. 23
Early Dismissal Schedule
K@11:40am, 1-5@1:50pm
Monday, Dec. 26-Jan. 6
Winter Break

January 1, 2017 Happy New Year!

<u>January</u>

Monday, Jan. 9
Safe Routes to School
Tuesday, Jan. 10
School Board Meeting:
Celebrating our Schools
6pm@AEC

PTO Meeting @ 7pm

Friday, Jan. 13

No School: Teacher work day

Monday, Jan. 16

No School: Martin Luther King

Jr. Holiday

Thursday, Jan. 19

Papa Murphy's Fundraiser

Friday, Jan. 27

PTO Bingo Night 6:30pm

Attendance Line
If your child will be
absent from school,
please call the
ATTENDANCE
LINE
895 - 7940

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Winter Break is Dec. 26-Jan. 6 Fri., Dec. 23 is early dismissal

## December 2016 Principal's Message

Dear Friends and Families,

2016 has been an amazing year for James Madison and the San Leandro Unified School District. Our school will be presenting at the January 10<sup>th</sup> Board meeting and we invite students, staff and family to be a part of our spotlight on Madison. Our theme is...

**MADISON WORKS!** For Students, for Staff, and for the Community. If you have a story or message of how Madison has worked for you, please share any stories by emailing me at ggrotke@slusd.us. Your story may end up in our presentation.

This time of year it is always important to think back in order to look forward. I think back and I am very proud to work for such great students, staff and parents. I love this job and I love seeing the difference we all make when we pull together. Thank you voters for passing Measure J1 and continuing to invest in our school. Your investment in San Leandro has made it possible for students to access the most innovative education possible. I am very proud to support this caring staff and serve these great Madison families. Madison continues to create success for all students. We have received another award for achievement. And we hope to make it three years in a row.











It is great when students improve their grades, test scores, attendance, and enhance their appreciation of themselves, their families, their community, and the world. This is what our schools are here to do. Take each child, each day and send them home a little stronger, smarter and happier. I am proud to be here another year and I look forward to finding new ways to support our learning community. Thank you for coming forward when we need you.

## **School Site Council Members Needed**

With the New Year comes new leadership. Madison will be creating a new two-year school plan. I look forward to incorporating new ideas and perspective for our school.

Please submit your interest by e-mailing me ggrotke@slusd.us

This year our slogan is. . . "Madison Works!" for students, staff, and community! Please join my next coffee chat on January 20, 2017.