



## 2017-2018 Back to School Information

Our regular weekly newsletter will begin on Thursday, September 7th. The newsletter will include a weekly calendar, updates from Superintendent Liz Schott, Bacich Principal Sally Peck, and Kent Principal Skip Kniesche, features from Kentfield program specialists, news from our community support organizations, and interesting resources to help you participate in your child's education.

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### Upcoming Events

#### Tuesday - 8/29/2017

- TK/Kindergarten Back to School Night at Bacich, 6-7:30 pm, parents only, please.

#### Wednesday - 8/30/2017

- New to the District Family Welcome 1st-4th Grades at Bacich, 6-7:30 pm

#### Thursday - 8/31/2017

- Kent WEB Day - New to District Students/Families and 5th Grade Orientation, 9 am-11 pm, students arrive at 9, 11-12 pm **Only New To District** parents' meeting, Kent Gym

#### Tuesday - 9/5/2017

- First day of school
- KSPTA Bacich Welcome Back Coffee, 8:15-9:30 am, Bacich Quad

#### Wednesday - 9/6/2017

- KSPTA Kent Welcome Back Coffee, 8:30-9:30 am, Kent

- Kent Full Day Schedule
- 1st-4th Grades Back To School Night at Bacich, 6-7:30 pm

#### **Thursday - 9/7/2017**

- Kent Back to School Night, 6-8:30 pm. Please meet in the gymnasium for a presentation on Measure D bond construction progress.

#### **Friday - 9/8/2017**

- Kent Minimum Day dismissal @ 1:13 pm
- Kent Picture Day

#### **Sunday - 9/10/2017**

- **kik** TK/Kindergarten Event, 2-3 pm, Creekside Park.  
**kik** invites TK/Kindergarten families for a play date and an opportunity for the families to meet and mingle. A light snack will be provided.

#### **Monday - 9/11/2017**

- Bacich Site Council, 3-4 pm, Bacich Library

#### **Tuesday - 9/12/2017**

- School Board Meeting, 5-8:00 pm, District Office
- Last day to order school lunch by Good Earth and Stefano's Pizza

#### **Wednesday - 9/13/2017**

- Bacich Intake Conferences and Minimum Day (release time: TK/K: 12 pm, 1st/2nd: 12:15 pm, 3rd/4th: 12:30 pm)
- 5th Grade Minimum Day release at 11:54 am and Parent Intake Conferences
- **kik** Board Meeting, 7:30-9 pm, District Office

#### **Thursday - 9/14/2017**

- Bacich Intake Conferences and Minimum Day (release time: TK/K: 12 pm, 1st/2nd: 12:15 pm, 3rd/4th: 12:30 pm)
- 5th Grade Minimum Day release at 12:43 pm and Parent Intake Conferences
- Finance Committee meeting, 3:45-4:45 pm, District Office
- KSPTA Bacich Family Pizza & Games Night, 5:30-7:30 pm, get tickets here before the event sells out!

#### **Friday - 9/15/2017**

- Bacich Intake Conferences and Minimum Day (release time: TK/K: 12 pm, 1st/2nd: 12:15 pm, 3rd/4th: 12:30 pm)
- 5th Grade Minimum Day release at 12:12 pm and Parent Intake Conferences

#### **Monday - 9/18/2017**

- Bacich Picture Day
- KSPTA Meeting and Measure D bond construction update by Superintendent Liz Schott, 8:30-9:30 am, Kent Library

## Tuesday - 9/19/2017

- Bacich Picture Day
- KSPTA Parent Ed: Creating a Player-First Environment in Youth Sports, 7:00 - 8:30 pm, Hall Middle School

## Wednesday - 9/20/2017

- Bacich Picture Day

## Friday - 9/22/2017

- TK/Kindergarten Parent Chat, 8:30-9:30 am, Bacich Room 34

## Sunday - 9/24/2017

- **kik** Family Fun Day and Fun Run

## Monday - 9/25/2017

- Bacich Picture Makeup Day

## Thursday - 9/28/2017

- 5th and 6th Grade Parent-Principal Chat, 8:45-9:45 am

### **View Entire District Calendar**

### **Download Board-approved 2017-18 District Calendar**

*\* Please note that February 2018 vacation is different than February 2017 break.\**

## District Resources

Board Meeting Information and Agendas

Emergency Safety Procedures for Parents

Parenting Series: Addressing Racism

No Bully! Ten Ways To Bully-Proof Your Child

2016-2017 Community Newsletter

District Office: 415-458-5130



## **New School Lunch Program at Bacich and Kent**

School lunch just got a whole lot tastier and simpler thanks to KSPTA! This year's lunches will be provided by Good Earth Natural Foods and Stefano's Pizza.

First trimester orders for 1st - 8th grade lunch are due by Sept. 12th. Please click here to create your account and order online.

## Bacich Parent Resources

[Download Bacich Student-Parent Handbook](#)  
[2017-2018 Bell Schedule](#)  
[Safe Routes to School](#)  
[Car Line Procedures](#)  
[School Supplies](#)

### 2017-2018 Class Lists

TK/Kindergarten class lists are posted on the Bacich Office window and online [here](#).

Grades 1-4 class lists will be posted soon. This date will be announced on the Bacich website in the "news" section.

Bacich Office: 415-925-2220

Attendance Hotline to report a student absence: 415-925-2222

## Kent Parent Resources

[Principal Skip Kniesche's Summer Parent Letter](#)  
[Complete Back to School Information Packet](#)

[Download 2017-2018 Kent Student-Parent Handbook](#)  
[Electronic Device Policy Summary](#)  
[2017-2018 Bell Schedule](#)  
[Parking Lot, Drop Off Procedures, and Visitor Parking](#)  
[Safe Routes to School](#) and [Public Bus Option](#) for Kent Students  
[School Supplies](#)  
[PE Uniforms](#)

WEB Day - Thursday, August 31, 2017, 9:00 am - 11:00 am

Orientation for incoming 5th graders and students new to the district. Students only, please.

### 2017-2018 Class Schedules

On the evening of Friday, September 1st, Parents will receive an email that the Opportunities class lists will be posted at designated spaces around campus by 7:30 am on Tuesday, September 5th. Students will attend their assigned Opportunities period and receive their personal class schedule, agenda, important documents, and locker assignments. Students will then proceed to a Welcome Assembly followed by their first period class.

Fifth graders and students new to the district will receive their schedules during the WEB orientation on Thursday, August 31st at 9 am.

Kent Office: 415-458-5970

Attendance Hotline to report a student absence: 415-458-5972

### Kent Counselors

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## Safe Routes to School

Do you have your safe travel plan ready for the new school year?

The Kentfield School District encourages all families to actively participate in our nationally-recognized KSD Safe Routes to School Program, a neighborhood-focused initiative to advocate green travel alternatives, and address traffic safety at our schools. Last year, over 70% of our students consistently traveled "green" to school, and on "Green Wednesdays," it jumped to over 75%!

A team of Neighborhood Parent Captains provide suggested safe route maps and carpooling options all customized by neighborhood. We also advocate for traffic safety concerns on behalf of the families in our district's neighborhoods.

**Here are 3 things to keep in mind  
as you prepare your back to school travel plan:**

### **1. Organize and practice your Back to School "Green" Travel Plan with your children before the first day of school.**

Locate "Park and Walk" spots, visitor parking, bike/scooter racks for Bacich and Kent. Note in particular that the designated parking lot for your neighborhood at Bacich.

Public Bus option for Kent Middle School students

Find the "Safe Route" to Bacich or Kent for your neighborhood by bike/walking/car!

Determine your neighborhood and contacts with our zone map.

- Berens Route Plan
- Greenbrae Route Plan
- Kent Woodlands Route Plan
- Laurel Grove Route Plan
- Murray Park Route Plan
- SFD Firehouse Route Plan

It is important that you do not wing it on the first day of school, particularly this year with all the construction happening on McAllister and on the Kent campus. It will take more time to get to and from school the first couple weeks of school, choosing a green alternative (walking / biking / park and walk) will always be your quickest and least stressful alternative!

### **2. Participate in "Green Wednesdays" (rain or shine!)**

Every Wednesday, all families and staff are encouraged to wear school spirit gear, and "travel green" to school.

Even if you live in the hills or have a hectic schedule, you can still participate in Green Wednesdays by planning to carpool with fellow neighbors or by

using one of the "park and walk" options listed on your neighborhood route plan.

### 3. Ride the Marin Transit bus to school!

Hey Parents - Remember riding the bus as a kid? Looking for a way out of driving to Kent and back? The [Marin Transit Bus 29](#) has a route designed perfectly for our kids. The bus picks up on SFD and Eliseo at 8:12 am and drops off at College of Marin at 8:17 am. It's a short walk to the cross walk and then to Kent. It costs \$1 per child. Kent parent Dory Leifer has volunteered to accompany the student bus riders for the first couple of days.

### McAllister Repaving and Safety Enhancements Update

The concrete work of grinding and paving of McAllister will begin early in the morning on Monday, August 28th and will be completed by the end of the week. Temporary striping will be placed immediately after paving and will remain throughout the first week of school. The County is working hard to minimize disruption and no work will take place during the first of week of school. Work will resume on September 11th with abbreviated working hours to minimize school day disruptions. During this time there will be some lane closures for about a week. The project should be completed by September 20th barring any unforeseen circumstances.

Please visit [Safe Routes to School](#) for important [safety tips](#) and other information for safer and greener alternatives to get to and from school.

## Support Kentfield Schools



### Quick Links

[District Contacts](#)  
[PowerSchool Parent Portal](#)  
[Student Lunch Order](#)  
[Safe Routes to School](#)  
[Local Funding Information](#)

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