



# Patwin Elementary

September 2, 2008 Newsletter

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## Calendar of Events

DATE	DAY	TIME	EVENT
9/1/08	Monday		School Holiday: Labor Day
9/2/08	Tuesday	6:00 - 8:00 pm	Back to School Night: Grades K-3
9/2/08	Wednesday	6:00 - 8:00 pm	Back to School Night: Grades 4-6
9/11/08	Thursday	11:00 am	Teacher Appreciation Luncheon: 6th grade
9/15/08	Monday		Patwin Directory Submission Forms Due
9/16/08	Tuesday	2:35 - 3:35 pm	Running Club (First Day)
9/16/08	Tuesday	6:00 pm	PTA Meeting (Library)
9/17/08	Wednesday	1:30 pm	Cupcake Sale: Room 25 Ms. Weir
9/19/08	Friday		UNFUNDRAISER Begins
9/24/08	Wednesday	1:30 pm	Cupcake Sale: Room 22 Ms. Sequeira
9/24/08	Wednesday	5:30 pm	Fall Pizza Social
9/26/08	Friday		School Picture Day

### Back to School Night

#### Tuesday, September 2

Grades K & 1: 6:00 - 7:00 pm  
Grades 2 & 3: 7:00 - 8:00 pm

#### Wednesday, September 3

Grades 4 & 5: 6:00 - 7:00 pm  
Grade 6: 7:00 - 8:00 pm

### Teacher Appreciation Luncheon

Thursday, September 11, 2008  
Sponsored by 6th Grade Classes

Be a part of a new monthly tradition at Patwin. Each month, one grade will provide a special luncheon to show appreciation for our teachers who dedicate their lives to our children.

Families of 6th graders will start the year. Sign up sheets will be available during Back to School Night. For more information, contact Terri Clarke at [patwinpta@gmail.com](mailto:patwinpta@gmail.com).

The Patwin Newsletter is published each Monday of the school year by the Patwin PTA. The deadline to submit articles is the preceding Thursday at 12:00 noon. Articles should be e-mailed to the editors at [patwineditor@gmail.com](mailto:patwineditor@gmail.com). Please include a contact name and phone number.

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# DID YOU KNOW...?

**EMERGENCY INFORMATION CARDS** as well as **DISTRICT FORMS** are due as soon as possible. Please turn in to your teacher.

Please turn **PTA FORMS** including PTA membership, Patwin directory forms, and volunteer forms in to your teacher or the PTA box in the office.

Additional copies of **PTA FORMS** and more information is available online at our website: [www.patwinelementary.org](http://www.patwinelementary.org).

**RUNNING CLUB** will begin on Tuesday, September 16 and meets Tuesday and Thursdays from 2:35 to 3:35. Running Club will be cancelled if it is raining up to 1 hour before 2:30. Permission slips **MUST** be signed by parents prior to participation. Forms are available in the office, at the CDC, and on our website.

**PTA EMAIL NOTIFICATION LIST:** If you would like to add or update your email account for receiving notifications from the PTA, please visit <http://www2.dcn.org/mailman/listinfo/patwin-pta-announce/>.

## Opportunities to Help!

Patwin is a great school thanks to the many parent volunteers who make it so special. As the new year begins, please take advantage of an opportunity to learn how you can do your part to make this new school year the best ever! There are many ways that you can help. Many teachers have sign ups for classroom volunteers. You can also help through the PTA. The following PTA positions are still available. Some require as little as a few hours a month. For more information, email [patwinpta@gmail.com](mailto:patwinpta@gmail.com). Also, look for sign up sheets at Back to School Night.

- **PTA Board 2nd Vice President:** Attends monthly Parent Leadership Council (PLC) (aka Site Council) meetings a month. The PLC meets once a month, and reviews Patwin's school plan, approves SIP budget and provides an on-going evaluation of the school program. Then gives a brief update at the PTA meeting.
- **PTA Committees:**
  1. **Children's Savings:** Members responsible for collecting children's savings deposits before school one morning per week as well as one trip per week to the bank;
  2. **Garden:** Members coordinate parent/student volunteers in providing assistance on class / school projects during school hours. Parent volunteers are also needed for weekend work/afterschool work parties where planting/weeding/pruning and general upkeep take place.
  3. **Escrip:** Members promote enrollment in Escrip program through newsletter articles and notices and providing sign-up forms, etc.
- **PTA Room Parents:** Serve as contact person with PTA; help coordinate PTA activities through the classroom including cupcake sale, teacher luncheon and solicit volunteers for these and other special events.

## Patwin Rise Leader Needed

RISE stands for Recycling Is Simply Elementary. The main focus is lunchtime waste reduction, but it can encompass much more. This is an ideal position for a Patwin parent. You not only get to help out the planet and your children's future, you get to know many of the students at Patwin. The position can be shared with the current RISE leader, so there doesn't have to be a huge commitment of time. There is a stipend. Please contact Joannie Siegler at [jmsiegler@hotmail.com](mailto:jmsiegler@hotmail.com) if you are interested.

## Hot Lunch Meal Prepayment

### Does your child eat hot lunch?

The District is now offering on-line prepayment to lunch accounts at [www.mynutrikids.com](http://www.mynutrikids.com). You can check your balance and even print out a 30-day history. A PayPal account is required.

Check or cash payments may still be made to the kitchen manager. There is a drop off envelope in the office. Please make checks payable to DJUSD Student Nutrition Services.

### Prices

#### Breakfast

Full Price	\$1.75
Reduced price	\$0.30

#### Lunch

Full Price	\$3.25
Reduced Price	\$0.40

#### Adult

Breakfast	\$2.50
Lunch	\$4.00

## Save the Date— Fall Social

School is in full swing already with many things to put on your calendars. Don't forget to include the Fall Social on Wednesday, September 24 from 5:30 to 7:30 pm. Don't worry about cooking that night, come and join us for pizza or bring a picnic. Come before or after soccer or baseball practice and just relax for a few minutes. Volunteers are needed. Please call Ann Shuman at 758-4755 if you can help for even half an hour.

## Think Green Thursdays!

The ever popular Waste-Free Lunch Day at Patwin will continue this year, but because the salad bar will be offered on Wednesdays, we will have the waste-free lunch days on Thursdays. The name for it will be **Think Green Thursdays**.

On Think Green Thursdays, those students bringing a lunch from home earn Earth Buck Tokens if their lunch is waste-free. That means that they don't have anything to throw away at the end of their lunch. Food is brought in reusable or recyclable containers. Cloth napkins, non-disposable flatware, drinks in reusable containers make up a waste-free lunch. For more help or information on how to pack a waste-free lunch, visit [www.wastefreelunches.org/](http://www.wastefreelunches.org/).

## A Waste-Free Lunch (Reusable)

- sandwiches and other main dishes, fresh fruit, fresh vegetables, and treats in a reusable lunch container
- cloth napkins
- stainless-steel forks and spoons
- reusable drink containers
- reusable lunchboxes

\*With this type of lunch, lunch food items can be bought in larger quantities. The packaging can be left at home for reuse or recycling. Waste-free lunches are not only a wise environmental choice, but they are less expensive as well.

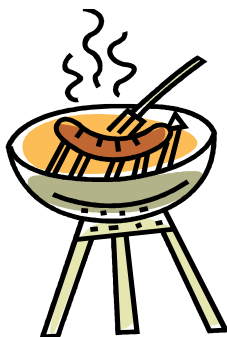
## Patwin Barbecue

Something new is happening at Patwin! Every last Friday of the month, hot lunch will be a barbecue. The first barbecue will be held on Friday, September 26. Hot lunch prices will apply.

### A Barbecue Lunch includes:

A Choice of:

- Hamburger (beef patty) or
- Teriyaki Vegetarian Pattie Burger or
- Turkey Frank Hot Dog



Served with fixings of fresh lettuce leaf, sliced tomato, sliced red onions;AND

A side salad, choice of fresh or chilled fruit, a cookie, and milk.