

Pioneer Honors Asian American Pacific Islander (AAPI) Heritage Month

This month, our children will have lessons in their classrooms about Asian American Pacific Islander (AAPI) Heritage Month. This is a time to celebrate, honor, and recognize the historical and cultural contributions made to the United States by people of Asian and Pacific Islander descent. The term AAPI includes 75 countries from the Asian continent – East, Southeast, and South Asia – and the Pacific Islands of Melanesia, Micronesia, and Polynesia. The month of recognition began as a week in the 1970s. It was officially extended in 1992 to include the entire month, which is apropos, considering Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders have been a part of the American story since the 1800s. You can read more about this Heritage Month and learn about the books and lessons our children will access this month in their classrooms at <https://www.brentwood.k12.ca.us/page/community-celebrations>.

The Parents Club is excited to host the Heritage High School Polynesian Club for a dance performance for Pioneer students during lunchtime on Wednesday, May 10th.

Raise Craze & Art Fundraiser Success!

Thank you to everyone who participated in our Raise Craze kindness fundraiser! With your help, our school completed 569 acts of kindness and raised \$13,449! Congratulations to our winning classes: Top Fundraising: Raymundo and Jones! Top Acts of Kindness: Carey and Emery!

In related news, we EXCEEDED our art fundraiser goal! Thank you so much to the parents who ordered items and to the incredible art docents who helped Pioneer students submit 899 individual pieces of art. These funds allow our art docent volunteers to continue providing monthly art lessons in our classrooms.

Teacher Appreciation Week

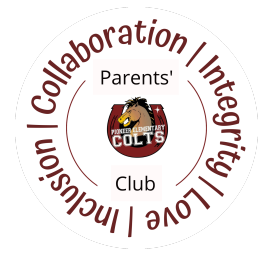
Get your compasses ready because from May 6-10 we'll embark on a journey to let our teachers know how much we appreciate them. See staff favorites at <https://pioneerparentsclub.com/staff-favorites> and in the Pioneer Parent Facebook Group at <https://www.facebook.com/groups/PioneerParentCommunity/>. Below are some ideas for how to appreciate your teacher, but feel free to do whatever you'd like to say thanks to the teachers who support our students.

- Monday, 5/6: Write your teacher a letter of appreciation.
- Tuesday, 5/7: Bring your teacher their favorite treat.
- Wednesday, 5/8: Wear your teacher's favorite color.
- Thursday, 5/9: Bring your teacher something from their favorites list.
- Friday, 5/10: Bring your teacher a flower or drawing of a flower.

Year End Survey

Which Parents' Club activity was most enjoyable for your family this year? Which should we make sure to do again next year, and are there ideas we should consider adding? Let us know your thoughts in the Pioneer Parents Community survey at <https://bit.ly/PioneerParentSurvey24> or with the QR code here.





Pioneer Pride Celebration

Pride is celebrated in June when the Stonewall riots occurred. The Stonewall riots were important protests that took place in 1969 in the US that changed gay rights for a lot of people in America and around the world. Pride is a celebration of people coming together in love and friendship to show how far LGBTQ+ rights have come and how, in some places, there's still work to be done. Hold the date for May 29th at 6:30 pm. We will host an adult PRIDE art social to celebrate.

End of Year Pioneer Spirit Wear Sale

From now until May 24th, everything in the Pioneer Spirit Wear Shop is 20% off with code 20%OFF. Visit <https://pioneer-colts-spiritwear.com/> to find everything from hats to backpacks, t-shirts to vinyl clings!

Get Involved in Parents Club Next Year

Whether you just want to volunteer a little or a lot, we have room for you in the Parents Club! We are building committees for next year to help with events, staff appreciation, communications, and diversity, equity, and inclusion. We also seek someone to join the Parents Club Board as Vice President. If you're interested in learning more, please contact Morgan and Kacy at pioneerpcvp@gmail.com.

Calling All May & June Birthdays

Visit our website at pioneerparentsclub.com, where you will find a link to a Google form to request your message. Each message costs \$25 and can be paid online or by dropping off cash or check in the Parents' Club box in the office. We request at least a 2-week notice to ensure we can plan and meet your request and if possible, will accommodate last-minute requests (not guaranteed).

May & June Events

- **Teacher Appreciation Week:** May 6 - 10
- **Heritage Polynesian Club Lunchtime Performance:** May 10
- **Open House & Art Show:** May 21 at 6 pm
- **No School for Memorial Day:** May 27
- **Pioneer Day of Awesomeness:** May 29
- **Family Pride Event:** May 29 at 6:30 pm
- **Adjusted Days:** June 3 - 6
- **Last Day of School:** June 6

Sponsorships

Thank you to our Triple Crown Sponsors this year!

