





Hello Panda family and welcome to the 2020-2021 school year!

My name is Gargi Matuszeski and I have the great honor of serving as your PTA Board President this year. The SRE PTA Board has been working closely and diligently with Principal Ramirez, Ms. Silvia, and Maestra Orozco, our Teacher Representative, to plan for yet another successful year. We know the circumstances of distance learning leaves us in a less than ideal situation, especially in terms of community building. Please take comfort in knowing that, to quote our very own Principal, "we got this"! I urge you more than ever to join the PTA so we can all stay connected as a team and continue to provide our students with the incredible SRE community they have come to know, love, and rely on.

Let me start by introducing you to these amazing volunteer parents who make up this year's Parent-Teacher Association (PTA)Board:

President Gargi Matuszeski - Maya (5th) & Leila (3rd)

TreasurerHeidy Garibaldo - Max (5th), Sophia (2nd) & Olivia (K)SecretaryMelodee Fernandez - Alexander (2nd) & Austin (K)

Parliamentarian Liliana Coronado – Charlie (2nd)
Auditor Debbie Melahouris – Ethan (2nd)

Historian Ericka Avelar – Emma (4th) & Maya (1st)

VP Ways & Means Darinka Whitmore – Oliver (1st) & Logan (K)

VP Health & Safety Joanne Valverde – Mateo (2nd)

VP Youth Activities Andrea Torosian – Olivia (5th) & Dominick (3rd)

Communication with the community is one of our top priorities this year. We have created a website: https://sanrafael-pta.com, and PTA email address: sanrafaelpta@gmail.com. Please take a few minutes to look over the website, **become a PTA member**, and order some San Rafael swag. This unusual year we are featuring masks and pajamas alongside our typical t-shirts.

Sending all of you, and all our little pandas, a virtually-distanced warm hug.

Panda Parents rock! Panda Teachers Rock! Pandas Rock!

Gargi Matuszeski PTA President