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Welcome 2017! I hope that you have had a wonderful holiday season with family and friends. January marks the change in semesters at Murrieta Valley High School. This month is also when intense planning begins for next school year and both administrators and counselors will be available to discuss your student's schedule for 2017-2018 school year. There are a number of options available to students and it is important to have parents involved in the scheduling process.

On February 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup>, Murrieta Valley High School will be having our International Baccalaureate – Middle Years Program (MYP) Authorization Visit. The Middle Years Program is for all 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> grade students at Murrieta Valley. Over the past two years, much time has been spent and work done to prepare for this visit. We are excited to showcase all that is great about MV to our visiting team. If you are interested in learning more about the Middle Years Program, contact Julie Thornburg, MYP Coordinator.

One big final congratulations to all of our fall season Athletic, Visual and Performing Arts, and Academic competition programs. We have so much to be proud of and are looking forward to a successful winter season as well. Go Nighthawks!

Yours in education, *Eric J. Mooney* 

MVHS Nighthawks do it the R.I.T.B. Way

With **E**espect **I**ntegrity **T**eamwork **6 E**xcellence



## SENIOR CORNER Important Dates

Check out the Counseling website for the most up-to-date information and links: http://www.murrieta.k12.ca.us/Page/7957

1/18	Senior Assembly
1/18	Graduation tickets on sale
1/19	Senior Parent Night
1/27	Herff Jones on campus
1/28	SAT Testing
1/31	Confirm name in Aeries
2/2	Herff Jones on campus
2/11	ACT Testing

## Principal's Chat

Parents of MVHS students are invited to come to an informal chat with the Principal, Mr. Mooney.

Our next chat will be Thursday, January 26th, from 8—9:30 a.m. in the Library Reading Room.

Always remember, you have within you the strength, the patience & the passion to reach for the stars and change the world. —Harriet Tubman

## SENIORS MURRIETA DOLLARS FOR SCHOLARS NOW ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS

Seniors are encouraged to use the time over the winter break to fill out their Murrieta Dollars for Scholars application. Seniors must have a minimum cumulative overall grade point average of 3.25 at the end of the first semester and plan to attend a two-year community college, four-year university, technical, trade, or a vocational school following graduation.

Please go to: http://tinyurl.com/jute76u fill out your Dollars for Scholars application.

All applications are due by Feb. 28, 2017.



### **Dates to Remember**

Monday, January 9th -NO School (PD)

**Tuesday, January 10th -**Back to School! ("A" Day)

Monday, January 16th -

Martin Luther King Jr Day, NO school

Monday, January 23rd -

Late Start (8:30 a.m.)

### ~ REMINDER ~

We do NOT accept any drop-off items for students during the school day including lunches, snacks, jackets, umbrellas, phones, homework, money, sports equipment, balloons, flowers, gifts, etc. We also cannot deliver messages to students in class except for emergencies.

We WILL accept schoolwork for students who are absent.

Thank you for your understanding!



### 2017 Senior Package

Winter Ball (Feb 11th) Knott's Berry Farm (April 18th) Prom (April 29th—ESTIMATE) Disneyland (June 2nd/3rd) \$25 w/ASB, \$35 w/o ASB \$55 w/ASB, \$65 w/o ASB \$80 w/ASB, \$90 w/o ASB \$130 w/ASB, \$140 w/o

Total for all events—\$290 w/ASB, \$330 w/o ASB

Starting October 17th, seniors can commit to purchasing a ticket to any or all of the senior activities by turning in the permission slip to Bookkeeping. The cost of the activities will show up on the student's account as an amount owing. Students can make payments regularly at Bookkeeping or online. Once the activity is paid in full, the permission slip will be sent to the Activities Secretary as cleared to go.

\*Disneyland MUST be purchased by April 12, 2017.

## Drama Wins Big at CETA!

Our MVHS Theatre Dept is proud to announce that they received a ranking of 99.94 at the recent California Educational Theatre Association Festival. This is an amazing accomplishment, and a first in MVUSD history!

They will take the entire set, costumes, cast and crew to Fullerton to perform on Friday, January 13th at 7p.m. Tickets are \$10 at the door, and expected to sell out. Contact Mrs. Wheaton for more info.

Congratulations to the entire cast, crew, tech &

Ms. Wheaton!



### Mr. Nighthawk

Mr. Nighthawk is a male pageant where Senior boys can win prizes. It's a fun and action packed event! Come on out and support your Nighthawk boys. Applications are due to the Hawk Rock no later than Wednesday, January 18th.

## December Students of the Month

Kaylin Krahn Megan Burke

Andrew Campbell Joseph Lira

Mason Medina Miguel Melgar

Madeline Nichols Nicole Wood

Erle Cellona Jessica Engeln

Matt Christensen Drew Quan

Ariana Cruz-Lezcano Andrew Stez

Gillen Kate Flororita



### Southwest League Player of the Year

Congratulations to Hank Bachmeier, SWL Player of the Year!

Congratulations to Coach George Wilson and the entire Nighthawk football team on their outstanding season.

First Team:
Hank Bachmeier
Olita Palmer
Marquis Spiker
Maurice Bell
Tanoa Fedler
Tevin Teague
Tanner Hoyt

Second Team: TJ Griffin Clay Hatch Anthony Pardue Brandon Ramos Joe Montova

### From the Middle Year's Program Coordinator's Desk

Thank you for taking the time to read this first edition of Murrieta Valley's IB Middle Years Programme (MYP) Column. Our goal is to continuously improve communication and understanding of the IB MYP as we continue to implement it here at Murrieta Valley High School. We hope you find this column informative!

In December, we had our first parent advisory meeting. During the evening we were able to discuss the components of our program and received valuable feedback and ideas from the parents that attended. We also emphasized that all  $9^{th}$  and  $10^{th}$  grade students are automatically a part of the MYP program. Many parents are under the impression that as part of the IB program, MYP is only for the advanced students. All  $9^{th}$  and  $10^{th}$  graders are MYP students.

Currently, we are in the candidacy phase of the Middle Years Program, and I am excited to report that our MYP application to be an authorized MYP school was submitted in September. As a school we have been working towards this since 2014. Our staff members and teachers have been working hard, attending trainings, writing subject overviews and unit plans for this application. It would have not been possible without their hard work.

We will have our verification visit to become an authorized IB World School Feb 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup>. The purpose of the visit is to ensure that the educational principles, standards and practices on which the IB programme is founded will be maintained and furthered. We need parents and students to be a part of that visit. If you are interested in learning more about the Middle Years Programme and participating in the parent panel, please contact me at <a href="mailto:ithornburg@murrieta.k12.ca.us">ithornburg@murrieta.k12.ca.us</a> or 951-696-1408 x5266.

Julie Thornburg

Class of 2020 Counselor A-K & MYP Coordinator Designate

### **Global Contexts**

Every unit in the MYP is grounded in one of seven Global Contexts. Students will explore the Global Contexts in all eight MYP subject areas over the course of their MYP experience. This month's Global Context is "Orientation in space and time." What is the meaning of "where" and "when"? Students will explore personal histories; homes and journeys; turning points in humankind; discoveries; explorations and migrations of humankind; the relationships between, and the interconnectedness of, individuals and civilizations, from personal, local and global perspectives in all eight subjects over the course of their MYP experience.

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### **Personal Project**

The Personal Project is the culminating event of a student's IB MYP experience, completed in Year 5, by all MYP students worldwide, This year, our 9th graders will be starting the personal project in their English and careers classes. They will start a process journal in their Career/ICT class, and write a research paper n their English class, focusing on their personal interest and passions. Students can choose anything as their project, as long as it is tied to a global context.

### **MYP Curriculum**

What makes an IB MYP Unit different? The unit begins with a key concept. The key concepts are the basis of all IB MYP Curricula. Each subject group is responsible for teaching a handful of key concepts over the course of the school year. The key concept shifts the perspective of how a particular topic is taught in the classroom.

### **Community Service**

Beginning with the class of 2020, we are encouraging our students to complete 15 community service hours in each of their freshmen and sophomore year with 1 written reflection completed each school year. The minimum requirement for community Service at MVHS is 40 clock hours of volunteer work. This will allow our 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> grade students to create more meaningful experiences, establish a life-long habit of community service, focus on quality over quantity and become "other" centered.

### **ATL Skills**

The IB MYP Approaches to Learning are the skills that help students "learn how to learn." The IB programmes identify five ATL skill categories: Communication, Social, Self-management, Research, and Thinking. All MYP classrooms are responsible for integrating nd explicitly teaching ATL skills. Over time, students should develop a clear understanding of how they learn best.

### **Learner Profile**

The IB Learner Profile is a set of attributes valued by IB World Schools that can motivate and focus students, teachers, and a school towards a common purpose. We have been focusing on these attributes in and outside of our classrooms.

### Winter Sports Schedule

<b>Boys Wrestling</b>
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1/5—Vista Murrieta (All)

1/12—Chaparral (All)

1/19—Temecula Valley (All)

1/26—Great Oak (All)

1/31—Murrieta Mesa (All)

### Girls Soccer

1/3—M. L. King (All)

1/5—Centennial (All)

1/11—Vista Murrieta (All)

1/13—Chaparral (All)

1/18—Temecula Valley (All)

1/20—Great Oak (All)

1/25—Murrieta Mesa (All)

1/27—Vista Murrieta (All)

### **Boys Basketball**

1/3—Elsinore (All)

1/7—Temescal Canyon (All)

1/11—Vista Murrieta (All)

1/13—Chaparral (All)

1/18—Temecula Valley (All)

1/20—Great Oak (All)

1/25—Murrieta Mesa (All)

1/27—Vista Murrieta (All)

### Girls Water Polo

1/5—M. L. King (All)

1/6—Los Osos (All)

1/10—Vista Murrieta (All)

1/12—Chaparral (All)

1/13 (TBA—V)

1/14 (TBA—V)

1/17—Temecula Valley (All)

1/19—Great Oak (All)

1/20 - TBA (V)

1/21—TBA (V)

1/24—Murrieta Mesa (All)

1/26—TBA (All)

1/31—TBA (All)

### **Boys Soccer**

1/3—M. L. King (All)

1/5—Centennial (All)

1/11—Vista Murrieta (All)

1/13—Chaparral (All)

1/18—Temecula Valley (All)

1/20—Great Oak (All)

1/25—Murrieta Mesa (All)

1/27 Vista Murrieta (All)

For more information about our athletic programs, including game time, coaching information and any schedule changes, please visit www.mvhsathletics.com

Home = Green

Neutral/TBD = **Black** 

Away = Red



Join Drama and the American Sign Language Dept. as they present Disney's Jan 25-28th, 2017

This retelling of the old Chinese folktale is about the story of a young Chinese maiden who learns that her weakened and lame father is to be called up into the army in order to fight the invading Huns. Knowing that he would never survive the rigors of war in his state, she decides to disguise herself and join in his place. Unknown to her, her ancestors are aware of this and to prevent it, they order a tiny disgraced dragon, Mushu to join her in order to force her to abandon her plan. He agrees, but when he meets Mulan, he learns that she cannot be dissuaded and so decides to help her in the perilous times ahead.

If you have a school group that would like to come contact me directly for discounted tickets. swheaton@murrieta.k12.ca.us

Tickets are \$6.00 w/ASB and \$8.00 general admission.