



# Cherrywood Elementary School

*Learning for a life time*

*A California Distinguished School*

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**School website:**  
[cherrywood.berryessa.k12.ca.us](http://cherrywood.berryessa.k12.ca.us)

### CURRENT CHARGER EVENTS

**PRINCIPAL'S COFFEE/TEA**  
**@4:30pm**

**Every 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of**  
**each Month**  
(expect November & February)

9/16/20, 10/21/20

12/16/20, 1/21/21

3/17/21, 4/21/21

5/19/21

Join Zoom Meeting  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84383144717>

Meeting ID: 843 8314 4717  
Passcode: 864512

**Home and School Club/  
School Site Council meeting**  
**@5:00pm**

**Every 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of**  
**each Month**  
(expect November & December)

9/22/20, 10/27/20

11/17/20, 12/15/21

1/26/21, 2/23/21

3/23/21, 4/27/21

5/27/21

Join Zoom Meeting  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83749623333>

Meeting ID: 837 4962 3333  
Passcode: 610956

**Mandarin Immersion Parent  
Advisory Committee meeting**  
**@5:00pm**

**Every 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of**  
**each Month**  
(expect November & December)

9/9/20, 10/14/20

11/4/20, 12/9/21

1/13/21, 2/10/21

3/10/21, 4/14/21

5/12/21

Join Zoom Meeting  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83749623333>

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**Spirit Day**  
10/2/20

**RED WHITE BLUE**

### *Message from the Principal*

Dear Cherrywood Parents and Students,

With warm greetings from the Cherrywood staff, I would like to welcome and thank every member of the Cherrywood community, especially for your patience and understanding, as Cherrywood has had to reorganize for Distance Learning in the age of COVID-19. I know many of us have also had to juggle our work schedules, wild fires, and power outages along with the opening of school. This has definitely been an opening of the school year like no other in my 24 years in education. Whether we started the year on-line or in-person, I want to assure you that we have made every effort to meet the needs of individual students based on their current understandings and with the goal of meeting grade level standards.

As we continue to plan for the 2020-2021 school year amidst the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, we are committed to engaging our community to inform our thinking moving forward. For the most up to date information and an opportunity to engage with us, please go to the district's reopening web page at <https://sites.google.com/busd.net/busdreopening/home>.

Partners in Learning,  
Mrs. Choy

### *Curbside Meals Available*

From September 2, 2020 to December 31, 2020, ALL students, regardless of eligibility, will be able to receive curbside meals for **FREE**. Curbside Meals available to pick up at:

**Cherrywood School Parking Lot**  
**Mondays Wednesdays & Thursdays**  
11:15 am – 12:45 pm

If you think you qualify for free and reduced meals, please fill out the SNS form at [www.myschoolapps.com](http://www.myschoolapps.com). Parents/guardians are encouraged to apply for free/reduced meals even if they are not currently participating in the school meals program, in order to help their school qualify for additional funding.

### *Welcome to our New Staff*

We are pleased to announce that the Cherrywood Family is growing. Starting this year, 4 new staff members have joined us. Please join me in welcoming our new team members.

**Julie Finkel** / Speech Therapist

**Ann Chu** / LibraryMedia Tech

**Lei Liu** / 2nd Grade Mandarin Immersion teacher

**Ching-Fan Wang** / 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Mandarin Immersion teacher

### *Attendance*

Student attendance is required **daily** by state education code. Your child's teacher will be checking-in and checking-out with students Monday through Friday. If your child is absent, please call the Office at 408-923-1915 by 9:00AM and contact your child's teacher through Bloomz or e-mail. Thanks!

### *Distance Learning Parent Portal*

Our new parent resource website is where we will continue to provide tools, resources and activities for all of our BUSD parents and guardians. Please go to [bit.ly/dlpbusd](http://bit.ly/dlpbusd).

[Click here](#) to download our new Family Guide for Distance Learning.

### **DISTRICT HOTLINE**

If you need additional assistance to understand a document that was sent home, please call the District Office.

(408) 923-1901 (Chinese) (408) 923-1902 (Spanish)

(408) 923-1903 (Vietnamese)

\*A translator will contact you to help you understand the document