



ROBERT DOWN PRINCIPAL'S UPDATE

August 11, 2022

Principal's Message

Dear RHD Families -

I hope to see you all at tonight's Back to School Night and our first annual Welcome Back BBQ. Supplies will be limited to those that did not pre-order, so please be patient as our dedicated volunteers are helping out of their love for RHD and your students.



My principal's address begins outside near the lunch tables at 6:15 PM.

To clarify, students are welcome to attend the BBQ and play on the playground. PGMS and PGHS volunteers have been asked to help watch students while parents/guardians are visiting classroom presentations between 6:30-7:00 PM and 7:00-7:30 PM. Please make sure to tell any volunteer with a yellow jacket how long you will be and remember they are volunteering and not adults paid by the district.

I will be traveling to Hawaii next week to help my youngest son settle into his first year of college. Mary Riedel who has subbed for me before and is a former administrator and teacher in PGUSD will be visiting us again. Feel free to reach out to me, but I will be on Hawaii time and it may take longer to get back to you.

School begins at 8:45 AM promptly every day. If your student needs me to speak with them regarding their morning routine, getting to bed on time, or if there are any special circumstances that are causing tardiness, please let me know.

On this note, please remember that the cone zone in the front of school off Pine Ave. and near Spruce and 13th in the back of school are drop off/pick up zones only. Do not park in either location in the morning or get out of your car. If you want to walk your student to a gate, park away from these areas. After school, if your student(s) is/are not regularly coming to your vehicle within two minutes after the bell, please do not park in these zones. They need to be open for quick pick ups only.

Lost and found is piling up. Items will be out by the picnic tables tonight. Please label all outerwear, water bottles, and lunch bags with student's name. The Lost & Found will not be on the front steps/tables this year, items will be back behind the Cafeteria near RM 20 where they used to be.

We've had a great start to the year - helicopters and all!

In Otter Ohana,

Sean Keller, RHD Principal
Google Voice (831) 275-0083
skeller@pgusd.org



Robert H. Down Bell Schedule 2022-23



Regular Schedule (1 st - 5 th grade)		Regular Schedule (Kindergarten)	
8:40	Warning Bell	8:40	Warning Bell
8:45 - 9:55	Instruction	8:45 - 9:40	Instruction
9:55 - 10:05	Recess	9:40 - 9:50	Recess
10:05 - 12:05	Instruction	9:50 - 12:00	Instruction
12:05 - 12:50	Lunch	12:00 - 12:50	Lunch
12:50 - 1:55	Instruction	12:50 - 2:10	Instruction
1:55 - 2:05	Recess	2:10	Dismissal
2:05 - 3:10	Instruction		
3:10	Dismissal		



Thursday Schedule (ALL STUDENTS)	
8:40	Warning Bell
8:45 - 9:55	Instruction
9:55 - 10:05	Recess
10:05 - 12:05	Instruction
12:05 - 12:50	Lunch
12:50 - 1:55	Instruction
1:55	Dismissal

Minimum Day Schedule (All Students)

8:40	Warning Bell
8:45 - 9:55	Instruction
9:55 - 10:05	Recess
10:05 - 12:10	Instruction
12:10	Dismissal

CLICK HERE to ORDER RHD Spirit Wear

RHD Upcoming Events



- Aug. 11 - Welcome Back BBQ, 4:00-6:00 PM
- Aug. 11 - RHD Back to School Night, 6:15-7:30 PM
- Aug. 16 - PTA Meeting 6:30-7:30 PM
- Aug. 18 - PGUSD Board Meeting, 6:30 PM
- Aug. 22 - RHD Site Council Meeting, 3:30 PM
- Aug. 24 - PTA Dine Out, Pizza My Heart, 4:00-9:00 PM

Volunteer & Chaperone Clearance

If you plan on being a **VOLUNTEER** on campus or a **CHAPERONE** for a field trip, please be sure you are fingerprint cleared with our district and submit a copy of your **COVID vaccine card** to the District Office. To make an appointment at the District Office please call Kimberly Ortiz at 646-6553.

Before coming to campus to volunteer, please check with your child's teacher to schedule a time that works best for them.



Office Reminders...

1) Please have your child to school on time. Gates open at 8:30 AM. Warning bell rings at 8:40 AM. **Final bell rings and instruction begins at 8:45 AM.** When a student is tardy it is disruptive to the office and classroom. In addition, students miss important information and announcements from their teacher first thing in the morning.



2) Did you know that you can report your child's absence with your ParentVUE app? Simply log into your ParentVUE account to send the office a message about why your child is absent.

*** Ways to report a student absent ***

- 1) ParentVUE app
- 2) 24 Hour Absence Line (831) 646-6663
- 3) Email Carey O'Sullivan at cosullivan@pgusd.org

3) Please make sure to relay afterschool plans with your child **PRIOR** to the school day.

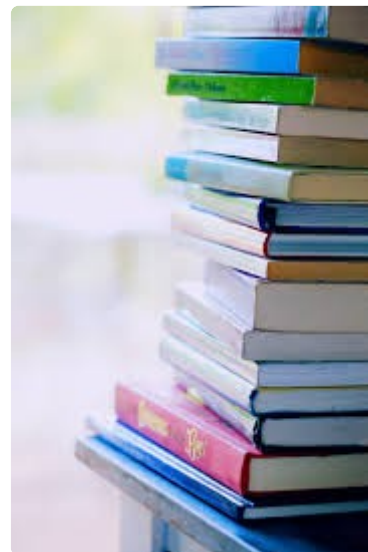
The office and teachers are getting phone calls and emails from parents daily about what their child should do after school. This is disruptive.

Robert Down Birthday Books

This notice is to tell you about our **voluntary** program designed to build the RHD library and foster your child's love of reading.

Here is how it works: To join the Robert H. Down Birthday Book Club fill out the information below (scroll way down to the bottom of this message to print the Birthday Book forms) and deposit it in the Drop Box at school along with a check for \$20.00 (please make the check payable to the P.G.U.S.D. and write R.H.D. Birthday Book on the memo line).

When your child's birthday month comes around Ms. Scanlon will present a new book in honor of your child's birthday. Your child will be the first one to check out and read the book that has been donated to the library to celebrate their birthday. A bookplate with your child's name will be affixed to the inside cover for all future readers to appreciate.



Robert H. Down Library Birthday Book Club

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Thank you for your participation in this great **voluntary** program. Please print below:

Student's Name _____
Grade _____
Teacher _____
Birth Date* _____
*Please indicate an alternative month for presentation if your child's birthday is in June, July, or August _____

Please check 3 or 4 areas in which your child has an interest:

☐ Art/Drawing
☐ Animals/Nature – Specify _____
☐ Biography –Specify _____
☐ Early Reader/Picture Book _____
☐ Fantasy _____
☐ Favorite Author - Specify _____
☐ Fiction _____
☐ Historical – Time Period _____
☐ Music – Specify _____
☐ Mystery _____
☐ Poetry _____
☐ Science _____
☐ Science Fiction _____
☐ Sports – Specify _____
☐ Other – Specify _____
☐ Librarian's Choice _____

Ms.Scanlon will select a book based on your child's interests and the needs of the library.

RHD 2022-2023 BACK TO SCHOOL NIGHT

THURSDAY, AUGUST 11TH



***PRE-SALE IS OVER, BUT YOU CAN STILL PURCHASE
YOUR MEALS AT SCHOOL FROM 4 TO 6PM.***

Back to School BBQ - 4:00 - 6:00pm

Hamburger/Cheeseburger meals for \$6.

Hot Dog meals for \$5.

Vegetarian options available along with
salad, chili, and chips for \$5.

Cash, check and credits/debit cards will be accepted.

**ALL PROFITS WILL BE DONATED FOR THE
ART IN ACTION PROGRAM.**

Principal's address:

6:15 P.M. at the lunch tables

Classrooms' visits sessions

6:30-7:00pm and 7:00-7:30pm.



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**THURSDAY, AUGUST 24th
4pm - 9pm**

**660 Del Monte Center, Monterey
(831) 656-9400**

**Dine in or take out (not delivery).
Please, order directly at Pizza My Heart in Monterey.**

30% of your purchase will
be donated to our school!

Limited Time Only!
Order By Midnight 9/4



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Order by Midnight on Sunday, September 4th
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RHD PTA DINE OUT FUNDRAISERS

AUGUST



AUGUST 24

4pm-9pm

SEPTEMBER



SEPTEMBER 20

All day

OCTOBER



OCTOBER 19

All day





NOVEMBER

ISLANDS
Fast Burgers & Sides

NOVEMBER 16
Dinner

DECEMBER

california PIZZA KITCHEN

DECEMBER 14
All day



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ROBERT H. DOWN ELEMENTARY BRICK FUNDRAISER

<p>4x8 Text</p> <p>Carina Bates Class of 2001 Let's go Otters!</p>	<p>4x8 w/ Clip Art</p> <p>Jacob, Chris, and Stephanie Sullivan</p>		<p>8x8 Text</p> <p>Happy 100th Birthday Robert H. Down Elementary! Such great memories! Samantha Biggs '02</p>	<p>8x8 w/ Clip Art</p> <p>To the coolest teacher Mrs. Bateman! Year 2010 5th graders</p>
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CALLING ALL OTTERS!

Recognize a Pacific Grove Grammar School or Robert H. Down Elementary student or employee by buying a 4x8 or 8x8 brick. Your purchase will help create a beautiful pathway at the top of the Jen Hinton Field stairs. Be a part of history as the RHD building celebrates its 100th year and have a memento to visit each year after the Butterfly Parade.

RESERVE YOUR BRICKS TODAY!

To create, preview and pay for your brick, Scan the QR code below or visit <https://www.engravedbricks.com/campaign/RHD>

Clip Art Options:

ED4	ED9	ED11	ED30	NA31	NA32	SY3	SY4	SY22	SY24	RHD1	RHD2

4x8 Brick:

Text ONLY: You are allowed up to 3 lines of text, 23 characters per line.
Text & Clip Art: You are allowed up to 3 lines of text, 19 characters per line.

8x8 Brick:

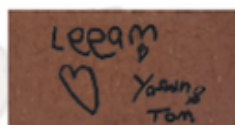
Text ONLY: You are allowed up to 6 lines of text, 23 characters per line.
Text & Clip Art: You are allowed up to 4 lines of text, 23 characters per line.



Questions? Please Email Sean Keller, RHD Principal @ skeller@pgusd.org

RESERVE YOUR CUSTOM ART BRICKS TODAY!

ORDER BY MAIL: Complete this form, and mail with a check or money order to:
Robert Down Elementary School | 485 Pine Avenue | Pacific Grove, CA 93950



4"x 8" Brick w/ Children's Art QTY @ \$60 each \$ TOTAL

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First pencil your design, signature, or characters (try to leave a slight margin around your picture); then go over your design with Black Sanford Sharpie fine point permanent marker. Please erase all pencil marks when completed.

Your Name _____
Address _____
City & State _____
Phone _____
E-Mail _____

To order standard bricks,
scan QR Code below:



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ORDER BY MAIL: Complete this form, and mail with a check or money order to:
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8"x 8" Brick w/ Children's Art _____ QTY _____ @ \$85 each \$ _____ TOTAL _____



Large empty box for drawing or writing on the custom art brick.

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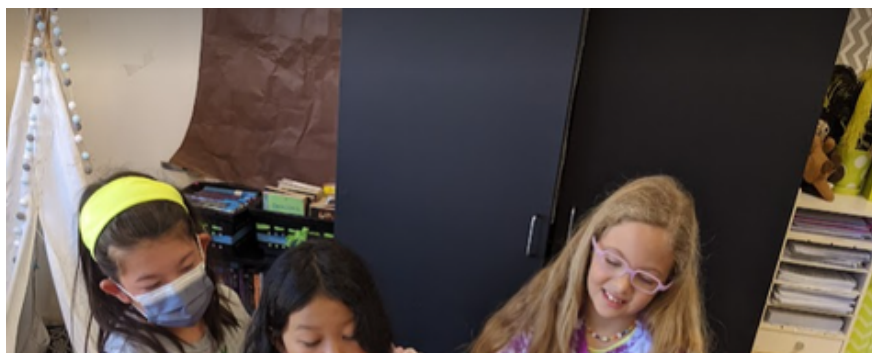
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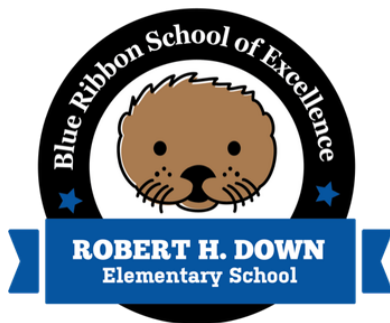


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