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Kathy La Piana, Principal • Carin Gasca, Assistant Principal

Principal's Message

These are the last few weeks at Repetto School for our eighth graders, many of whom have been at Repetto for the last nine years. We wish them a fond farewell and the best of luck as they transition to high school. We know they will do great things during the next four years and beyond, and will continue to make their Repetto School Family proud.

As the principal of Repetto School, I too will be transitioning to a new and unfounded territory...retirement. I leave Repetto with mixed emotions. It has been such a privilege to be a member of such an outstanding school that it is very difficult to say good-bye. But for everything there is a season, and I leave fully confident that Repetto will continue to soar with the eagles. I leave Repetto in a good place. Test scores are soaring, enrollment is increasing, staff morale is high and parent participation is rising. I pass the baton to Ms. Carin Gasca, who has been Repetto's assistant principal this past year. Ms. Gasca is an experienced and respected educator who I am convinced will continue to move Repetto forward and upward!

I have enjoyed these past three years at Repetto immensely and will miss the amazing group of highly qualified teachers and support staff, the efficient office personnel, the caring yard supervisors, the dedicated and concerned parents and of course, the wonderful students committed to learning. I would like to extend a special thank you to Mrs. Kathy Taggart, Instructional Specialist, who walked with me daily through this journey. I could not have made it without her.

To our current kindergarten through seventh grade students, I wish you a successful end of the school year and an exciting, but also restful summer break. Enjoy this precious time with friends and family. I wish you all blessings and happiness.
~Fondly, Mrs. La Piana

Announcements and Reminders

- **Citizens of the Month:** On Friday, April 28th, selected students were recognized for demonstrating the quality of "Bonding to School" by showing they care about Repetto. Congratulations to these exemplary students! Their names will be posted and recognized on the school website. All Good Citizens from this school year will be honored at the yearend celebration on Wednesday, May 17th, to be held during the school day.
- **Book Fair Volunteers Needed:** The Scholastic Book Fair will be held in our school library from Monday, May 1st through Friday, May 5th. We are in need of parent volunteers to help out at the book fair. If you are available to help, please sign up in the school office. The book fair will be open for shoppers during students' first recess and after school. It will also be open on Thursday evening, during Open House.
- **New Student Enrollment:** We are currently enrolling new students for the 17/18 school year. Registration is by appointment only. For questions or to make an appointment, please call the office at (626) 570-6240. A list of required enrollment documents is available on the district website: www.ausd.us.
- **Lost and Found:** Please check Lost & Found (located by the side of the cafeteria) before the last day of school for lost items (jackets, lunch boxes, books, etc.). Items not claimed by June 2nd will be donated to charity.
- **Visit Repetto School Website:** We encourage our parents and students to visit the school website: repettok8.net during the summer for important information, including the school supply lists, and links to valuable resources and websites for kids designed to help promote student learning during summer vacation.

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Dates to Remember

MAY

- 1-5: Scholastic Book Fair
- 04: Open House ☺
- 05: Middle School Spring Dance
3:00pm – 5:00pm (Cafeteria)
- 14: Monterey Park Play Day Parade, 11:00am
- 16: Transition to Middle School: For Gr. 5 Parents, 8:15am (Sci. Lab)
- 17: **Minimum Day** for Report Cards
- 17: Good Citizens Activity
- 18: Volunteer Social, 1:30pm
- 19: Technology Series Celebration, 8:15am (Location TBD)
- 19: Promotion Dinner & Dance
- 22: Talent Show Assemblies
- 23: Promotion Rehearsal #1 and Yearbook Signing Picnic
- 24: Promotion Rehearsal #2
- 25: Kinder Promotion
- 26: Non-Uniform Day (Hawaiian)
- 26: 8th Grade Promotion, 8:30am, Barnes Park Amphitheater
- 26: **Minimum Day**
- 26: Last Day of School – Report Cards Go Home

OPEN HOUSE

Thursday, May 4th
Classroom Visitations:
6:30pm – 8:00pm

We look forward to seeing all our parents at our Open House. Come for the science fair, book fair, uniform sales and of course, classroom visitations to see your child's accomplishments!

Middle School Honor Roll

On Friday, April 21st, Repetto School held its annual Middle School Honor Roll Celebration, where we recognized 6th, 7th and 8th grade students who have demonstrated academic excellence this year, by achieving a G.P.A. of 3.0 or higher during the first and/or second trimester.

Congratulations to these young scholars! They have made their school, their family and most importantly, themselves very proud. The names of these honorees will be posted on the school website.

Fond Farewells

Saying good-bye is often difficult; however, I feel I am in the company of a wonderful group of Repetto faculty and staff also retiring this year. I want to congratulate and honor them on the many years of dedicated service to the students of Repetto and commitment to education. Two of the honorees are teachers who have each been at Repetto for over 30 years. Thank you Ms. Julia Kawahira and Ms. Julia Quiñones for the positive impact you have made on all the students over the years. Sincerest appreciation to our other soon-to-be retirees: Mrs. Nancy Ramirez (health assistant), Mrs. Anne Cheng (Chinese school community coordinator) and last, but certainly not least, one of our yard supervisors, Mrs. Laverne Guerrero, affectionately known as "Mrs. G." All of you have been assets to the school and have assisted all students, parents and staff, directly or indirectly. You will be missed, but know that you leave a legacy of dedication, professionalism and kindness. It has been my pleasure to personally get to know you. I am confident that you will find the same success and happiness in retirement that you experienced during your time at Repetto. On behalf of the entire Repetto School Community, we wish you the best in your future endeavors. Blessings to you as you finish one chapter of your life and begin an exciting new chapter!

~Always, Kathy La Piana

Repetto Website: repettok8.net

2016 Honor Roll School: Repetto School is the proud recipient of the distinguished California Honor Roll award! We will be recognized as a leader in student achievement and for demonstrating consistently high levels of student academic achievement, improvement in achievement over time and reduction in achievement gaps. Congratulations to the Repetto School Community for a job well done!