December 3, 2021

Dear SEES Families,

Next week we are beginning our Canned Food Drive in partnership with Feeding San Diego and Wounded Warrior Homes. Last year our school community generously donated over 1200 pounds of food, which provided meals to families and veterans throughout San Diego. We will be collecting food from Tuesday-Thursday, over the next two weeks, in the front of the school. If you would like to donate an item, please drop it off between 8:15-8:45a. Teachers will be sending you a list of foods their grade level is responsible for. Thank you for helping us speak out and stand up against hunger!

Hour of Code Week, also known as Computer Science Education Week, is also next week! We will be participating from December 6th through the 17th to give all of our classes time to explore. Ms. Tucker will be teaching some Unplugged Coding activities in STEM and students will also have the opportunity to participate in activities at home or in the classroom. Happy coding!

<u>Safety</u>

- **Drop-off reminder:** If you drop off your child by car in the morning, you must enter the queue at the middle school entrance of Schoolhouse Way. We are seeing multiple cars come down Schoolhouse Way make a u-turn after the stop sign at the bottom of the drop off. This is against the traffic rules and is unsafe for our students and their families. Please follow the drop-off procedures. They can be found on our website under policies and procedures/traffic plan or <u>HERE</u>.
- **Back gate walkers:** If your child walks out the back gate, please remind them to stay on the marked path. We are noticing many students walking up the steep slope and not staying on the trail. The path is rocky, steep, and could have unwelcomed critters. We want all of our students to be safe as they come to and from school daily.
- **Parking lot**: The drop-off and pick-up procedure is not always quick, so please allow yourself some additional time to safely make your way through the line or to find a parking spot. If you drop-off your student(s) and move into the left lane to exit the drop-off lane, please look around to make sure there are no families in the crosswalk as you pass.

Upcoming Events

- December 6th: Lunch on the Lawn
- December 6th: Computer Science Education Week/Hour of Code begins
- December 7th: Canned Food Drive begins
- December 7-8: SEES Newspaper (News Nest) on sale before and after school for \$.50
- December 17th: Minimum Day
 - K-5: 8:45-12:55 (no lunch)
 - TK: 8:45 11:20 (no lunch)
- December 17th: Flag Salute

- December 20 January 7: Winter Break
- *There is no Lunch on the Lawn scheduled for January

Warmly, Emily and Mara