

# The Whitaker Wave



January, 2018

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## Important Dates: January 2018

- 1—Happy New Year!
- 15—Martin Luther King Day  
No School
- 16— HSO Meeting @2:45
- 16-19—6th Grade Science  
Camp
- 17—3rd Grade Field Trip
- 23— ELAC Meeting @8:15
- 24— OC Symphony Concert
- 26— \$1 Dress Day
- 29—100th Day of School
- 30— Minimum Day Released  
@12:20

### Buena Park School District Strategic Plan

- ◆ Maximize student achievement through standards-based instruction and assessment.
- ◆ Provide a safe and positive learning environment
- ◆ Build trust, clear communications, and positive human relations.
- ◆ Promote parent involvement
- ◆ Create community partnerships
- ◆ Enhance staff effectiveness



## Whitaker POWER<sup>3</sup> -Respectful, Responsible, Ready to Learn

### Principal's Message:

Welcome back, families and Happy New Year. We have moved into 2018 with exciting activities and events, and much learning to do! As we enter 2018, here are some tips I would like to share, that I am trying to follow at home myself with my own kiddoes:

- 1) Encourage reading at least 30 minutes a night and ask your child questions about what he or she is reading.
- 2) Keep electronic time unrelated to school activities to a minimum during school nights.
- 3) Ask your child questions about their school day.
- 4) Make sure your kiddoes are in bed early on school nights so that they are ready to learn each morning.
- 5) Take time for yourself, as your health and happiness is also key to your child's well-being.

Let's have a great 2018 together. We at Whitaker thank you for your support of our programs and students.

### Whitaker Spirit Wear

Get ready for Whitaker's Spring Spirit Wear Sale! Please see your child's teacher for a flyer and pricing; check in with the front office for sizing.

### Volunteer Opportunities

- HSO Meeting  
(1/16 @ 2:45 room 12)
  - Grip Greeters (Daily, morning and after school)
- Please call (714-521-9770) or visit the front office if you are available/interested in volunteering.

### Student Council

Thank you for supporting student council! Our December gram sales were successful, and many students were happy to receive goodies from friends and family. Student store will be open Fridays during recess.

### Yearbooks

Thank you to those who purchased yearbooks during our fall sell. Whitaker will be having their second yearbook sale in February. We encouraged you to buy.

### Box Tops for Education

Remember box tops help to earn money for our school and students. Keep saving!



## HSO News

### HSO Meeting

Our January meeting is on Wednesday, January 16h at 2:45 in the Parent Room—Room 12).

We look forward to making the rest of this school year a great one for our students and community. Thank you for your continued

### Brain Power News: Buena Park Mall

Save your receipts when you shop at Buena Park Mall. Please turn them in to Ms. Maria at the front office. Visit [shoppingpartnership.com/buenapark](http://shoppingpartnership.com/buenapark) and review the Brain Power Flyer. We are in 13th place!!!

Wear your Whitaker shirts/sweatshirts everyday!