### BELLA MENTE NEWSLETTER

Updated Weekly

October 6, 2025

Dear Bella Mente Parents and Guardians,

Thank you to all of our families who were able to contribute to our food drive for Camp Pendleton. This year's collection was the largest we have had in the three years we have held this drive. Thank you so much for your support!



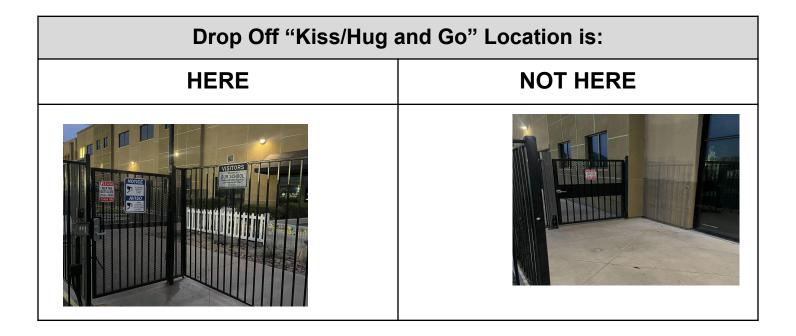


Beginning next week, Mr. Reyes and the Community Leadership class will begin "Socktober," collecting socks for our area homeless shelters. More information will be coming this week. At Bella Mente we believe in giving back to our community and supporting those in need. With your help, our school is making a difference in the lives of so many!

We also want to remind you that Parent Conferences are scheduled for November 18th, 19th, and 20th. Students in grades 3-8 should be expected to attend with you, as they will be giving "student-led presentations" on their learning journey so far this year. It is always a treat to listen to the students give their account of their accomplishments thus far and the goals they have set for themselves. Please be on the lookout for email communication from your teacher for sign-up slots. If you need a translator, please email Maca Davis, Community Liaison, at <a href="mailto:mdavis@bellamentecharter.org">mdavis@bellamentecharter.org</a> to submit your request.

Thank you again for being a partner is your student's educational journey. We appreciate you!

### Please see reminders below about Drop Off locations:



Please click the link below to view our Family Handbook:

2025-2026 Board-Approved Family Handbook

Lost and Found is located in the Health Office.

Please check during school office hours 7:30am-3:45pm.

Items left for more than 2 weeks will be donated.

We highly recommend that you write your child's name on the clothing tag so we can return the clothing to your child.

#### **Upcoming Virtual Cooking Class with Mr. Wagner!**

Do you enjoy cooking? Mr. Wagner will be hosting a Monthly Virtual Cooking Class! The cooking dates are below!

- 10/08/25
- 11/12/25
- 12/10/25
- 01/14/26
- 02/11/26
- 03/11/26
- 04/08/26
- 05/16/26

# **Upcoming Events:**

Date	Event	Time
M, October 6, 2025		
T, October 7, 2025	MINIMUM DAY FOR STAFF DEVELOPMENT	DISMISSAL: TK/K: 11:45; GRADES 1-8: 12:10
W, October 8, 2025	MINIMUM DAY FOR STAFF DEVELOPMENT	DISMISSAL: TK/K: 11:45; GRADES 1-8: 12:10
Th, October 9, 2025	School and Student Safety Presentation:Information sent to families via email	5:00 p.m.
F, October 10, 2025		
M, October 13, 2025		
T, October 14, 2025		
W, October 15, 2025	PTA Board Meeting Chipotle Dine-out	9:00-10:00 in the Library 4:00-8:00 p.m., 30 Main St., Vista
Th, October 16, 2025	Leadership Coffee Mingle: all parents welcome!	8:30-9:30 a.m. at the Gazebo
	Primary: Mad Science Assembly	9:00-9:45 a.m.

	Earthquake Drill	10:16 a.m.
F, October 17, 2025		
M, October 20, 2025		
T, October 21, 2025		
W, October 22, 2025		
Th, October 23, 2025	RED RIBBON WEEK BEGINS	THROUGH OCTOBER 31ST
F, October 24, 2025		
M, October 27, 2025	Fun Run Fundraiser Begins	Through November 7th
T, October 28, 2025	Fall Picture Retakes	All day in the MPR
W, October 29, 2025		
Th, October 30, 2025		
F, October 31, 2025	Halloween Costume Parade Trunk or Treat	8:15-8:45 a.m. 4:00-5:30 p.m. in the Lower Parking Lot

# After-School Enrichment Programs

If you have any questions, please contact Anthony Beaver, Community Outreach Director at <a href="mailto:abeaver@bellamentecharter.org">abeaver@bellamentecharter.org</a> or 760-621-8948 EXT. 310.

1. Karate Kids: (Tuesdays): (TK/K 2:50-3:30pm) and (1st-8th: 3:30-4:15 pm) (MPR)





Please remind your scholar to check their classrooms and the Lost and Found located in the Health Office.



When your child is absent from school, please complete an Independent Study Contract. The Bella team will help you enroll and provide students with the appropriate resources to keep up with class work. Email: <a href="IS@bellamentecharter.org">IS@bellamentecharter.org</a> to learn more!



Interested in volunteering on campus? Returning volunteers must complete all forms and online training to be an active volunteer during our school year. For more information, please contact Anthony Beaver at <a href="mailto:abeaver@bellamentecharter.org">abeaver@bellamentecharter.org</a>.

# Parent Teacher Association (PTA)

The Bella Mente PTA is recruiting volunteers for Room Parents and the Fall Festivals. Please use these links to sign up if you are interested!

Fall Festival

Room Parent Interest Form

We look forward to hearing from you!

QR codes are also located on the PTA bulletin board near the school entrance. Thank you for all of your support of Bella Mente. We look forward to working with you!

Thank you,

Lindsay, PTA President

# Updates to our +Box Program (now called Brighter Bites)

Distribution of Brighter Bites boxes will occur on the 2nd and 4th Thursdays of each month. Please sign up in the Front Office if you are interested in receiving free boxes of vegetables and other food items