



## Fall is Time for Change...

### New Season, New Beginnings

We are well on our way to making this another great year. Students are getting settled in their classes, friendships forming and true musical notes are starting to come from Ruble's and Kane's music classes. Ipakanni has been enforcing our behavioral and attendance policies and it seems to be doing the trick on keeping our students on track.

Attendance letters will be going out monthly to ensure our students are arriving on time and are not truant. Truancy can be very damaging to the educational growth of your student, so please make sure they are here every day and on time! **Our October- November Attendance Incentive is a Trip to the movies. See inside for details!**

Behavioral standards are being strictly enforced to ensure we are providing all students with a productive learning environment. Students and parents have been given a handbook with our behavioral standards clearly outlined.

Those same standards can also be found on our website. Students receive demerits for not following behavioral standards. Demerits can lead to consequences including missing out on fun activities, limiting privileges, and even suspension or expulsion. We are also rewarding positive behaviors with Ipakanni Bucks. Ask your student how many they received today!

We have started our Volleyball season and have two 6-8th grade teams. Please see our calendar for the next game and come support our teams. Our first family game night here at Ipakanni was a great success. Forty-eight students and their families were in attendance. Our goal is to not only encourage school attendance and educational growth, but to encourage participation in extracurricular activities and school events. In order to provide these types of events, we are always looking for staff and parent volunteers. Please think about helping with one of our upcoming events and attend our **next Parent Club/School Site Council Meeting Tuesday Oct. 8 at 5pm!**

Let's keep going strong!

*Walter Gramps*



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 **Take Note****Student Council Elections took place Friday Oct. 4th.**

Congratulations to the following elected candidates:

President: Cierra Foster

Vice President: Terryon Spivey

Secretary: Ellie Woods

Treasurer: Hershhal Phillips

K-5 Representative: Reyna Lopez, Rashawn Currington, Marlon Smith Jr.

6-8 Representative: Junius Miller, Pypper Alexander, Maya Mason

9-12 Representative: Melissa Starkey, Faith Androus, Gabrielle Soto

These positions require a commitment, great responsibility and dedication. Meetings will be held during 5th period twice a month. Meeting attendance is required for all elected positions. We look forward to a great year in making changes and improvements to our Student Council. I am sure these young leaders are going to do an amazing job in their positions and make our school a better place for it.

Thank you to all students that ran for a position. It is hard to put yourself out there and even harder when you don't win the first time around. I look forward to seeing those students on next year's ballot and at our meetings as they can still participate in many events and help on much needed activity committees.

## Attendance Incentive



Last month, students with perfect attendance received an Ipakanni t-shirt -Congratulations to those students that worked hard to accomplish this!

This next quarter we have raised the incentive. Students with 2 or less absences (excused or unexcused) will be treated to a day at the Movies. Please make sure your student is at school everyday in order to attend this exciting event!

This is one event our students won't want to miss and NO exceptions will be made. If a student is gone for 2 or more days between Oct. 1 -Dec. 1, student will not be eligible to attend.



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## Sticks and Stones Can Break My Bones but Words CAN Really Hurt You

By Keatin Green

Ipakanni has been a really good school to all of the students that are attending it. The first year I went to this school it was really good when it came to no bullying, most of the students hated bullying, but when the bigger students started to do it, the little one's did too. Then it kept on going on and on, but it would stop for a time and then it would come back. When one person would say something rude, then the other person would respond back and it would keep on going back and forth. The thing that people don't understand is how it can hurt the other person and now I'm about to explain how it could hurt them.

When I get bullied it makes me so sad, then I'll get really mad and say something back, but when I say something back it makes everyone want to say something back to me. The thing that makes me really sad is that when I go on the news and see the kids who have taken other kids lives and then take their own because some bully or bullies told a kid that they had no purpose in life and no one liked them or wanted them around so they should just kill themselves. When that happens, it affects the family on both families on both side it affects the school and the entire community. I believe it affects the whole WORLD!



When a kid gets bullied and when they tell their family the whole family is affected. When I say something to others that made them mad or sad and that made me really sad, when I went home that day and thought about it, I realized I was like, "why did I say that? Did I do it to look cool to make her or him feel bad or to impress some older kids?" Then I noticed that I did it for all of those things and then I felt really bad. Bullying makes me not want to be around anyone because I'm scared that they might say something to me and I isolate and I don't communicate because others see me as snitching.



Bullying can cause emotional stress and depression. Yes, young people get depressed too. When I look back over everything that I have thought about and wrote about, something needs to be done about it. But, where does the change start? How about it starts with me.

*I'll be back with more answers. See you next time and look for my next article called change.*



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## Spooky Halloween Bash 2019

*By Melissa Starkey*

This year a handful of students at Ipakanni would like to do a haunted house, or rather, a haunted school. We want to darken the school and do different activities. Examples include: slime and stuff with fuzz. We would like teachers and parents to volunteer to help with the haunted house. There will be tons of music and treats for the kids, so we would love help in pulling it off this year.

We also would love your help with the trunk or treat again this year. For those parents that were not here last year, trunk or treat is simple. You put candy in your trunk with decorations if desired and all the kids walk around asking for candy. We would love parents from last year to participate again if willing and new parents to help. This year with all of your help, we hope to make this the best Halloween that Ipakanni has seen. If you have any further questions, contact our office at 530/532-1165 or email Stacey at [sgramps@ipakanni.com](mailto:sgramps@ipakanni.com).

## Ipakanni Hawks are at it again!



### Week 4

10/3 4pm/5pm Oroville High School Small Gym

### Week 5

10/10 6pm/7pm Oroville High School Small Gym





## MARK YOUR CALENDARS

### Upcoming Events:

#### October 2019

- 4th -September Special Awards Assembly 12-12:20
- 4th -Student Council Elections
- 8th -School Site Council/Parent Club meeting 5-6pm
- 10-11th -minimal days Student progress reports
  - Parent teacher conferences to be scheduled
- 15th -Picture Day
- 17th -Primary School Bishop Pumpkin Patch Field Trip
- 23rd -31st -Red Ribbon Week and Dress-up days
- 31st -Halloween and Trunk or Treat

#### November 2019

- 11th -No School Veterans Day
- 25th-26th -Minimum Days
- 26th -Jog-a-thon/Community Service Project
- 27th -29th -Thanksgiving Break -HAPPY HOLIDAYS TO ALL

#### December 2019

- 10th -Parent Site Council Meeting
- 19th -Attendance Incentive -Day at the movies
- 20th -1st Semester Ends
- 23rd-Jan. 3rd. -Winter Break

MINIMAL DAY RELEASE TIME IS 12:20



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