# The Phoenix Ranch School NOVEMBER NEWSLETTER





# Meet our New Preschool Director!

Hi, everyone! My name is Melissa, and I'm Phoenix Ranch's new preschool director. I want to begin by saying thank you so much for the opportunity to get to know you all and your children, and for the warm and kind welcome I have been receiving. I'm incredibly honored to be a part of such a supportive community that puts children first and values its staff.

I have been in the child development field for 15 years, with three and a half of those years directing. I have always had a passion for children and ensuring that their education thrives through hands-on play and relationships with their peers and teachers. Additionally, I absolutely love leading a team and ensuring that the program runs smoothly and efficiently while focusing on building a community with children, families, and staff.

On a personal level, I love reading, flat-faced dogs, and the mountains. I currently live in Ventura, but hope to move to Camarillo in the next year to be in closer proximity to

Thank you for the amazing opportunity to spend time with your little ones and continue to make our school an amazing one. I'm very much looking forward to meeting you all!

Phoenix Ranch. I hope to grow with Phoenix Ranch for

### Food Share Food Drive

Did you know 1 out of 4 people in Ventura County struggle with food insecurity? Each November we conduct a food drive to help with this need.

At Phoenix Ranch we take pride in our collective generosity when it comes to the community outside of school. Thank you in advance for your donations! Collection bins are in the main hallway.

# **Contact Us:**

# November Calendar

11/1 Food Drive Begins
End of First Trimester (elementary)

11/6 Make-Up Picture Day

11/8 Patriotic Spirit Day: Wear Red, White or Blue

First Trimester Report Cards go home

11/11 Veteran's Day - School Closed

11/12 Parent Association Meeting at 5:30pm

11/21 Preschool Farmer's Market at 9am

11/22 Free Dress Day

11/26 Thanksgiving Celebrations in Classrooms

11/27-11/29 School Closed - Thanksgiving

# Parent Association News

Interested in participating in the wider Phoenix Ranch Community? Join the Parent Association!

In October we sponsored the haunted house truck at the school's Halloween Festival. It was a spooky success!

One focus of the PA is school enhancements. This month we will begin our next project, with the instalation of a flag pole in front of the school.

SAVE THE DATE! Our first Family Fun Night will be at Presto Pasta on Nov. 19th. Presto Pasta will donate 20% of the proceeds to the Parent Association. Take a night off from your kitchen and support your PA.

Our next meeting is Tuesday, November 12 at 5:30 via Zoom. We hope to see you there!



many years to come.



