



# Eagle Update

**2016-17 Theme:**  
Love God

**December  
Theme Verse:**

Psalm 18:1, "I love you,  
O LORD, my strength."

**Mr. Hearne's  
Recommended  
Resources:**

(click below)

- Tim Elmore - Growing Leaders Blog – *Four Ways to Build Students Who Are Both Smart and Wise*
- Axis – The Cultural Translator – Volume 2 Issue 49, 12.09.16
- Safe, Smart & Social – *7 Ways Parents Can Teach Teens to Have Productive Screen Time*

**RCS Calendar**  
(click above)

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## Devotional Thought:

The key to Psalm 18:1, "I love you, O Lord, my strength" is not that we love God for making us strong, but rather that we love God who is the totality of our strength. Our frailness, our weak humanity, our sinfulness, these are all major characteristics of what constitutes our lives. But our hope and love is not in ourselves, it is in Jesus Christ who is our strength when we are naturally frail, who gives us the power of His Spirit and removes our sins through the grace of Jesus. Our love for God permeates our hearts because God IS our strength.

In Christ, Mr. Russell, Directional of Instructional Development

## Important Dates and Events December 14 – January 15

Grades 9 – 12 Finals  
December 13 – December 15

**Red & Green Day!**  
RCE Campus  
December 15

End of 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter  
December 15

Teacher Prep Day-No School  
District Office Open/Campus Offices Closed  
EDC Open at RCE  
December 16

**Christmas Break**  
No School; No EDC; Offices Closed  
December 19 – January 2

Report Cards Emailed  
December 20

**School Resumes**  
3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter Begins  
January 3

5<sup>th</sup> Grade Colonial Day  
January 6

Home School Meeting-MSHS Campus  
6:00pm  
January 9

Middle School All American Week  
January 9 – January 13

Preferred Re-Enrollment  
For 2017-18  
January 9 – January 20

5<sup>th</sup> Grade Visits MSHS  
January 10

5<sup>th</sup> Grade Parents Meeting – MSHS 6:00pm  
January 10

Parent-Teacher Night for Kindergarten  
6:00pm  
January 10

Washington, D.C. Second Payment Due  
January 11

RCS T-shirt Sale  
RCE Campus at 3:30pm  
January 12

New-Parent Information Meeting  
At RCE, Williams Chapel  
7:00pm  
January 12

Homecoming Banquet  
6:00pm  
January 13

School to 12:00pm for HS ONLY  
January 13

Middle School All American Week Awards  
January 13

**MERRY CHRISTMAS AND  
HAPPY NEW YEAR!!**



## “Fabulous Five” As Reported by RCS Teachers:

1. Mrs. Bibby reported: To wrap up our unit on Elements, students played Period Table Battleship. I thought it was the coolest thing ever to see them working together and having fun. [Click Here](#)

2. Mrs. Phillips reported: Today was fun as we reviewed for our Spanish Final. We played charades using our Spanish vocabulary from the whole semester. The students had to be creative in how to act out their Spanish vocab. It was great class participation!

3. Mr. Blatchford reported: Biology students have critically analyzed their views on how life started and presented arguments for why they think their view is the best option.

4. Mr. Cagle reported: What a fabulous week I had directing my music students in three fantastic performances!! The first was the all-school-Christmas concert, the second was the high school chapel on Wednesday, and the third was the elementary school chapel on Friday. I was so proud of the musical skills that all the students displayed in these presentations to glorify God through song. Great job music students!!!!

5. Mr. Gillette reported: Five members of the Middle School's Leadership class practiced servant-leadership by helping to clean up Cull Canyon Park on Saturday.

## Upcoming Games:

### MS Basketball:

12/14 @ Contra Costa Christian (played at Oak Park Gym)  
Boys B Team at 3:00pm

12/15 @ Valley Christian  
Boys at 3:30pm  
Girls at 4:45pm

### HS Boys Basketball:

12/15 @ Urban  
JV Boys at 5:00pm  
Varsity Boys at 6:15pm

12/16 @ International  
Varsity Boys at 7:00pm

12/17 @ Harker  
JV Boys at 3:30pm  
Varsity Boys at 5:00pm

12/20 vs. St. Elizabeth @ HOME  
JV Boys at 1:00pm  
Varsity Boys at 2:30pm

12/22 @ Berean Christian  
JV Boys at 1:30pm  
Varsity Boys at 3:00pm

12/23 @ St. Vincent de Paul  
JV Boys at 4:00pm  
Varsity Boys at 5:30pm

### HS Girls Basketball:

12/16 @ International  
Varsity Girls at 5:30pm

12/17 @ Marin Academy  
Varsity Girls at 2:00pm

12/20 at Kipp King Academy  
Varsity Girls at 3:00pm

### HS Soccer:

12/14 @ Urban  
Varsity Girls at 6:00pm

12/16 @ Marin Academy  
Varsity Girls at 3:00pm

## Score Box:

### MS Basketball:

12/7 vs. North Hills  
Boys B Team won 36-12

12/8 @ Milpitas Christian  
Boys won 48-23  
Girls lost 29-8

12/12 vs. Prince of Peace  
Boys B Team won 34-17

12/13 @ Chinese Christian  
Girls won 33-9  
Boys won 49-8

### HS Girls Basketball:

12/7 @ Convent of the Sacred Heart  
Varsity Girls lost 68-35

## A Special Message from Superintendent Hearne Regarding The RCS Bus Service

RCS is blessed to have dedicated bus drivers who are committed to student safety and education. This year, our bus drivers have noticed an increase of traffic which has made it difficult for the morning bus route to arrive at the MSHS on time. Student safety is one of our primary concerns and rather than rushing to get to the MSHS on time, our bus drivers have asked to move the pickup times for the morning route. Based upon their calculations, **beginning on January 3, 2017, we will be moving the pickup time back by 10 minutes. The RCS bus will leave Redwood Chapel at 7:10am and 3Crosses at 7:20.**

**In Christ,  
Al Hearne II, M.Div, M. Ed.  
Superintendent**

Matthew 6:9-13

The Lord's Prayer

"9 Pray then like this:

"Our Father  
in heaven,  
hallowed be your  
name.

10 Your kingdom  
come,

your will be done,  
on earth

as it is in heaven.

11 Give us this day our  
daily bread,

12 and forgive us our  
debts,

as we also have  
forgiven our debtors.

13 And lead us not into  
temptation,

but deliver us from  
evil."

## 2016-17 RCS Daily Prayer Guide

Day	Praise God!!! Our God is ...	Pray For Your Child(ren) To Have	Pray For RCS	Pray For Our Government
14	Knowing	Generosity	Generous Donations	Associate Justice Sonia Sotomayor
15	Life	Gentleness	Guidance Programs	Associate Justice Elena Kagan
16	Love	Goodness	Healthy Staff and Students	Associate Justice (yet to be nominated)
17	Merciful	Heart for Missions	High School Teachers	Senator Diane Feinstein
18	Mighty	Initiative	Instructional Aides	Senator Kamala Harris
19	Peace	Integrity	Instrumental Programs	Representative Barbara Lee
20	Present	Joy	Interact Club	Representative Eric Swalwell
21	Redeemer	Kind Words	Middle School Teachers	Governor Jerry Brown
22	Refuge	Love	Missions Team	Lt. Governor Gavin Newsome
23	Righteous	Loyalty	MSHS Office Staff	CA Attorney General
24	Savior	Patience	MSHS Principal	CA Assembly member Rob Bonta
25	Shepherd	Peace	New Teachers	CA Assembly member Bill Quirk
26	Spirit	Purity	P.E. Teachers	CA Assembly member Catharine Baker
27	Teacher	Respect	RCE Office Staff	CA Senator Bob Wieckowski
28	The I Am	Salvation	RCE Principal	CA Senator Steve Glazer
29	The Word	Self-Control	Staff to model Christ	CA Senator Loni Hancock
30	Truth	Self-Discipline	Student Leaders	Alameda County Supervisor Nate Miley
31	Unchangeable	Wisdom	Superintendent	Alameda County Supervisor Wilma Chan

**Crab Feed & Tri-Tip Auction  
Tickets Are Now On Sale  
At Any Campus Office and the  
District Office**

**Tickets:**

- Adults \$45.00  
(after January 21<sup>st</sup> \$55.00)
- Under 10 years old \$25.00

[Click here](#) for more information

**SAVE THE DATE!**

**Redwood Appreciation Dinner  
(RAD) and School Update**

Friday, January 27<sup>th</sup>  
6:00pm

RCE Gym and Worship Center

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