

# CLIPPER MONTHLY

# CLIPCO

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## *March 2023*




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# Calendar

## March

MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI
		1	2	3
6	7	8	9 Muir STEM Night 4-7PM in the GLC	10 Miller - Elective Night
13	14	15 1st grade Brunch on Us	16	17 
20 No school (Staff Learning Day)	21	22	23	24
8th Grade Yosemite trip 3/19 - 3/24				
27	28 Miller - SEL Connect	29	30	31 Minimum Day

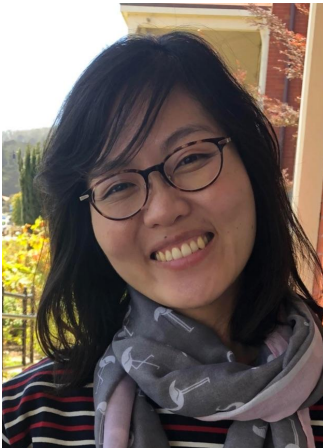
# Meet the 4th/5th Grade Teachers



**Ms. Yujia Ji 冀老師**

4th grade Chinese

- I love baking, beachcombing, and hiking.
- Learned making ceramics when young and enjoy it! But don't have many chances to practice the skills.
- Did my 6th grade in Australia
- Big fan of Nolan's movies.
- Mother of two amazing girls.



**Ms. Elizabeth Fang 方老師**

4th grade English

- I love playing/singing music with my family.
- I did my university studies in South Africa.
- I enjoy volunteering with the youth ministry at church.
- I recently picked up baking and jogging again.



**Ms. Erica Cheung 張老師**

4th/5th grade Chinese

- I enjoy eating ice cream and sushi in summer and hotpot in winter.
- I love traveling, singing and dancing.
- Recently I have adopted 2 bunnies named Lollipop and Marshmallow.

# Meet the 4th/5th Grade Teachers



## Ms. Grace Lin 林老師

4th/5th grade English

- I am double jointed.
- I've climbed to the top of Mt. Fuji.
- I once dyed my hair a mixture of green, blue, and purple.
- I love jumping photos.



## Mr. Alex Smedile

5th grade English

- My wife and I recently welcomed a new baby, Andrew, into the world.
- I lived in South Korea for five years.
- My favorite sport/activity is snowboarding.



## Ms. Phoebe Yang 楊老師

5th grade Chinese

- I've been a CLIP parent since 2011.
- I am a cat servant -- There's always an empty Amazon box somewhere in my living room. (You'll understand if you also have cats.)
- I've been listening to "Graceful Ghost Rag" recently when I am in my kitchen.



# Meet our 7th and 8th Grade Representatives



Kevin Jung



Kalila Patty



Jeremy Gaustad

## 7th Grade - Kevin Jung

- Kevin is a father of 3 in CLIP (7th, 5th, and 2nd grade) and has been part of the CLIPCO board for over 5 years. He was very excited for his kids to learn Chinese since he knows little other than how to order dim sum.
- On the weekends, you can catch him at his kids' basketball or soccer games. When he has free time, he loves to go fishing/clamming, camping, traveling (Disneyland), & golfing.

## 7th Grade - Kalila Patty

- Kalila is a parent of 2 CLIP kids (7th and 5th graders) and a 4 year old. She is a recent CLIPCO grade rep. Her children started speaking Mandarin in a Chinese home daycare which was the impetus for her to start learning Mandarin as well.
- Kalila spends a lot of time cooking and baking which she finds relaxing. She also enjoys watching the latest cdrama and kdrama tv series, listening to cpop/Afrobeats and podcasts, attending concerts and absolutely everything Marvel.

## 8th Grade - Jeremy Gaustad

- Jeremy has been a CLIPCO grade rep for the past 3 years and is exiting the program this year. If you don't know Jeremy yet, reach out quickly!
- You may run into him at his sons' AAU basketball tournaments, practicing yoga, or squeezing in a round of golf on a Saturday afternoon at Moffett Field Golf Course.

## 8th Grade - Open Position

- This could be you! It's not too late to apply.
- Email: [clipco@cusdclipco.org](mailto:clipco@cusdclipco.org) if interested!

# Meet our CLIPCO Committees

## I Lin Chen (Community Events)



- I have 3 kids, 2 boys and 1 girl, One in 3rd grade, one in kindergarten, and one 3 year old.
- My day job, I am the Programs Manager for Stanford Research Park, and plan over 100 events a year.
- Before Stanford I worked at KTSF Channel 26, the Asian television station for 15 years and worked at the SF Chinese New Year parade.
- My hobby is lounging around and watching reruns of Chinese tv dramas and traveling around the world with my family.

## Lalaine Chen (Science Fair, Konstella)



- I have 3 children at CLIP in 5th, 3rd and 1st grade and one upcoming in a few years.
  - I enjoy hiking and nature, but I'm afraid of heights.
  - I need coffee to function, but I enjoy green tea and taro smoothies.
  - I love animals, and have a dog named Titus!
- You can see me randomly helping at John Muir because I enjoying seeing the kids, parents, and CLIP school community. This is my third year helping with the science fair and second year helping with Konstella. See you at the science fair!!

## Ivy Chen (Science Fair, Yearbook, Book Fair)



I am a mom of a 3rd grader. My family and I enjoy vacations at Disneyland and Hawaii. It's always nice relaxing at the beach. I can often be seen walking around school with my camera taking pictures for yearbook. I enjoy capturing special moments at school. This is my second year working on Yearbook. I was also happy we could bring back Book Fair this school year. My child liked the experience of shopping on his own. In addition, I also organize Science Fair. It's always fun seeing the kids excited and proud of their science projects. I hope to see you soon at the Science Fair.

# 2023 -2024 CLIPCO Board Elections

Exec Board Elections / Grade Rep Elections will take place in April. Please email: [clipco@cusdclipco.org](mailto:clipco@cusdclipco.org) if you would like to apply.

## CLIPCO Roles with Elections in April:

- **CLIPCO Exec Board 2023-2025**
    - **President**
    - **Vice President**
    - **Secretary**
    - **Treasurer**
    - **Vice Treasurer**
  - **Grade Rep (K - 7th) 2023-2025 - 2 Year Term**
- Committee Positions that need to be filled for 2023-2024 (No Election needed):**
- **Community Outreach Team**
  - **Survey**
  - **Musical Team**



# 2023 Chinese New Year Parade

Thank you to all the parent volunteers and CLIP Staff that made CNY Parade happen and thank you especially to the CLIP **students** who came to practice every Wednesday, worked hard to learn their parts and performed on a very **rainy and wet** Parade day!

Here are videos of our CLIP Team marching! [Geary St](#) [Post St](#)  
[Kearny St](#)



**Special Thanks** to the Parade Committee / CLIP Staff & Superintendent Yao: (L to R) Chia-ching Lin, Barbara Wang, Dr. Lashier, Eileen Voon, Alan Fong, Edison Chiu, Superintendent Yao, Christine Wong, Ms. Steele, Margaret Leung





# Muir News

**Kinder Enrollment:** If you registered a child for CLIP for next year, the Priority Open Enrollment Lottery will be done electronically on March 30, 2023. The Open Enrollment waitlist will be live on April 28, 2023.

## 2nd Grade CLIP Art - Lion Heads







# Muir News

**Diane Ferlatte Assembly** - To kick off Black History Month, storyteller Diane Ferlatte came to Muir on February 2 with her musician Erik Pearson.

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**ASEP t-shirts and pants** were distributed to all the performing classes (Dizi, Erhu, Zhongruan, Wushu, Lion Dance and Percussion) week of Feb 13.

These shirts will be worn during the May showcase.

**STEM Night** Join us for an evening of fun guided by a team from RAFT.

Kinder - 2nd: 4:00-5:25PM

3rd - 5th: 5:35-7:00PM



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# Muir News

## Brunch on Us



Thank you, 2nd Grade!  
**1st Grade Brunch on Us on March 15**

## Miller Electives

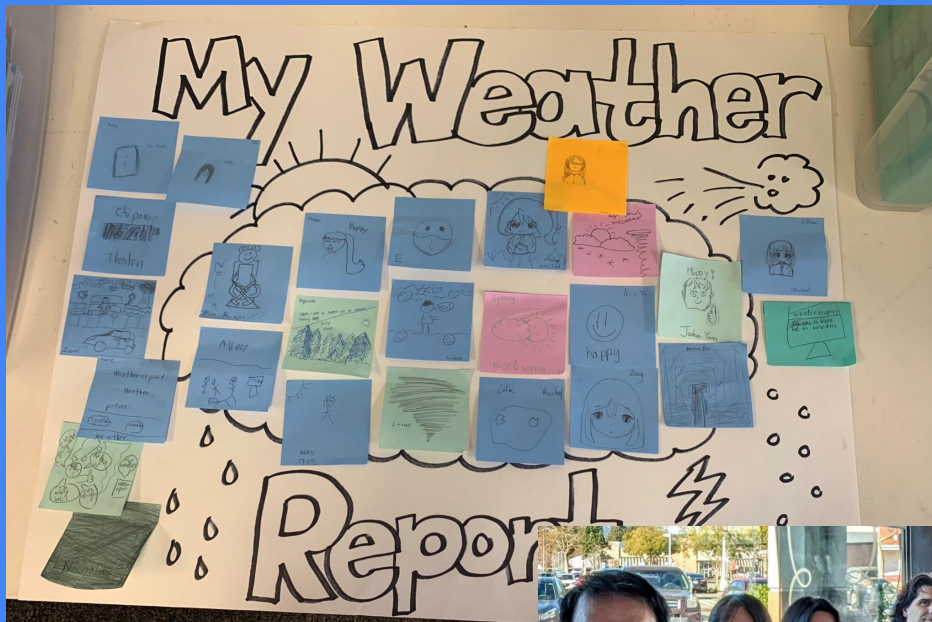
**5th grade parents**, expect an email to pick electives for Miller Middle school in March.

## Safety Patrol

If your 4th/5th grader is interested in Traffic Safety Patrol and/or you are interested in being a parent volunteer, please sign up on Konstella.



# Project Cornerstone



Room 17 (4th Grade)  
My Weather Report

Project Cornerstone Social



## Who is Chris Paul?



- a professional basketball player who currently plays for the Phoenix Suns of the NBA\*
- widely regarded as one of the greatest point guards of all time
- has won numerous awards and two Olympic gold medals
- served as the president of the National Basketball Players Association (the labor union that represents the NBA players) for nine years

\*NBA = National Basketball Association

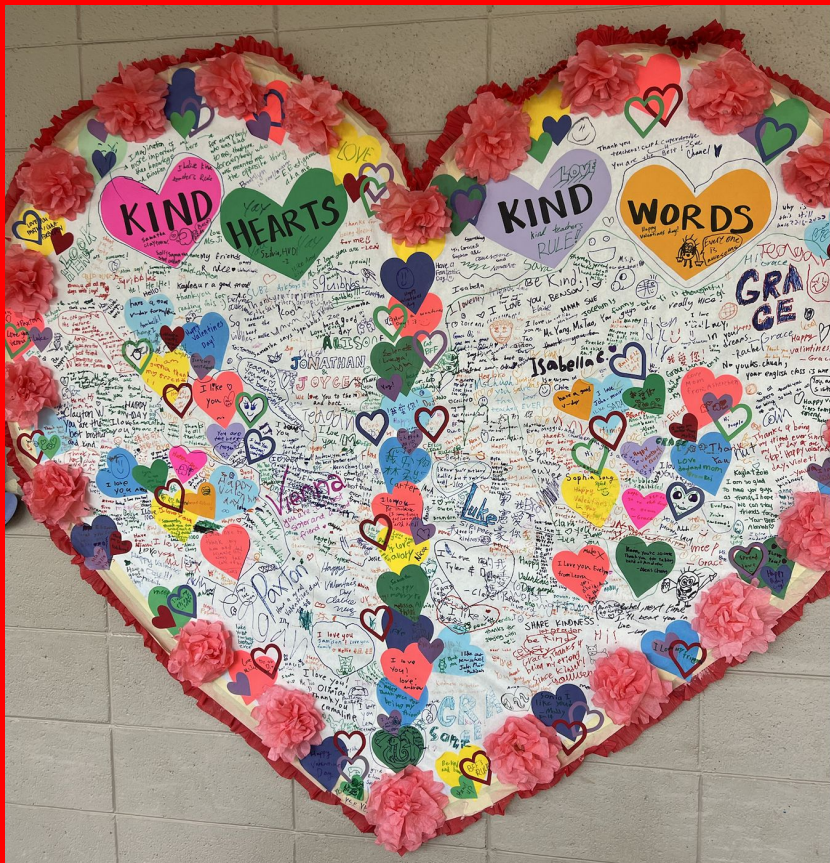
I am so thankful to my loving family for unconditional support, and for always believing in me, my dreams, and the endeavors life brings my way.



Long Shot Props (2nd Grade)



# Valentines Day Decorations



Thank you to our Vday Decorators!



## February 11th Kinder Social

Despite the rainy morning, over 60 kindergarteners and family joined for the Kinder play date on Feb 11.



## Panda Dine Out

Thanks to everybody who participated in the CLIPCO Panda Express fundraiser. We were able to raise \$187.45.





# Muir Science Fair

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## 2022-2023 John Muir SCIENCE FAIR!!

<https://cusdclipco.org/special-event/>

### Step into STEAM & support learning with your child!

- **OPEN TO ALL GRADES K-5!!**
- **What:** Working as an individual or team of 2 or 3, your child can show a display, demonstrate experimental results or reveal their research.
- **When: Posters to be displayed the week of March 21, 2023 in the GLC.**

Students will bring projects to school on Tuesday, March 21 before the start of school, and pick up projects on Friday, March 24 at the end of school.
- **How:** 2 Links for Registration. Must do **BOTH by March 10, 2023 at 9am.**
  1. Each project must register by submitting a [John Muir Elementary Science Fair Entry Form](#) . You do not need to finalize your science project idea before you register.
  2. Join [Konstella Science Fair Group](#). Konstella is the only way to get any further instructions and updates.
- **Free to participate. CLIPCO will be giving away poster boards to the first 150 applicants/groups who properly register first.** Pick-up display board in front of the office during drop off ~8:20-8:30 or pick up ~2:25-3:05 on March 3, 2023.
- Foster the spirit of scientific inquiry & sign up!
- A great learning opportunity and chance for you to engage with your child! You don't have to be a scientist to help your child learn.
- No child is too young to have fun with science & math!!
- The first 200 applicants will receive a participation medal.
- Review the [Science Fair handbook](#) .

**Register to participate in the Science Fair by March 10, 2023 at 9am.**

**Questions? Email [sciencefair@cusdclipco.org](mailto:sciencefair@cusdclipco.org)**



# Miller News

## CLIP Promotion Event

We need 6th and 7th grade parent volunteers to assist with the CLIP Promotion Event! The 6th/7th parents will learn about the event planning from the 8th grade parent committee (so you can lead it next time) and also help run the event on the day – to be confirmed for early June.

If you are interested in helping, please reach out to:

- Ms. Lin – [lin\\_chiaching@cusdk8.org](mailto:lin_chiaching@cusdk8.org) (event chair)
- Jeremy – [jeremy@cusdclipco.org](mailto:jeremy@cusdclipco.org) (8th grade rep)

## Modified Bell Schedule for Next Year

- The Miller schedule will continue to be a seven period day, periods 1-7.
- Miller teachers will continue to teach five courses per day.
- CLIP students will be enrolled in a 1st period.
- 6th grade CLIP students will enroll in Mandarin and one elective course.
- On M, T, Th, & F, 1st period will begin at 8:00am.
- On Wednesday, 1st period will begin at 9:32am.
- Dismissal time will be 3:05 pm on M-F for all students.

The specific bell schedule will be shared with parents in late Spring 2023.





# Miller News

## Reminder: High School Enrollment!

FUHSD enrollment is open January 25th through April 3rd! Note the Supplemental School Assignment Program includes opportunities to attend schools outside your attendance area (e.g., **CLIP kids can request Lynbrook**).

Important resources for 8th grade families—

<https://www.fuhsd.org/departments/enrollment/new-student-enrollment/next-school-year>

<https://www.fuhsd.org/departments/enrollment/student-transfer-options/student-transfer-programs>

## Elective Night

Elective Night will be on 3/10 from 6-8pm for 6th and 7th grade families. The elective teachers will be showcasing their classes.

## Konstella

Konnect Parents

6th-8th Grade Miller, please join [KONSTELLA](#) to get connected to the CLIP Community, please refer to email from Konstella sent on 11/8 from <[no-reply@konstella.com](mailto:no-reply@konstella.com)> and join a classroom:

- **Miller Middle - 6th Grade, 6th Grade**
- **Miller Middle - 7th Grade, 7th Grade**
- **Miller Middle - 8th Grade, 8th Grade**

# Feb 2023 CLIPCO Board Meeting Voting Summary



Board Approvals	Yes	No	Abstain	Result
Jan 2023 Minutes Approval	11	0	0	Approved

Feb 16, 2023 – CLIPCO Board [Meeting Notes](#)

Next Board Meeting:  
Thursday, March 16, 2023  
Muir GLC or [Google Meet](#)  
6pm

# 2022-2023 Board Members

POSITION	NAME	EMAIL
President	Ken Huang	ken@cusdclipco.org
Vice President	Loretta Lu	loretta@cusdclipco.org
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	Cindy Ying	cindy.ying@cusdclipco.org
7th Grade	Kevin Jung	kevin@cusdclipco.org
	Kalila Spain Patty	kalila.patty@cusdclipco.org
8th Grade	Jeremy Gaustad	jeremy@cusdclipco.org
	OPEN - Please Apply!	Email <a href="mailto:clipco@cusdclipco.org">clipco@cusdclipco.org</a>

PROGRAM/ COMMITTEE	NAME
Book Fair	Joan Cheng
	Ivy Chien
Brunch on Us	Christina Thai
	Diana Ong
Parade Chair	Alan Fong
	Christine Wong
CLIP Art	Chwen Lim
CLIP ASEP	Nikki Tan
	Josephine Wu
CLIPCO Board Election	Loretta Lu
CLIPPER	Margaret Leung
	Wendy Briggs
Community Events	I-Lin Chen
<b>Community Outreach</b>	<a href="#">Open - Apply Now</a>
DGC Chair	David F Chen
Hospitality	Ching Lien

PROGRAM/ COMMITTEE	NAME
Konstella	Elly Park
	Lalaine Chen
Mid-Autumn	Edison Chiu
<b>Musical 2023-2024</b>	<a href="#">Open - Apply Now</a>
Project Cornerstone	Nicole Jaramillo Bress
	Stacy Wong
	Tammy Wang
Promotion Event Chair	Chia-ching Lin
Room Parent	Jeff Whalen
	Christine Kuo
<b>*New* Safety Patrol</b>	<b>Simon Chung</b>
Science Fair	Lalaine Chen
	Ivy Chien
<b>Survey</b>	<a href="#">Open - Apply Now</a>
Technology	David Chen
Website	Margaret Leung
Yearbook	Ivy Chien