Chelsea’s Light Quote of the Day:
Never be bullied into silence. Never allow yourself to be made a victim. Accept no one’s definition of your life, but define yourself.  
- Harvey Fierstein

**SAT WORDS:** discrepancy (n.) difference, failure of things to correspond

**April is National Poetry Month:** Today’s poem for April 11, 2019 captures the excitement of a basketball game. Listen for how the poet builds suspense. Does the player make the shot? Will the ball go through the hoop?

“Foul Shot” by Edwin Hooey

With two 60’s stuck on the scoreboard
And two seconds hanging on the clock,
The solemn boy in the center of eyes,
Squeezed by silence,
Seeks out the line with his feet,
Soothes his hands along his uniform,
Gently drums the ball against the floor,
Then measures the waiting net,
Raises the ball on his right hand,
Balances it with his left,
Calms it with fingertips,
Breathes,
Crouches,
Waits,
And then through a stretching of stillness,
Nudges it upward.

The ball
Slides up and out,
Lands,
Leans,
Wobbles,
Wavers,
Hesitates,
Exasperates,
Plays it coy
Until every face begs with unsounding screams ---
And then

And then

And then,

Right before ROAR-UP,
Dives down and through.
New Items:

Reminders:
Seniors, please return Call of Service from your service learning class. The third wheel needs a few more copies, thank you! (Nancy 4/12)

Cheer Tryouts:
All students currently in grades 9-11 who are interested in trying out for the 2019-2020 Preuss School cheerleading squad should attend an informational meeting in Ms. Garcia’s room E103 on Monday, April 15th during high school lunch. We will be distributing eligibility packets and giving general information about tryouts. If you cannot attend the meeting, please see Ms. Garcia on or before this date. Go Tritons! (Garcia 4/18)

High school students:
The Preuss Insider is now taking applications for its 2019-20 staff. Journalism is looking for students interested not only in writing but also taking pictures, fundraising, designing, podcasting, and laying out the paper. Reminder: Even if you select Journalism during course selection, you must still go through the application process. Pick up your application from Ms. Garcia in room E103 and return it by Thurs, April 18th. Journalism is a student-led class with lots of opportunities for leadership positions. Don’t wait; apply today! (Garcia 4/18)

Fresh Start Surgical Gifts- Do you want to give a little sunshine to those in need for this Spring season? As a top organization that helps children, Fresh Start Surgical Gifts transforms the lives of disadvantaged infants, children, and teens with physical deformities caused by birth, accidents, abuse, or disease. Next week of school (4/15-4/19), Spanish National Honor Society will be collecting the following items every morning in front of school to donate to international patients that receive pro-Bono surgeries at Rady Children’s Fresh Start Surgical Gifts Clinic. The following donations have been assigned (but not mandatory) for each grade level.
Grade Level
6- Coloring book and coloring pencils
7- Board games and card games
8- Stuffed Animals
9- Lotion
10- Deodorant and Chapstick
11- Toothbrush and toothpaste
12- Fluffy socks

Help accomplish that goal of transforming lives of children by helping them have a positive self image! (Zamora 4/19)
High School Students Only:
Are you a book lover, an avid reader, or just like to listen to authors’ stories? If you answered yes to any, then Yallwest Book Festival, Saturday, May 4, in Santa Monica is just for you! **An All Day Event**

"More than 20,000 people converged at Santa Monica High School to celebrate young adult and middle grade books, with more than 100 authors participating in book signings, panels, giveaways, singalongs and shenanigans."

Pick-up your permission slip today from the library, Ms. Bandy or Mrs. Majors. All Permission slips are due to Ms. Nance no later than Monday, April 29th. This is a first come, first serve event, limited spaces available. (Nance 4/26)

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**Yearbook Applications:**
Now Available Online and In Print
Access the yearbook application for 2019-20 online at [https://forms.gle/UYtGx7jmydZWLDG89](https://forms.gle/UYtGx7jmydZWLDG89) or pick up your print application in room B201 or in the library. Completed applications are due Fri, April 18. (Teacher recommendations may be submitted later). (Ensberg 4/18)

**Attention all students:** All students are to ride the bus that they have been assigned to. There are no exceptions unless you have had approval from Mrs. Villanueva and Mr. Selleck. (Selleck)

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