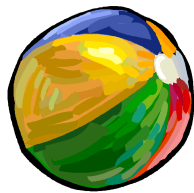


Welcome Spring!

Elementary Newsletter

Friday, March 26, 2010

Summer School Registration



In order to accurately plan the elementary summer school staffing, we need to know how many students will be enrolling. If you plan to enroll your child for summer school, please do so as soon as possible. Also, remember that your deposit equal to one week's tuition is due with your registration.

Welcome Back Laura!!



We are thrilled to announce that Laura will be returning to school earlier than planned. She is recovering well from her surgery and has even visited us a few times during her

recuperation. Both the staff and students have missed her and are looking forward to having her back in the classroom.

Laura will be teaching part-time from Monday, March 29th - Friday, April 2nd and will be returning to the classroom for the full school day starting Monday, April 12th.

Thank you to everyone for your thoughts and prayers for Laura and her family.



Help the Rain Forest!

We are in the midst of our annual Earth Day project to raise funds to purchase rainforest acres in the

Amazon. Please see the office if you are interested in receiving another catalog or order form. You may also see the catalog online at http://www.earthfound.com/tshirt_gallery/index.htm. Every ten items sold from the fundraiser will protect an acre of Amazon rainforest in our school's name and help save precious habitat for some of the world's most amazing species.

If you would like your apparel before Earth Day, please turn in your orders to the office by Monday, March 29th. We will also be making a second order on Friday, April 30th.



Spring Party

Thursday, April 1st

We will be having our annual spring party on **Thursday, April 1st**. The children will play games and have an egg hunt. They will also enjoy a special strawberry shortcake treat. The following families signed up to help with this event:

San Jose: The Ackley, Burdsall, Casier, Damron, Maillart, Nguyen, Schuman and Taylor (Sammie) families offered to donate money toward party items.

The Arndt, Boulos, Burdsall, Casier, Damron, Nguyen and Yuan families volunteered to assist with the egg hunt. Please be at school at 1:00 pm to help.

Santa Clara: The James, Kalina, Husar-Matusevych, Ravindran-Rajeshwaran and Van Leer Pyun families volunteered to help either with the egg hunt or with donations (see sign up sheet on the bulletin board).

Please turn in donations to the office no later than **Wednesday, March 31st**. *Do not give donations to the classroom staff.*

Spring Break

April 5th – April 9th

School will be closed from Monday, April 5th to Friday, April 9th for Spring Break. We will re-open on Monday, April 12th.

Donations Due

Those families who still have outstanding donations will receive a letter in your hanging folder on Monday, March 29th, indicating the donation amount still due. Please remember that each family is contractually obligated to make a \$400 donation to the school by the end of the school year.



Pictures of Animals Needed

The elementary classes are looking for beautiful, bright pictures of animals for a special art project. Please keep them in mind before getting rid of your old calendars or Nature or National Geographic magazines.

Reminder to Santa Clara Families

The church's Parish Hall is not a part of our school and we ask that parents not enter this area at any time.

Also, to help with the flow of traffic during pick-up and drop-off time, please enter the parking lot using One World's entrance only and do not to park in front of the Pastor's office. We appreciate your cooperation.



Thanks to all the families who donated eWaste at our collection event in March. As a result of your donations, we diverted 3663 pounds of waste from the local landfills!

From Santa Clara:

- Thank you to the Khemani family for bringing coffee and pastries for the staff at the Hero Party, and to Nataliya Husar for bringing cookies for all the students.
- Thank you to the Matuskevych, Khemani, Rajeshwaran and Iyer families for doing Friday laundry and bringing Monday snack. Thanks also to the Rice family for bringing snack.
- Thanks to Nancy Rice, Harish Iyer and Aarabi Ravindran for driving on the Rumpelstiltskin field trip.

From San Jose:

- Thank you to Angela Bernhard for her informative Norooz presentation and for the yummy treats.
- Thanks to Ackley, Bernhard, Hoang and Schuman families for bringing Monday snack.
- Thank you to Michelle Ha for doing the pet store shopping in March.

Looking Ahead to May:

May 4th - The students will enjoy a performance by Alcina, a belly dancer.

May 7th - Mother's Day Luncheon in San Jose. Minimum day. School will end at 1:00 p.m. There will be no daycare.

May 10th - May 11th - Parent -Teacher Conferences. No school; daycare for full-day students only.

May 18th - The students will enjoy a performance by Pope Flynn, an African drummer.

May 18th - May 21st - Elementary II science camp.

May 24th - May 27th - Standardized testing.

May 31st - Memorial Day. There is no school and daycare.