



The Penngrove Connection

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Notes from the Principal

January 26, 2011

IMPORTANT DATES....

Tonight! Dine & Donate at Mary's Pizza in Rohnert Park (flyer attached)

January 28th **Skate Night** 5:30 – 7:30

February 2nd **Yearbook** orders and cover contest entries due

February 4th **Talent Show** at **Kenilworth Junior High School**

February 10th
John Lehmann,
principal of **PJHS**
presenting on 7th grade
program 6:00 in our
multipurpose room

PTA 7:00 in library

February 14th **Furlough Day** – School closed

February 15th **Art Show**
opens

February 18th
Conferences begin –
early release for grades
1-6

February 21st
Washington Holiday

February is just around the corner and it brings with it two of our favorite events. Our February Festival of the Arts includes a talent show as well as an art show. This year our talent show will be held on Friday, February 4th. Because of space limitations in our own multipurpose room, we are planning to use the multipurpose room at Kenilworth Junior High School. More information will be sent home about this location. We will have around 30 acts and the evening promises to be a delight. The sixth grade class will be selling desserts at this event to raise money for Outdoor Education.

Our art show runs from February 15th through February 24th. The display is set up in the main hall of our office building. Students are encouraged to enter up to two items each. Specific items that can be submitted are described in the attached information. Entries can be submitted to the office from February 7th through February 11th with the entry form attached. It helps if the art is ready for display.

Both of these events allow students to shine. We know our student's academic strengths and weaknesses but it is enlightening to see what other talents they may have. These events allow each student to share his or her talent with our community. We hope you can attend both of these events with your children and celebrate the talent in our community.

Continuing reminder... Please make sure that your intra and interdistrict transfers for next year have been submitted. Go to your district of residence to begin the process.

From the Library....

Thanks! A big thank you to the Wright family (Cassandra, Lorelei , Madeline) for the subscription to Sports Illustrated for Kids and to the Johnson family (Austin) for the subscription to Ranger Rick for the library! We will enjoy learning from these magazines.

C.Y.R.M. It is almost time to vote on the 2010-2011 California Young Reader Medal books! We will be reading these picture books in the library for the next few weeks and all students will have the opportunity to vote for their favorite. All votes must be in by April 1st and the winner will be announced soon after. It will be fun to see if our votes match the winners!

Our two top spellers were Hayden Dennis and Avery DuBois. They will move on to the next level which is the city –wide spelling bee to be held at Corona Creek School on March 2nd at 4:30. If you have not had the opportunity to attend this event, consider doing so. It is a true nail biter as the top spellers in our area compete!

Please note that we have **conferences** coming up in the near future. Students in grades 1-6 will be dismissed at 1:30 or 1:50 from February 18th – February 25th. These spring conferences are optional meaning the teacher or parent may request a conference.

Cans for camp continues. Please collect beverage cans and plastic bottles, bag them and drop them off on Friday morning in the dirt area of the parking lot. One of our parents picks them up and takes them to the recycling. We have made up to a \$100 per week and this really helps us send students to camp. You don't have to have a sixth grade student to help us with this endeavor.

Yearbook orders should be in to the office by February 2nd which is fast approaching! Order forms were sent home in a previous newsletter. Yearbooks are delivered the last week of school. Also we are having a Yearbook Cover contest and the winning entry will be our cover. The winning artist will earn a free yearbook!

A reminder to parents: If your child has access to the Internet and/or has a Facebook page please monitor the content. We were surprised to hear that some of our students have Facebook pages, but if this is the case with your child, it is important to monitor content and activity.

Sixth grade parents can get their questions answered on February 10th at 6:00. John Lehmann, principal of Petaluma Junior High School will be here to answer your questions and address concerns about the transition to junior high school.