



March 25, 2010

THE CHILDREN'S DAY SCHOOL Weekly

Words from Rick

Fiesta Celebration

It's Fiesta time! Join us this Saturday at Mighty (119 Utah Street @ 15th Street) for our annual celebration and auction fundraiser. It's a great opportunity for the school community to come together, have fun and bid on fantastic items to help support sliding scale tuition. It's always a great party, to which everyone is invited. (The ticket price is suggested, pay what you can, and most importantly, join us!). The top ten reasons you don't want to miss Fiesta:

10. Help support sliding scale tuition at CDS
9. Celebrate with old friends
8. Eat delicious food, hear great music and dance
7. Make new friends and welcome incoming CDS families
6. See the amazing quilts; each square represents a CDS child
5. Experience the vibrancy of the CDS community
4. Have fun competing for lots of cool stuff
3. Acquire cool stuff
2. (*Write in your unique reason here*)
1. Demonstrate your gratitude and support for all the wonderful CDS parents, teachers and administrators who have invested many hours to throw this great communal party, especially our dedicated Co-Chairs, Andrea Reynolds and Shermalee Nicholson Guillen!

Thank you to Sean and Isabel Manchester, Jim Reynolds, Rich Torres, Jeanette Wilmerding, Danielle Gutherie/Vega Project, Kirsten Ritschel, Suzie Chastain, Meredith Ashworth, Ann Van Gelder, Brooke Bianco, Melanie Wise, Zahra Ghayour-Kelly, Matt Ashworth, Roger Guillen, Akilah Bixler, Kristen Aitken, Amanda Chapman, Ana de los Santos, Durwood Zedd, Tierra Linda Paper Flowers, Marilyn Rogers, Anne Ellis, Elsa Townsend, Melek Totah, Eric Young, Patti Cazzato, Vanessa Marlin/Bell and Trunk Florists, Gigi Rosales, Robin McClarren, Bob Concannon, Gretchen Lee, Robin Wander, Caroline de Lima, Heather Kunz, Ryan Lambert, John Kalucki, Sarah Cooper, John Kraus and Katie Buono.

And a big thank you to everyone for donating, soliciting, bidding, buying, volunteering, quilting and sharing your enthusiasm for this important celebration. It would not be possible without you. I hope to see you all on Saturday night!

Hot Dates

Thursday, March 25
10 p.m.

Fiesta online auction closes

Friday, March 26
8:30 a.m.

Friday assembly
Third grade (Carli) presenting

Saturday, March 27
6:30-11 p.m.

Fiesta 2010
Mighty
119 Utah Street

Tuesday, March 30
3:45-4:45 p.m.

Green Task Force meeting

Dates also posted on CDS website
www.cds-sf.org/news/calendar.html



Thank You!

- To Robin McClarren for graciously hosting Friday coffee in the yard last week!

From the Classrooms

Green Task Force News

The Green Task Force has tried to tackle a number of environmental issues this year. One of our more successful ventures has been getting people to re-use paper. We recently conducted a survey where we looked at each class and their paper use. If they were re-using paper, we made a note of it. And if they had a paper scrap box that was in use, we checked off that box too. Last week at assembly, we acknowledged the following classes for outstanding paper re-use: both first grades, both third grades, both kindergarten classes, second grade (Wildcats), Teddy Bears, fifth grade and fourth grade.

Beginning next week, each classroom will receive a “tree of gratitude” award for their continued environmentally friendly work here at CDS. We hope that this visual ‘thanks’ will inspire all to re-use paper.

Next Month: Earth Day and the Sustainability Fair. Stay tuned!

Bring a Book, Buy a Book

Come read books from around the world with a buddy and indulge in our bake sale on Saturday, April 3 from 10-12 p.m. in the yard. All proceed go to Ethiopia Reads. Ethiopia Reads supports literacy and education by building libraries in Addis, Ababba, Ethiopia. Children’s books for donation may be dropped off at the community based learning board until April 3.

From the Office

Family Farmers – We Need You!

Please help us cover a few remaining dates during the April 12-16 vacation! Please contact Misty Cummings at 861-5432 x321 or mistyc@cds-sf.org if you can help.

Events

Fiesta 2010

Just ONE MORE DAY to bid online (www.biddingforgood.com/cdsfiesta)! The online auction closes on Thursday, March 25 at 10 p.m. Now is the time to log on and snatch up great items for a great price: vacation getaways, yoga classes, dinner at your favorite restaurant, concert tickets, poker parties, outings with teachers and much more. Help support sliding scale tuition and bid today! We look forward to seeing you this Saturday at Mighty for our live event. Tickets will be available at the event if you have not RSVP’d—see you Saturday!

Country Fair

There are just six weeks until the CDS Country Fair, and organizers have begun planning! Please help us make the Country Fair another spectacular CDS community event.

Country Fair Market

Do you knit or crochet? Like to sew? Do you make jam or canned items? We need you! We are looking for knitters, crafters and preservers to make creations for our country fair market.

Want to help but not sure what to make? How about seasoned nuts? Have an abundance of herbs or fruits you can harvest from your garden? Dried herbs? Infused olive oil? Recycled bags, tote bags or placemats?

Our market gals have lots of ideas. Contact Wendy Fountain at wendyf@attglobal.net or Mary Dennis at medennis71@yahoo.com if you can volunteer, or would like more information.

Bake Sale

We need baked goods! Contact Jeanette Wilmerding at jfiliatreau@yahoo.com if you can bake something for our fabulous bake sale.

CDS Yahoo Group

Our CDS Community Yahoo group is a forum for the CDS community to share information about life outside of school. Join this Yahoo group, our in-house “craigslist,” by visiting: groups.yahoo.com/group/cdscommunity.

School Wish List

- Country Fair lemonade-makers need your lemons! Harvest that winter tree and drop lemons off at the environmental education kitchen. Thank you.

Item Drop-Off

Have items to drop off? Look for our Country Fair drop box by the front desk. Non-perishable items only please. If your item needs to be refrigerated, please hold onto it until just before the fair.

Volunteers

We are still looking for the following volunteers:

- Videographer

Contact the Country Fair co-chairs if you can volunteer, or if you'd like more information:

Dave Klaus: klausthepd@hotmail.com

Danielle Guthrie: danielle@vegaproject.com.

Extended Program News

Register for Spring Break Camp

Spring vacation camp registration is now open; look for the form attached to this addition of the *Weekly*. Preschool camp will once again be led by Ms. Gloria, Ms. Gladys and Ms. Ngoc, this time featuring a "Life in the Trees" theme. Campers will spend their days learning about the different animals that live above us among the leaves, from monkeys to owls to cheetahs. Preschool camp is open to 24 students per day, so be sure to register ASAP. K-8 camp will feature activities led by Ms. Danielle, Ms. Laura, Ms. Sophie, Mr. Zachary and Mr. Noah. They'll be exploring the city of San Francisco with a look into the inner workings of daily life that keep the city humming. "Behind the Scenes San Francisco" will feature several field trips for an inside look at how food, entertainment and service organizations operate on a daily basis. More details will be released as trips are confirmed, but registration is now open. For any questions, please contact Dan Larson at danl@cds-sf.org.

Audition for the Spring Play

Auditions for the after school play will take place on March 29 and 31 from 3:45-4:45 and are open to students in K-4. Story Theater club will be rehearsing and performing a mystery play about CDS. Rehearsals will be held on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. Students must have their guardian sign a permission slip in order to participate. Come to the auditions for a permission slip. If you have any questions, please contact Jasmin Hoo at (415) 861-5432 x362, or jasminh@cds-sf.org.

Spring Club Schedule

Mondays/Wednesdays, 3:45-4:45

- Story Theater with Jasmin and Sophie
- Crazy Creations with Danielle
- Group Games with Zachary

Mondays/Wednesdays, 4:45-5:45

- Book Making with Laura
- Meditation with Jasmin
- Fun Hall with Zachary

Tuesdays/Thursdays, 3:45-4:45

- Puppet Club with Sophie
- Paper Masterpieces with Jasmin
- Group Games with Zachary

Tuesdays/Thursdays, 4:45-5:45

- Library Club with Sophie
- Jewelry with Jasmin
- Fun Hall with Laura

Fridays, 3:45-4:45

- Story Theater with Jasmin (3:30-4:30)
- Library Club with Sophie
- Snack Club with Zachary

Fridays, 4:45-5:45

- Fun Hall

PTTA Corner

Friday Morning Coffee

Come join other parents for coffee and doughnuts in the yard after Friday drop-off, 8-9 a.m. This is your chance to meet other families, have a few minutes of grown-up conversation and grab sustenance and caffeine before you start your day.

PTTA Questions or Ideas?

- Robin McClarren, President, (415) 235-0295 or robinmcc@speakeasy.net
- Rebecca Grey, Secretary, (415) 269-0996 or rgrey@pillsburylevinson.com
- Carlos Vasquez, Classroom Liaison Coordinator, (415) 564-9734 or xvasquez@aol.com
- Meredith Ashworth, Faculty Appreciation Coordinator, (415) 254-0229 or meredith@glugcollection.com
- Sara O'Malley, Parent Education Coordinator, (415) 348-8841 or sara@omalleyhylton.com
- Ann Van Gelder, Admission Volunteer Coordinator, (415) 647-8561 or cds.tourvolunteering@gmail.com
- Kristen Peña, Parent Involvement Coordinator, (415) 244-1411 or Kristen@glugcollection.com
- Kate Flynn, Middle School Representative, (415) 305-6625 or k8fln@aol.com
- Lauren Schwartz, Preschool Representative, (415) 495-5757 or schwartzbaum@mac.com
- Andrea Reynolds, Fiesta Chair, (415) 860-7556 or andrea-reynolds@sbcglobal.net
- Danielle Guthrie, Country Fair Chair, (415) 515-7994 or danielle@vegaproject.com

Upcoming Dates

Friday, April 2

Cesar Chavez Celebration

Saturday, April 3

10-12 p.m.

Bring a Book, Buy a Book

Hosted by the third grade Eggs
CDS yard

Monday, April 12 – Friday, April 16

Spring vacation

No school; extended program available

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CDS Spring Break Preschool Camp Registration



Life In The Trees

Join Ms. Ngoc, Ms. Gloria and Ms. Gladys as we spend a week exploring animal life up in the trees!

MONDAY: Just hanging around. Making trees and studying how monkeys live.

TUESDAY: Why are you sleeping during the day, Mr. Owl? Making owl puppets and a piñata.

WEDNESDAY: The fastest animal on earth! Chasing cheetahs and making beaded bracelets.

THURSDAY: Guessing game—mammal or bird? Going batty as we study bats and more!

FRIDAY: The secret life of squirrels. Building a house in the trees and making fruit salad.

Dates: April 12-16, 8 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Register by: Wednesday, April 7 (24 spots available per day)

Payment required to register (circle your tuition and write check to CDS)

Tuition Range	\$15,000 - \$21,190	\$14,999 - \$11,000	\$10,999 - \$5,500	\$5,499 - \$2,119
Cost	\$60/day	\$45/day	\$30/day	\$15/day

Child's name _____

Grade _____

Parent's name _____

Parent's cell phone _____

Choose which days your child will participate and note estimated drop-off and pick-up times:

Monday, April 12	Tuesday, April 13	Wednesday, April 14	Thursday, April 15	Friday, April 16
a.m.	a.m.	a.m.	a.m.	a.m.
p.m.	p.m.	p.m.	p.m.	p.m.

Questions? Contact Dan Larson, Extended Program Director,
at (415) 861-5432 x315 or danl@cds-sf.org

CDS Spring Break K-8 Camp Registration



San Francisco Behind the Scenes

Come join Danielle, Laura, Sophie, Noah and Zachary for five days of pulling back the curtain on daily life in San Francisco. We'll discover how the city runs by touring food markets, interviewing civil servants, exploring entertainment venues, hosting on-campus speakers and more. Field trips may include a fire station, a restaurant, art co-ops, bakeries and more. We'll provide more details as soon as sites and trips are confirmed, but we're certain to end the week with a new knowledge of how the city runs on a day-to-day basis, so come join us for a closer look at San Francisco!

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