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CURRENT CHARGER

EVENTS

3/25/19 - 4/3/19

ELPAC TESTING

4/2/19

STEM AFTER SCHOOL

CLASSES BEGIN

@ ROOM 3 @ 2:40 PM

4/4/19

SIERRAMONT

COUNSELOR VISIT

@ 9:00 AM

MI TOURS

@ OFFICE @10:00 AM

BUSD RECLASSIFICATION

@ BYC @ 6:00 PM

4/5/19

2ND GRADE SEAL

GALLERY WALK

@ ROOM 7 & 8 @ 8:15 AM

SPIRIT DAY ASSEMBLY

@ MPR @ 11:00 AM

BIKE RODEO

@BLACKTOP @3:00 PM

4/10/19

MIPAC MEETING

@ RM 15 @ 5:00 PM

FLAG SALUTE LEADER

K. Chen - 3-25-19

BEAR HUG WINNERS

3-22-19

M. Awa-Vai, N. Shrestha, S. Xiong, D. Do, M. Depano, Y. Ofose, K. Rojas-Hernandez A. Neri

3-29-19

M. Siddabattina, A. Tran, J. Keo, A. Veach, P. Elizaga, M. Pham, M. Nguyen, M. Lee

Each week, our teachers select a student from their class to receive special recognition with a Bear Hug certificate. Students may be honored for effort, being a good friend, academic excellence and many other things.

Cherrywood Elementary School

Learning for a Lifetime A California Distinguished School 2550 Greengate Drive San Jose, CA 95132 Main (408) 923-1915

March 29, 2019

Dear Cherrywood Parents and Students,

Spring is here with spring showers and some sunshine! It's been wonderful to see the lush green grass and flowers blooming everywhere. As a school, we are also able to enjoy the flora of Spring with all of the landscaping that is on our school grounds.

As many of you may have also observed, this week, we have tried to provide more reminders about safety in our parking lot and on Cabrillo and Greengate. Please remember to follow the rules of the road, especially around our school. The SJ Department of Transportation Parking Compliance officer was out to make sure Cabrillo and Greengate were safe for our students; they were making sure cars were not parked in red zones or driveways along the perimeter of our school, cars were driving at safe speeds, and driving rules were being adhered to. I was also out in the parking lot making sure that it was not being used as a drop off or pick up zone. Since we have a growing staff, there are no spaces for parents to park in the parking lot during school hours. Please support our staff by not parking in the lot; it is very frustrating for staff to not be able to park close to the school because many times they have school books and supplies to carry in.

Remember, we are doing this for *the safety of all of our children!* There have been a couple of incidents recently when cars have driven in the parking lot and have made it very unsafe for our school bus drivers. Also, neighbors have reported some unsafe driving. Please make sure that you are leaving just a couple of minutes earlier so you have time to drop off or pick up your student in a safe and timely manner. Thanks for your cooperation!

Happy Spring, Mrs. Choy

GREAT AMERICAN LITTER PICKUP & CATALDI PARK DUMPSTER DAY

On Saturday, April 13th, all districts in the City will be participating in the Great American Litter Pickup to beautify our neighborhoods. There will be litter pickups beginning at 8:00 AM at two locations, Commodore Park and Alviso Park. In addition, there will be a Dumpster Day at Cataldi Park on Wexford Drive beginning at 7:30 AM. Volunteers are needed at each of these events. Let's make it a family event! You can sign up at by following the link: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfUy1YBYC-RkNSDow4RXanM-EGPWUJ2PwnoRRRS7iYPwICjEg/viewform

INTERNATIONAL FAMILY NIGHT

Our CLIMB student leaders and HSC will be hosting an International Family Night on **Thursday, April 18th, at 6:30 PM.** Families will be able to bring ethnic foods, displays and more to share their cultural traditions with all. Come dressed in your ethnic clothes too. Food voucher cards will be sold for \$5.00 each. Look for a flyer this coming week. We need volunteers for this event to be a success.

DISTRICT HOTLINE

If you need additional assistance to understand a document that was sent home, please, call the District Office.

(408) 923-1901 (Chinese)

(408) 923-1902 (Spanish)

(408) 923-1903 (Vietnamese)

A translator will contact you to help you understand the document.





CHERRYWOOD HOME & SCHOOL CLUB (HSC) NEWS

Our next Home & School Club (HSC)/SSC/ELAC Meeting will be on **Tuesday, April 16^{th,} at 4:45 PM in the Office.** We will be discussing next year's budget and the slate of officers for next year. The office of President is open for the 2019-2020 school year. If you are interested in being a part of the HSC board, please contact Nhuy Nguyen at http://cherrywoodhsc.gmail.com. Also, be sure to check our website for information about activities and calendars at http://cherrywoodhsc.weebly.com. If you would like to support our school in a monetary way, please check out the Home & School website funding page at http://cherrywoodhsc.weebly/fundraising.html to make a donation. If you would like to join the Home and School Club, go to http://cherrywoodhsc.weebly/membership.html.

SPELL-A-THON

The Home & School Club (HSC) is sponsoring the annual Spell-a-Thon fundraiser. This event provides academic benefits for our students and raises funds for the school too. Money raised this year will support 5th Grade Science camp. That money raised will be put into the accounts that will follow each grade level through the years at Cherrywood. All students who get 100% on the test for mastering their grade level spelling words will get a certificate. The classes, by grade level, with the most 100% tests will get \$50 for their classroom budgets. The top three classes who raise the most money schoolwide will get money for their classroom budget.. Pledge sheets were sent home this past Monday. All pledges are due **Friday, April 5**th.

WALK N' ROLL WALKBIKE

This week, 42% of our students walked to school. Let's try to improve on that number!! EVERY Wednesday is a *Walking Wednesday* for our school. We need parents to help with our "walking school buses" which meet at Cataldi Park at 7:45 AM and at the Sierrabrook Apartments sign at 7:50 AM. Parents supervise the children walking to Cherrywood when they meet up with this "walking bus." Also, if you live farther away from school, we ask that you try to *Walk a Block* which means you park about a block away from school and walk in. There are Walk N' Roll student raffle winners weekly who win Walk N' Roll swag like stress balls, folders, maze pens, pedometers, and more! If you would like to be part of the Walk n' Roll committee, please contact the Office at (408) 923-1915.

NEW ENROLLMENTS FOR 2019-2020

New student enrollment at Cherrywood School begins on March 25 – June 21 between 9:00 AM – 1:00PM. Enrollment packets are available on-line or in the school Office. Make sure you have all documents requested such as your child's birth certificate, shot records and proof of residency, otherwise the packet will be returned to you for completion. We will not hold on to any incomplete paperwork. Parents, we will be happy to assist you with your enrollment after 9:00 AM. Early morning in the Office is an extremely busy time. Thank you for your understanding in this matter.

FAMILIES LEARNING TOGETHER

Families Learning Together, through the Santa Clara County Office of Education, is sponsoring a **In Touch with Art** event next **Saturday, April 6th**. This event will focus on creating art and exploring how art incorporates math and engineering. Want to learn how to bring more art classes to your school. Curious about the art scene in Santa Clara County? Come join us! The location of the event will be **Orchard School, 921 Fox Lane, San Jose, CA 95131**. Free Continental breakfast will be available. There will be a presentation by San Jose sculptor Stephanie Metz. Parent-led, hands-on art activities and workshops for the whole family will be available. See the flyer posted in the announcement case right outside the Office. **Register at http://santaclara.k12oms.org/1055-162374.**

AVAILABLE NOW – SUBSTITUTE WORK FOR STUDENT NUTRITION SERVICES

Do you enjoy working with food? Are you interested in working for a few hours while your children are in school? If so, you are encouraged to apply for a Food Service Substitute position on Edjoin at www.edjoin.org. For more details about the position, please contact Student Nutrition Services at (408) 923-1875.

MAKE A DIFFERENCE RAFFLE

Thank you to all of the parents for purchasing the Make A Difference Raffle tickets. We sold 300 tickets which raised \$ 600.00 to be used to purchase for new STEAM resources for our new Flexible Instructional Space such as Lego robotic kits, Keva wood blocks, Osbots, Little Bits Circuits, Cricut Maker, and more. One of our families won the Family Four Pack of Children's Discovery Museum of San Jose. Congrats!

PLANNING AHEAD FOR END OF YEAR DATES

There are a couple of annual events that parents are invited to be a part of at the end of the year. This may require planning ahead for your work schedules. Some of the events include Open House 5/23/19, Ice Cream Social 5/31/19, the End of the Year Picnic (Lunch in the Park) 5/31/19, and Promotions for Preschool 6/6/19, Kindergarten 6/7/19 and 5th grade 6/7/19. Hope to see you there!