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MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Benchmark Assessments

October 12 - 16

School Board Meeting

Tuesday, October 13 – 6:30pm
Staff Room

Spirit Day

Friday October 16

Family Dinner Night @ Red Robin

Tuesday, October 20
El Paseo Shopping Center

Goal Settings Conferences

October 20-30

Early Dismissal – 1:30pm

October 20-30

General Meeting

Wednesday, October 21 – 6:30pm



PRINCIPAL'S CORNER

Afterschool Programs



Chess is back! Beginning Wednesday, October 14th, we will be having Academic Chess from 1:30 – 2:30 in the Library. This is an 8-week chess instruction for a low fee of \$80.00. Flyers went home last week, check your boxes!

Chorus and Theatre are still in the works. The paper work is still being filled out, and more information will be coming soon. Stay tuned.

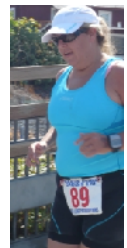
After School Pickup

Thank you to those who park and walk to pick up your children and avoid the parking lot pick up. We have been monitoring the after school pickup to see what we can do to make it safer and run smoother. If you have any suggestions or concerns, please let me know. Thank you!

SCHOOL NEWS

Spotlight on Ms. Aisling, Triathlete!

During the summer, Ms. Aisling, teacher to wonderful 3rd graders, competed in the Santa Cruz Sprint Triathlon. Joining Aisling on the race was a friend of hers from high school, Amanda. This was Aisling's first race and she did it with no prior experience in sports.



Aisling spent the summer training and building her endurance for the triathlon, which is a 700 yard swim (in the 58 degree ocean!), 12 mile bike ride, and a 5k run. Congratulations!!

FIELD TRIPS

Aisling's Outstanding Owls

Jill's Cosmic Hamsters

Roberta's Wild Whales

Tuesday, October 13

The Tech Museum



Lora & Gina's Baby Ballenas

Friday, October 16

El Camino Hospital

Andy's Ochos

Wednesday, October 21

Campbell History Museum

COMMUNITY NEWS

Halloween Candy Experiments



As Halloween approaches, many parents may become a bit overwhelmed by the sheer volume of candy kids receive. There is a website available, <http://www.candyexperiments.com/>, which has fun experiments parents can do with their kids to help them learn and lower their candy consumption!

Submitted by: Toni Toledo

Mom to Sam – Hunting Harfango

Parent Effectiveness Training

Hi PET Friends,

When my kids were young we'd have an argument, resolve it, but then have difficulty getting back to our friendly connection. I'd make a bid for connection trying to sound friendly again, but if they were not really "over it" they'd sound cold and unfriendly. Then I'd be hurt and go away and be irritated. They'd think it over and come to me to make-up and I wouldn't respond well. That could go on for awhile --meaning that we were losing some warm, good moments together.



Years later I noticed the same pattern with Jim--the argument is over but the malady lingers on--and we discussed the phenomenon and decided we'd like to cut short our cold wars and get back to friendship as soon as possible.

If this pattern occurs with your children and they are old enough to discuss it, why not bring the idea up and talk about it. "We have times of disagreement, we resolve the difficulty, now how, and how fast can we get back to being friends again?"

Our method is to ask in a friendly voice if the other wants a coke or take a walk. If possible the response is agreeable and it's time to be together again. If not we either talk about it or wait a little longer. What might your method of reconnection be?

My Best, Bea

Bea Strickland

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WORDS OF WISDOM

The difference between the right word and the almost right word is the difference between lightning and a lightning bug.

-Mark Twain

EDITOR'S INFORMATION

Submission Guidelines

Newsletter & Calendar



Please submit any entries for the week's newsletter, via e-mail, by 9:00pm Wednesday to:

villagevoicenewsletter@yahoo.com

villagevoicenewsletter.com

Or place hardcopy entries into the **Lemas/Newsletter** parent folder by 1:00pm on Wednesday.

Website

Everything in the hardcopy newsletter is normally available by Friday morning on the Village School Website at:

<http://village.ca.campusgrid.net/home>