



MS. SMOLEY'S UPCOMING NEWS UPDATES

This week's **Academic Decathlon meetings** are on **Tuesday 3-5pm** and **Thursday 3-4 pm** in the science room.

The early bird special price to attend **A Night To Go Wild** has been extended to **tomorrow, March 2**. So capture the deal while it lasts... the price goes up on March 3 to \$50.00 p/p (adult pricing only). **The more people we have to join our safari the better.** Please check out the auction website at www.stroseauction.com, to view the wonderful dinner menu and see what a roaring good time is in store at this FUNd-raiser event.

Friday, March 5 is a minimum day due to a faculty meeting. Dismissal is at noon for grades 1—8 and 11 am for the TK and K classes. **Extended Day Care is open** for TK– 8 (please plan for lunch). Students must bring a lunch OR pre-order pizza, (if you prefer). Please sign up on the clip board in Extension and prepay the lunch fee **\$3.50 per child**. This includes a slice of pizza, a drink and fruit choice. **Preorder and prepayment is required.**

If you have been thinking about **coaching** one of the **PAL or Little Dribbler 2010-11 teams**, please complete a coach's application a.s.a.p. For more details please contact Dave Koumelis, our school's Athletic Director at davidatews@yahoo.com.

Thank you to all who have contributed to the American Heart Association via our students. **American Heart Association Jump Rope for Heart** donations are due by Friday, 3/5/10.

Many thanks to Mrs. Joanne Pirnik who clips and organizes all of our box tops for submission to Box Tops for Education. We have already received a check for \$725.00, due to all of our families efforts and as of today another \$515 has been submitted. Total so far: \$1240.00—a wonderful increase from last year— thank you to all who have participated—please keep those box tops coming — it really makes a difference!

Many thanks to *Mrs. Tippit*, Little Dribbler Coordinator and her *helpers Karen Dow, Robert Canales, and Annie Krause* for organizing our Saturday host day this past weekend. Thank you to all the coaches and parent volunteers who have helped our **Little Dribblers** this season.

The **PAL Winter Sports / Awards Banquet** is **tomorrow evening, March 2nd**, starting at 5 pm honoring all 5th—8th grade students who participated on basketball teams this season. Thank you to the Sports Committee, Paula Bravo, Mary Agnes Boals, and Annie Krause for preparing the banquet. Thank you to the parents for bringing a dessert to share.

The end of the trimester is March 3. Report Cards will be distributed on March 10 to the students.

We wish all the best to our 11 decathletes this **Sat., March 6th** as they **compete in the Academic Decathlon** at Christian Brothers High School.

The next **Saturday Workday** is **March 6** from 8:30am—12:30pm. Many thanks to Scott Miller, our Saturday Workday coordinator, and our workday volunteers for keeping our campus sparkling.

Saturday, **March 6** marks the **10th Annual St. Patrick's Day Celebration** in the St. Rose Parish Hall, doors open at 6 pm ~ dinner is at 7 pm. Enjoy an authentic Irish dinner and music to benefit the **Lazarus Project** in its fight against poverty ~ \$35.00 p/p or 2 for \$60.00

There is NO School or Extended Day Care on Monday, March 8th. Please pray for the faculty/staff as they will be on retreat. Parent Guild is hosting a **Family Snow Day at Boreal**. FYI—Raleys and Sports Chalet have discount coupons for Boreal.

Holy Childhood collection boxes are due Tuesday, March 9. **As of today, the top donors are: 5th Gr. is in 1st place = \$95.00, 6th Gr. in 2nd place = \$71.88, and Kinder in 3rd place = \$65.17.** Special thanks to *Mrs. Moore and Mrs. Krause* for counting and rolling the donated coins and to all the families who have been contributing to HCA.

See you there ~ **Saturday, March 13th ~ 6:30—10:00 pm**

Sunset Rocklin Center ~ 2650 Sunset Blvd., Rocklin

\$50.00 p/p (adult pricing only) includes dinner and a jungle full of fun!

A Night To Go Wild

Don't miss out on this safari experience that plays an important part in financially supporting our students and school community!

Please check out the auction website at www.stroseauction.com



2010-11 Registration envelope packets will be sent home with the students (1 per family) on **Tuesday, March 16th**. Completed re-registration forms and registration fee per child for the 2010-2011 school year will be due back no later than **March 30**. 2010-11 registration and tuition amounts will be announced March 16th.

TEACHERS' WEEKLY UPDATES

Mrs. Heath's TK Class

TK continues to work hard during Lent keeping their Lenten promise of doing more at home for their families. Praying as a family and praying as a class is what we choose to do! The letter of the week is *P*. Pajama party on Thursday, March 4th! Please have TK wear their favorite p.j.s. We'll have lots of fun activities working with the letter *P*. God bless you!

Ms. Brown's Kindergarten Class

This week the kinder will learn about the letter *N* and build a word family –en. Math Windows will provide much practice of math skills and present our first measurement unit, time. The Music Minute will introduce the children to Antonio Vivaldi's composition, Four Seasons - Spring. The children will walk and pray the Stations of the Cross again this week.

Mrs. Grant's 1st Grade Class

Wow! This week we will turn over our final sound card, the coil card. We will work on the oi and _oy spelling along with the wr_ spelling for the robot card and the ph spelling for the fan card. In math we will be working on subtracting from 18 or less. Our chapter in religion will teach us about how we celebrate God's forgiveness. During social studies we hope to finish our map books and learn about the symbols on our state flag. Our Journeys' board is very empty...This week is your last chance to bring in something telling us where you would like to make a journey. Izzy did an awesome job telling us how she would like to go to Australia and what she would see. Have a great week.

Mrs. Oros' 2nd Grade Class

I will send a book home for a new "sandwich book report". Please keep that book safe-it will need to be returned to class in good shape! The end of the trimester is almost here. You will receive reading, writing and math assessments with the report card on March 10th. Please keep all of the assessments but return the signed report cards. We have studied many geometric concepts and I may challenge the students to do some "extended activities" at home. Please encourage your child to find geometric shapes on road signs –and talk about them. You may see some worksheets explaining how to take our geometry lessons into your home, and even though these are just extended activities it would be great to have your child talk with you about geometry. Thanks and have a great week!

**Mrs. Hubrig's 3rd Grade Class
CAMP WANNALEARN NEWS**

Thank you, Mrs. Alexander and Mrs. Steyding, for the scrumptious s'mores bars on Friday. Oh the aroma.....The Lenten Project is due tomorrow. No late projects will be accepted. The rangers received their book report guidelines on Friday and should have begun planning out the project. There is an opportunity for extra credit if a ranger chooses to complete one or two extra pages for the pop-up book. If a ranger needs extra paper or a new page for the front or back cover, he/she needs to write me a note. There will be no spelling this week since it is the end of the trimester. I will be administering a spelling inventory test this week which will enable me to group the students into developmentally appropriate instruction groups. We will have 3-4 spelling groups in camp and we will begin the new lessons next week. I will send home more information via email this week. The rangers will be *collecting data* throughout the week so that they can create bar graphs and pictographs. We will finish our unit on graphing next week and the rangers will take a test at the end of the unit. In science the rangers will be predicting and testing this week. **Parents, are you remembering to complete your homework each month?** Congratulations to Wyatt Price who is our Scout of the Week this week. Yahooza!

Mrs. Gebhardt's K—3rd Gr. Phys. Ed Classes

Muscle of the week : Rectus Abdominis

This week we will be learning how to jump in long ropes. Have a wonderful week. Thank you to all who participated in turning in money for the American Heart Association.

Sr. Brett's 4th & 5th Grades' Religion Classes

The **fourth graders** are studying the sixth commandment. The **fifth graders** are studying the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

Mrs. Deprez's Fourth Grade Class

The 4th grade students are enjoying the historical fiction novel, *By the Great Horn Spoon*. This week we will read about Jack and Praiseworthy's adventures of traveling to "Hangtown" (present day Placerville). We continue to focus on vocabulary, comprehension, and fluency. Spelling lessons this week are the sounds of /c/ & /g/. The spelling packet is due on Friday and the test is also on Friday. This week the students will begin a new writing assignment. Students will select a topic for an oral presentation. The paper coming home is called "It's a Demonstration". The class will do practice activities on Monday & Tuesday. Presentations will be given the last week of March. More information to follow. The math test on graphing and **probability** will be on Thursday. When your student comes home this week and tells you that they played a game called SKUNK, please ask them to teach you how to play. Practice math facts for the fact drill on Friday. California becomes a state this week in social studies. This week, the class will begin our Earth science unit. Each student needs a rock for Tuesday. Remember the 10 rules for finding your very own rock. The California Museum is offering a free day at the museum on March 4th in honor of Women's History Month. Please visit their website for additional information: info@californiamuseum.org.

Mrs. Silva for Mrs. Mounkes' 5th Grade Class

We have a minimum day on Friday, but the rest of the week should be relatively normal. We will have the reading and spelling tests on **Friday** and spelling and vocabulary homework throughout the week. Data collection for our state reports should be complete by Friday. This means their bibliography rough draft should also be complete. We will begin writing each section next week, so students should require very minimal research time (and changes to the bibliography). Of course, if they find holes in their facts while they are writing, they may and should do additional research whenever needed to fill gaps. We will start our *Weather* unit in science. In social studies, we will continue to read Chapter 9 on the middle colonies. If all goes as planned (appropriate instruction and review), we will have Section 1 quiz on **Tuesday**, Section 2 quiz on **Thursday**, and Section 3 Quiz on **Friday**. I will be offering some fun Social Studies extra credit which closely ties to both Social Studies and Reading. In math, we will be reviewing the data collection and plotting chapter and have the Chapter 7 math test on **Thursday**. Wednesday marks the end of the second trimester and report cards will be sent out the following week. I hope everyone has a wonderful week!

Mrs. Cole's 6th Grade Class

We welcome Lauren S. to our class! In religion, we continue *Family Life*. In vocabulary, the test on chapter 11 will be given this Tuesday, with an assignment in chapter 12 to follow. In literature, we begin the mythology section this week. Does anyone have some interesting or cute videos about mythology that I may borrow?

Mrs. Cole's 7th and 8th Grades' Literature Classes

This Wednesday, **seventh graders** have a test on literary terms, examples, will be given. We will begin the novel *PARK'S QUEST* by Katherine Paterson this week: I have class copies. **Eighth graders'** term paper notes will be submitted to me on Wednesday. 12+ notes must contain quotations from the novel, must be relevant to their chosen topics, and written in the prescribed format. Students have been accumulating these notes the past number of weeks. This week they will also receive a rubric with instructions for drafting the term paper. All **7th and 8th grade** students who need extra guidance in essay writing should come to room 6 during lunch for my help.

Mrs. Gardner's 7th Grade Homeroom Class

Thank you to the 1st and 2nd graders for being such great audiences when the 7th graders presented their puppet shows on some of the miracles of Jesus. It was a fun learning activity for all grades. The 7th graders are continuing with Lenten activities and will also start a chapter on Jesus as a teacher of parables. In vocabulary, the students are at the end of their first vocabulary book this year, and they will have a test on Units 1 – 15 in the near future. They will complete Unit 15 this week with a test on Friday.

Mrs. Gardner's 6th, 7th, and 8th Grade English Classes

All classes are working on subject complements. The 7th and 8th graders are doing a public speaking activity. All grades are journal writing this week.

Ms. Castori's 8th Grade Homeroom Class

Dr. Planta gives her presentation on cancer this Wednesday. Hopefully, you saw the parent guide that was sent home last Thursday. Congratulations to our girls and boys varsity basketball teams who are playing in the TOC's!

Ms. Castori's 6th, 7th, & 8th Grade Social Studies Classes

Sixth grade is studying the Hebrew Kingdoms. Seventh graders did a fabulous job on their castles! Please make sure that their banquet money has been turned in by this Tuesday, 3/2. They have a banquet assignment that is due on Friday. Eighth grade is studying immigration and will receive an assignment to interview an immigrant.

Senora Egan's 7th & 8th Grades' Spanish Classes

Eighth grade just had a vocabulary test. They also had a verb lesson. They were not very excited about verbs. I know they will master a couple of tenses before the end of the year. **Seventh grade** continues to learn vocabulary and write sentences. They are feeling confident writing simple sentences. We are have a great time learning.

Mrs. Keller's 6th, 7th, & 8th Grades' Math Classes

Both classes have a test on Tuesday since the end of the grading period is Wednesday. Both have known for over a week that this was coming so anybody missing the test on Tuesday will be taking it on Wednesday. Seventh grade will go back in the book to chapter 4. Eighth grade will continue covering chapter 8. Eighth grade is finishing up Chapter 8 and will be tested on it this week on Thursday or Friday. Seventh grade is working through Chapter 8 and should be ready for a test late next week. Sixth grade is finishing up Chapter 8 and will be tested on it most likely next Tuesday.

Mrs. Keller's 8th, 7th, & 6th Grades' Science Classes

Eighth grade is in Motion and Accelerating rapidly through Chapter 1 in the third book. They will be starting the 'Motion Project this week and doing many labs. There will be a Chapter test next Thursday. **Seventh grade** is growing new plants for the beginning of Chapter 11 which will be blended with parts of Ch. 9 and 10 for a test next Thur. or Fri. **Sixth grade** is moving through Chapter 8 and will be working on a water project 'travel brochure' this week and possible be ready for a test next week on Thursday.

Please come by and visit Carmine or get help if you need it. I am available before school, at lunch and after school this week.

Mr. Ricci's 6th & 7th Grades' Math Classes

Both classes have a test on Tuesday since the end of the grading period is Wednesday. Both have known for over a week that this was coming so anybody missing the test on Tuesday will be taking it on Wednesday. **Seventh grade** will go back in the book to chapter 4. **Eighth grade** will continue covering chapter 8.

Mr. Ricci's 4th—8th Grades' Phys. Ed. Classes

Testing continues in grades 5-7 this week beginning with crunches. **Eighth graders** have until Wednesday to hand in their homework assignments. The gym is being used today, so I have adjusted classes accordingly—such as the **8th graders** had an indoor assignment to work on today.

Mrs. Snyder's K—8th Grades' Art Classes

This week in art, the 5th-8th grades will continue their work on Op-Art (looking more closely at "moving lines" and shapes that seem to "pop out") and add in the related art form of tessellations. Popularized by the artist M.C. Escher, tessellations are potentially endless repeated patterns made up of one or more shapes that fit together like puzzle pieces with no gaps or overlaps. Both tessellations and optical illusion art play tricks with the eyes and are based on mathematics.

Mrs. Falappino's 3rd-8th Grade Extracurricular Music

Jazz Band and **Advanced Bell Choir** are playing songs based on the 12 bar blues, a basic song form in American jazz. **Junior and Senior Chorus** are learning folk songs from the United States' western expansion of the 1800's. Advanced Band is playing a section of the *New World Symphony* written by Dvorak, a European composer inspired by American folksongs and spirituals during his visit here in 1893.

Parent Guild is hosting a Claim Jumper night from 5—11 pm on Thursday, March 11th, please see the attached flyer.

Schoolhouse Catering Weekly Lunch Menu:

- Mon., 3/1/10: Cheese Pizza / Fresh Salad / Assorted Fruit / Cookie
- Tues., 3/2/10: 100% Beef Hot Dog with Bun / Valencia Oranges / Low Fat Juice Bar
- Wed., 3/3/10: Burrito Bowl / Chips / Rice / Beans / Lettuce / Cheese / Fruit Churro
- Thurs., 3/4/10: Imported Penne Pasta with Marinara / Garlic Bread / Caesar Salad / Fruit Snack
- Friday, 3/5/10: Minimum Day—No Lunch Served



Got Scrip? The Red Queen says, "Off with their heads!" **March is Scrip Contest Month** and our theme this year is "Scrip in Wonderland".



For every \$100 your family buys this month, your family gets a ticket in a drawing for a movie night worth \$150. The class with the highest percent of participation (families making a card scrip purchase of any amount) will win a movie party. Each Thursday, students will have a chance to play a Wonderland-themed game for fun and prizes. St. Rose School's (Mrs. Courtwright and committee's) scrip contests are curiouser and curiouser. We'll start this week with Flamingo Croquet!