



Patwin Elementary

May 18, 2009 Newsletter

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Calendar of Events

DATE	DAY	TIME	EVENT
5/19/09	Tuesday		Teacher Appreciation Luncheon
5/20-22/09	Wednesday - Friday		Fourth Graders to Malakoff Diggins
5/20-21/09	Wednesday - Thursday		Third Graders to One Room Schoolhouse
5/25/09	Monday		School Holiday: Memorial Day
5/27-28/09	Wednesday & Thursday	1:15 -3:15 W 2:15 -4:00 TR	Scholastic BOGO Sale (MPR)
5/28/09	Thursday	1:15 - 3:00	Fifth Grade to Arroyo Pool
6/2/09	Tuesday	6:00 - 8:00 pm	PTA Meeting
6/3/09	Wednesday	1:00 - 1:30 pm	Character Education Assembly: Good Citizenship
6/3/09	Wednesday	9:30 am	Kindergaretn Patwin Day
6/3/09	Wednesday		Third Grade to Arroyo Pool
6/5/09	Friday	8:30 - 11:30	Patwin Day
6/8/09	Monday	1:00 - 3:00 pm	Sixth Grade to Arroyo Pool
6/11/09	Thursday		Last day of school (12:30 dismissal)

The Patwin Newsletter is published each Monday of the school year by the Patwin PTA. The deadline to submit articles is the preceding Thursday at 12:00 noon. Articles should be e-mailed to the editors at patwineditor@gmail.com Please include a contact name and phone number.

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DID YOU KNOW...?

If students are left standing outside longer than 10 minutes from their dismissal, they will be asked to go to the office. You can find them in the office or at the picnic tables.

A WASTE-FREE LUNCH includes :reusable lunch container; cloth napkins; stainless-steel forks and spoons; reusable drink containers; and reusable lunchboxes. EARTH BUCKS are given out on MAKE-NO-WASTE MONDAYS.

RUNNING CLUB meets Tuesday and Thursdays from 2:35 to 3:35. **PLEASE BRING A WATER BOTTLE TO RUNNING CLUB. Refills will be provided, but we no longer will be providing cups.**

RECYCLE, help the earth, and support the fourth grade class's trip to Malakoff Diggins next spring! Please bring your aluminum cans to the bin outside room 15.

PTA EMAIL NOTIFICATION LIST: If you would like to add or update your email account for receiving notifications from the PTA, please visit <http://www2.dcn.org/mailman/listinfo/patwin-pta-announce/>.

What's Going on and What's Been Going on at the Patwin Library

The week of May 4 was a big week for us at the Library as over 200 students in grades 4-6 participated in our annual Battle of the Books. I want to thank all the parent and teachers who help me with motivating your students to keep reading and working together in their teams. I would also like to thank the group of parent and student judges who helped out—: Julie Kuo, Ellie Eaton (former Patwin student), Joeti Klein (former Patwin student), Teresa McIsaac, Judy Jones, Sandy Batchelor, Jacque McKee, Valerie Frankel, Julie Pare, and Michelle Azevedo. I would also like to thank my staff members Meera Klein and Lynne Sundstrom who put in hours of work getting ready for the Battle.

Team 12: Dan and Bruno Segedin, Noah Fisher and Jonathan Jones and Team 51: Jonah Ridgley, Felipe Zambrano, Thomas Lloyd and Dan Shuman were our winners for this Battle. Last month was our third grade battle; our winners in that battle were Isabella Campos, Justine Bock, Sage Taylor and Emily Bolander. Congratulations to these students and all our Battle readers for a great job!

The week of May 18 – May 22 is the last week the library will be open for student use. All library books are due May 22nd. Please help your children look for any missing and long overdue books as report grades are held if students owe any books. Students entering the seventh grade will not be able to pick up schedules in August if they owe books (including textbooks) to Patwin. I've been talking to the sixth graders about their overdues and moving on to junior high "debt free".

Students in grades 4-6 are finishing up a variety of reading and research projects; students in grades K-3 are "flying" around the world listening to stories and music from other countries.

As we enter the last phase of our library program—inventory—I'm in need of any parent help you can offer—even 30 minutes of time helps us to shelve books, put them in order on the shelf and scan them into the system. Please let me know if you can help—or just come by. Shelf reading (putting the books in perfect order) begins May 26th.

Thanks to all of you for your continued support of our library.
Wendy Chason, Patwin Librarian

CDC Fundraiser

CDC will be selling lemonade on Wednesdays' in front of CDC for \$1.00. On Wednesday, May 20th we will be selling snow cones for \$1.00 as well.

Patwin PTA Information for Next Fall

From the PTA President

I know most of you are just trying to get to the end of this school year. Yet, next year is just three months away and I need to start planning some of the exciting activities we have planned. I will need volunteers for a few events at the end of August. We will be sending out a summer edition of the newsletter to remind everyone of these events and to recruit volunteers.

New at Patwin • Registration Day and Back to School Picnic • Friday August 21st

We are trying something new at Patwin next year. In an effort to reduce paper and streamline the back-to-school paperwork, Patwin will be having a Registration Day with early morning times and an afternoon/evening time for parents to complete forms. Parents are highly encouraged to come in during these time to fill out the School District, Patwin, and Patwin PTA's back-to-school paperwork. Tables and chairs will be available with the paperwork ready to fill out. After the paperwork is complete and submitted, you will receive your envelope with your child's teacher/classroom assignment.

Morning Registration Times 7:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

To make the morning hours a little easier, the PTA will provide coffee/tea/orange juice and breakfast snacks for your enjoyment. (A free raffle ticket will be provided for each completed packet)

Afternoon/Evening Times 3:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. (Back-To-School Picnic)

Families are encouraged to bring a snacks/dinner picnic to school and enjoy the provided music while filling out their paperwork and finding out their childrens' teacher/class assignments. Principal Michelle Azevedo and your PTA will be on hand to answer any questions you may have about the upcoming school year. We will be raffling off the new Patwin T-shirts, new Patwin Tie-Dye T-Shirts, Patwin Water Bottles, a Patwin backpack, and various school supplies. (each child registered with completed paperwork will get a free ticket, with more tickets available for sale)

Parent and student volunteers are needed:

- We will need about 5 people to help prep paperwork prior to this day.
- We will need about 5-10 people on Thursday, August 20th to help set-up registration tables for registration day and simultaneously decorate the MPR for the next week's "Welcome Back" event.
- We will need about 10-15 adult volunteers, with an additional 10 student volunteers, to work shifts at various registration stations during registration day. *(Attention Incoming Sixth Graders, this would be a great opportunity for you to earn some community service hours!)*

Decorating the MPR • Welcome Back Luncheon • August 20 & 24

Come help our principal welcome our teachers & staff back to school. Traditionally, Patwin's principal provides a "Welcome Back Luncheon" for teachers and staff prior to school starting. Michelle Azevedo has asked the PTA to decorate the MPR. She has a theme and decorations will be provided, but we need help in setting up the MPR prior to August 21st. (registration day) So, In addition to the 5-10 people needed for the Registration Day/Luncheon set-up on the 20th, we need approximately 5 people, about 1 to 2 hours, on either Sat. August 22 or Monday Morning (August 24) to set up tables and finalize the Luncheon decorations. (Again, a great opportunity for incoming sixth graders to earn community service hours).

New at Patwin • Beautification of Patwin • Saturdays

Another new event next year will be three Beautification/clean up Saturdays. Per Michelle Azevedo's Request, the PTA will be asking parents to give 3 hours on a Saturday to help beautify/clean up the Patwin grounds. This will include various chores such as weeding, sweeping, painting(?), building planter boxes, etc. Please make a mental note that everyone is needed to help keep our school looking good and a beautiful place for our children to learn. Please consider helping out at Patwin at least one Saturday next year. The first of three Beautification/Clean ups scheduled is on Saturday, September 5, from 8:30 to 11:30 am.

T-Shirts for Sixth Graders

This year we are making graduation t-shirts for sixth grade students. The front of the shirts was chosen through a contest of designs submitted by the students. The back will say Class of 2015 and have all the students' names. The cost of the shirts for students is only \$5.00, for anyone else who would like one it will be \$10.00. Please look for the order form coming home. This is a great way to remember their years at Patwin. If you have any questions please contact Michelle Vermette at 756-6891 or mmvermette@comcast.net.

New Fall Rec Program

ACCESS After-school Rec Program coming this Fall to the MPR each day after school !

Fun, Affordable, structured
Homework Club &
Enrichment classes

Visit our website for more
information www.daviskidsklub.com
or call us (530) 220-4731

Tell a friend and see you soon!

Patwin Day is Coming

The end of the year is a busy time of the year for everyone so it is hard to ask you all to volunteer for one more thing. However, the parents at Patwin are so great when it comes to donating their time, money and effort and we know you want your kids to enjoy one last fun activity at school, so we are asking for a couple of hours of your time on June 5 for Patwin Day. The sign up sheet, albeit runny from the rain, is posted on the bulletin board outside the MPR. Also, there is a donation box in the office for small jars, rubber bands, rolled newspapers, costume jewelry (beads), toilet paper tubes or any other craft item you think we might be able to use. If you cannot donate your time, we will need some behind the scenes help before hand and food donations for the volunteers. If you have questions, please call Ann Shuman 758-4755 or Jennifer Bavetta 757-7323. Thanks to those of you who have signed up already.

BOGO Bookfair!

Wednesday, May 27th
1:15 - 3:15 pm

Thursday, May 28th
2:15 - 4:00 pm

Davis Kids Klub

Come join us at Davis Kids Klub Summer Camp for some good ole fashioned summer fun!

June 15-Aug 14th
7:45am-5:45pm
Patwin MPR

Theme weeks, reading, math and language arts, science, computers, games, arts & crafts, gardening, cooking and afternoon swim at Arroyo pool.

Check our website for details: www.daviskidsklub.com or call us at (530) 220-4731.

Box Tops

All box tops are due Wednesday, May 27. Don't forget to submit your name when turning in box tops to your classroom so class participation can be determined. There will be prizes for the classroom with the most participation, for students turning in box tops on collection sheets, for students turning in 50 or more box tops, for the class with the most box tops and finally for the 3 class rooms submitting the most box tops for the year. Winners will be announced at the assembly Wednesday, June 3. If you are one of the wonderful parents who counts box tops for your classroom, I would like to have the box tops counted by Friday May 29th so I can arrange for prizes before the assembly. Thank you for supporting this Patwin fundraiser!

Sixth Grade Calendar of Events:

Friday, May 22: Field Trip to see "Mid Summer Night's Dream"

Wednesday, May 27: Market Day

June 2-8: Greek Olympics

Monday, June 8: Sixth Grade Swim Party at Arroyo Pool 1:00 -3:00 pm

Wednesday, June 10: Recreation Night 6:00 - 8:30 pm

Thursday, June 11: Clap-out-Thursday 9:00 am

Thursday, June 11: Greek Myths and Feast, 10:00 am

Family Leaving Patwin at the End of the Year?

At the end of the school year, if you would like to delete your email account (unsubscribe) for receiving notifications/newsletters from the Patwin PTA, please visit <http://www2.dcn.org/mailman/listinfo/patwin-pta-announce/>



Clip and flip! Save 10 Box Tops and these fishy friends will flip!



Name _____

Grade _____

Teacher's Name _____

Thank you for helping! Every Box Top you collect is worth 10¢ for your school.
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