



Patwin Elementary

December 7, 2009 Newsletter

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Calendar of Events

DATE	DAY	TIME	EVENT
12-7-09	Monday		Make-no-waste Monday
12-7 -- 12-12	Monday -Saturday		Executive Cleaners Fundraiser
12-15-09	Tuesday	11:30-1:00	Teacher Luncheon--4th Grade Sponsored
12-19-09 -- 1-3-09			Winter Break
1-4-10	Monday		School Resumes

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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Teacher/Staff Appreciation Luncheon

Parents of 4th Graders:
Our lunch is Tuesday,
December 15

The PTA likes to show thanks to our teachers and staff by hosting The Teacher Appreciation Luncheon Series. Each month, one grade level provides lunch for the teachers and staff. This month, our theme will be "Winter Holidays" to celebrate the season. Fourth grade parents are asked to help provide one of the following:

Main Dish

Bread

Dessert item

Drink (juice and soda)

Your room parent should

contact you soon by email to

see how you can help! For more

information, or if you want to sign

up, contact Teresa Clarke at

Tclarke190@aol.com.

ATTENTION ALL PARENTS

Please check the Lost and Found for your Jackets/Sweaters/Hats/Lunchboxes There are a lot of items hung up and ready for you to look through.

We will be turning all old (left for over 30 days) items into STEAC at the end of this month.

Please pick up your stuff - it is no longer yucky to go through a big pile of dirty clothes thanks to the ACCESS After School Program - Access provided the hangers and labor, so please go through the racks and get your stuff.

Clothing Sale!

FUNDRAISER
FOR
PATWIN ELEMENTARY
Sponsored by
Executive Cleaners

All (100%) proceeds from clothing sold will go to Patwin!

Dates: Monday, Dec. 7 –
Saturday, Dec. 12
Time: 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

At Executive Cleaner,
638 G Street, Davis
(by the Co-op)

If you have any gently used clothing or other items you would like to donate to the sale, please bring them by the store by Saturday, December 5th.

Neighborhood Clubhouse

Neighborhood Clubhouse is a small private After School and School Holiday serving a small group of Patwin 1st-6th graders. (California Childcare License # 573615603) Come join us for Homework time, healthy snacks, and running in the parks of Village Homes where we are located. (2417 Oakenshield) We're only a 10 minute walk from school. We offer competitive rates (full time 2:35-6 is \$320.00 per month) including: part time rates, sibling discounts, and reasonable drop in rates. We will have 2 full time openings beginning January and a few part time slots. Please call me at 758-3333 with your questions, or talk to me at school. You can find me picking up the kids daily at the green tables right in front of the library. Kristin Stansby

Shelter animals could use a little help this season

The Yolo County Animal Shelter housed nearly 6,000 animals this year and are looking for help from the community. Dogs and cats need ***gently used toys, towels, and blankets.*** (we have plenty of tennis balls though) Please help spread some holiday warmth and cheer to our fuzzy friends! Items can be dropped off at Petco, the SPCA Thrift Store, and on the Patwin Newsletter Editor's front porch at 622 Marina Circle.



✚ Homework Club

✚ Math and Language Arts Tutors

✚ Fitness Fun with Walk/Run Club

✚ Group Games and Playground Fun

✚ Healthy Snacks

✚ Call us at: 530-220-4731

✚ Check us out at:

www.daviskidsklub.com

✚ E-mail us at:

daviskidsklub@aol.com

A.C.C.E.S.S.



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FOR DECEMBER SCHOOL
HOLIDAY CAMP!!

Trick or Treat for UNICEF Finale 2009

136 Patwin students participated in Trick-or-Treat for UNICEF this year, and raised \$2,015 to help children in need around the world! That is truly an amazing accomplishment. Thank you to all the parents who supported their children, friends and neighbors in this endeavor. The Patwin Student Council and their advisors deserve a huge round of applause for doing tons of work to make it all work. And thank you and congratulations to the Patwin students who turned in so much change it took 4 people to haul it into the bank!

Those students are: Sophie Agocs, Claire Alongi, Shayna Amster, Pieter Angermann, Emily Azevedo, Lauren Babcock, Tyler Babcock, Bay Baganz, Sylvia Baganz, Jake Batchelor, Maya Beal, Surina Beal, George Berdevskiy, Justine Bock, Emily Bolander, Tyler Brown, Logan Buckley, Brooke Buckley, Carlos-Miguel Campos, Isabella Campos, Max Carroll, Zachary Carroll, Shyanne Carroll, Elliot Chan, Emily Chapman, Benjamin Christensen, Jenna Christensen, Tara Christensen, Andre Clark, Trisha Cox, Joshua Davis, Katie Deits, Corinne DeJong, Cameron Demasi, Chase Demasi, Mia DiGenova, Weihan Du, Abbey Eaton, Ryan Everitt, Sean Gellen, Ella Gerner, Santiago Gonzalez III, Cody Hargadon, Katrina Haws, Angela Herrera, Grace Hickerson, Gage Hietbrink, Riley Holden, Kyle Horn, Jonathon Huneke, Fiala Janata, Oliver Janata, Elan Kalman, Hai Kalman, Talya Kalman, Cameron Kelley, Megan Kennedy, Nick Kennedy, Jin Young Kim, Ethan Liam Kimball, Ben Kimmel, Jared Kimzey, Julie Knoepfler, Megan Kong, Gabriel Kunkel, Zhen Larsen, Hyunjin Lee, Yejin Lee, Phoebe Levine, Aviva Lewis, Ronnie Leymaster, Mathew Lloyd, Addison Lyons, Paula Masarweh, Ewan McNeil, Ryan McNeil, Joshua Meyers, Stephanie Milbrodt, Jacob Miller, Austin Moore, Jenna Mould, Kathryn Nilsson, Emily O'Flaherty, Alex Osleger, Logan Permenter, Jack Premzic, Maddie Price, Nathan Quickwright, Nathan Roy, Daniel Ruiz-Jimenez, Anna Sanchirico, Sepp Sanchirico, Kaelyn Savidge, Lyla Schoenig, Kohlin Sekizawa Taiga Sekizawa, Delaney Seward, Kylie Seward, Daniel Shuman, Mitchell Silva, Ella Silverstein, Sunny Day Silverstein, Elijah Smith, Kailey Smith, Max Spatz, Laquise Stanley, Dylan Starsinic, Isabella Stein, Tait Strandgaard, Cameron Swanson, Angelica Tapia, Jade Taylor, Scout Taylor, Rory Tessmer-Fields, Benton Tolson, Ethan Tsai, Janine Tsai, Faith Tupin, Hailey Tupin, Eton Tuttle, Fiona Wallace, Ariel Wallace, Maggie Warren, Mitchell Warren, Jillian Watkins, Vanessa Wease, Veronica Wease, Eli Weiss, Blake Wenner, Benjamin Wesson, Bryn Wieking, Erica Winograd-Cohen, Allison Yoo, Hannah Yoo, and Merlin Yu.

Garden/Recycle Corner

The 5,000 pound challenge to reduce Davis's carbon footprint has come to an end, but we are going to continue to recycle the plastics that aren't recyclable through the normal channels. Those are the rigid plastics labeled #3,5,6, and 7. Thanks to the efforts of some industrious students, we were able to divert about 15 pounds of those plastics from the landfill over the course of the month. And since there were so many students willing to help rinse and sort those recyclables, we will continue to do the earth a good turn at Patwin for the rest of the school year.

I've noticed a small drop in numbers of students with waste-free lunches. Don't forget! On Mondays, if your child has a waste-free lunch they earn an Earth Buck Token. Let's try to bring the numbers up to over 50%!

Gardens are starting to come alive. Check out the planter boxes by the kindergarten playground. The wheat has come up as well as the lettuce. It's fun to watch it grow. Some winter vegetables, broccoli, kale and beets have been transplanted by Bobbie Hewell's first grade class. More of those will be planted in the weeks to come.

The papyrus plants have arrived for the 6th graders to plant and potentially make paper from later in the school year. Growing it is in the experimental phase this year. We'll see how it does.

A few Sundays ago, a group of college students from Student Nutrition Association came and helped weed the raised bed area with a special emphasis on getting the Bermuda grass away from the boxes. The cardboard pizza boxes from Friday lunches will be used as a solar barrier and ultimately mulch will be placed atop the cardboard. We may have to have a parent help work party to get a handle on the other weeds as the rains have germinated the seeds. More on that in another newsletter.

I've offered to do some food dehydrating in the classrooms. If you are interested in having that happen in your child's classroom, let the teacher know so that we can set up a time to dry persimmons or apples. It's a great project with tasty results.

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