



SUNspots

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CALENDAR

Friday, October 29 Photo Orders Due.

Black and Orange Day - Wear Orange and Black!
No Costumes, please - too frightening for our younger children.

Halloween Sing-Along

- OSS 4:00PM
- YSS 4:30PM

Friday, November 12 7PM-9PM

Bingo Night Social - *Sequins, Baubles and Boas*

Wednesday, November 17

Parent Workshop "Intentional Teaching - how observations help teachers better understand your child and create curriculum."
Presented by Michelle Grant, former PP teacher, alum parent and SFUSD Early Childhood Program Specialist.

BOOK FAIR/RAFFLE TOTALS! BOOK DRIVE

A huge THANK YOU to Matt Sheridan, Book Fair Chair, Angela

Young, Raffle Chair, Joan Vigliotta and the Book Fair Committee for creating a tremendous evening of food, books and fun.

We raised a record breaking \$10,026.72! The Book Fair raised \$2,630.22 (20% of the sale) and the Raffle raised \$7,396.50. All money raised goes to our Tuition Assistance and Creative Arts Programs. We also received a wonderful selection of books for the classroom and reference libraries. Many thanks to the parents and staff who attended and helped make the fair so special.

Our Grand Prize went to the Slye family in the Gray Whale room. A list of all raffle prize winners will soon be posted. Special thanks to the Sheridan, Young, Laughlin, and Bayha/Gewertz families for donating the grand prize, an iPad.

Book Drive for "Children's Book Project"

Every autumn, Pacific Primary hosts a book drive for this eminently worthy local literacy organization: the "Children's Book Project". They collect new and/or "gently used" children's books at assorted venues and give them to teachers and kids in need of reading materials. (You may have seen their stands with large blue bags at various sites, such as Jamba Juice or Safeway.)

We will be collecting children's books the first week in November, Monday the 1st through Friday the 5th. The stands will be in the Sunroom lobby of each site. Please bring in books no longer needed at home and deposit them in the blue bags. (Since we hope that everyone was able to buy some wonderful new books at the Book Fair, maybe shelves need to be reorganized and it is time for some books to be passed along to others?) Given the current state of the economy, the demands put upon this fine program are greater than ever and they are in dire need. Please be as generous as you can - thank you so much!

SLEEPOVERS AT PACIFIC PRIMARY

Sleepovers have been a tradition at Pacific Primary since inception. Once a month, on a designated Friday night, two teachers host a sleepover at the school for 22 children who are enrolled at Pacific Primary. Not every child is ready for an overnight and we rely on the parent's discretion when deciding if it is appropriate for their child (ren). The parent must pick up the child at school before 5:30 the night of the overnight and return with them at 7PM. Dinner and breakfast is served and pick-up time is at 9AM.

On occasion, a few spots for alumni siblings (5 years old and older) may be available if a child enrolled at PP cancels at the last minute. However, we often have a few children on the waitlist to attend. This popular event is announced in the Sunspots in advance and a sign-up sheet is posted in the Sunroom one week before the sleepover day.

The cost is \$50.00. Proceeds from the sleepovers go directly to the teachers hosting. For families that find the price prohibitive, we are offering a one time discount for a sleepover at a confidential discounted price, set by the family. You must sign-up and make sure there is space when the sign-up sheet is posted. There will be a form available, in advance, on the bulletin board at each school that you can complete and return in a confidential envelope to either Lynn or Belann.

Preschool Mental Health Consultant

We are pleased to announce that we have received a second year grant to continue to offer the services of our Preschool Mental Health Consultant, Greg Villalba. Greg is here every Friday at 10am and is available to parents and staff to discuss any challenges, large or small. Lynn and Belann keep his confidential calendar, so please let them know, by email or a note in their mail box, if you would like to schedule a meeting with Greg.

CLASS/STAFF PHOTOS

Class/Staff Photos are now posted in your child's classroom and must be ordered by Friday, October 29. Sign-up in your child's classroom. To receive a discounted photo, please:

- Complete the order form as instructed in the classroom
- Then complete the form in your mail folder and return to Belann or Lynn in their mail box in a sealed envelope. This information will be kept confidential.

Belann will be on vacation from November 1-5. Brian will be Acting Director November 1 and 2, and Kelly will be Acting Director November 3-5.

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