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CALENDAR

Wednesday, November 24

Thanksgiving Sing-Along

YSS 4:30PM

OSS 4:45PM

Thursday, November 25/ Friday, November 26 School Closed
Thanksgiving Holiday

December 3-17 Parent/Teacher Conferences

Please sign up in the classroom.

December 8-13 Food Drive for SF Food Bank - Please help us
fill the barrels - no glass, please.

Tuesday, December 14 Pacific Primary Jewelry Fundraiser!

SAVE THE DATE! 6PM-9PM at Project One Gallery 252

Rhode Island Street - more info to follow

Security Cameras

We want to let you know that security cameras will be installed at both schools entrances in the near future. Safety is always Pacific Primary's highest priority. Our Site and Safety Committee made a recommendation to the Board of Directors

and the Board voted to install security cameras some time ago. Installation of outdoor cameras will soon be completed. The Board feels it would be helpful to monitor the activities at the entrances of the schools, and believes that this can be done most efficiently with security cameras.

For 34 years Pacific Primary never locked the front door, but as you know, the doors at both schools are now always locked and parents and visitors must be buzzed into the schools. Therefore, only people with Pacific Primary business are allowed into the school. Alum parents are often surprised when they come to visit to find that the doors are locked, visitors are screened and that they must be buzzed in to enter, but they understand this change. If you have any questions about the installation of the cameras, please contact Lynn or Belann.

LET THE SUN SHINE FOR PACIFIC PRIMARY!

We hope you took advantage of a cup of Pete's coffee and quality conversation at our recent "Let the Sun Shine" Annual Fund Friday Coffee! We are excited about this year's campaign, and hope that every family will support our teachers, staff and programs, and help us achieve our goal of 100% parent participation by December 31.*

Our goal this year is to raise \$120,000. Please know that gifts and pledges of any amount make a difference. In addition to helping Pacific Primary receive outside funding by having 100% parent participation, your donation is critical to balancing our budget and bridging the gap between tuition revenue and operating costs, which this year is \$2,051 per child.

Annual Fund gifts are critical to supporting our teachers,

Tuition Assistance to nearly one in five families, Music and Movement classes, Expressive Arts, Field Trips, the Summer Bus Program and so much more. We hope you will join us with as generous gift as you are able to make, and Let the Sun Shine for all our children and their Pacific terrific teachers and staff.

If you would like to make a secure online donation today please visit us at www.pacificprimary.org and click on the "Donate Now" button at the bottom of the page. Gifts can also be made by completing your "let the sun shine" card, or sending in a donation to 1501 Grove Street, San Francisco, CA 94117.

* Pledges may be paid until August 15, 2011.

Thank you so much!

School Tours for Prospective Parents

School tours will begin on Wednesday, December 1 from 9AM - 10:30AM. Tours will begin at the Orange Sun School and will end at the Yellow Sun School. Please consider arriving with your child before 9AM to avoid the tour traffic.

Tenderloin Holiday Outreach

For over 10 years, Pacific Primary has supported the Bay Area Women's and Children's Center in the Tenderloin through participation in their Angel Child Holiday Gift Program. This program provides a child from a low-income/no-income family with a gift they specifically want. Gifts are in the \$30.00 range and need to be wrapped. This year Pacific Primary has signed up to buy specific gifts for 12 children ranging in age from 5-15 years old. Please contact Belann at belann@pacificprimary.org to participate. Presents are due by Friday, December 10th and will be delivered to the BAWCC.

BINGO!

Bingo night was great fun! Congratulations to Brisen and Scott Brady, Grand Prize winners and to Mahroushka, Gray Whale Lead Teacher, First Prize winner - both bedazzled PP tshirts designed by Chris Miles. Many thanks to Chris Miles for organizing the event and creating the prizes! Thanks to Michelle Horneff-Cohen for her help. Very special thanks to our sequined Bingo Leaders Cameron Laughlin and Ron Tyler! Thanks to all the parents and staff who helped make the evening a party! We are considering a second Bingo night in the Spring.

Happy Thanksgiving!

This is the time of year for reflection and appreciation. We are thankful for our incredible community of children, parents and staff. We are reminded each day as we work with your children that we are so fortunate to share with you in your child's genuine delight of their world.

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