



Weekly Bulletin

October 29, 2009

Calendar:

Saturday, October 31, Halloween Festival

Tuesday, November 3, Session II of Afterschool Classes begins

Wednesday, November 4, Internal Tours for Current Families, 8:45AM

Thursday, November 5, Internal Tours for Current Families, 8:45AM

Friday, November 6, All School Conferences, No Classes

Monday, November 9, Veteran's Day Observed, School Closed

Saturday, November 14, Community Open House, 10AM – Noon

Wednesday, November 18, Parent Association Meeting, Sanctuary, 8:30AM

Wednesday, November 25, Minimum Day, Noon Dismissal, No Childcare

Thursday/Friday, November 26/27, Thanksgiving Recess, School Closed

Halloween Festival: THIS SATURDAY!

We hope you will join us this Saturday, October 31, from 10AM to noon for our Annual Halloween Festival, hosted by our Upper Elementary students! This year's theme is "The Harvest" and complements the Upper Elementary students' studies. The Elementary students have been hard at work designing and creating games and booths for our 2 – 6 year old students. Friendly costumes and non-scary masks are welcome.

Afterschool Classes: Begin next week

Session II of our Afterschool Programs will begin next week. Back by popular demand we will continue Science with Len for our Primary students ages 4-6 on Tuesdays, and Art with Julie for our Elementary Students, also on Tuesdays. On Wednesdays we will continue to offer Chess with Aaron and Wayne for our 3rd Year Primary and Elementary students. Space in these programs is limited, so please submit your registration along with a check to the front office to reserve a spot for your child.

Parent Teacher Conferences: Next Friday

All School Parent Teacher Conferences will be held next Friday, November 6. There will be no classes on that day. **Childcare will be available for the duration of your child's conference.** Limited all-day care will be available for a fee to those children who are contracted for Aftercare or have two full-time working parents. Sign-up forms were distributed to families whose children are contracted for Aftercare, and additional forms are available in the front office.

New Classroom Names:

The naming of the new Upper Elementary Classroom last year, which we now know as the Willow House, has inspired the rest of the teachers to name their classrooms. Here is a list of the new classroom names:

Pre-Primary/Laurin and Olga's Classroom: Acorn Room

Primary 1/Jessica and Kat's Classroom: Sequoia Room

Primary 2/Jennifer and Norma's Classroom: Maple Room

Primary 3/Deirdre and Christina's Classroom: Aspen Room

Upper Elementary/Maha Kali and Emily's Classroom: Bay Laurel Room

Pre-Auction Party:

The Auction Committee would like to extend a warm thank you to those of you who were able to attend last Thursday's Pre-Auction Party. The event was a huge success! We connected with friends, welcomed new families to the community, all while enjoying tasty goodies, including Kristin Schlesinger's homemade brownies! We have selected our theme and have filled some committee positions, but many volunteer opportunities remain. We will send an email out tomorrow detailing these available positions, and sign-up sheets will be on the sign-in tables next week.

Community Open House:

We will hold a Community Open House on Saturday, November 14, from 10AM to noon for families who are interested in learning more about MdTL. If you know of any families who may be interested, please let them know about this event or pass along their contact information to Mae so that she can send them information.

Emergency Kits Billing:

All families with new students (including siblings) will see a one-time charge of \$20 on their November bill to cover the cost of new emergency supplies.

Volunteer Opportunities:

- 🍎 We have several opportunities to staff the sale tables in half-hour blocks at this Saturday's Halloween Festival. If you are interested, please contact Valerie Young at 234-6250 or runval@yahoo.com.
- 🍎 We have a number of Auction volunteer positions available in a variety of different areas. You can sign-up for these opportunities next week on the sheets located on the sign-in tables. Contact Ann Cheu at ann_cheu@yahoo.com if you are interested or for more information.
- 🍎 We are looking for a family to host this year's Parent Association Holiday Party the evening of Friday, December 11.

Needed:

- 🍎 A used but working iron for Bungalow art projects.

Notes:

- 🍎 Your birthday gifts of food will be delivered to the Marin County Food Bank this week. Happy Birthday and thank you to our October friends for donating to the Birthday Basket.
- 🍎 We are very excited that MdTL's Garden Program is featured in this month's Fast Forward publication (distributed in mail folders today). We also invite you to check out the Primary Bulletin Case to see more of the work the children have been doing in the Primary Garden Program.

Annual Fund:

Thank you to the Tatum Family and the Davis Family for their generous donations to the Annual Fund!

Thank you!

- 🍎 Mina Family for hosting the Pre-Auction Party.
- 🍎 Goertz Family for the new stereo for the Maple Room.
- 🍎 Tarantino family for purchasing supplies for our bunny, Lemody Griffin.
- 🍎 Mina Family for donating a portable electric range for the bungalow and a coffee maker for the kitchenette area. Hot meals and caffeinated beverages make for a very happy staff!

🍎 **Have a Happy and Safe Halloween!** 🍎