Forest Ranch Charter School
October 2013

From the Director

Dear Forest Ranch Charter Families,

Fall is here. We are enjoying the cooler weather. In the classrooms, we are finishing assessments and digging into our themes. Across campus, we are training for and implementing our Positive Behavior Support goals. If you were unable to attend the Parent Education Night, but would still like information or support about implementing LifeSkills at home, helping your child develop healthy friendships, or general parenting in relation to our school philosophy, please let me know. I would be happy to meet with you or provide hand-outs.

There are multiple committee meetings in October. We would love your support and ideas. The Safety Committee is meeting on October 10th at 3PM. We will review our new Safe School Plan Draft and conduct the usual business of reviewing Safety Training and accident/incident reports. The School Advisory Council is meeting on October 14th. We will discuss school goals, assessment data, Outdoor Education and technology. Finally, we have our Wellness Committee meeting on October 24th at 2:15. The Wellness Committee will be creating new goals for the 2013/2014 school year and reviewing progress towards prior goals.

If you are interested in joining any of these committees, please let us know as soon as possible. All of these meetings are open to the school community and you may drop in any time there is a topic of interest.

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October 3 – Field Trip, Hands on Lab (McNulty)
October 4 – Assembly, 8:30AM
October 4 – Field Trip, Hands on Lab (Matoes)
October 4 – PTP Meeting, 3PM
October 10 – Safety Committee Meeting, 3PM
October 11 – Staff Development Day, No School
October 12 – Fall Festival, Downtown FR
October 14 – Picture Day
October 14 – School Advisory Committee Mtg
October 15 – PTP Meeting, 3PM
October 18 – Electives Day
October 19 – Full Moon Festival and Dance, 6PM
October 22 – Books Farm Field Trip (K, 1, 2)
October 23 – Hands on Lab Field Trips (5, 6)
October 24 – Wellness Committee Mtg, 2:15PM
October 29 – PBS Meeting, 3PM
November 1 – Assembly at 8:30AM
November 1 – Laxson Field Trip (3, 4)
November 2 – Sutter’s Fort Parent Training
November 6 – Family Math Night
LifeSkill Heroes

At FRCS, we encourage our students to model and emulate positive traits. These LifeSkills are rewarded on a monthly basis during our assemblies and the winning students are displayed on the Heroes wall in the school office.

The LifeSkill for August was Friendship. Teachers nominated the following students from each class that they felt best represent this skill:

Kindergarten – Cason P, Laura W
First Grade – Roxy M
Second Grade – Gavin F, Ashley S, Kyra V
Third Grade – LaKai S, Mason M, Sierra H
Fourth Grade – Carmen Mae P
Sixth Grade – Jonah T, Ethan B

The LifeSkill for October is Patience. What do you do when you are frustrated and impatient? What techniques work in your family for practicing patience? What techniques do not work? Why?

Picture Day

Picture Day is October 14th. Look for payment envelopes coming home soon. We always need a few volunteers to help with pictures. Please let the office know if this is a morning when you can volunteer.

Sutter’s Fort Parent Training Date

Saturday November 2nd is the date for the mandatory parent training for the Sutter’s Fort field trip. Not only is this training mandatory, it is a ton of fun. Learn about the skills you will teach, gather your supplies, and get ready to enter the mid-1800’s.

Community News

Forest Ranch Fall Festival – Saturday October 12th from 10AM-4PM is the date for the Forest Ranch Fall Festival held in downtown Forest Ranch. This event is hosted by the Mountain Joy Bible Fellowship as a benefit for FRCS. This is a wonderful community event with food, crafts, vendors, and lots of laughter. The FRCS PTP will again be selling their yummy burritos. Please come support your school and your community.

Family Math Night

Save the date of November 6th for Family Math Night. The fun will begin at 6PM and should be wrapped up by 8PM. There will be lots of fun and challenging math-oriented activities and games. Come play with us!

Full Moon Festival and Dance

The spooks will be arriving on October 19th at 6PM. Look for haunted house, cake walk, dancing, and the occasional tricks and treats. Come in your costume and have some fun!

Costume Parade

The Halloween Costume Parade will be at 8:35AM on October 31. Costumes must not include weapons. If your child’s costume is not appropriate for the weather or is uncomfortable, please make sure they have a change of street clothes for after the parade.

Bulb Sales Ending

Don’t forget - bulb orders are due back to school by October 16th so that our customers can receive their bulbs in time for planting.