



C.L. Smith Elementary School

Parent Newsletter

October 6, 2008

UPCOMING IMPORTANT DATES

- October 6 PTA Meeting and potluck (6 p.m.)
- October 8 Fire Prevention Assembly (3rd and 4th grades)
- October 9 K-1 Family Night
- October 15 Breakfast with the Principal (8:30-9:15 a.m.)
- October 17 C.L Smith Night at Cal Poly Men's Soccer Game (8 p.m.)
- October 23 Century 21 Annual Pumpkin Day
- October 31 Teacher Work Day (no school for students)
- November 3-7 Parent-Teacher Conference Week (1 p.m. dismissal)
- November 10,11 Veterans' Day Holiday (No School)

From the Principal

If you are a parent of a kindergarten or first grade child you will not want to miss this Thursday's Family Night here in the C.L. Smith Superstar Pavilion. With a theme of Dr. Seuss, children and their families will enjoy a variety of hands-on and fun activities that actually support learning letters, sounds, words and numbers. Our Kindergarten/first grade teachers have been working hard to make this a really memorable and fun night for all. Take-home ideas for parents on how to support your child's learning will be given at each fun "Activity Station." All children in attendance will receive a Dr. Seuss goodie bag. Who knows? Maybe we will even get a special visit from one of our favorite Dr. Seuss characters. Don't miss this one. See you Thursday at 6:30 p.m. Preschoolers are welcome too!

Parents are always encouraged to call or e-mail me with concerns, complaints and even compliments about our service to you and your children. My e-mail address is: ashields@slcusd.org.

Everyday Etudes: This week students will be listening to Rodeo: Four Dance Episodes by Aaron Copland (1900-1991). Copland wrote this music for his ballet Rodeo so the dancers could portray the warm, friendly atmosphere of the traditional Saturday night dance. Enjoy!

Word of the Month – Safety – This month students will be thinking and discussing the importance of safety. They will be thinking about safety in three different areas:

- Know the safety rules and guidelines to follow at school, at home, in activities and on your own.
- Know what to do in an emergency.
- Make good choices when you're in an unsafe or tricky situation.

Our kindergarten-1st graders will be focusing on the first bullet while 2nd - 6th graders will be talking about all three areas.

FOUND: We have a hub cap (or wheel cover, not sure what they are called these days) in the office. It was found right in front of the school last week. Don't hesitate to stop by the office to see if it happens to belong to you. Thank you.

PTA NEWS

Greetings

C.L. Smith PTA meeting tonight! 6:00 p.m. in the staff lounge. Please join us as we get acquainted and enjoy a spaghetti dinner. Please RSVP to d12bug@aol.com or call the school office at 596-4094 if you plan on attending this special meeting.

Innisbrook orders will be delivered to CL Smith mid October.

C.L. Smith PTA **congratulates Mrs. Sill's class!** They win the membership drive with 75% class participation...15 of 20 families joined PTA! Great job!

Student Directories will also be available mid October. PTA appreciates all the local businesses and families in their support of this great resource.

Just a reminder that C.L. Smith needs your used ink jet cartridges, laser jet cartridges and Box Tops. Please bring them into the school's office throughout the school year. Our wonderful PTA processes them for additional funds. **Thank you Virginia Gibson and Julie Marks** for their recent time processing ink cartridges!

Our PTA is looking for volunteers to work on **the Scholastic Book Fair**. If you would like more information, please contact CL Smith at 596-4094 or Denise at (805)541-2104.

Denise Reynolds
C.L. Smith PTA President