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“Only those who look with the eyes of children can lose themselves in the object of their wonder.”

~ *Eberhard Arnold*

“We cannot hold a torch to light another's path without brightening our own.”

~ *Ben Sweetland*



Notes from Michelle

I am very excited to announce a couple of changes coming to the campus next week. First, we are welcoming back Robin Christiansen to our teaching staff. Robin taught at Eagle Peak previously in the Upper Elementary program. Upon her return Monday, Robin will join Linda Chandlee in the Lower Elementary Classroom. This will allow Shakira Khan to return to the Upper Elementary where she was originally hired to be.

☺ I want to send out a huge thank you to Shakira, Linda and Anna-Maria for their patience and flexibility! We look forward to our completed team now moving forward with the year. We are excited to have Robin back as she brings with her great energy and experience. A huge thank you goes out to both our daily staff and substitute staff for pulling together to make these first three weeks work so smoothly.

Children are children and they have strengths and challenges like everyone, but I have to say that we are fortunate to have pretty amazing young people on this campus. Seeing them every day and watching them is a true privilege. It is that, which at the end of the day, makes coming back in the morning always worthwhile. The smiles, the laughter and just the basic inquisitiveness they share are a constant source of inspiration. Thank you for sharing your amazing your person (or people) with us for this time. Have a great weekend.



Monday Gathering

6th Grade Gathering Leaders: Juliette Lusca & Reece Revell

5th Grade Quotes:

Isabel Beeler

“The roots of education are bitter but the fruit is sweet.”

~ *Aristotle*

Ellen Oh

“The great aim of education is not knowledge but action.”

~ *Herbert Spencer*

Vitali Pena

“Alone we are smart together we are brilliant.”

~ *Steven Anderson*

Colleen Van Note

“The direction in which starts a man will determine his future life.”

~ *Pluto*



Notes from CFEP

AUCTION: We are hosting a kick off meeting for those that want to learn more about our Annual Action.

Thursday, October 1st, 6:30 at Eagle Peak. We need several parents in our community to participate and there are several ways to help. Please come to our kick off meeting to learn more.

GRANT: Thank you to Kris Harwood for her time and dedication... as we kicked off our new school year, she focused on a deadline and submitted details for grant that could help Eagle Peak financially. There are many grant opportunities from companies in the Bay Area and Eagle Peak has a lot of funding needs. We need your help. If you know any parents or have family working for companies with a grant program and you think Eagle Peak would be a good fit, we would appreciate an introduction. Most grant programs are invitation only.



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Notes from CFEP (con't)

TAHOE JOE'S: Thank you to the families that purchased your advanced tickets and shout out to Michelle Scattergood for her help with the organization of this fundraiser. We look forward to seeing you at our first dine and donate for the school year. If you didn't purchase a ticket but still want to dine with the Eagle Peak, join us on Wednesday, Sept 30th after the play date at Arbolado Park.



PTLG Quick Notes

Hello EPMS community,

- Sept 30: Lower EI Play Date at Arbolado Park from 1-5:00 pm. Come and enjoy playtime with the Lower EI children and their families at Arbolado Park.
- Sept 30: Dine and Donate at Tahoe Joes. Contact Michelle Scattergood with any questions (micharbabian@yahoo.com)
- Oct 18: Fall Fest/Chili Cook-off. Event details will be in the next Friday Folder. Contact Erica Chinchilla (mamabruno78@live.com) with questions about Fall Fest. Contact Akiko Noguchi (glasguchi@gmail.com) with questions about the Chili Cook-off.

Thank you to the Board, CFEP, PTLG, Room Parents and parents for attending the PTLG meeting on Thursday. We had a good discussion about State testing and upcoming events. The round table discussions by represented groups were very helpful! If you missed the meeting, contact Rachel Beeler for the notes. (email: rdwiggins@yahoo.com, cell: 925-768-9089). Our next meeting is November 12.



PTLG Quick Notes (con't)

Did you know? Your Room Parent is scheduling a special game night event just for your classroom. On your classroom's specific night you will bring your favorite game and a dish to share then enjoy a night of fun with families in your classroom. Your whole family can attend! Contact your Room Parent for the date of this great event.

If have questions about volunteer opportunities and/or events... we are here to help!

Cheers, the PTLG Team

Rachel Beeler	Leah Karson
Eme Tatsumi	Zulay Loftin
Jennifer Torres	Akiko Glasguchi



Notes from Childcare

Childcare Registration forms for the month of October 2015 are in this week's Friday Folder and are due October 5th. This is also **the last chance** to sign up for "Special" Full-time Package Offer. This plan will not be offered again until next year so take advantage of this price break or any of the other prepaid hourly packages. All drop-in hours will be billed to you with 1-2 weeks after the end of the month.

If you are currently registered in a "Special" monthly package and have signed up for automatic payment, your credit card will be debited within 7 days from the beginning of the month and a receipt issued. Please contact Sondra Mahraj if you have any questions.



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Field Trips

Lower EI: Look for the Lower EI's 2015-16 Field Trip Schedule and Permission Slips (MDUSD & EPMS) in this week's Friday Folder.

Please send **both** signed slips to the office as soon as possible. Forms must be completed before your child can participate in any field trip. Additional copies of the forms are located in the office. Contributions should also be sent directly to the office and made payable to CFEP.

Upper EI: 1st trip of the year is October 7th. Please be sure to turn in the Permission Slips and contributions if you haven't already done so. If we don't have a Permission Slip your child will not be allowed to participate. Thank you.

Field Trip Trainings:

Mandatory for 1st time chaperones. If you have previously participated in this training, you do not need to do it again. The last two trainings offered for the Fall are:

Tuesday Oct 6 5:15 pm
Tuesday Oct 20 6:00 pm

You will not be able to chaperone without being fingerprinted, have a current TB test and attend this training. If you have any questions, please contact Ms. Hammons or Miss Amy.



Notes from the Office

Carpool: Please do not park at the curb and leave your car **unattended during morning or afternoon carpool**. If you must come into the school please park in the designated parking spaces and walk in. This has been causing some major backups during an already hectic time. Thank you.

Independent Studies: If you need to request an Independent Study please make sure Amy gets a copy of any request.

Calendared Events

- Sep 30 Lower EI – Arbolado Playdate
- Sep 30 Tahoe Joes Dine & Donate
- Oct 1 Auction Kick-off Mtg - 6:30 pm
- Oct 6 Field Trip Training - 5:15 pm
- Oct 10 Garden Work Day 9-12
- Oct 12 CFEP – 7:00 pm
- Oct 18 Fall Festival 1-4
- Oct 20 Field Trip Training 6 pm
- Oct 20 Board Mtg – 6:30 pm
- Oct 30 Early Dismiss 1 pm



Attachments this Week

- Childcare Registration – Oct, 2015
- Lower EI – Field Trip Permission Slips

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SEPTEMBER 2015 School Calendar

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
27	28	29	30			
			LE: Playdate @ Arbolado 1-5 pm Dine & Donate 		FRIDAY MARKET	

OCTOBER 2015 School Calendar

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
				1	2	3
				Auction Kick-Off Mtg 6:30	FRIDAY MARKET	
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
		 Field Trip Training 5:15 Prospective Parent Mtg	<u>LE: Rm 301</u> John Muir House 8:20-11:30	<u>Upper EI</u> Lindsey Wildlife Museum 9:15 – 1:30	FRIDAY MARKET	 Garden Work Day 9 am – 12
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
	CFEP 7 pm				FRIDAY MARKET	
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
 1 – 4 Chili Cook-off		 Field Trip Training 6 pm Board Mtg 6:30			FRIDAY MARKET	Prospective Parent Mtg 9:30 – 10:30