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Black History Month



February is Black History Month and we will celebrate with announcements and activities throughout the month commemorating the legacy and contributions of African Americans to our society.



SACRAMENTO STATE Academic Talent Search

The CSUS Academic Talent Search Program will have a first round of testing on 2/7. The program has been extended to include 4th and 5th grade students this year. For more information, visit <http://edweb.csus.edu/projects/ATS/>

<http://www.sacmuseums.org/museumday.html>



Sacramento Museum Day 2009

February 7, 2009 10:00 am—4:00 pm

26 Museums participating in this FREE event.

WAMU Bank Day is doing very well. We took in \$136.27 last bank day. Some of the students have made deposits every time. Way to save kids! Please remember to help us out by rolling up your coins. We have some papers with us at bank day if you need them. Principal Liles would like anyone participating in bank day to be at the school by 8:15 so the students can enjoy the morning assembly at 8:25 and be on their way to class by 8:30. We are looking for another parent who can assist during WAMU Bank Day from 7:45 until 9:15.

Please contact Lorna 947-8891 or lornaj1998@yahoo.com

Catch the WAVE

Parent Participation Opportunities

- ☺ **Thank you Monday** for teachers and staff is Mon Feb 23. If parents would like to donate items, please contact our coordinator Karyn Jakobs at kjakobs@surewest.net
- ☺ **Classroom Help Wanted!** Our Spanish teacher Carmen Venegas could use some help. Please email her directly at: cvenegas@natomas.k12.ca.us. She can coordinate times based on your availability. Any and all help will be appreciated
- ☺ **Recycling:** Need parents to drive recycling to center once a month or so. Next date is Feb 20. Contact Lanie sosaholmer@yahoo.com
- ☺ **Auction:** Parents can do as little or as much as they want. Meeting dates are Feb 17 and March 4 at 7 pm @ Raleys Conference Room (Near Kohl's). Contact Tracy Roman at romanclan5@yahoo.com or 649-3259 or Tami Molyneaux tmolyneaux@lakemont.com or 359-2344 for additional information.
- ☺ **WAVE meeting:** Feb 18 at 6:30. Earn hours just for attending
- ☺ **Library support:** We need books reshelved and things straightened up on a regular basis. Please contact the office to volunteer at 567-5760 or admin@westlakecharter.com
- ☺ **International Festival:** Host a booth, project managers, set up and clean up. Saturday, May 2. Contact Cathy Nanni 419-5189 or 799-5647 or pcnanni2004@yahoo.com

Box Tops Contest Going On Now! Continue to collect and save your Box Tops. This contest ends February 20th. All Box Tops turned in will be submitted to the Box Tops for Education company at the end of February so that Westlake can receive a check for the earnings so far this year. Remember to check the products you have at home to see if it has a Box Tops coupon.



RECESS \$ SNACK \$ SALE

The Recess Snack Sale to benefit the 5th grader's Westminster Woods Field Lesson was a huge success. The students loved it!

Our plan is to continue the Recess Snack Sale on Thursdays. All items will be \$0.50 to \$1.00. The snacks will vary from popcorn to beef jerky to cookies to ring pops. There will always be a juice box or cold water available for \$0.50.

If you would like to donate juice boxes or water to our cause, please leave them with Aimee in the WCS office. If you would like to volunteer to man the snack station from 1:00 until 3:40 on Thursdays or donate sale items, please call 947-8891 or email lornaj1998@yahoo.com. You can earn parent hours for your time. Thank you so much for supporting the 5th grade in the WCS family. We appreciate it.

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Support the Auction

3rd annual Westlake Auction "Cruise Into the Night" at the Towe Auto Museum will be on March 28, 2009.

WHY? Last year, we raised \$30,000 which allowed the School to hire an additional Spanish teacher and maintain our daily Spanish instruction.

HOW? Unfortunately, to date, we have not gotten much response from parents with regard to donation of auction items or sponsoring teacher tickets, or buying ad space in the auction catalogue. For auction items, we welcome all donations, but particularly would be interested in the following:

- 1) Services - For example, we had a parent donate a "Dessert of the Month" last year; we had another parent offer "Fashion Consulting & \$100 mall gift certificate", you might offer a gift certificate for a restaurant and babysitting, you may offer a small construction project, or calligraphy services.
- 2) Vacation opportunities - including cabins, timeshares, etc.
- 3) Buy-in parties - last year our buy-in parties had a great response. You might offer to have 10 kids over for a pool party; or you might have 20 people over for a chili cook off.

I don't think I have anything to offer... Then lend us your time. Come to one of the meetings. Give us ideas. Volunteer to help set up, clean-up, run errands...

Reminders 2/6/09 is the last day to purchase ad space in the Auction Catalog.

Auction tickets will go on sale 2/11/09 and we have a limited number so buy early.

2/17/09 is the deadline to donate any goods or services to be used for auction items.

Auction Planning meetings: February 17 and March 4 at 7 pm @ Raley's Conference Room (Near Khol's)

Westlake Charter Family Sock Hop!

Westlake Charter is having its first annual Sock Hop

March 13, 2009 6:00-8:00p.m



Dress up in your favorite 50's attire, put on your dancing shoes and enjoy a fun night with family and friends.

Dinner will be available for purchase. If you have some 50's music you wish to hear at the dance, put it on a CD and our DJ will play for us.

If you want to earn some fun and easy parent hours, contact Liz Golla at 916-925-1738 or happygolla@yahoo.com to see how you can help with this event.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SEE'S CANDY FUNDRAISER FOR 5TH GRADE

Thank you for supporting our fifth grader's See's Candy for Valentine's Day fundraiser to raise money for their 4-day field trip to Westminster Woods in May. Your orders will be available for pickup the week of February 9th. Questions? Call Lorna Alsbagh 947-8891

VALENTINE'S DAY RAFFLE BASKET

Student Council will be making a Valentine's Day Basket which will be raffled off. Raffle tickets will be sold starting February 2nd. This is to raise funds for our school.

Olympics Triathlon Awards Ceremony and Dinner: Feb 20th @ 6:00pm

NO SCHOOL ON...

Mon, Feb 9: Lincoln's Birthday

Fri, Feb 13: Curriculum Development Day

Mon, Feb 16: President's Day

Fri, Feb 27: Curriculum Development Day

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