

Freshwater Weekly Bulletin

April 24, 2017

Upcoming Events & Activities

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April 27	EARTH DAY at Freshwater School
April 28	Dolphin Dash (8 a.m. – 2 p.m.) Students to bring Pledge Sheets and \$ on this day!
April 29	Rhododendron Parade – 10:00 – 12:00 Noon
May 1	Community Club Meeting – 6:30 p.m. – Conference Room
May 2	SSC Meeting – Conference Room – 4:00 p.m.
May 4	Early Dismissal – 12:30 p.m. – Grades K-8
May 5	LEGO Night – 6:30 p.m. (Auditorium)
May 9	Board Meeting – 6:00 p.m. – Conference Room
May 18	Early Dismissal – 12:30 p.m. – Grades K-8
May 18	Open House – 6:00-7:30 p.m.
May 25	Spring Concert – 6:30 p.m Gymnasium
May 29	Memorial Day – No School
June 1	Early Dismissal – 12:30 p.m. – Grades K-8
June 2	Folk Dance Festival – 1:00 p.m.
June 5	Community Club Meeting – 6:30-8:00 p.m. (Conference Room)

Please check out our website for up-to-date information on calendar, menu, and special events! www.freshwatersd.org

<u>CAASPP (California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress) Testing</u> will take place April 10 – May 15, 2017, for Grades 3-8. Please be sure your child comes to school well-rested and having eaten a good breakfast. Also, be sure your child has a nutritious snack to eat each day!

<u>CALIFORNIA DASHBOARD</u>: Please visit the newly released California Dashboard website which displays a range of performance levels for every school in the state. This new accountability system identifies strengths, weaknesses, and areas in need of improvement for our school, and will be used for the development of our LCAP (Local Control Accountability Plan) this year.

Visit: https://www.caschooldashboard.org/#/LCFF and enter "Freshwater" and you can review the results for Freshwater.

PLEASE KEEP OUR STUDENTS SAFE!: Recently we have had some concerns about unsafe driving in our parking lots. For the safety of our students, we are asking parents to be careful and exercise caution when dropping off and picking up students at Freshwater School. In the front parking lot, a single lane is to be used for drop-off in the morning and two lanes may be used in the afternoon with teachers walking students to cars in the second lane. In the gym parking lot, parents are to park in spaces and wait for students and not line up behind parked cars which will not allow the parked cars room to back out when they are prepared to leave. We have had some close calls in the parking lots and we do not want anyone to get hurt. Please help us to follow through on these procedures and report any concerns to Mr. Talty! Thank you!



7th/**8**th **GRADERS OFFER DINNERS AGAIN!** The 7th and 8th Grade Soup Squad would like to announce that Friday's delicious dinners are still available! This year we are making, from scratch, *Tasty Chicken Tortilla Soup with Caesar Salad*. The soup is a chicken base, served with broken tortilla chips and cheese on top. Our Caesar has delicious made croutons and dressing. This has been kid tested and the results are, "They loved it!" The costs are \$7.50 for an individual dinner and \$28.00 for a family of four. Let us cook for you every Friday! Get your order in now! Here is how to

order: Drop by the office, grab an order form off the Bread Box in the window, fill it out, put in your money by Thursday, and pick up your dinner after school on Friday! All proceeds go towards the 8th Grade Trip. We will be cooking until the end of May so get it while it's hot!

BATTLE OF THE BOOKS: On Friday, April 14, sixteen Freshwater students competed in the Humboldt County Office of Education's Battle of the Books. The students read from a list of 30 books and then answered questions about the books as a team against other schools that came from throughout Humboldt County. Congratulations to the Freshwater students for bringing home a 1st Place trophy and two 2nd Place trophies. A special thanks to Brenda Odell, Freshwater Parent, who coaches the teams.

BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION: We are continuing to collect boxtops for education. If you have any you would like to donate to the school, please bring them by the school office and place them in the box that is in the office window. So far this year, we have raised \$300.00 with our boxtop collection! Thank you to Mrs. Sheesley who continues to track these for us!

<u>IMPORTANT NOTICE TO PARENTS</u>: Please contact the office when your child is absent and also remind your child when he/she is late to stop by the office and check in. Many students are being marked absent because they do not follow the procedure of stopping in the office when they arrive late to school. Thank you!

<u>PACK AN EXTRA SNACK:</u> Many students are coming to school needing an additional snack, and we do not offer a school-wide snack program. Check in with your child to see if they would like you to send an extra snack with them. As our students grow, so do their appetites. When choosing foods, please consider healthy snacks that are high in protein, fiber, and vitamins to give your child sustained energy throughout the day. THANK YOU!

AN IMPORTANT NOTE TO PARENTS/GUARDIANS REGARDING Education Code Section 49423:

Medications (both prescription and non-prescription) to be administered at school require **BOTH** the physician's signature and parent/guardian signature authorizing designated school personnel to dispense such medication. *Please obtain a PERMISSION TO GIVE MEDICATION form from the School Secretary if your child is required to take medication during the regular school day.* All medications, excepting those which must be kept on the student's person for emergency use, must be kept and distributed by staff. *Medication must be brought to school in the original container with printed instructions on the label.*

<u>LUNCH AND LUNCH CHARGES:</u> Please order and pay for lunches in the *school office* each morning. **Lunches are \$3.25 this year**. We again ask that children not charge lunches unless absolutely necessary due to the fact that numerous charges made last year were not paid. **If your child must charge a lunch, please send a written note with your child requesting a charge.** Thank you very much!

BREAKFAST: Freshwater offers a breakfast program each morning from 7:45-8:20 a.m. **The cost is \$1.00 or less if you qualify for free or reduced meals**

<u>ABSENCES AT FRESHWATER SCHOOL:</u> When your child is ill or absent, please take time to contact the school office in the morning to let us know. It saves us making many phone calls to verify these absences each day. Thank you!

<u>PARENT/GUARDIAN TOOLBOX WORKSHOP:</u> Parent/Guardian Toolbox Workshop is a workshop to learn and practice skills to help your student/child be successful at school, home, and the community. This workshop will take place on Tuesday mornings from 8:30-9:30 a.m. in Room 15 with Dr. Audrey Shears. Dr. Shears is also available during school hours by appointment. Please call the school office to contact Dr. Shears or schedule an appointment.

