



Freshwater Weekly Bulletin

Tuesday, January 21, 2020

Upcoming Events & Activities

January 21	Freshwater Education Foundation Mtg. – 3:00 p.m. – Room 12
January 24-25	Boys' 7/8 th Dolphin Basketball Tournament – Freshwater School (Gym)
January 31	Family Fun Movie Night – 6:30 p.m. (Gym) Sponsored by Freshwater C.C.
February 3	Freshwater Community Club Mtg. – 6:30 p.m. – Conference Room
February 5	SCIENCE FAIR OPEN HOUSE – 6:30 p.m. - Gymnasium
February 6	Minimum Day – 12:30 p.m. Dismissal (Grades K-8)
February 17-21	Presidents' Week – NO SCHOOL ALL WEEK
Feb 24-March 6	Second Graders – Swimming at Arcata Pool
February 25	Freshwater Education Foundation Mtg. – 3:00 p.m. – Room 12
March 2	Freshwater Community Club Mtg. – 6:00 p.m. – Conference Room
March 5	Minimum Day – 12:30 p.m. Dismissal (Grades K-8)
March 10	Board Meeting – 6:00 p.m. – Conference Room
March 16-20	Parent Conferences – 1:20 Dismissal All Week (Grades K-8)
March 18	FEF Meeting – Conference Room – 6:30 p.m. *(NOTE NEW TIME/PLACE)
March 25	FCMS Meeting – 6:30 p.m. – Room 16
March 30-April 10	Fifth Graders – Swimming at Arcata Pool

GIRL SCOUT BAKE SALE: Please support Freshwater Girl Scouts in the pursuit of their Bronze Award Project – creating pediatric care kits for local hospitals - and stop by their **Bake Sale on Tuesday, January 21, at Three Corners Market after school.** Any questions, please contact Jenny Reiske at 442-2969.

PARKING IN GYM LOT SPACES DURING AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM HOURS: The parking spots that are reserved for the After School Program pick-ups are being used by parents who are **NOT** picking up students from the ASP. Parents, please make sure to leave the After School Program parking spots that are located in the gym parking lot OPEN/AVAILABLE for parents who are picking up their students from the After School Program on Monday-Friday from 12:30-6:00 p.m. There is a sign there indicating which spots these are. All other parking spots, other than staff parking, are available for parents to park for regular pick-ups, gym events, performances, etc. Thank you!

NAMES ON PERSONAL ITEMS: Please help us by putting your child's name on personal items such as jackets, sweaters, sweatshirts, hats, lunchboxes, backpacks, etc. If these items are found outside on the playground, on benches, at daycare, etc., we will try to get them back to the students **IF THERE ARE NAMES ON THEM.**

OVERDUE LUNCH CHARGES: We still have many overdue lunch charges which need to be paid. Please contact Mrs. Mintey to see what your balance is and bring your payment into the office as soon as possible. Lunch charges must be paid in full prior to any further charging privileges. Thank you.

INDEPENDENT STUDY: When you know that your child(ren) will be missing 5 or more days of school, you have an option to request an Independent Study. Missing school can impact a child's learning as well as school funding. Requesting an Independent Study Packet can help keep students from falling behind on work and will also prevent the school from losing state funding. In order to request an Independent Study Packet, you must fill out the Independent Study Master Agreement **AT LEAST TWO DAYS PRIOR TO LEAVING** and it must be signed by the student, parent/guardian, teacher and principal. The work must be turned in on the day the student returns to school. If you have any questions, please contact the school office.

FRESHWATER SCIENCE FAIR: The Freshwater Science Fair is February 4, 2020, and it's time to contact former judges and recruit new ones! Community members and parents with a background or interest in science may judge. Judging will take place from 8:30 a.m. to around 12:00 Noon. We provide our judges with a continental breakfast of fruit, bagels, and Ramone's pastries as well as coffee, tea, and juice. Your commitment of time to judge is a way to show students we care about their education and we honor their work as well as a real in-depth look at the great work our students are doing. If you are interested, please complete the Call for Judges Flier sent home prior to the holidays or contact Mr. Haller at the school (442-2969) or through email at dhaller@freshwatersd.org

YEARBOOK NOTE: The Freshwater Yearbook is seeking photos of school field trips, parties, class activities, sports, and dolphin spirit. Also, 8th Grade parents please send a baby photo of your soon to be graduate, indicate the teacher, and send all photos to: yearbook@freshwatersd.org.

ABSENCES AT FRESHWATER SCHOOL: 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!

STUDENTS LEAVING FOR APPOINTMENTS DURING THE DAY: Please note that when it is necessary for you to take your child early from class for an appointment, it is our policy that **we will call your child to leave when you arrive in the office to sign him/her out.** When planning your pickup time, please remember that your child may enter and exit the classroom throughout the day for PE, Music, Recess, Buddies, etc., and may need extra time to return to his/her classroom to retrieve belongings and homework for the evening. Thank you for helping us to make this a smooth transition for your child and the office.

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.***

WEEKLY PARENT SUPPORT MEETINGS: Parent Support Meetings will be held again this year on **Tuesday mornings from 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m.** in Room 15 out by the Daycare Building. Student Support Services Provider, Audrey Shears, will be facilitating these meetings. Won't you please come and join us? Parent meetings are available by appointment also. Any questions, call Ms. Shears at 442-2969.

GARDEN COORDINATOR NEEDED: Freshwater School is looking for a new Garden Coordinator to help take over gardening activities in our Garden of the Dolphins. Please contact the front office if you are interested or would like more information. Thank you!

