



# Freshwater Weekly Bulletin

Monday, September 29, 2025

## Upcoming Events & Activities

September 29	Minimum Day – Dismissal at 1:30 p.m.
October 1	FEF Meeting – Meeting Room at 6:00 pm.
October 1, 2, 3	5th Graders to Wolf Creek Outdoor Camp
October 3	LEGO NIGHT – Auditorium – 6:00-7:30 p.m.
October 6	Minimum Day – Dismissal at 1:30 p.m.
October 13	Minimum Day – Dismissal at 1:30 p.m.
October 14	SCHOOL BOARD MEETING – Meeting Room – 6:00 p.m.
October 15	FCC Meeting – Meeting Room at 6:00 p.m.
October 16	INDIVIDUAL PICTURE RETAKE DAY – 8:30 to 10:30 a.m.

**FRESHWATER FALL FUNDRAISER NEWS:** During this past week, many families have jumped in to help out on our Fall Fundraiser by getting registered and sending support invitations to friends and family around the country...Thank you! We invite those of you who have not signed up to do so as soon as possible.

**\*\*\*LAST DAY FOR FALL FUNDRAISER: THURSDAY, OCTOBER 2, 2025\*\*\***

To reach, or exceed, our goal of \$8,000.00, we need EVERY student to register online and add at least 10 contacts. Each student that gets registered will be entered to win from over 1,000 different prizes including Apple Air Pods, MacBook Pros, Visa Gift Card, and more.

**GET REGISTERED NOW AT:** [FundPrizes.com](https://fundprizes.com)

Thank you for your support!

**FRESHWATER ATHLETICS FUNDRAISER:** Freshwater Athletics is having a fundraiser offering hoodies, t-shirts, warm-up shirts, and more. The gear features a new Freshwater Athletics logo with all the school's sports teams: Basketball, Soccer, Volleyball, and Track and Cross Country. Order online at: <https://freshwaterathletics.itemorder.com> Deadline to order is Sunday, October 5. Orders will be ready the week of November 3, just in time for girls' and boys' basketball season. Show your dolphin pride! Proceeds benefit the Freshwater Athletics program by helping fund uniforms, referee fees, tournament fees, and more.

## **TRICK-OR-TREAT STREET DATE CHANGED TO FRIDAY, OCTOBER 24:**

The Trick-or-Treat Street planning committee met last week and after considerable discussion, **it was decided to hold this popular event on Friday, October 24, from 6:00-7:30 p.m. at the school.** If you are interested in volunteering to help out with setup, working a shift at one of the trick-or-treat doors, cleaning up, or have any questions, please contact your Room Parent or email Katie Blair at [kblair81@gmail.com](mailto:kblair81@gmail.com).

**ENRICHMENT CLASSES:** Fall Enrichment classes are set to begin October 6. Check out all the fun that is in store for our students! If you have already registered, please be sure to check Bright Wheel for class placement and important information. ***Please reach out to Audrey Hildebrand or Katja Cragun-Rheders with any questions concerning Enrichment Classes at 707-442-3703.***

## **IMPORTANT NOTES FROM THE FRESHWATER OFFICE:**

1. If your child has an appointment in the morning and will be late coming in and your child wants a lunch, please call the office to let Mrs. Flores know. Lunch orders are submitted at 9:00 a.m. but if you call up until 10:00 a.m., we can contact the Cafeteria and Chef Cris can usually fill the order.
2. If you have a change of plans for your child for after school, please contact the office by 2:20 p.m. (Tues. through Fri.) and 1:00 p.m. on Mondays. We have 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Message Runners so that we do not have to interrupt the classrooms with multiple phone calls. Thank you for your help and cooperation.

**AN EXCITING PRESENTATION TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 30<sup>th</sup>:** The Freshwater Educational Foundation (FEF), together with our sponsor, Scurfield Electric, is excited to welcome Turtle Bay back to Freshwater! Students will have the chance to meet some of Turtle Bay's incredible animal ambassadors up close. You might see **Blossom, the striped skunk**, stroll by, or watch in awe as **Banshee the barn owl** glides silently overhead. Will our favorite jungle carpet python, **Daintree**, return for another visit? Or perhaps, we'll discover why the blue-tongued skunk is nicknamed Blueberry. It's always an engaging, educational, and fun experience with Sharon and her team, and they're looking forward to visiting one of their favorite schools again!

**HONOR ORFF YOUTH ENSEMBLE REMINDER:** All students interested in participating in the Honor Orff Youth Ensemble need to turn in their **applications no later than October 1.** If you need an application, please pick one up from Ms. Irene or in the school office.

**IT'S NOT TOO LATE:** If your child is interested in joining the chorus, it is not too late. Students must be in fourth through eighth grade and members will be required to attend practices on Wednesday and Friday each week from 7:45-8:20 a.m.

**SPIRIT DAYS** are every Friday this year! Order Freshwater spirit gear here!

<https://shop.verticalraise.com/shops/california/eureka/freshwater-elementary-school>

**NEW FRESHWATER SCHOOL FACEBOOK PAGE:** We just relaunched our school Facebook page since our old "Freshwater Dolphins" page is inaccessible due to changed terms of service. Please give Freshwater School a "follow" at our new Facebook page.

<https://www.facebook.com/freshwaterelementarySD>

**CLOTHES FOUND ON PLAYGROUNDS, IN GYMNASIUM, AND CLASSROOMS:** Our procedure will be a little different this year. Clothes will be taken to Good Will each week so it is imperative for the students or parents to check the racks each week for lost clothing. We just do not have the room, any longer, to keep all of these items on site. If student names are put inside their clothing, our maintenance staff will continue to return those items to the students. Thank you for your help!

**CROSS COUNTRY:** The 2025 Fall Cross Country season is open to all students. Practice times/dates TBA, and the track meets are **Tuesdays and Thursdays, NOW, through-October 16.** Students will be required to obtain a sports physical to participate. Contact Joy Engel at [joymengel@me.com](mailto:joymengel@me.com) 707-822-4329, with questions and opportunities to volunteer. See the official schedule on HRRAY.org

**FOCUSING ON ATTENDANCE:** This year, Freshwater School has a district wide goal to increase student attendance! We appreciate all that our Freshwater Families are doing to establish healthy routines at home that support regular school attendance for your child(ren). Having good attendance at school increases student success, well-being, and peer relations. We will be honoring good attendance at our monthly Spirit Assemblies by recognizing the two classes with the highest attendance rates. We encourage our Freshwater Families to continue to build the habit of regular attendance at home so our students learn that going to school on time, every day, is very important. Thank you for your support!

**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.***

**MANY INFORMATIONAL FLYERS/NOTES BEING SENT HOME WITH STUDENTS TODAY!** Please be sure to check backpacks and book bags today for several Important notes and flyers as well as the October Calendar and Lunch Menu. The first part of the month is when we have so many things to share with parents. If you have any questions in regards to any of the items you receive, please connect with the contact names on the notes/flyers or call the school office at (707) 442-2969.