

SUNRIDGE BULLETIN

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CALENDAR

Thursday, April 2, 7:00pm:

Class 6 meeting in Community Room

Tuesday, April 7-10:

Class 5 trip to Angelo Preserve

Tuesday, April 7, 6:30pm:

Parent Council meeting

Friday, April 10: **Early Release Day**

April 13 - 17:

School Closed for Spring Break

Monday, April 20, 6:00-7:30pm:

Class 5 parent evening

Tuesday, April 21, 6:00-7:00pm:

Class 4 meeting re: trip planning

Tuesday, April 21, 6:00-9:00pm:

Charter Council meeting

Friday, April 24:

**7th grade Explorers' Tournament
at Ragle Park**

Friday, April 24: **Class 5 play**

April 27- May 8: **STAR testing**

Fools for Spring

SunRidge's 1st grade is excited to be hosting the April Farmers' Market tomorrow at Ragle Park. There will be lots of food, games, crafts and a rummage sale. Back by popular demand, the Burrito Bonanza and Tic-Tac-Apple Toss. The Green Team reminds you to bring your own utensils. See you there, from 12 - 4pm.

The Auction is Coming!

Believe it or not, the auction opens 3 weeks from Friday. No, that is not an April fools joke! I'm hearing about lots of fun items that are in the works. There is still time to get all donations in. Please contact an auction team manager if you have questions or need help.

We will also need help after the auction closes to help get the items out to their new owners. Contact one of us for that as well.

There are some exciting things going up on the auction site everyday. Have you seen all the new stuff?

SunRidge.cmarket.com

Chris Dunia

Deanna Kempthorne

Nedra Berns

Fundraising Committee Update

Come join the new Facebook Group!

Well as we head into the home stretch leading to the start of the online auction we're going to need all hands on deck to ensure our success. Remember, there's an anonymous donor who will match whatever we can raise through the auction (up to \$25,000!)

Because this auction is online and we want to reach out to as wide a network as possible, I have created a SunRidge Facebook group. The primary purpose of the group, in the short term, will be to keep you updated on the auction, post small (and large) tasks for the auction and provide a hub for generating the online "buzz" that is going to make this event a smashing success!

But after the auction is over, this group has the potential to become another way of staying connected and building our community.

Yes, I realize it's a bit unWaldorfian, but as long as we don't let our children be part of the group we shouldn't get in too much trouble from the principal! :)

You can join the group here: <http://tinyurl.com/c8cxu3> (You will need to be a member of Facebook to join the group).

Here's to our success!

Edward Mills

Fundraising Committee Coordinator

Thank You 7th Grade Parents

During the month of March, faculty meeting lunches were lovingly prepared by parents of the 7th grade class. In these days of so little time to get things done, we so appreciate the gift of time (and \$) that goes into these nourishing gifts.

Garden Kitchen Needs

Our new garden kitchen needs two barn doors. If you have some or know of a source, please contact Bob Poole at 823-8324 or robtpoole@gmail.com

* Check our web site for the weekly bulletin, and many school forms:

<http://www.sunridgeschool.org/>

Ask the Green Team!

Dear GT,
 Can I bring my own container for bulk liquids at local stores?
 How do I end up not paying for the weight of my jar?

For sure! For more than just liquids too!
 Clean jars, bottles, recycled bags, cloth bags made from scrap material or already made cloth covers make great options for the dry bulk bins. Simply bring your containers to be weighed to either the cashiers or a department that has a clean scale (such as the cheese department). They can weigh the containers and give you the "tare weight" of the container(s).
 Tip: if you have multiple containers to weigh, have your list on a piece of paper ready to write the weights - and the PLU #! Simple, it just takes some forethought.

If YOU have a question for the green team, or would like to join, please send an email to Kenna at casalee-ribas@igc.org.

Basketball News from Mr. T

7th Grade

1st playoff game is This Friday, April 3rd - 7th grade plays at 3:45pm, location TBA after Wednesday's game. My guess, based on seeding and standings, is that we will play against Sonoma Charter's 7th grade or Summerfield. If we play Sonoma Charter, we may be traveling to a gym in Sonoma (maybe Presentation?), if it's Summerfield, it will be at the Community Church. This is a GUESS, based on standings at www.themssl.org <<http://www.themssl.org/>> .

I just looked again, and it looks like we'd be seeded 5th, putting us against Sonoma Charter on this Friday, but let's wait for Jeff, the league president, to confirm.

If we win Friday, we play next Tuesday versus St.Luke most likely (and most likely at St. Luke's), but once again these are just educated guesses right now.

If we win Tuesday, we play for the Championship Friday, April 10 @ 3:45pm at SCDS.

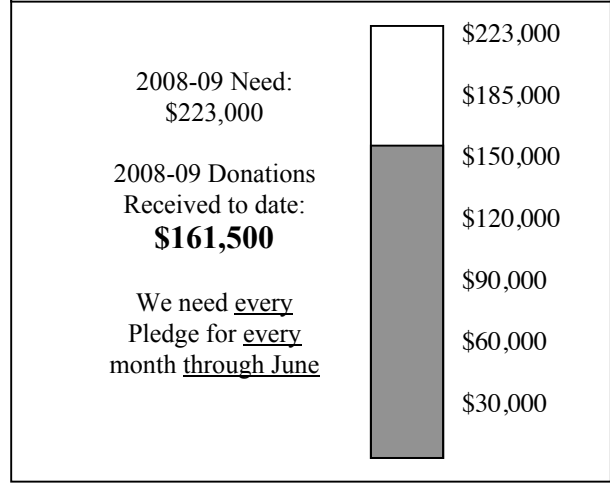
If we lose Tuesday, we MAY enter the consolation bracket and play Thursday - the brackets I got are unclear and need looking into. My guess is we play once, and may play RIGHT after for consolation championship if we win.

If we lose Friday, we play next Tuesday versus Harvest, Presentation, or SRC, maybe at Presentation or the Comm Church.;

If we win Tuesday, we play Thursday for the consolation championship.

If we lose Tuesday, we're done.

2008-09 Pledge Program Report



8th Grade

1st playoff game is Monday, March 30. My guess is we play Windsor Christian, maybe in Windsor.

If we win Monday, we play Wednesday in winner's bracket, maybe against MW Charter.

If we win Wednesday we play Friday at SCDS at 5pm for the championship.

If we lose Wednesday, we go into the consolation bracket side, and play Thursday once, maybe TWICE if we win, the bracket is unclear.

If we lose Monday, we play Wednesday in consolation bracket.

If we win, we play Thursday for the consolation championship.

If we lose, we're out.

All I know, other than what's above, is I'll be coaching like crazy next week - a game every day, and maybe two on Thursday or Friday. I guess there's even the crazy possibility that 7th and 8th win their first games, lose their second, and then win the rest. If that happens, I will have coached 4 games on Thursday - yikes!

March madness,

Dale

Community Events of Interest

“Educating Our Children—Changing the Future”

It is still possible to register for all workshops and all childcare options at the regional Waldorf parenting conference, “Educating Our Children—Changing the Future,” being held April 24-25 at Sacramento Waldorf School.

The conference will offer three-dozen workshops and bring together keynote speakers from various social impulses: **Shea Darian** (*Seven Times the Sun and Living Passages for the Whole Family*); **Lisa Bennett** of The Center for Ecoliteracy; **John Bloom** from Rudolf Steiner Foundation Social Finance; and **DeAnna L’am** (*Becoming Peers: Welcoming Girls into Womanhood*).

For a complete brochure and secure online registration, see www.waldorfinthehome.com <<http://www.waldorfinthehome.com/>> or call (303) 546-0070. The conference is organized by Rahima Baldwin Dancy at Informed Family Life.

Hot Lunches Made Easy

The March/April Hot Lunch order forms are available in the office and on the SunRidge website. Please fill it out and submit it along with your payment to the Office three days before any lunch you want, i.e. by Thursday for the Tuesday Hot Lunch and by Tuesday for the Friday Hot Lunch. Before submitting yours, please check with your child's teacher for field trip dates etc. as it is extremely time consuming to credit hot lunches onto a future date. If your student does not receive a Hot Lunch that you ordered, contact Jessica at 823-5572. The Class of 2011 thanks you for your order.

<http://www.sunridgeschool.org/forms.html>

Faculty Lunch Schedule

It is a much-appreciated tradition at SunRidge for the parent body to provide lunch for weekly faculty meetings every Thursday. River Cullen has done a fantastic job of nurturing and coordinating this effort. Thus far this year the faculty has enjoyed lunches prepared by grades 6, 4, 8, 1, 2, 3, and 7. The schedule for the remainder of the year is:

April	Class 5
May	Morningstar Kindergarten
June	Dragonfly Kindergarten

The Farmer’s Market Schedule for the rest of this year:

April 2 - 1st Grade
 May - Kindergarten
 June 10 - All school potluck

Spring Movement *from Mr. T*

As Spring arrives, I’d like to put a call out to the SunRidge community to take part in the multitude of May movement events. Below, I list the events for grades 5-8, and explain ways to involve yourself in them. It’s a great way to meet those community volunteer hours and spend quality time with your child and help other children in their class.

5th grade All-in-Peace Pentathlon at Summerfield – Friday, May 15th. Parents can help shepherd the city-state of Corinth through the events; can chronicle the event for the school bulletin; can help Mr. T with the judging of the discus or javelin (TBD). Please contact Angela Kindle or myself. (Cost is \$25 for medals, t-shirts and site prep – please get payment in soon – thank you!).

6th grade Mayacamas Medieval Tournament @ Cloverleaf Ranch in Santa Rosa – Friday, May 22nd. Parents can take the role of royalty (king, queen, noble court), jesters, heralds; of helping to get the site decorated and prepared for the day; and to act as a Guide, an important role for leading children from activity to activity and keeping tabs on their locations. This is our 1st annual event, and it promises to be loads of fun, and an important milestone/rite of passage for the students of the 6th grade from 5 different Waldorf charter schools – SunRidge, Sebastopol Independent Charter, River Oak of Ukiah, Stone Bridge of Napa, and Woodland Star of Sonoma.

Please contact Josie Martin or myself – I do have a more specific breakdown of volunteer roles and tasks. Of all the events, this is where I need the most parent help, and so far, at least 6 have offered to help – thank you! – and we need more, if possible. (Cost - \$25 per student, please get payment in soon – thank you!).

7th grade Explorers’ Day @ Ragle Ranch – Friday, April 24th. Parents can assist with scorekeeping the teams, setting up the running and orienteering routes, and hold/create the feeling of a journey of exploration and survival in a strange new land. (Cost is \$5 per student for materials and awards.)

8th grade MSSL Track Meet @ Bailey Field, Santa Rosa Junior College, Friday, May 8th. Parents are needed to help time running events, assist as chaperones and event helpers. (Cost is \$5 per student.)

Contact me with questions, offers, concerns, and miracles at movement@sunridgeschool.org or 591-1044. - Mr. T

And remember, our May Faire is Saturday, May 2nd! Mark your calendars, for the Green Man and the blessings of Spring cometh!

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