



“Come to the May Pole and haste away for ‘tis now a holiday!”

## **SunRidge School’s May Faire**

**Friday, May 3rd, 2019**

**10:15 AM to 12:30 PM**

Join the SunRidge community to celebrate the spring season on the upper field of the school. Students will gather in classrooms to make garlands while a community table will be available with flowers and garland to adorn anyone between 9:45 to 10:15. At 10:15, classes and families will gather to dance, eat lunch, and enjoy strawberry shortcake!

**Due to this being a school-organized event, school rules apply throughout the entire celebration. This includes walking in the halls, staying up on the field throughout the celebration, and leaving balls and other play equipment in the classrooms. Students will remain with their teacher throughout the May Faire and while eating lunch and shortcake. Parents are welcomed to picnic with any class. Underaged school children and babies should be supervised at all times within the eyesight and arm reach of a parent or guardian throughout the entire event to ensure the safety, respect, and well-being of all who attend. Please also refrain from cell phone and camera use during the event.**

**A special note for kindergarten parents about signing out their child(ren):**

**Parents can sign out their kindergarten child(ren) at 12:15 on the field through their kindergarten teacher. All kindergarten children not signed out by 12:30 will need to be collected from their perspective kindergarten rooms below and signed out there. Once a child has been signed out, the parent/guardian takes full responsibility for the child’s safety, whereabouts, and behavior.**

### **Schedule of Events**

8:30 to 10:00:

**Outside:** Set up and decorate. This includes setting up pop-up tents, putting out tables for the shortcake/garland, and arranging haybales and silk flags. Then comes the staging of the garland making table, the water station, and the sectioned off areas for the classes and community to sit. **A special note:** the garland table needs to be opened to the community by 9:45.

**In Classrooms:** Classes inside adorn garlands with flowers. Fifth grade preps the whipping cream, shortcakes, and strawberries in the kitchen while also decorating their garland crowns. Food helpers go to the kitchen at this time, too, to assist.

9:45 to 10:15:

Community and parents can begin to gather and create garlands for themselves and younger children. Some parent helpers for setup can help at the tables.

10:15: Classes gather with blankets, water bottles, and lunches on the field.

10:30: 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Procession with the May Queen and Green Man and Homeschool

10:45 to 12:00 Class Processions and Honorings

- Class Eight - Jumping Fire
- Kindergartens and Home School anoint the grounds with petals around the May Pole
- Class One - Weave Dance to “*Here’s a Branch of Snowy May*”
- Class Two - Weave Dance to “*De Colores*”
- Class Three - Dance of the Spider to “*Les Saluts*”
- Class Four - Barber Pole Dance to “*Korobushka*”
- Class Five - Gypsies’ Tent to “*Carnavalito*”
- Honoring Faculty
- Class Six - Traditional Moris Dance to “*Rigs O’ Marlow*”
- Class Seven - Traditional English Dance to “*Gathering Peascods*”
- SunRidge Faculty
- Community Dance



12:00 to 12:30: Lunch. **Students will eat their lunch with their class. Community, please bring your own lunch and eating utensils.**

12:15 to 12:45 Fifth grade will serve the shortcake and whipped cream alongside volunteer helpers.

**Please Note:**

- **One serving of shortcake, strawberries, and cream per person (no seconds).**
- **Kindergartens and Home School will be served shortcake and whipped cream by tray.**
- **Order of serving shortcake, cream and strawberries:**
  - **Classes 1 and 2**
  - **Classes 3 and 4**
  - **Classes 6, 7, and 8**
  - **Parents and Community Members**
  - **Class 5**
  - **Parents, Community Members, and Younger Siblings/Children**

12:45 to 1:15 – Recess

1:15 to 2:15 Clean up with middle school and volunteer help

What to Bring --

- Pack lunch for your child separate from your family's lunch (no lunch provided)
- Bring shade tents/pop-ups, lawn chairs, and/or blankets
- Bring blankets, own dishware, and utensils
- A basket of organic, clean strawberries **already sliced**
- Flowers and ivy for garlands

## A Request from the Green Man

Once the dancing's done, do you want to get up and move?

Any of the following activities are welcome and encouraged at our May Faire. They need to be done safely away from the seating area. What could you bring and do?

- Stilt walking – coffee cans, wooden, even painter's stilts
- Juggling flower/devil sticks
- Playing with Diabolos (aka Chinese yo-yos)
- Juggling beanbags
- Spinning plates
- Unicycling (on diamond)
- Spinning Poi
- Playing with Yo-yos
- Playing Jacks and marbles
- Hula hooping
- Bean bag toss
- Individual, pair and group acrobatics and tumbling on the grass
- SunRidge's wooden jenga tower set (see Mr. T)
- Bocce
- Bubbles and bubble wands

Please, no balls should come to this event. Those in class should remain inside the class for the day.

**If you'd like to be part of a roving band of performers, find that Green Man.**

*Warmly,*

*Mr. Green Man*

