



SFCS Weekly Bulletin

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BUS SERVICE SUSPENDED IN DECEMBER

Our bus driver Kelly is scheduled to begin her maternity leave on December 5th. To date, we have been unsuccessful at securing a driver to cover her leave due to a shortage of bus drivers in our area. We are looking for a parent/guardian from each bus stop to assist with coordinating car pooling through December 16. Please contact the office if you are willing to assist with this process or if you need a ride for your child starting December 5th. Our sincere apologies for the inconvenience this causes for families. We continue to look for a substitute bus driver and hope to have a trained substitute in place in January.

PARTYLITE FUNDRAISER

Thanks to Donna Harveston for coordinating the Partylite Fundraiser for SFCS! Order forms and information packets for the assortment of wonderfully scented candles were sent home before the Thanksgiving break. The candles have a burn time of 25-45 hours and make great holiday gifts. The school will receive 40% of the proceeds, so your participation is appreciated. All paperwork and money is due to the school office by Monday, December 5th. If you have questions, please call Donna at 966-2467.

CHRISTMAS TREE COCKTAIL PARTY FRI. 12/9

On Friday, December 9th, neighbor Rick Westfall and his family are graciously opening their home, decorated with over 20 uniquely themed Christmas trees, to celebrate the holidays with an adult-only cocktail party to benefit SFCS. The party starts at 6:30PM at 4817 School House Road. The suggested donation is \$20-\$30. The Westfall family is supplying all food and drink and donating 100% of the proceeds to SFCS. Questions? Call (209)742-6222.

SFCS HOLIDAY FOOD AND TOY DRIVE

The SFCS Holiday Food and Toy Drive, coordinated by Ms. Contreras' grade 7-8 students, continues through December 9th. Donations of non-perishable food items or new, unwrapped toys may be dropped off in our school office. Thanks again for any items you can contribute!

YOUTH BASKETBALL REGISTRATION

Mariposa Youth Basketball Registration for boys and girls in grades 3-6 is now open. A mandatory evaluation day will occur at MCHS Gym on Saturday, December 17th, 12:00-1:30pm for grades 3-4; 2:00-4:00pm for grades 5-6. (If you are unable to attend evaluation day, please contact Bob Jaekle at 209-966-7143 or bdevil15@mindspring.com as soon as possible.) The season will begin Saturday, January 7th and ends in mid March. All games are played on Saturdays in MCHS gym facilities. There is more information on the website: <http://www.mariposayouthbball.com/>.

SUCCESSFUL SPA DAY AT YOSEMITE BUG

Thanks to all who attended the Yosemite Bug "Spa Day" on November 19th. A good time was had by all! Over \$1,000 was raised for SFCS thanks to the generosity of Caroline McGrath and the Yosemite Bug staff.

SAVE THE DATE - WINTER PROGRAM ON 12/15

SFCS will be holding the Winter Program on Thursday, December 15th at 7PM. Students are working with their teachers to prepare performances you won't want to miss. We hope to see you there!

TWO HOUR DELAYS AND SNOW DAYS

If weather conditions ever warrant school starting late or a "no school" snow day, you will receive a phone call. Please make sure to update the office if your contact number changes. For late starts, the bus will run exactly two hours later than the regular schedule and students will line up to start their day at 10:25AM. Delays and snow days are aligned with MCUSD.

DATES TO REMEMBER

- *Every Monday:* Students released at 2PM
- 11/7 - 12/9: Holiday Food and Toy Drive
- Tues., 11/29: SFCS Board Mtg., 5PM
- Wed., 11/30-Fri., 12/2: Grades 5-8 NatureBridge Trip
- Mon., 12/5: Partylite Fundraiser orders due
- Fri., 12/9: Core Virtues Assembly, 1:30PM
- Fri., 12/9: Westfall Christmas Cocktail Party, 6:30PM
- Thurs., 12/15: Winter Program, 7PM

Home School Enrichment: Week of November 28th, 2016

Any questions? E-mail me steph@sierrafoothillcharterschool.org call me at 209-742-6222

28 Monday - Early Release

TK/K	11:40-2 pm	Lunch and Rotations: Garden, PE and Tech Rotation
1st/2nd	11:40-2 pm	Lunch, Service Learning, etc.

29 Tuesday

TK/K	11:40-1:30	Lunch and Music Instruction
1st/2nd	1:30-2:00	Music Instruction
5th/6th	11:40- 3:15	Lunch and Rotations: Garden, Tech, PE Rotation
7th/8th	11:40-3:15	Lunch and Service Learning
3rd-8th	12:35-3:15	Band: 12:35-1:05, Violin: 11:10-1:30, Guitar 1:35-1:55, Winds: 2:00-2:20, Brass: 2:25-2:45, Percussion: 2:50-3:10

30 Wednesday: Ms. Evans is helping in Yosemite with the 5th-8th Grade Field Trip

3rd/4th	10:00-11:40	Recess and Math Games
3rd/4th	11:40-3:15	Lunch and Rotations: Garden, Tech, PE Rotation
5th/6th	1:30-2:5	Service Learning

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2 Friday: Ms. Evans is helping in Yosemite with the 5th-8th Grade Field Trip

1st/2nd	11:40-3:15	Lunch and Rotations: Garden, Tech, PE and Yoga
3rd/4th	11:40-3:15	Lunch, Service Learning, Music and Yoga

Coming Up:

Sunday, Nov 27th, 12-2pm	Clean up and Light hanging at the Old School House with the Catheys Valley Historical Society
Sunday, Dec 4th, 4-5:30	Catheys Valley Historical Society presents, "Tree Lighting Ceremony at the Old School House"
Weds, Dec 14th, 12-3pm	Gift Making at the Old School House with Mariposa Homeschoolers
Tues, Feb 21st, 11am	Meet at the California State Railroad Museum in Sacramento, Go here for more information. Train ride at 1pm.

SFCS Blogs and Web Sites:

Subscribing to classroom blogs and websites is a great way to get ideas from what is happening at school.

- The Home School Blog: <http://sfcshomeschooling.wordpress.com/>
- Mrs. Stillwell's TK/K's blog: <http://kindergartenfuninroom1.blogspot.com/>
- Mrs. Baumann's 1st and 2nd grades' Website: <http://mrsbaumannscsnappages.com>
- Ms. Starchman's 3rd and 4th grades' blog: <https://starchmanroom3.wordpress.com>
- Ms. Miranda's 5th and 6th grades' Blog: msmirandas5thand6th.com
- Mrs. Contreras's 7th and 8th grades' Blog: <https://mscontreras7thand8th.wordpress.com>
- The SFCS Garden Blog <https://sfcs-garden.wordpress.com/> - all grade levels
- The SFCS Tech Blog: <https://sfcs-tech.wordpress.com/> - all grade levels