



SFCS Weekly Bulletin

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REUSABLE BAGS FOR SALE

Need a reusable bag for groceries or other items? We've got you covered! **Stop by the office and pick up one or more of your very own SFCS eco fabulous reusable bags for only \$5 each!**

VALENTINE'S DAY CELEBRATIONS

Many classrooms will be celebrating Valentine's Day on February 14th. Please look for information from teachers for information specific to your child(ren)'s classroom. Also, **please remember the SFCS health policy and do not send sugary treats to school.** If your child wishes to share more than a valentine, erasers, pencils, or stickers are enjoyed by kids. If your child needs a pack of valentines, we have extras available in the office.

CHILD PROTECTION UNIT FOR GRADES TK-4

Starting Wednesday, February 21st, a representative from Mariposa Safe Families will be teaching six weekly lessons from the *Second Step* Child Protection unit to students in grades TK-4. In this unit, students learn three types of safety: personal safety, touching safety, and assertiveness. A **Parent/Guardian Information Night to review the curriculum and hear about the unit is scheduled for this Tuesday, February 13th at 6PM in the Multi-purpose Room.** Childcare and dinner provided. The curriculum can also be reviewed by going online to secondstep.org using the following activation key: CPU3 FAMI LYG3.

Parents/guardians who do not wish to have their children participate in these lessons may opt to have them attend an alternate activity.

GREAT NEWS REGARDING PROP 51 FUNDING!

Proposition 51, passed by voters in 2016, is a \$9 billion school facilities improvement bond, with \$500 million set aside for charter schools. **We applied for these funds last spring and recently learned that SFCS received approval for \$1.2 million in matching funds.** To receive these funds, MCUSD must post matching funds with the state from the local school facilities bond passed in November 2016. We look forward to planning major facility improvements for our school site with MCUSD using the \$2.4 million in funding.

CHARTER SCHOOL FACTS

SFCS is a public school that is free and open to all students in TK-8. Many people are still unaware or confused about the important role charter public schools play in strengthening the public school system. SFCS offers the personal attention that kids need to learn because a "one-size-fits-all" approach doesn't work. Our school is made up of a passionate group of educators, parents/guardians, and community members that puts the needs of students first, not bureaucracy. We are a not-for-profit, publicly funded public school that is free to attend. SFCS is accountable to the families we serve, our charter school authorizer, and state and federal education laws. **During this open enrollment window, please help spread the word about our wonderful school. For more information, visit our school website and this link: <http://bit.ly/CharterFAQs>.**

EXPANDING YOUR HORIZONS CONFERENCE

UC Merced is hosting the 5th annual Expanding Your Horizons (EYH) conference to provide STEM opportunities to young women in grades 6-12. This free conference runs from 8AM-3PM on March 10th. Workshops include medical, robotics, computer science, and astronomy. It will be a day filled with fun learning activities and prizes with lunch, snacks, water and shirts provided. Use the following link to sign up: <http://bit.ly/EYHsignups>.

SIX FLAGS READ TO SUCCEED PROGRAM

Reading logs for the *Read to Succeed* program are due this Thursday, February 15th. Six Flags offers free tickets for gr. K-6 students who log 6 hours of recreational reading. Please contact Stephanie Evans (steph@sierrafoothillcharterschool.org) for a reading log or with any questions.

DATES TO REMEMBER

- *Every Monday - Early release at 2PM*
- **Tues., 2/13 - Child Protection Unit Information Night for Parents/Guardians, 6PM in Multi**
- **Fri., 2/16 & Mon., 2/19 - NO SCHOOL, Presidents' Day**
- **Wed., 4/11 - Open Enrollment and Re-enrollment window closes for the 2018-19 school year**



Home School Enrichment: Week of February 12th, 2018

Core Virtues for February: Honesty and Justice

12 Monday: Snowflake, the Snake, comes for a visit

TK/K	11:40-2pm	Lunch and Rotations: Garden, Tech and PE
1st/2nd	11:40-2pm	Lunch and Snowflake the Snake at 1pm
5th/6th	11:40-2pm	Lunch and Snowflake the Snake at 12:30
3rd-4th	1:30-2:00pm	A Visit from Snowflake, the Snake
7th/8th	11:40-2pm	Lunch and Snowflake, the Snake, at 1pm

13 Tuesday:

5th/6th	11:40-3:15	Lunch and Rotations: Garden, Tech, PE Rotation
5th-8th grades	Music	Various times, please contact me

14 Wednesday: Valentine's Day

3rd/4th	11:40-2:00	Lunch, Valentine's Exchange & Rotations: Garden, Tech, PE Rotation
1st/2nd	11:40-3:15	Valentine's Day Festivities
5th/6th	2:30-3:15	Valentine's Day Festivities

15 Thursday:

7th/8th	11:40-3:15	Lunch and Rotations: Garden, Tech and PE
5th/6th	11:40-3:15	Guest Speaker, Prof. Carolin Frank to discuss Gymnosperms/Angiosperms
1st-8th	1:10-1:40	Piano - Please see me if you are interested
TK/K	1:50-2:20	Music Lesson
1st/2nd	2:30-3:00	Music Lesson

16 Friday: No School, Happy President's Day!

1st/2nd	11:40-3:15	Lunch and Rotations: Garden, Tech and PE
5th-8th	2:30-3:00	Glee Club - a fun choir

Coming Up:

Tuesday, Feb 20	5th-8th grade Ag Expo at Mariposa Elementary, 8:30-1:30pm
Thursday, Feb 22nd	5th/6th Grade Ceramics Class begins, 1pm
Friday, February 23	Core Virtues Assmely and Fun Friday
Thursday, May 17th	Step back in time: Columbia Diggins, 1852, \$5 Suggested Donation

Click [here](#) for more information.