



SFCS Weekly Bulletin

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CHILI COOK-OFF FUNDRAISER THANKS

The Chili Cook-Off on April 14th raised \$8,002.36 for SFCS. Please see the attached list of folks to thank for contributing to the huge success of this special event.

ANNUAL STATE TESTING STARTS NEXT WEEK

The annual standardized State testing begins next week for gr. 3-4. Some things you can do to help your child are:

- Talk about the test with your child to encourage confidence and reduce anxiety.
- Take a practice test with your child (<http://www.caaspp.org/practice-and-training/index.html>).
- Make sure your child gets a good night's sleep and a nutritious breakfast before testing.

Thanks for your support!

BUTTERFLY FESTIVAL & PASEO DE MARIPOSA

SFCS thanks Terry Rozelle and The Butterfly Committee for once again providing caterpillars for our students so they can watch the life cycle and then set butterflies free. The annual Butterfly Festival is on May 5-6. **All kids under 18 years old are invited to participate in the Paseo de Mariposa races on May 5th for free** and receive a water bottle and t-shirt. Participants can join in the Butterfly Festival parade through town after the race. **Register using this link by May 2nd:** <https://runsignup.com/Race/CA/Mariposa/PaseoDeMariposa>

UC MERCED FIELD TRIP FOR GRADES 5 & 6

Ms. Miranda's class had a special learning opportunity on April 13th at U.C. Merced. Dr. Caroline Frank, along with two of her graduate students, planned a 3-part field trip which included many engaging activities. After a campus tour lead by two university students, Dr. Frank brought students to her research lab where they learned about DNA extraction, microbial symbiosis, Dr. Frank's specific research, and other interesting concepts. Students extracted DNA from a banana, strawberry, or blueberry. **The 5th and 6th graders loved experiencing a day in a life of a college student! A huge thank you to Dr. Frank for making this rare and exciting field trip possible!**

FLOWER POWER FUNDRAISER ENDS MAY 1st

Need Mother's Days gifts? Top quality bulbs and plants can be purchased and mailed directly to you. Our school will receive 50% of every purchase, and products are 100% guaranteed. Use **this link to shop:** <http://bit.ly/SFCSflowerpower>

The fundraiser ends on May 1st, so order now! You can feel good about increasing the beauty of home and community, while also supporting good cause.

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!**

TALENT SHOW COORDINATOR NEEDED

SFCS is looking for one or two volunteers to coordinate the annual Talent Show. Our students love this special event, so it is our hope we can find support to put on a show again this spring. The commitment would include leading tryouts, rehearsals, and assisting with parent communication. Please contact the office (209-742-6222) if you are interested.

REMINDERS ABOUT STUDENT MEALS

Students who are eating breakfast need to report to the Multi by 8:15AM so they can be done eating by the freeze bell. If your child will need a school lunch but is not present to order it in the morning, please call the office by 8:40AM to ensure a meal can be provided that day. **Please pack a healthy snack for the mid-morning recess.** For lunches brought from home, **please pack items that do not require significant adult help or utensils or other dishes from our kitchen.** Thank you!

DATES TO REMEMBER

- *Every Monday - Early release at 2PM*
- **Tues., 4/24 - SFCS Board Mtg., 4PM**
- **Fri., 4/27 - Core Virtues Assembly at 1:45PM, Spring Festival at 2:15PM**
- **State Testing schedule:**
 - **April 30 - May 4: Grades 3 and 4**
 - **May 7-11: Grades 5 and 6**
 - **May 14-18: Grades 7 and 8**



Home School Enrichment: Week of April 23rd, 2018

Core Virtues for April: Gentleness & Humility

23 Monday: Early Release at 2pm:

TK/K	11:40-2pm	Lunch and Rotations: Garden, Tech and PE
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24 Tuesday:

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

3rd/4th	11:40-2:00	Lunch, Rotations: Garden, Tech, PE Rotation
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26 Thursday:

5th/6th	11:40-3:15	Lunch, Ceramics Class begins at 12:30 pm. Please sign up with me.
TK/K	1:50-2:20	Music Lesson
1st/2nd	2:30-3:00	Music Lesson

27 Friday:

All Welcome	11:40-3:15	Lunch, Core Virtues Assembly and The Spring Festival
1st/2nd	11:40-3:15	Lunch and Rotations: Garden, Tech and PE

Coming Up:

3rd-8th State Testing in May [Here](#) is the link for practicing - Training Tests are to help students learn how to use the tools of testing, and Practice Tests give an idea of the content

Thursday, May 17th [Step back in time: Columbia Diggins, 1852, \\$5 Suggested Donation](#)
Click [here](#) for more information.

SFCS Links to Blogs, Web Sites and Curricular Connections:

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

- [The Home School Blog](#)
- [Mrs. Stillwell's TK/K's Blog and Curricular Connections](#)
- [Mrs. Baumann's 1st and 2nd grades' Website and Curricular Connections](#)
- [Ms. Starchman's 3rd and 4th grades' Blog and Curricular Connections](#)
- [Ms. Miranda's 5th and 6th grades' Blog and Curricular Connections](#)
- [Ms. Contreras's 7th and 8th grades' Blog and Curricular Connections](#)
- [The SFCS Garden Blog](#) - all grade levels
- [The SFCS Tech Blog](#) - all grade levels & [5-8th Grade Tech Exploration](#)



The SFCS Chili Cook-Off and Dessert Auction raised \$8,002.38!
Huge thanks to all who participated and to the following people and
businesses for their major contributions to the event!

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Carolin Frank
Jennifer Husky
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Kathy Leonard
KC McElligott
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The Alley
The Jespersons
Sysco Foods
Pioneer Market
J&D Foods
Creekside Nursery
High Country Health Foods Store
Ace Hardware
Yosemite Bug Rustic Mountain Resort