



SFCS Weekly Bulletin

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CHILI COOK-OFF FUNDRAISER ON APRIL 14TH

The SFCS Chili Cook-Off and Dessert Auction is this Saturday, April 14th from 4-7PM at The Alley (5027A Hwy 140). This family-friendly event is open to the public and will have prizes and live music by local band, "The Jespersens." Register chili and cornbread entries at <http://bit.ly/ChiliCook-offRegistration> or contact Amber Edwards at 209-769-7520 or aclassicedwards@gmail.com. Registration is required to receive the guidelines for the competition. Desserts for the auction are needed. Please contact Summer Vaziralli at summerlmann@gmail.com if you can donate a dessert. We hope to see you there!

CORE VIRTUES ASSEMBLY

Congratulations to the following students who were recognized at our recent assembly for exemplifying the Core Virtue of *Wonder* in March:

Kade Videgain (Ms. Stillwell)

Colin Jensen (Ms. Stillwell)

Eric Brown (Mrs. Baumann)

Ahsha Vaziralli (Mrs. Baumann)

Noah Eastwood (Ms. Starchman)

Rosie Neogy (Ms. Starchman)

Samuel Harveston (Ms. Miranda)

Andrayah Collins (Ms. Miranda)

Wyndham Evans (Ms. Contreras)

Sayer Harry (Ms. Contreras)

The Core Virtues for April are *Humility* and *Gentleness*.

JAZZ MUSICIAN VISITS SFCS

The Mariposa Symphony Orchestra brought trombonist and jazz musician, Dr. Thomas Ashworth, to the area for their Spring Concert. Dr. Ashworth generously offered to provide music programming to SFCS while he's in the area. So, today students in grades 3-8 will hear a performance and lecture on music in everyday life and an introduction to jazz and the trombone. Thank you, Dr. Ashworth and Mariposa County Arts Council! The annual Mariposa Symphony Orchestra Spring Concerts will be on April 14th at 7PM at Fiester Auditorium at Mariposa County High School and April 15th at 2PM at The Majestic Yosemite Hotel in Yosemite National Park.

ENROLLMENT WINDOW CLOSES THIS WEDNESDAY

For new and returning students, Enrollment Forms for the 2018/19 school year are due by 4PM this Wednesday, April 11th. Forms are available in the office and on the SFCS website (sierrafoothillcharterschool.org). We have received more forms for new students than available spots in some grade levels, so a public random lottery will be held on Friday, April 13th at 4PM in the Multi to determine which new students will be offered admission and where remaining students will be placed on grade level waiting lists. Members of the public are welcome to attend the lottery, but cannot interact in the process. To minimize the disruption, we ask that children not attend the lottery. A letter containing each child's lottery number has been sent to parents/guardians. Following the lottery, families will be notified of the lottery results by mail. If you have any questions, please contact the office at 209-742-6222.

FLOWER POWER FUNDRAISER FOR SFCS

SFCS is participating in the Flower Power Fundraiser where 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 and share the information with friends: <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.

CAASPP PARENT/GUARDIAN INFORMATION

Please see the letter for parents/guardians of grades 3-8 students attached to today's bulletin with information and resources regarding this year's statewide testing.

SCOLIOSIS SCREENING FOR GRADES 7 & 8

Students in grades 7-8 were screened for scoliosis on March 27th by Dr. Lisa Carisio. This screening is done annually. Parents/guardians were notified if a concern was noted. Thank you, Dr. Carisio!

DATES TO REMEMBER

- Wed., 4/11 - 2018/19 Enrollment Window Closes
- Fri., 4/13 - 2018/19 Enrollment Lottery, 4PM
- Sat., 4/14 - Chili Cook-Off at The Alley, 4-7PM

Home School Enrichment: Week of April 9th, 2018

Core Virtues for April: Gentleness & Humility

9 Monday: Early Release at 2pm:

TK/K	11:40-2pm	Lunch and Rotations: Garden, Tech and PE
3rd-8th grades	10-10:40	Jazz Musician Presentation in Multi

10 Tuesday:

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

11 Wednesday:

All HS Welcome	10:30-1:30	Wild Flower Wonder and Picnic with Ms. Korn
3rd/4th	11:40-2:00	Lunch, Rotations: Garden, Tech, PE Rotation

12 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

13 Friday:

5th-6th	9am-2:30	Field Trip: Science Activities at UC Merced
1st/2nd	11:40-3:15	Lunch and Rotations: Garden, Tech and PE

Coming Up:

Thursday, May 13th Tap 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](#)
- [Mrs. 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](#)



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Dear Grades 3-8 Parents/Guardians:

One way we measure student progress on academic standards is through the California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress (CAASPP). Students across California in grades 3–8 and high school take these assessments each spring. These tests were created specifically to gauge each student’s performance in English language arts/literacy (ELA), mathematics, and science.

Because CAASPP tests are given statewide, they provide an opportunity to measure the skills of all students against the same academic standards. Given online, the tests are computer-adaptive, allowing more precise measurement of individual skills. Results help identify gaps in knowledge or skills so your child can get the support needed to be successful in school. It’s important to remember that statewide tests cannot take the place of the hands-on learning that is taking place in our school. Class assignments and tests designed by your child’s teacher all play a part in gauging student achievement.

This year, your child will take the following tests, depending on his or her grade level:

- Smarter Balanced Summative Assessments for ELA and mathematics: 3rd-8th Grade
- The California Science Test (CAST): 5th & 8th Grade

To learn more about these tests, please go to the California Department of Education Parent Guides to Understanding Web page at <https://www.cde.ca.gov/ta/tg/ca/parentguidetounderstand.asp>. Practice and Training Tests can be found on the CAASPP Web Portal at <http://www.caaspp.org/practice-and-training/index.html>. Here, parents/guardians can experience the kinds of questions that students will encounter on the tests.

Students in applicable grade levels will participate in the California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress (CAASPP) except as exempted by law. Each year, a parent/guardian may submit a written request to excuse his or her child from any or all parts of the CAASPP assessments for that school year. If the parent/guardian submits the exemption request after testing begins, any test(s) completed before the request is submitted will be scored, and the results will be included in the student’s records and reported to the parent/guardian.

Our school testing schedule will be as follows:

April 30 - May 4: Grades 3 and 4

May 7-11: Grades 5 and 6

May 14-18: Grades 7 and 8

If you have any questions regarding your child’s participation in statewide assessments, please contact your child’s teacher or inquire in the school office.

Sincerely,




Mindy Bolar

Principal/Superintendent

MARIPOSA COUNTY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

K-8 Breakfast & Lunch Menu

APRIL 2018

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