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SCHOOL STORE FUNDRAISER

Information regarding SFCS's ongoing fundraiser, SchoolStore, was sent home last week. This fundraiser is an easy way to earn money for our school by shopping with over 400 merchants online over the next year. Students also have the opportunity to earn prizes of increasing value during this time. If you haven't done so already, please register your student's account by following the steps on the School Store envelope. We are excited to hear which family has the golden ticket worth \$100! Also, we are grateful that over \$2800 in gift cards for teachers has already been raised. Please contact the office with any questions.

OPEN ENROLLMENT & INTENT TO RE-ENROLL

The enrollment window for the 2020-2021 school year is now open. We ask that Intent to Re-enroll forms be completed and returned to the school office as soon as possible. If this form is not returned before the enrollment window closes, spots for next school year cannot be guaranteed. For new students, Intent to Enroll forms are available on the SFCS website

(sierrafoothillcharterschool.org) and in the office. If you have any questions, please contact the office at (209)742-6222.

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 community is made up of a passionate group of educators, parents/guardians, and community members that put the needs of students first. We are a not-for-profit, 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.

GREAT KINDNESS CHALLENGE WEEK

January 27-31 is Great Kindness Challenge Week, a global campaign to promote kindness in schools. SFCS students and staff are challenged to perform as many kind acts as possible this week. A checklist has been attached with ideas of kind acts. Please join your child in spreading kindness. Enjoy the positive difference you make!

STUDENT MEALS

All students are welcome to eat breakfast at school daily. Students who are eating breakfast need to report to the Multi no later than 8:15AM so that they can be done eating by the freeze bell. Also, the lunch count is taken first thing in the morning. If your child will need a school lunch but is not present when the lunch count is taken, please call the office before 8:45AM with your child's lunch order to ensure a meal can be provided that day.

10 BENEFITS OF READING ALOUD TO KIDS

There are so many benefits to reading aloud to children of all ages. Here are just a few:

- 1. Improves reading comprehension
- 2. Builds vocabulary
- 3. Promotes empathy
- 4. Reduces stress
- 5. Boosts brain development
- 6. Exposes children to different experiences
- 7. Helps to develop communications skills
- 8. Builds self-esteem
- 9. Deepens family connections
- 10. Increases chances of later success

DATES TO REMEMBER

- Every Monday Early release at 2PM
- Mon., Jan. 27 SFCS Board Meeting, 4PM
- Fri., Jan. 31- Core Virtues Assembly at 1:45PM and Fun Friday at 2:15PM
- Fri., Feb. 14 and Mon., Feb. 17 No School, Presidents Weekend
- Mon., April 6 Open Enrollment and Re-enrollment window closes for next school year



SFCS Home School Enrichment: Week of January 27, 2020

Core Virtue for January: Courage

Celebrating Kindness Week

27 Monday:

TK/K 11:40-2pm Lunch and Rotations: Garden, Spanish and PE

28 Tuesday:

5th/6th 11:40-3:15 Lunch, Rotations: Garden, Tech, PE Rotation

5th-8th 12:35-3:05 Music Classes: Band, New Instruments, Violin & Guitar,

please let me know if you are interested

29 Wednesday:

3rd/4th 11:40-3:15 Lunch, Garden, Spanish, and PE

30 Thursday:

7th/8th 11:40-3:15 Lunch and Rotations: Garden, Tech and P.E.

1st-8th 12:35-1:40 Piano Classes, please contact me if you are interested.

TK/K 1:50-2:20 Music Class 1st/2nd 2:35-3:00 Music Class

31 Friday:

1st/2nd 11:40-3:15 Lunch and Rotations: Garden, Spanish and PE All Welcome 11:40-3:15 Lunch, Core Virtues Assembly and Fun Friday.

Coming Up:

Friday, February 7th

The 100th Day of School. Here are some activities for all ages to help

celebrate and here is the same list in Black and White.

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.

- Academic Support and Academic Standards and Expectations from the SFCS Web Page
- The Home School Blog
- TK/K's Curricular Connections
- Mrs. Baumann's 1st and 2nd grades' Website and Curricular Connections
- Ms. Starchman's 3rd and 4th grades' Blog and Curricular Connections
- 5th and 6th <u>Curricular Connections</u>
- 7th and 8th grade Curricular Connections
- The SFCS Garden Blog all grade levels
- 5-8th Grade Tech Exploration

The Great SFCS Kindness Challenge

January 27-31 is the Great Kindness Challenge Week, a global campaign to promote kindness in schools. Our challenge is to perform as many kind acts as we can during the week. Using the checklist below, check off your kind acts as you go. You are encouraged to add your own on the back. Enjoy the positive difference you make!

☐ Smile at 25 people.	☐ Sit with a new group at lunch.	
☐ Slip a nice note in your friend's desk.	☐ Give a kind note to your teacher.	
☐ Compliment 5 people.	☐ Step up for someone in need.	
☐ Pick up 10 pieces of litter.	☐ Hold the door for someone.	
☐ Make a new friend.	☐ Pat yourself on the back.	
☐ Tell a joke to make someone laugh.	☐ Help someone who is hurt.	
☐ Eat a healthy snack.	☐ Bring a flower to someone.	
☐ Learn a new fact about your teacher.	☐ Be on time to school.	
☐ Draw a picture for someone.	☐ Help someone carry or pick up items.	
☐ Help a younger student.	☐ Clean up someone's trash.	
☐ Fist-bump or high-five a student.	☐ List 5 things you like about yourself.	
☐ Recycle your trash.	☐ Give up your spot in line.	
☐ Do a happy dance for someone.	☐ Push in someone's chair.	
☐ Make and give 3 thank you cards.	☐ Forgive someone who's hurt you.	
☐ Hide a dollar in a library book.	☐ Return play equipment.	
☐ Say "good morning" to 10 people.	☐ Read to someone.	
☐ Invite a new friend to play with you.	☐ Write nice sidewalk chalk messages.	
☐ Offer to help the custodian.	☐ Create your own good deed.	
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