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“We remember only the sunny days”

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Being a good parent is the most important job you can do, and it is a most rewarding experience.

Let's Bring Them Up Sensibly by Mae Carden

Spelling Bee

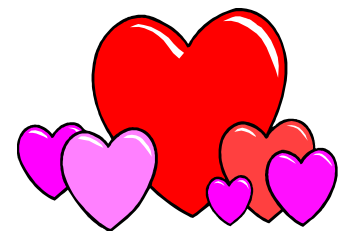
The annual Spelling Bee was held at school on Tuesday, January 13th. After competing in elimination rounds in the classrooms, top spellers in Grades 4 through 8 met together for the final rounds. Students correctly spelled such words as “paprika,” “benefactor,” “exuberant,” and “rhinoceros.” The final rounds included Max Bakerman (6th), Mariana Del Toro (7th), Nissim Ray (8th), and Molly Tucker (6th). We would like to congratulate our first place finisher, Mariana Del Toro and our runner-up, Nissim Ray. Mariana will go on to compete in the District Spelling Bee. Let's all wish her good luck.

Geography Bee

Miss Landry moderated the Geography Bee on Thursday, January 15th, in the school auditorium. Top geography students in Grades 5 through 8 competed to correctly answer questions about United States and world geography. After three rounds, most students had been eliminated. The final round included Emilie Helfand (7th), Ariana Maronde (5th), Nissim Ray (8th), Kendyll Ridgway (6th), Annie Schohl (6th), and Trent Warren (7th). We would like to congratulate the first place finisher, Nissim Ray and the runner up, Trent Warren. Nissim will advance to the regional competition. We wish you well.

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Happy Hearts

Warner Blackwood	Ariana Maronde
Annabelle Finefrock	Alette Ridgway
Evan Marnell	Joshua Roggin

Busy Bees

Camille Cohen	Jordyn Ehrlich
Gabriella Costin	Hamilton Finefrock
Ajay Culhane	Michael Mandato
Madison Demijohn	Brianna Oard
Megan Demijohn	Megan Tchejeyan

Sports Awards

Sportsmanship:	Leadership:
Lily Johns	Zachary Bakerman
Neel Roy	Gabriella Costin

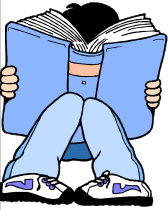


CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Mrs. Culbert's Grade One Class Play – Thursday, February 5th

Mrs. Culbert's Grade One Class will be performing "A Valentine Rhyme" by Mae Carden, in the auditorium starting at 8:30 am. Parents, Grandparents, and siblings are invited to enjoy the dramatic performance. After the play, parents are invited to the classroom to enjoy refreshments and to view their child's class work.

Annual Book Fair – Saturday, February 7th



The book fair will be held on Saturday February 7th from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm at the **Westlake Barnes & Noble** bookstore. This is a wonderful opportunity to celebrate in the joy of reading. Barnes & Noble rebates 20% of Carden family book purchases to be used to purchase teacher requested books.

Mrs. Sharma's & Mrs. Banks' Grade Five Class Play – Thursday, February 12th

On Thursday morning at 8:30 am, Mrs. Sharma's & Mrs. Banks' Grade Five Class will be performing "Tales from the Arabian Nights" in the auditorium.

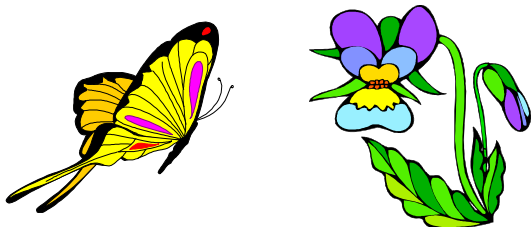
Themed Assembly – Friday, February 13th

All classes will be presenting contributions to honor our Presidents starting at 8:30 am.

Valentine's Day Parties – Friday, February 13th

In the afternoon, each class will be having Valentine parties in their classrooms. Please be sure that your child brings valentines for all of their classmates. We would not like to see a child being left out. Room parents are encouraged to keep the refreshments simple and candy to a minimum.

Presidents' Day Holiday – Monday, February 16th
NO SCHOOL.



"Wear What We Want Wednesday" – Wednesday, February 18th

For a \$5.00 donation to a worthy cause selected by the CCPA, your child may toss aside the school uniform for a day and wear appropriate "free dress."

Ms. Eustis' Grade Seven and Eight Classes Play – Thursday, February 19th

On Thursday morning at 8:30 am, Ms. Eustis' Grade Seven and Eight Classes will be performing excerpts from "A Mid-Summer Night's Dream" in the auditorium.

Mid-Winter Dance – Friday, February 20th

The Mid-Winter Dance for students in Grades 6, 7 and 8 will be held in the auditorium. This event is semi-formal; boys are expected to wear a suit, a jacket & tie or their Friday uniform. The girls should wear party dresses. The dance commences at 12:30 pm and will finish at 3:30 pm.

Mrs. Bashardoust and Miss David's Pre- Kindergarten Play – Thursday, February 26th

On Thursday morning at 9:45 am, Mrs. Bashardoust and Miss David's Pre-Kindergarten classes will be performing "The Rainbow Fish" in the auditorium.

Progress Reports Mailed – Friday, February 27th

Progress Reports will be mailed on Friday, February 27th. There should be plenty of time in March for students to make up for missing work or to prepare for tests to bring their grades up before the 3rd Quarter report cards are sent.

Student Re-Enrollment for 2009—2010

Soon we will be mailing out the new enrollment contracts to current Carden Conejo families for the 2009-2010 school year. Please be sure to return your contract along with the enrollment fee by Friday, February 20th. This will secure a place for your child in next year's class before we consider admitting new students.