

THE SUNDIAL



“We remember only the sunny days”

The aim of education should not be the acquisition of data. The aim is the mental, emotional, physical, and social development of each child.

Quality Teaching ~ Successful Learning

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Family Contra Dance

Students, their families, and friends are invited to attend the family “Contra Dance” to benefit “Plug in America.” The dance will be held on **Saturday, March 7th from 7:00—9:30 pm**, in the school auditorium. The dances are fun and very easy to learn for people of all ages. Make sure to wear comfortable clothing and shoes.

Meet and dance with people featured in the movie “Who Killed the Electric Car.” See the new all-electric sports car, the Tesla Roadster! Suggested \$5.00 donation per family.



Scholarship Applications

If you are interested in applying for a scholarship for next year, please come by the school office and ask for an application. Completed applications will be accepted back in the office until Friday, May 1st. All application materials are held in strict confidence. Scholarship requests are considered by a committee and are awarded on the basis of need, academics, and promise.

Spring Break

Our spring break begins on Friday, April 3rd with our Noon dismissal. Classes will reconvene on Monday, April 20th.

Stay tuned for details about camps during Spring Break for students. Miss David's Little Cubs' Camp for children in Pre-School or Pre-Kindergarten is very popular.

Ms. Dobrowski will also be hosting a Science camp for elementary school students.

PLEASE NOTE

Science Club

The Carden Conejo School Science Club provides an opportunity for students in Grades five, six, seven, and eight to enjoy learning about science outside of the classroom setting. Our goals are to develop leadership, responsibility, and scientific awareness. The activities of the club are coordinated by an Executive Committee of elected officers as follows:

President—Nissim Ray (8th)

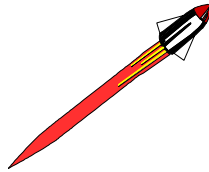
Vice President—Trent Warren (7th)

Vice President—Emilie Helfand (7th)

Secretary—Aaron Beckman (5th)

Publicists—Evan DeLong (6th) and Max Bakerman (6th)

Sponsor—Mr. Fleming



The Book Faire

Thank you Mrs. Paige Nicholson and Mrs. Karen D'Atri and their committee for making the Book Faire a great success. There were so many Carden families enjoying the event at Barnes & Noble. As a result of the books purchased at this event, our classrooms will receive many new books to enhance their libraries. Thank you to Mrs. Smith and Mrs. Love for reading to the children. Thank you also to Ms. Murphy and Mrs. Echevarria for their students' dance and choir performances.



Student Council

Our students in Grades 5—8 participate in the Student Council by taking responsibility for organizing activities at the school. Our goals are to learn leadership skills, to take responsibility and to promote democracy.

Traffic Safety

Please follow the drop-off and pick-up rules to help keep our children safe.

Please do not use your cellphone while driving near the school. Please make sure to come to a complete stop at the stop sign and do not make U-turns on Silver Spring or on Evenstar. If you park at drop-off, please

walk your child to a teacher to greet them. If parking across the street, please use the crosswalk. Please do not stop your car in the crosswalk while waiting in the drop-off or pick-up line. On Fridays for Assembly, you may go directly to the basketball courts, to be greeted by a teacher and then park there. Thank you for your patience.



Happy Hearts

James Anders	Malan Koplun
Zachary Bakerman	Lauren Nicholson
Daniel Butler	Ronit Semler
Nicholas George	Ryan Torigian
Joseph Gunnarsson	Grant Uberstine



Busy Bees

Daniel Cashdan	Daryn Mink
Olivia Chambers	Isabella Montiel
Rebecca Danese	Margaret Rouse
Alyssa Davis	Kevin Stubbings
Baran Farhang	Keira Thorgusen
Rustin Fiouzi	Lauren Weeks
Max Harris	



Sports Awards

Sportsmanship:
Ajay Culhane
Jordyn Ehrlich

Leadership:
Molly Tucker
David Wuertz



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Progress Reports Mailed – Friday, February 27th

Progress Reports will be mailed on Friday, February 27th. Students have 4 weeks to make up for missing work or to prepare for tests to bring their grades up before the 3rd Quarter report cards are sent.

Mrs. Minihan's Grade Four Class Play – Thursday, March 5th

On Thursday morning at 8:30 am, Mrs. Minihan's Grade Four Class will be performing "California Missions and More" in the auditorium. 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.

Bear Day – Friday, March 13th

Mrs. Fleming's childhood bear named "Flat Face" will spend the day in the auditorium. Please bring your favorite stuffed bear to spend the day with him.



New Student Testing Day – Saturday, March 7th

New students (K-8th), applying to attend Carden Conejo School, will participate in academic testing in the classrooms.

Family Contra Dance – Saturday, March 7th

There will be a Family Contra Dance in the school auditorium on Saturday from 7:00 to 9:30 pm. Students, their families, and friends are invited to enjoy these dances that are fun and easy to learn. Make sure you wear comfortable clothing and shoes. Mrs. Bonnie Tucker will be "calling" the dances. There will be a live band that will include Molly Tucker (6th) and Mr. Paul McCallum.

Daylight Savings Time begins on Sunday, March 8th

Grade Eight Students Leave for Europe – Wednesday, March 11th

Please wish our Grade Eight students "Bon Voyage" as they depart on their adventure in Europe. They will be visiting Venice and Florence, Italy, the French Riviera, Paris, France, and Amsterdam, the Netherlands. They will enjoy soaking up the local culture and practicing their spoken French.

Mrs. Madison's and Mrs. Love's Pre-Kindergarten Class Play – Thursday, March 12th

On Thursday morning at 9:45 am, Mrs. Madison's and Mrs. Love's Pre-Kindergarten classes will be performing "The Little Red Hen" by Miss Mae Carden, in the auditorium. 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.

Grade Seven Students Leave for Washington, D.C. – Sunday, March 22nd

The Grade Seven students travel to Washington, D.C. for a five-day tour of our nation's capital and the historic sites in Williamsburg, Jamestown Island, Arlington National Cemetery, and Mount Vernon. This will be a wonderful opportunity for the students to enrich their classroom history lessons.

Mrs. Butler's Grade Two Class Play – Thursday, March 26th

On Thursday morning at 8:30 am, Mrs. Butler's Grade Two Class will be performing "Once Upon a Mattress" in the auditorium. 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.

Report Cards Mailed – Friday, March 27th

Report Cards for the 3rd Quarter will be mailed home.

