

HAWKtalk

HIGHLAND OAKS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL'S WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

January 20, 2010

Upcoming Events at Highland Oaks

- Jan. 11-22 Can You Help?
- Jan. 21 Family Reading Night, 6-7 pm, Library
Developing Young Capable People Parenting Series, 7-9 pm, MPR
- Feb. 3 Hawk Walk
- Feb. 5 Family Fun Night: Disco Bingo



Hawk Walk 2010 is set for Feb. 3rd!

Highland Oaks Hawks get out your walking shoes because the Hawk Walk is coming! Look for your pledge envelope in this Wednesday's folder. The Hawk Walk is a walk/run-a-thon fundraiser which will be held on Wednesday, February 3rd. Money raised from the Hawk Walk will be used to provide enhancement and enrichment of student learning through field trips and technology support. Adults are needed to help on the day of the event. Please contact your room representative for more information or email cathycuellar@msn.com.

Kindergarten Enrollment

Beginning March 1st:

Registration packets available for incoming kindergarten students with siblings currently in attendance

Beginning March 15th:

Registration packets available for new families

You can obtain a registration packet from any elementary school site or the District Office.

HOPTSA President Posting

With construction work on Santa Anita, I want to remind everyone of some very important traffic safety rules. First of all, be patient and courteous. Stay relaxed. Leave home at least five minutes earlier than usual to make up for congested traffic due to the street work. Please, stay off your cell phones!!! This is the law, and it is absolutely essential to safeguard our children and may save you the headache of a ticket or a fender-bender. Make sure you park within 18 inches of the curb when dropping off your children. They need to exit the car on the safe side, along the sidewalk, and not into the street. I would encourage you to park and walk your children to school. This only takes an extra five minutes of your time, and can make all the difference in our children's safety. When using the car line, stay close to the curb so cars can pass the line on the left. Have your children's backpacks in the car with them, not in the trunk! They need to be able to exit the car quickly to keep the line moving. Thank you for all your efforts to ensure our children's safety! If you have any suggestions or concerns about traffic around the school, please contact me.

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Scrip of the Week 

Home Depot

4% of your purchase comes back to Highland Oaks, Offered in increments of \$500 (with advance order), \$100, & \$25.
See Mrs. Barrett in the office to order SCRIP.



SCALE MOUNTAINS, SAIL WITH PIRATE BUNNIES & HEAR INCREDIBLE STORIES AT FAMILY READING NIGHT



Come listen to "Tales of Adventure!" at Family Reading Night from **6 to 7 pm, Thursday, January 21st**, in the library.

For younger kids:

Mrs. Hargrave shares the soggy saga of "*Henry and the Buccaneer Bunnies*," and Mrs. Britt reveals what happens when Humpty Dumpty takes over the school in "*Miss Smith's Incredible Storybook*."

For older kids:

Reading from the novel "*Peak*," Ms. Murphy invites us to "learn what it takes to scale the buildings of New York City and the tallest peaks on earth by meeting a 14-year-old boy who is determined to be the youngest person to climb Mt. Everest, taking risks beyond what he ever thought was imaginable."

Students can also make paper-bag puppets, complete AR tests and explore the library. We'll have prize drawings at the end of the evening.

Questions: Clark Stevens and Karen Wada, 626-355-7869 or kjwada@netscape.net



Can You Help? Off to a Great Start!

In the first week of Can You Help?, our generous Highland Oaks community donated about 175 cans of chili with meat and ravioli with meat! Cans have been delivered and will continue to be delivered to the Arcadia Welfare and Thrift on a daily basis so that they can provide for the 80 homeless or less fortunate individuals they serve. Thanks to your generosity, we have collected a wonderful assortment of essential items (travel-size toiletries and granola bars) for the homeless. These items will be sorted on the last day of our Can You Help? food drive and packaged into individual "take-care" Ziploc gallon-sized bags. As of last Friday, there has been an outpouring of regular or travel-size toothpaste tubes (79!) and 75 granola bars along with toothbrushes (21), travel-size Kleenex (18), soap (23) and hand sanitizer (9), etc! Currently, we have yet to collect any water bottles, and we are low on toothbrushes and deodorant/soap. It would be greatly appreciated if this week our community can focus on providing these items in addition to continuing to donate the chili with meat and ravioli with meat peel-top cans. Thanks for your support, and if you have any questions about the Can You Help? food drive, please contact me at lauradavidson2000@yahoo.com.

