

October 5, 2011

Upcoming Events at Highland Oaks

Sept. 15 – Dec. 15 Fresh & Easy Fundraiser

Oct. 10 *Adventures in Writing; Grades 3-5; 6:30–7:30pm; MPR*

Oct. 17 Deadline for Reflections submissions; 3 pm

Oct. 21 *No School; Professional Development Day*

Oct. 24 *No School; Furlough Day*

Oct. 25 – 28 Red Ribbon Week

Oct. 27 Family Reading Night, 5:30-7:30pm; MPR



Beginning October 11, in addition to our regular school library hours, students and parents will have the opportunity to return and borrow books.

Our fabulous library will be open to serve you as follows:

Tuesdays 2:35 - 3:10 PM
Thursdays 2:35 - 3:10 PM

Please note, due to the fact this program is run by volunteers, Accelerated Reader (AR) tests may NOT be taken during this time. Food and drinks are not allowed in the library. Thank you for your support and cooperation.

Please direct any questions to Nancy Ang at 836-2060 or nancyny18@hotmail.com

**Adventures in Writing:
A Family Writing Night*
For Parents and Children in Grades 3 – 5
Monday October 10, 2011 – 6:30 – 7:30 p.m.
Multi-Purpose Room**

- Parents, along with their children, will have a hands-on experience learning about the 6 traits of writing.
- Parents will become familiar with some of the ways in which their student is learning writing.
- Families will also be given resources that can be used to practice writing at home.

Flyers will be sent home in the students' Wednesday folders. Please return the tear-off form to the office to reserve your spot.

* Adventures in Writing is sponsored by Highland Oaks School and is not a PTSA event.

HOPTSA President Posting

October is shaping up to be an exciting month! Our Friends of the Library will be working soon to allow you to use the school library from 2:15 - 3:00pm on Tuesdays and Thursdays, Rockin' Recess is enriching recess for 1st - 3rd graders, Family Reading Night is coming soon, and preparations are underway for the start of Foundations In Art. Also be on the look-out for Red Ribbon Week, encouraging our children to live healthy, drug-free lives, running from October 25th - 28th.

October will be packed with fun and educational programs thanks to all our PTSA volunteers and your support! Thank you to all the families who have thus far contributed to our Direct Donation fundraiser. Your contributions fund programs such as the ones listed above.

It's going to be a great month! As always, please contact me with any questions or concerns.

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Please keep those Fresh & Easy receipts coming. For every \$20.00 spent in any of their stores between **Sept. 15th and December 31st**, Fresh & Easy will donate \$1.00 to our school. Please send in all of your receipts with a value of \$20.00 or more. There is a collection box in the office.

Shanila Umerani at shanila3@gmail.com



PTA REFLECTIONS
40 Years of Achievement in the Arts



Did you know that there are two ways for your child to participate in the PTA Reflections Program? One is the creative way. If your child likes to draw or paint, dance, write stories, write music, make movies, or take pictures, he or she can create an original work inspired by this year's theme: **"Diversity Means..."**

Another way to participate is by thinking of a theme and submitting it for consideration for the year 2013 – 2014. The student who submits the winning inspirational theme will earn a \$100.00 prize.

Remember, the deadline for all entries is on October 17th at 3:00 p.m. For more information, please contact Nicole Reed at reednicole314@gmail.com or Maita Frame at maita_c@yahoo.com.

FAMILY READING NIGHT

Spooky Stories

Thursday, Oct 27

5:30pm - 7:30pm in the MPR



Come in your Halloween Costume
Families bring own Picnic Dinner
...celebrate, chat & dine with other HO families



Guest Readers:

Mrs. Felippa (K-2)
Mrs. Kitteringham (3 - 5)



Group Reading Sessions
Crafts & Reading Activities
Take Accelerated Reader Tests
Stickers, Prize drawings for books

Group reading
sessions promptly
start at **6:15**
K - 2: Library
3 - 5: MPR

Browse & check out books
Meet our Librarian, *Mrs. Johnson*,
and our Computer Teacher, *Mrs. Novak*

Questions? Please contact Sheila Arasawa 626.230.5321 arasawa@earthlink.net

DID YOU KNOW?



The Arcadia Child Health Council, a local, independent non-profit agency, was organized in 1937, during the Depression, to meet the health needs of Arcadia's children from limited income families. It continues to offer this help today, assisting with access to needed health care, on a round-the-clock basis, to children who live within or attend school in the Arcadia Unified School District. Treatments include medical exams, surgery, dental, optical and pharmacy needs, counseling, lab work, hospitalization, and more.

The Arcadia PTAs, community service clubs and private donations provide financial support for the Arcadia Child Health Council. Additionally, Arcadia Methodist Hospital and many local doctors, dentists, therapists and pharmacists donate or offer their services at substantially lower rates. All donations to the ACHC are tax deductible, and are guaranteed to be used to help a child who might otherwise go without treatment.

If you, or a family you know would benefit from this service, please contact the office at (626) 701-0044, or email to achcouncil@gmail.com and leave a message. All calls and subsequent treatments are completely confidential.