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ACADEMIC TALENT SEARCH TEST

Sacramento State's Academic Talent Search (ATS) will once again be offer challenging and unique summer enrichment classes at the Sacramento State campus to qualified students who are currently in the grades 4-8. ATS provides advanced classed to high achieving students who desire additional academic challenges.

The qualifying exam will take place at the school on Thursday, February 7th at 1:00 pm. Test sign up forms will be available in the office and are due back Friday, February 1st. There is a \$15 fee to take the exam. The test are scored at Sacramento State and results will be mailed to students' homes. If you have any questions, please contact Sandi Kasting at 346-2153 ext. 213 or sandik@chicagoparkschool.org.

PERTUSSIS IMMUNIZATION

All students entering the 7th grade for the 2013/14 school year are required to turn in proof of a pertussis booster, also known as TDap, prior to the first day of school. Any student that does not meet this state mandate will be excluded from attendance; therefore we are asking parents to obtain the pertussis booster before May 4th. If you have any questions, please call the school office at 346-2153.

ANNUAL YOUTH CRIBBAGE TOURNAMENT

Saturday, February 23rd, marks the date for the 20th Annual Sierra Youth Cribbage Tournament, organized and hosted by Mr. Zeisler. This event is the longest running and best-attended youth cribbage tournament in the United States! If you know a child up to 18 years of age, who understands the basic concepts of cribbage in 30 minutes or less, stop by the school office for a detailed flyer about the tournament. If you can't stop by, give us a call at 346-2153 and we'll be happy to mail or fax one to you.

2ND TRIMESTER DONATION REQUEST

The second trimester is halfway over; if your child participates in GATE, the music program or in fall/winter sports, and you are able to make the suggested \$50 a trimester donation, please do so now. If you have already sent your second trimester contribution, thank you. With all of the state budget cuts to schools your donation helps keep these programs sustainable.

PROGRESS REPORTS

Progress Reports for six-week grades are being mailed home today for students in the 4th – 8th grades with a C- or below, in one or more subjects. To keep up to date with all of your child's grades you may go to <https://homeaccess.njuhsd.com/homeaccess/>. If you have questions regarding Home Access or need a new password, please call the school office at the 346-2153. Please contact the office or your child's teacher if you would like to schedule a teacher/parent conference.

STUDENT OF THE MONTH

Congratulations to December's Students of the Month!

K – David Pare; Austen Ruddy

1st – River Roach

2nd – Kaleb Angin; Yuba Roach

3rd – Mia McKnight

4th – Eliza McGinnis; Jack Menig;

Wyatt Neves

5th – Logan Grimes

Academy Leadership– Sheriane Greene;
Dakota Matthews

FARM TO SCHOOL

Hi, my name is Michele Krause. I am the liaison for a program called Farm to School. This means the Garden Cart will be returning this spring. When the Garden Cart opens we will be looking for donations of extra produce from your gardens in order to supply fresh fruit and vegetables for our school community. Along with getting to taste new/different varieties of produce, students will be introduced to farms and how they work. A field trip is being scheduled for grades 3 and 6 to a local farm.

Each month a new type of produce will be introduced to your child. This month's produce is the **mandarin**. If you have any questions or would like to donate produce to the garden cart, please contact me at either of the following: (530)-401-1302 or ibore4@gmail.com. Thanks and hope to see you soon!

SURVEY COMING

The Site Council/Charter Advisory Committee has put together a detailed survey to find out your opinion about our school. It will be coming out in early February. Please keep a close look out in your Friday Folder for this important document and be sure to complete it in a timely manner. Your opinion is very important!



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PHOTOGRAPHY CLASS FOR ADULTS

Chicago Park is excited to offer a ten-week digital photography class for adults on Wednesday evenings beginning February 6th. A detailed flyer with more information is available in the office and will be soon posted on our website. The class is being taught by professional local photographer, Julie Sundal. The cost of the class is \$70. If you are interested, register soon as the class is limited to 12 people.

SCHOOL SAFETY

To make sure we are as prepared as possible to handle emergency situations on campus, a lockdown drill was practiced at school earlier this week. Chicago Park School District recognizes the importance of school safety as a top priority and will continue to be focused on the well-being of your children at all times. Our efforts include:

- Scheduled lockdown, fire and earthquake drills
- Food and water supplies in each classroom
- Materials to provide a makeshift restroom in each classroom
- Monthly meetings by the safety committee
- Updating our school safety plan using FEMA guidelines. The plan is scheduled to be completed by June 2013

CLASSICAL MUSIC PROGRAM

Week of: January 14 – 18

Composer: Mozart

Piece: The Marriage of Figaro Overture

Week of: January 22 – 25

Composer: Bach

Piece: Invention No. 14

JANUARY CALENDAR

11 – **Progress Reports**

21 – **MLK Day No School**

17 – **Board Meeting 4:30**

23 – **Boys' Bball vs YRC at Mt. St. Marys 4:00**

25 – **Student of the Month 8:45**

26 – **e-Waste 9:00 am – 1:00 pm**

28 – **Boys' Bball vs GVC at Ready Springs 4:00**

29 – **Boys' Bball vs NCSA at Chicago Park 5:15**

30 – **Boys' Bball vs. MSM at Chicago Park 5:15**

JANUARY GEOGRAPHY CHALLENGE

The Geography Challenge has come to Chicago Park! All students are welcome to participate. Simply have them write their name, teacher, and answer on a piece of binder paper and deliver it to the Principal's box by **Friday, January 18th**. Families may work with their children to solve these puzzles. All names of students with correct answers will be placed in a jar, and a lucky winner from each grade category will receive a small prize if their name is chosen at the Student of the Month assembly. Happy solving and good luck!

- K-1 – List two ways a person could travel from California to Hawaii. Now list two different ways a person could travel from California to Alaska.
- 2-3 – It is noon in Denver, CO. What time is it in Boston, MA? San Francisco, CA? and Clagary, CAN? (Be sure to include a.m. or p.m. in your answers.)
- 4-8 – Which states house these famous landmarks: The Alamo? The Everglades? Gettysburg Battlefield? Mount Hood?

PTA CORNER

SAVE THE DATE

Jan 14th: General PTA Meeting 6:30 PM @

Pizza Factory in Colfax

Jan 26th: eWaste Event @ School 9AM-1PM

E-WASTE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!!!!

The Chicago Park PTA has partnered with the local 4H to sponsor an e-Waste this month. The proceeds from this event benefit both the school and local 4H. We are still looking for volunteers help out with:

*Weekly pick up eWaste from local Hospice and Thrift Shops before the event

*1.5 hr shifts the day of the event starting @ 8:30 am.

Contact Cyndi Peach @ 575-2155 for more details.

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Article Deadline – January 21, 2013