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MORE CLASS NAMES!

Young Kindergarten

The Young Kindergarten class has a name. We are **The Counting Coyotes!** We love to count and learn about everyday math. We are learning about the United States of America and the names and characteristics of each state, such as the state flag, bird, tree and flower. We are also learning how to put things in alphabetical order. We have been learning about the states that begin with the letter A: Alabama, Alaska, Arizona and Arkansas. If there is a song with the name of a state in it, we sing it! "I come from Alabama with a banjo on my knee..." This week we have been focusing on the letter B. We had a baby-sitting class, listened to music by Brahms and Beethoven, made blueberry muffins, and played balloon volleyball. We also learned some songs: BINGO, Boa Constrictor, The Bear Went Over the Mountain and Rock-a-bye-Baby.

Fourth/Fifth Grade

As we study the West, Mike and Hypatia's class will look at the life of Native Americans. We will begin with pre-European contact and what life was like then and compare it to life after contact. Next, students will examine the effect on native peoples of settlers moving farther west to settle the land. The class will study the reactions of the great Indian Chiefs to the unilateral decision, when the U.S. government forced resettlement of the native peoples. Because the fourth/fifth class will attempt to walk in the shoes of the native peoples, we decided to name ourselves **The Moccasins**.

ELEMENTARY BACK TO SCHOOL NIGHT

We hope all of our elementary parents will join us on Tuesday, September 23 from 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. for Back to School Night. The purpose of this event is to provide parents with an overview of the curriculum and class procedures. Teachers will present information about the class integrated theme, share instructional materials and answer questions. It is an adult-only evening and babysitting is not provided.

Don't forget that the W.P.O. Job Fair will be the hour preceding Back to School, in the Community Room. Meet other parents, learn about upcoming school events and sign up to volunteer!

FARM REPORT

The middle and high school Back to School nights and W.P.O. Job Fairs took place this week. A few new volunteers signed up! I will be reviewing last year's volunteer list and updating it with the new names and e-mail addresses. If you would like to be added to receive notification of farm work days, please let me know.

Conversely, be sure to let me know if you were on the list last year and would like to be removed this year.

The high school Sustainable Farming class is looking for some tool donations. If you happen to have any

Save the Date

Elementary School Job Fair
Tuesday, September 23, 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Elementary School Back to School Night
Tuesday, September 23 at 7:00 p.m.

All School and Class Photo Day
Friday, September 26

WPO Meeting in E.S. Community Room
Friday, October 3, 9:30 a.m.

The Waverly School Book Fair
Elementary School Community Room
October 13 to 15



gardening tools that are in good condition but not being used at your house, we can put them to good use! We are especially in need of trenching shovels and pick-axes. Any other full-sized shovel, rake, hoe or wheel barrow would also be going to a good home. Please write Waverly Farm on the tool with a Sharpie so that we know it is a donation to the school. If you'd like to know about Sustainable Farming class projects, please read our blog: <http://farmblog.wordpress.com>

Thank you!
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This year's high school Sustainable Farming class

DOG WHISPERER DAYS

For those of you who were around in the days of **The Dog Whisperer** (and even if you weren't), please watch **The National Geographic Channel** today, September 19, at 9:00 p.m. to see the 100th episode reunion in which Marina and her dog, Kane, may be seen. There may be a quick glimpse of them on the episode; Marina saw Kane run by on the preview commercial!

SPORTS UPDATE

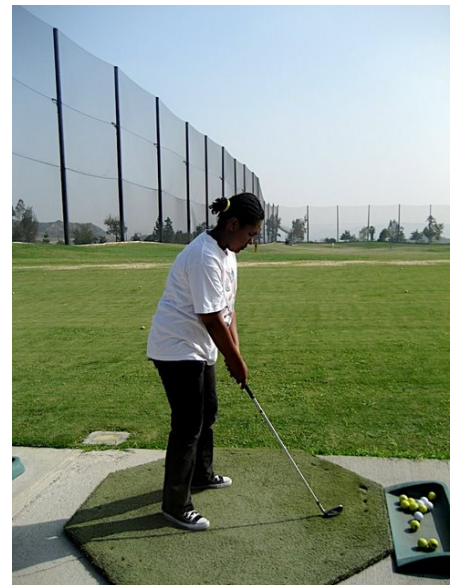
Congratulations to Varsity girls' volleyball team and Coach Tim Yang on their season opening win against Le Lycee. It was a very close match. Highlights: Ridah Farooqui's, Isabel Sotomayor's and Teagan Blain-Rozgay's serving and Charlotte Van Noppen's defense at the net. Great communication by all the girls made for some exciting points. Among the fans was the middle school volleyball

team. Thanks, girls, for coming out! GO RAVENS!

Next week, check out the Varsity girls' volleyball team play a home game against Mesrobian on Thursday, September 25, at 4:30 p.m. at Eagle Rock Rec Center.

GOLF CLUB NEWS

Waverly's Golf Club is growing in popularity this year, with members from the middle school and all four high school classes. Team leaders and teachers, Katherine Perkins, Billy Hackett and Tony Garza, took the team to the driving range to practice their form. An instructor at Scholl Canyon gave them a lesson on how to swing and hold the club properly. The Golf Club meets Fridays from 3:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.



Sophomore Jasmine Rodgers lines up a swing

Community Service Corner

California Coastal Clean-up Day
Saturday, September 20 from 9:00 a.m. to noon
at 37 beaches in Los Angeles County
www.healthebay.org/ccd
(800) Heal-Bay

International Day of Peace
Sunday, September 21
11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Griffith Park (by the merry-go-round)
Join the festivities: live music, arts and crafts, wild animal displays, celebrity speakers and more! This event is free and open to the public. For more information, e-mail rootsnshoots@janegoodall.org.
<http://www.rootsandshoots.org/campaigns/dove>

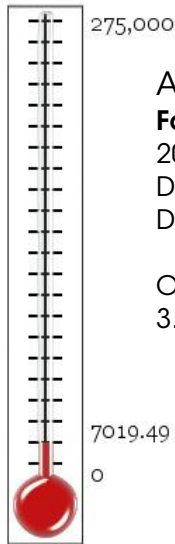
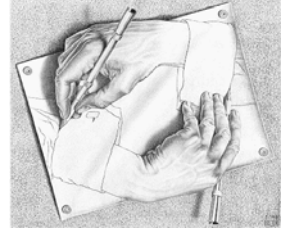
LIBRARY NEWS

After School Book Club:

Just a reminder that the elementary school library will begin opening on Tuesdays after school from 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. if enough students in grades 4-8 are interested in forming book clubs. Please let Wendy Cross know if your child is interested in joining a book club by e-mailing her at wendy@thewaverlyschool.org.

ART LESSONS: DRAWING, WATERCOLOR & SCULPTURE

Art classes will be taught by Waverly Elementary teacher Erin Palfrey to students in grades two through six. Classes will be on Mondays and Wednesdays from 3:15 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. The six-week session begins September 29. Cost is \$150.00 (pre-paid). For more information please call Erin at 626.403.5994.



ANNUAL FUND

For the week ending 9/12/08

2008-2009 Annual Fund Goal: \$275,000

Dollars raised as of 9/12/08: \$7,019.49

Dollars raised since last week: \$250

Overall family participation to date:
3.6%

NEED A BABYSITTER?

Several high school students have expressed an interest in babysitting. Please remember that the babysitting service is not set up by The Waverly School and that all arrangements must be made between families. Here is a list of the high schoolers that want to help:

Santiago Alcántara, 12th grade
(213) 364-5826

Lily Desmond, 9th grade
(626) 441-2297

Richard Felice, 11th grade
(323) 255-8551 or (626) 696-3333

Ariel Guterman, 9th grade
(626) 355-4250 or (323) 202-4548

Leah Inman, 10th grade
(323) 259-8728

Clara Lemon, 11th grade
(323) 661-4878

Daniel Martinez, 12th grade
(626) 568-8081

Jasmine Rodgers, 10th grade
(323) 291-4207

Megan Saenz, 11th grade
(626) 296-1593 or 626-578-1196

Laura Tsuchida, 12th grade
(626) 793-5506

Class Participation Bar Graph:

