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DATES TO REMEMBER/THINGS TO DO

- Wednesday, November 3: Class Photos, All School Photo, & Make-Up Photos
- Friday, November 5: FIRST FRIDAY & Parent Community Mtg., 8:45 am, ES Campus
- Wednesday, November 10: 6th Grade Parent Night, 7:00 pm, MS Campus
- Friday, November 19: Faculty/Staff Appreciation Luncheon, 11:45 am

ALL SCHOOL



SNAPSHOT, PART DEUX!

All students, faculty, and staff will take the rescheduled all school photo next **Wednesday, November 3**. Students will also take class photos on this day. Students who are having make-up pictures done will also have their picture taken that morning. If your child is having his/her picture retaken, please e-mail Alison as soon as possible so that she can put him/her on the list for the photographer. Questions about the school pictures? E-mail Alison at alison@thewaverlyschool.org.

FIRST FRIDAY IS NEXT WEEK

Friday, November 5, is the second FIRST FRIDAY of the year. Last month's FIRST FRIDAY was a great time of parent socializing, market shopping, and info swapping. Here's what's on the docket for next Friday:

- Coffee!
- Organic Farmers' Market (8:45-9:15 am)
- Dollars for Waverly and World Market Info Tables
- Student Presentation
- Heidi will give a talk about school activities, followed by question and answer session.
- Parent Community Meeting (topics will include taking a look at what has been working and what needs improvement in WPO activities, brainstorming how to pass on our knowledge of events and activities to future families, and any additional WPO topics you wish to address)

FIRST FRIDAY is open to all parents/guardians and starts at 8:45 a.m. in the elementary school community room. See you there!

PARENT EDUCATION NIGHT

On November 11 at 7:00, Waverly will host Betsy Brown Braun, child development and behavior specialist and best-selling author, at the elementary campus in the community room. The nature of Betsy's talk centers around nurturing character traits that put children in the position of being competent and confident individuals. With over 35 years of experience working with parents and children in education, and with two best-selling books to boot, Betsy has developed some favorite expressions when talking to parents about parenting and their kids: "Prepare the child for the path, not the path for the child," and "The surest way to make life hard for your child is to make it too easy." Please join us for this very special evening.

WAVERLY GOES TO COLLEGE

Parents frequently ask, "Where do Waverly graduates go to college?" During the course of this school year, we will profile some of the colleges and universities that our Waverly alumnae/i have attended or are currently attending. To get started on this adventure, below is sampling of some colleges and universities where our graduates have been accepted during the past eleven years. It includes a diverse array of institutions, big to small, renown to well-kept secret, liberal arts to honed niche, local and international. For the complete list, click on the attachment included in your e-packet.

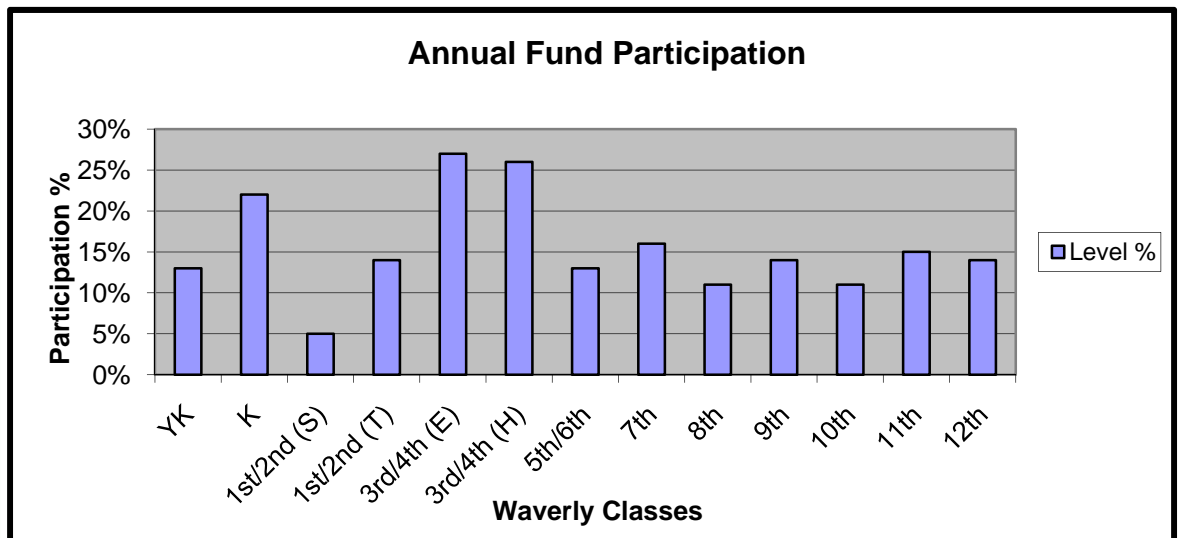
- Barnard College
- Boston College
- Clark Atlanta University
- Embry Riddle Aeronautical University
- Harvard University
- Occidental College
- School of Visual Arts
- Southern University of Agriculture & Mechanical College
- University of California at Santa Cruz
- University of Puget Sound
- Wesleyan University

ANNUAL FUND UPDATE

The 2010-2011 Annual Fund is making steady progress each week! Do you have questions about our annual fund or other ways to help support Waverly? Contact Development Director Kimberly Uribe:

kimberly@thewaverlyschool.org.

- Dollars raised as of 10/28/10: \$43,164 (includes pledges)
- Overall family participation to date: 14%
- 2010-2011 Annual Fund Goal: \$275,000 and 100% participation



WPO

HALLOWEEN PARTY PROPS

Every year, it is amazing to behold how the everyday elementary school playground and community room are transformed into spaces of Halloween magic. The costumes, the lanterns, the darkly disguised hall, and haunted house full of freaky sights are such a treat for all who dare to enter. There were wonderful, ghoulishly decorated treats in the Boo Bakery, and many dark places and spaces to roam with friends. Thanks to our Halloween chairs Amy, Jeff, and Christy and their amazing cast of players in the haunted house production. Kudos as well to all those who contributed to the potluck, sold drinks and snacks, worked in the spooky booths, and especially to the brave souls who swept the place clean at the end! Many thanks to you all!

HALLOWEEN PARTY PHOTOS

Did you have pictures taken by Bevan at the Halloween party? Here's how to retrieve them:

1. Go to photobucket.com
2. Surf to the search bar, click "people" and type in **bevanyoung23**
3. You should be able to view Bevan's albums

Questions? E-mail Bevan at: bevanyoung23@gmail.com

WORLD MARKET NEWS

The Halloween party and Book Fair were huge successes and now the sprint to the World Market begins! It's six weeks away, but it takes time to make all those crafty items, so if you haven't started knitting, beading, sewing, or otherwise crafting, it's time to get started!

Mark your calendars – there will be two Sunday craft parties coming up at the home of Tina Y. on November 7 and November 14, from noon until 4:00 pm. Kids are welcome. E-mail World Market Chairs (see below) for event details.

Great ideas are needed for our Pet Corner! Do you make cat fishing poles, dog toys, or dog bone wreaths? Give us a holler!

If you have finished making treasures or have items to donate, please drop them in the box marked WORLD MARKET DONATIONS in the elementary school lobby. We are hoping to have ALL donations in by Thanksgiving break (with the exception of baked items). Please let the World Market Chairs know if you have questions or contributions! Christy: christyedooley@gmail.com and Samantha samanthasackin@gmail.com.

FACULTY/STAFF APPRECIATION LUNCH

It is the time of year again when the parents of Waverly show appreciation for the wonderful teachers and staff here by making and serving them a sumptuous feast. This annual event will be held on Friday, November 19 at the home of Waverly's own Mike and Josie. Event chairs Helle and Holly are looking for volunteers to help out in all sorts of ways. You can make and drop-off food (salads, appetizers, main dishes, desserts) or drinks (wine, soda, coffee, water) or work at the event with set-up, serving, or clean-up. Check the WPO bulletin board in the elementary lobby for sign-ups. Contact Helle at hch.heering@earthlink.net or Holly at hollyhaha@yahoo.com for more information.

WAVERLY DINED OUT!

Over 150 members of the Waverly community went to California Pizza Kitchen last Wednesday, way up from our first Dines Out event in September. Waverly received 20% of the revenues from each of the meals—fantastic! Stay tuned for details about November's Waverly Dines Out at Islands in Hastings Ranch.

GREEN SPOT

Green Halloween: some final tips and tricks for making your spookfest a greenfest.

This Week: Costumes and Accessories

Treat & Treasure Bag: Avoid plastic, single use holiday containers. Treat and treasure bags may be made out of old pillow cases, used shopping bags, purses, or sewn from fabric. Kids love to decorate their bags and make them their own.

Lighting: For an exceptional flashlight, take blank paper and fit it like a tube around the flashlight's bulbous part, extending 4-5 inches and essentially converting the flashlight into a mini-light saber. Once the paper is fitted correctly, cut out silhouettes of witches, spiders, etc. Glue them on the paper and tape it around the flashlight. When turned on, the patterns will stand out on the glowing beam.

Remember to use **rechargeable batteries** rather than disposables during Halloween. Battery acid is toxic, leaching into groundwater and causing serious environmental contamination. **Shakable**, **hand-cranked** and **solar-powered** flashlights are also battery free and fun for kids to use.

Costumes: Skip the plastic, "made in China" versions. Watch out for the soft vinyl in many mass-produced costumes: it's likely polyvinyl chloride (PVC), which releases dangerous chemicals. Instead, try bending old wire hangers into angel or butterfly wings. Scour your closets (and those of your friends and neighbors) for flashback fashions you can pair up, trim down, sew together, or dye (*naturally*, of course). Host a neighborhood costume swap – no need to let your kids wear it once then throw it away – trade it!

The **Greening Up** of the **Halloween Party** went great! Thank you to everyone who participated in helping to reduce our trash output. We diverted at least 100 pounds of food and other compostable waste from the landfills. All the aluminum cans collected from beverage sales will be recycled for cash, which will be used to purchase a special food composting bin for The Waverly Farm. Plastic wrap, foil, cardboard, and other recyclable trash (about 20 pounds) will be kept out of the landfills as well. Several trays of leftover food were donated to the Union Station Homeless Shelter right after the event. A big shout out to the fabulous plate washers; Diane, Cindy, Samara and Tina, the Green Garbage High School Guides Laird, Harry, and Danny, and everyone who donated to offset the expense of our compostable cups, cutlery, and napkins.



FARM REPORT

Here are the not-to-be-daunted **Middle School Growers**. Already this year, they have lost their Napa cabbage to a freak heat spell in September, so they re-planted it, along with many other winter greens. They have made tomato soup and pesto from farm produce and last week, they went on a field trip to Trader Joe's to learn about the retailer's produce packing, dating, and distribution methods.

Left to right, back row: Evan G., Matthew M., Chris P., Bailey E., Cameron G., Mary F., and Billy
Front row: Spenser G-H., Julian M., Miles C., Jordan H., and Mason E.

E-WASTE RECYCLING IS FUNDRAISING

An e-waste recycling bin is now in the elementary school lobby *and...* it helps raise funds for Waverly! How the program works: Look for the large green and white collection bin. You can drop off your recyclable items whenever Waverly is open. Periodically, items will be collected and sent to the eScrip Recycling offices. eScrip Recycling will then electronically deposit funds into the Waverly account. Win-win, right?

We are collecting items such as used laser/toner and inkjet cartridges, used cell phones, digital cameras, iPods, GPS devices, and laptops. (Laptops must have enough charge to power on arrival or have the power cord included to charge to receive credit). If for a specific list of e-waste accepted by eScrip, click [here](#). The eScrip e-waste recycling program does not accept any waste not on their list. However, if you have another kind of e-waste you need to get rid of, or you have further questions about the program, please contact Diane W. at dgbwhiffen@earthlink.net.

DOLLARS FOR WAVERLY

Planning holiday travel and shopping yet? Many of us are. Did you know that Waverly can earn dollars back from your plane tickets, hotel, or rental car? We also earn money from purchases of toys, clothes, and electronics. When you're booking travel plans for the holidays, go through the web portals at www.escrip.com and www.spendforgood.com to use Expedia, Travelocity, Orbitz, several airlines, hotels and rental car companies. The web portals also click into online stores such as Amazon, Toys R Us, Target, and many clothing stores. Waverly earns a percentage back on each and every purchase—what could be easier? For help with using these programs, contact Nicci at niccig03@hotmail.com, or Sarah at shalvar@pharmacy.usc.edu.

HIGH SCHOOL



TAKE UNICEF TRICK OR TREATING

Waverly's high school French Club is once again spearheading "Trick or Treat for UNICEF!" The iconic orange box was picked up by many Waverly students this past week—don't forget to take it with you during trick or treat this Sunday! Contributions will provide things like water, education, and medicine to children who truly need it. Did you know that just 6¢ can provide water for one thirsty child? Trick-or-treat for UNICEF ensures that every child gets proper education, health, nutrition, and safety. One small contribution makes a difference to children across the world. Have a safe and happy Halloween!

(pictured: members of the French Club talk to Kidstock about Unicef)

RUN, RAVEN, RUN!

On October 22, the Waverly High School Cross Country Team competed in its final meet of the year, the Mt. SAC Cross Country Invitational, which is the world's largest cross country meet! Danny M. ran in the Freshman Boys' race; Jeffrey B., Ry F., Gabriel O., Laird V., Louis W. and Colin W. ran in the Sophomore Boys' race; Sarah S. ran in the Sophomore Girls' race; and Dan M. and Noah S. ran in the Varsity Boys' race.



Most of the Waverly team ran personal bests. In the Sophomore Boys' race, Waverly placed seventh out of 35 teams! Congratulations to all of our runners for a great effort, and a special thanks to their coach, Kristen. (Pictured are Colin W., Noah S., Jeffrey B., Gabriel O., Danny M., Laird V. and Ry F.)

Now that the season is over, the Cross Country Team will continue to play Ultimate Frisbee on Thursday afternoons. These fun and low-key games are open to all high schoolers, parents, and teachers. Ask any cross country runner for more information.

THREE CHEERS FOR DANIEL WEBSTER!



Hip hip hooray! Daniel Webster defeated the devil in three performances of the high school drama class's production of *The Devil and Daniel Webster*. Two performances were held during school and attended by high school and middle school students as well as Erin's and Cheri's students from the elementary school. On Saturday, the actors held their final performance to an appreciative audience.

MIDDLE SCHOOL



DÍA DE LOS MUERTOS DAY

The middle school visited the Folk Tree, a local store, to see an exhibition called Day of the Dead Altars & Ephemera. All the Spanish blocks took a field trip last week to appreciate the altars, sculptures and Mexican jewelry.

"Día de los Muertos is a holiday celebrated by Mexicans and Mexican Americans to celebrate the lives of the deceased. This year Waverly Middle School decided to make an altar to celebrate Keith Ledger and the six kids of Spirit Day: Tyler Clementi, Seth Walsh, Justin Aaberg, Raymond Chase, Asher Brown, and Cody J. Barker. An altar for Dia de los Muertos is a table set up with different offerings for the people or loved ones that passed away. All of the 8th graders in Adriana's Spanish B brought something to represent the spirits that we were*

making for the altar. Some of the offerings were pan de los Muertos (or bread of the dead) and pictures of Keith Ledger and the kids of Spirit Day. Fruits, flowers, and glasses of water were also offerings supposed to help the spirits of the dead after the long journey. There was also a slideshow presentation for Dia de los Muertos which provided some background information and plenty of art on the altar as well." – Eamonn G.

Left to right, back row: Faith H., Luke R., Adriana, Mary F., Sophie C., Camden B., Shelley A., Natalie C., Evan G.
Front row: Adriel R., Patrick G., Jordan H., Anthony A.

* Spirit Day, observed on October 20, both honors the LGBT teenagers who had taken their own lives in recent weeks and shows support to LGBT youth who may face pressures and bullying.

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

HELPING OTHERS

The Pollinators (Susan's and Brittany's first/second class, pictured below right) collected gently used and new shoes to give to children in Haiti. The Pollinators collected more than sixty pairs of shoes, which were delivered to Haitian families by the Bridges to Haiti Organization. Great job!



F IS FOR FIRE SAFETY

The Traveling Toucans (young kindergarten) have been learning about fire safety for the last two weeks. They learned all of the fire safety rules, such as "stop, drop, and roll," "fall and crawl," and "don't hide, go outside." They practiced dialing 911 and reporting an emergency. We did a fire safety inspection of the entire school building and counted fire hydrants on the way to the farm and the fire station.

The Traveling Toucans are still learning about Germany. They practiced the Chicken Dance and learned about "oom pah pah" music, and about the tuba, the accordion, and the concertina!



DAY AT THE MUSEUM

The Purple Parrotfish (Tina's and Maria's first/second class) visited the Norton Simon museum this week. It was the first ever first and second grade class to receive a guided tour at the museum. Students learned about elements of art: color, shape, and texture. In keeping with the class theme of coastal life, they were shown coastal paintings from such artists such as Monet, Caillebotte, and Boudin, as well as wood prints made by Fujisawa. Using construction, sand paper, crayons, and scissors, students made seascape collages. Thank you, Jennifer (Charlotte's mom) for making this wonderful field trip possible.

AFTER SCHOOL ART CLUB

Third/Fourth Knights of the Realm teacher Erin is once again offering her creative vision and guidance to elementary school students. Beginning November 3, classes will take place on Mondays and Wednesdays from 3:15 pm - 4:30 pm. Please download the attached flyer for more information.

BEGINNING ACOUSTIC GUITAR

In January, Waverly music and vocal music teacher Josie will be teaching Beginning Acoustic Guitar after school to interested students in grades 4, 5, and 6. Please click on the attached flyer to learn more.

CLASSIFIEDS



1998 Buick Regal LS for sale. Grandma's car with only 30,000 miles. Very good condition; very clean inside and only one dent outside. \$3999! Call Donna: 626-799-3269