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DATES TO REMEMBER/THINGS TO DO

- Sunday, December 12: Farm Day, 11:00, Waverly Farm
- Wednesday, December 15: Waverly Dines Out, Panda Express, Lake Avenue
- Thursday, December 16: Early dismissal, YK-12
- Thursday, December 16: Holiday Program, 7:00 pm, Thorne Hall, Occidental College
- December 17 – January 2: Winter Break, no school
- Monday, January 3: School resumes

World Market Today & Tomorrow!

ALL SCHOOL



EARLY DISMISSAL: 12/16

Our last day of school this month is Thursday, December 16. Students will be dismissed early so that preparations can be made for the Holiday Program (see below). Please follow this pick-up schedule:

- YK- 1/2: 11:45 a.m.
- 3/4- 5/6: 12:00 p.m.
- 7th – 8th: 12:05 p.m.
- 9th – 12th: 11:50 a.m.

WAVERLY HOLIDAY PROGRAM

The Waverly Holiday Program is just around the corner! The holiday show will be on Thursday, December 16 at 7:00 p.m. at Occidental College's Thorne Hall. Our halls here at Waverly resound with music as students and staff busily practice their songs and dances!

- The doors to Thorne will **open at approximately 6:30 p.m.** on the night of the performance. Teachers will be waiting to meet their students in their assigned seating areas at that time. **All performing students need to arrive by 6:45 p.m. at the very latest!**
- **The show will start promptly at 7:00 p.m.** Please make sure you leave enough time to get to the theater (directions are below).
- We ask that you not leave the hall once you have entered. If you must leave the hall, you will need to have your hand stamped in order to reenter.
- Pre-ordered tickets will be sent home with the students on Tuesday, December 14. If you prefer to pick your tickets up from the front desk at the elementary school, please email Alison at alison@thewaverlyschool.org by noon on Tuesday, the 14th.

**Rehearsal Schedule at Thorne Hall
 Wednesday, December 15, 2010**

Carpool drivers will be contacted by the teachers with further information.

9:30 a.m. Marina	12:40 p.m. Middle School
9:50 a.m. Liz & Richard	1:00 p.m. Bollywood/HS Practice (Oxy Break)
10:15 a.m. Susan	1:40 p.m. Bollywood
10:40 a.m. Tina	2:15 p.m. High School Drama (HS drama students should be picked up at Thorne Hall at 3:30 p.m.)
11:10 a.m. Erin	
11:40 a.m. Hypatia	
12: 10 p.m. Cheri	3:45 p.m. Faculty/Staff Number (For those who can make it!)

Directions to Thorne Hall* (1600 Campus Road, Los Angeles, 90041)

From Waverly:

Take Pasadena Avenue north to the 134 Fwy; take the 134 Fwy.

Exit on Colorado Blvd. (you will merge onto Colorado Blvd. going west)

Drive approximately one mile and then:

Turn left on Eagle Rock Blvd.

Drive approximately one mile and then:

Turn left on Westdale

Turn left on Campus Road (you are now alongside Occidental campus)

Thorne Hall is the first big building you see on your right when you first start up the hill (you are seeing the rear of the building).

Convenient Parking (3 suggestions)*

1. Park anywhere on Campus Road below the first stop sign and walk over to Thorne Hall.

2. As you drive up the hill, you can turn right at Bird Road (first stop sign) onto the Occidental campus and park in the first lot on your right. Thorne Hall is down the hill to your right.

3. A multi-level parking garage is located on Gilman Road. From Campus Road, turn right on Bird Road and then left on Gilman Road. The parking garage will be on your left. Walk down Gilman Road and continue straight downhill about 100 yards. Thorne Hall will appear on your right.

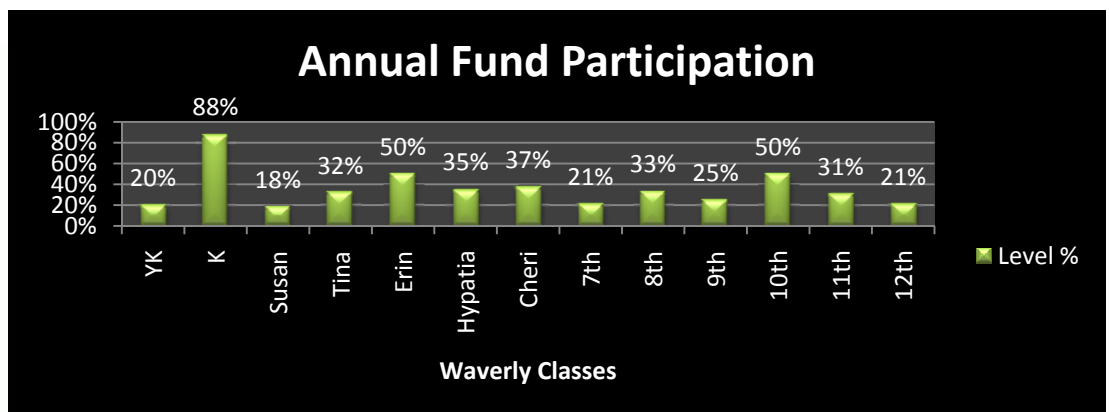
Please see flyer attached to this e-packet for printable directions.

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. Keep in mind, December 31 is the last day to make a charitable donation for 2010 tax credit!

- Dollars raised as of 12/9/10: \$99,909 (includes pledges)
- Overall family participation to date: 32%
- 2010-2011 Annual Fund Goal: \$275,000 and 100% participation



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WORLD MARKET TODAY! AND TOMORROW!

The countdown is over. It's here!!! Come shop - for Christmas, for Hanukkah, for Kwanzaa. You pick the occasion; we'll provide the wonderful gifts. The Market will be open today from 2:30 until 7:00 p.m., and Saturday from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. We hope to see you here!

WAVERLY DINES OUT NEXT WEEK

Join in the fun and fundraising at this month's Dines Out event on Tuesday, December 15! Come to Panda Express on Lake (281 S. Lake Avenue) any time from 10:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. dine-in or take-out. Make sure to bring along the attached flyer to that we get credit.

GREEN SPOT

Tips for Greening up Your Holidays: PART 2

Lights/Decorations

- Switch to LED lights. They use **90% LESS** electricity than conventional strands of holiday lights!
- Check out [eBay's World of Good](#) for tons of "eco-positive" ornaments made by fair trade workers around the world.
- Consider buying a tree with roots, then plant. Planting a new Christmas tree is a great way to leave an eco-friendly legacy. After only a few years, you will have a living reminder of the fun and enjoyment of this past Christmas. [American Forests.org](#) provides detailed information about tree planting.
- If buying a cut tree, dispose of it responsibly by not adding it to the landfill with your regular trash. Contact your sanitation service; most L.A. County municipalities have some type of Christmas tree disposal program.

Gift Wrapping

Instead of buying virgin paper that will be thrown away, try these interesting alternatives:

- Old paper maps (visually unique and a great conversation piece).
- Furoshiki (a Japanese tradition of wrapping the present in fabric scraps with interesting knots).
- Recycled big glass jars (mayo, pickles, etc.) - line with fabric scraps to conceal the gift and decorate the lid with found objects like pine cones and buttons or beads.
- Use shredded paper from your office waste can or freshly popped popcorn to pack breakables instead of Styrofoam peanuts.

Gift Giving

Consider these alternatives to a gift purchased from big box stores, malls, and multi-national chain stores (if you still need stuff after the Waverly World Market, that is):

- Patronize local, owner-operated, and small neighborhood shops and boutiques (keeping it local helps to keep it green)
- Don't buy stuff at all: make donations to environmental groups or humanitarian charities in the name of your giftees.
- Create gift certificates of your time or skill sets as gifts: Two hours of babysitting or dog walking; organize closets/garage, plant a small herb garden, build a bookshelf, wallpaper a bathroom, fix a broken bicycle, etc. Hanging out with your giftee while you give your "gift" is priceless.



FARM REPORT

The Knights of the Realm are planting a medieval garden at the farm using biodynamic practices. The medieval farmer considered the farm a living organism and consulted the local alchemist, who not only made potions for people, but for fields as well. This week, the Knights took one cow horn from a female bovine, packed it well with her manure and buried it in the ground, one foot deep exactly. They plan to leave it all winter. Mother earth will surely reward them! Coming soon, nasturtium flowers to brighten your winter salads.

See you all this Sunday, December 12, for this year's first Farm Day, 11:00 a.m.!

HIGH SCHOOL

WAVERLY LEADER

11th grader Jackie A. has been selected to represent Waverly at the Rotary Leadership Conference, March 4 - 6 in Idyllwild, California. Students chosen to participate are considered exemplary in community projects, leadership training, or cultural exchanges. Congratulations, Jackie!

TROPICAL PARADISE

Jack K., Waverly high school math and physics teacher, a native Sri Lankan, is offering a trip for parents and students to Sri Lanka this summer. The trip will offer opportunities to understand the historical contributions that Buddhism, Christianity, Hinduism, and Islam have made in shaping the island. Students will also get to know how Portuguese, Dutch, and the British colonizers left their imprints. There are many historical sites to explore in Sri Lanka, including national museums. The trip is scheduled during the summer of 2011. The group is planning to leave Los Angeles on July 23, 2011, and return to Los Angeles on August 6, 2011. Please contact Jack for more information: jackknight44@yahoo.com or jack@thewaverlyschool.org.

MIDDLE SCHOOL

JUNIOR DOCENTS

Mary, Santi, Leo, and Evan (*pictured at right*) are serving as junior docents for the Pasadena Museum of History. The junior docent program is comprehensive training for middle school students, during which they learn to lead tours for third and fourth graders at the museum. They also work on leadership and public speaking skills. There are other perks, too; as Santi remarked, "I learned a boatload of Pasadena history." It is quite an achievement to be a junior docent, and we are very proud of these middle school students for taking on the challenge!



ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

WAVERLY AFTER SCHOOL CAMP TOY, CLOTHING & FOOD DRIVE

Please join Waverly After School Campers and Tom Sawyer Camps for a food, toy, and clothing drive! All next week, campers will be collecting new or gently used toys and clothing as well as non-perishable food items. Drop your donations by the elementary school campus Monday, Tuesday, or Wednesday afternoon. Campers will be taking them to Salvation Army and/or the Fair Oaks Fire Station on Thursday, December 16.

SPECIAL AFTER SCHOOL CAMP SCHEDULE NEXT WEEK

Tom Sawyer Camps' Waverly After School Camp is hosting **Half Day** fun on **Thursday 12/16 from dismissal until 6:00 p.m.** If you would like to have your child join us for the afternoon and participate in our Toy and Food Drive, please sign up by calling Tom Sawyer Camps (see number below) by Tuesday 12/14. The cost for the afternoon is \$25.

Also, **Friday, 12/17, Tom Sawyer Camps is hosting a Full Day** of fun with a field trip to the interactive Grammy Museum in Los Angeles. The day is from 8:00 a.m. until 6:00 p.m. and costs \$50. Again, please contact Tom Sawyer Camps directly to enroll your child for the day.

All children joining Tom Sawyer Camps' Waverly After School Camp (WASC) for the half or full day must have completed paperwork on file with Tom Sawyer Camps. TSC cannot take children who are dropped off without prior notice as there are limited spaces available. To reserve your spot, call the TSC office today at 626-794-1156. See the flyer attached to this e-packet for further information.

WINTER AFTER SCHOOL CLASSES

The elementary school will be offering several afterschool class options for students beginning in January, 2011. Please mark your calendars now and continue to read *The Wave* for more information. Flyers for some classes are already available in the ES lobby. Others will soon be available.

Fun with Literature (former Waverly assistant teacher Sonia Wilke): Grades 1-6; Thursdays (more details to follow)

Chess (San Diego Chess Academy): Grades K-6; Wednesdays, ongoing through February

Folk Dancing (Nickie Hovhannessian): Grades K-6; Wednesdays (more details to follow)

Art with Erin Palfrey: Grades 3-6; Mondays & Wednesdays (more details to follow)

Beginning Acoustic Guitar with Josie: Grades 4-6, days TBD (flyer attached to this e-packet)

Dance with Kristin: Grades 1-6, Monday and Tuesday sessions (flyer attached to this e-packet)

AND MORE...Stay tuned!

BRRRRR

The Traveling Toucans are studying about Antarctica. A portion of their classroom has been transformed into a cold, icy world with penguins, snow, glaciers, and icebergs! The children watched some documentaries such as *March of the Penguins* and *Shackleton's Antarctic Adventure*. Oliver brought a model ship which he placed into one of our icebergs. Raya's grandma traveled to Antarctica this year, so she shared some photos and stories about her trip. Stop in for a visit, but bring a jacket!

In other news, the Traveling Toucans learned the letter L this week. They discovered that colorful and bright lights are used for many celebrations around the world, so now some colorful lights are displayed in the classroom. The Toucans also learned about the "northern lights" of the Arctic circle. They ate latkes (shared by Jackie and Samantha...thank you!), and learned how to leap and play leapfrog. Happy Holidays from The Traveling Toucans!!