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Be a Folsom Hero!

From the Principal's Desk

As I continue to get to know this community, one of the things that stands out is our focus on showing respect to each other in both words and actions. As parents and teachers, it is very important that we model for our children the words and actions that we want them to show us. Sometimes this is easier said than done!

I have always found that it is easy to be the person I want to be when things are going well. When I am tired and stressed it becomes more challenging. It is during these times that I rely on others to support me. As adults, we need support and help so that we can be available for our children.

Although we all look forward to spring, the end of the school year is stressful for everyone and so the more we can support each other the better. For me, that means being here for our students and staff, and also for parents. If you there is anything the school can do for you, please reach out and ask. Together, we will make sure the next few months are positive for our students!

It continues to be an honor to be here at Folsom!

Respectfully,

Matthew Brankman
Interim Principal

Upcoming Events

March

30 In-Service **No School**

April

13 PTO's Special Person
Dance 6:30-8pm

18-19 County Music Festival

16-20 Smarter Balanced
Assessments (SBAC's)

23-27 **No School** Spring
Recess

30- May 4 Smarter
Balanced Assessments
(SBAC's)

May

4/30-5/4 Smarter
Balanced Assessments
(SBAC's)

4-5 District Music Festival

11-12 The Lion King
performances

15-17 8th Grade Science state
test

23-25 5th Grade Science state
test

28 Memorial Day **No School**

Request from the Resource Room

Have an old tablet kicking around that you are no longer using? The Folsom Resource Room is looking for a donation of an old or unused tablet for student use. If you have one that you are willing to repurpose, please bring in to the Folsom main office. Thank you so much!

Author Doug Wilhelm to Visit Folsom

Folsom has another awesome event coming up on March 29th. We are fortunate to have an author visiting Folsom: Doug Wilhelm, author of *The Revealers*, a middle school book that deals with adolescent issues of bullying and self-esteem, will spend the day at our school. Middle school students have read the book for Language Arts and are now well prepared to chat with the author. He will talk about how the book came to be, general work as a writer, followed by a question and answer session. He will also spend time in the 3rd grade and 4th grade classrooms discussing his books with the younger audiences. Parents are welcome to join any classroom sessions, the schedule is as follows:

8:20 - 9:05 3rd grade
9:25 - 10:15 4th grade
12:30 - 1:30 Grades 5 & 6
1:45 - 2:45 Grades 7 & 8

Save the Date!

On Friday, April 13, the PTO will be sponsoring a "Special Person" Dance from 6:30-8pm. The concept is that students invite any special person in their life. Admission is free! Look for a flyer sent home with your student today!

Rabies Clinic to Be Held in South Hero

The South Hero Volunteer Fire Department will again sponsor a Rabies Clinic on Sunday, March 25th from 12-2 pm. Please bring your cats and dogs for their rabies shot. The cost of the rabies shot is \$10.00. The clinic will be held in the Fire Station in South Hero. You are also able to renew your dog license for South Hero at the Rabies Clinic. Dog licenses are due in South Hero by April 1st.

Summer and Fall Childcare Openings at Learning Adventure

Learning Adventure has opened enrollment for summer and fall childcare. The current enrollment period is for families interested in full day childcare and/or after school care. Learning Adventure staff, who have been together more than 15 years, are highly trained nurturing women who partner with families to provide excellent care and early education. We are a 5 Star licensed center with a personal touch that makes you and your family feel part of a family. What we lack in modern facility we make up for in experience, dedication, and pure joy for teaching and caring for children.

Those who register before April 1 will have the registration fee waived and be entered into a drawing for two free weeks of childcare. Tuition rates for the school age program have been revamped to be more competitive. Give us a call (372-3930) or drop by to meet the staff and see us in action!