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Condit Elementary

Lifelong Learners
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Principal's Corner

I am constantly impressed by the dedication of the Condit Staff and Families. One example, is the amount of time and effort that just went into the Annual Family Spaghetti Night. Another example is the amount of parents that have volunteered to help at Condit, both in the classroom and for 100 Mile Club. I really appreciate the extra time everyone puts in to making our school a success.

We have a couple of special events taking place this week. The first event involves our fourth, fifth and sixth grade students. They will get the opportunity to meet author, Pseudonymous Bosch. The title of his most recent book is *The Name of The Book Is Secret*. Our upper grade students will get an opportunity to meet the author and purchase books to be autographed on Wednesday, October 15th from 11:30—12:15. It should be a great event. Pseudonymous Bosch is also the author of *This Book Is Not Good For You* and *If You're Reading This, It's Too Late*.

We also have picture day coming up. Picture Day will take place on Thursday, October 15th. Lifetouch will be taking the pictures and we are hoping to have everyone photographed by lunch time. The other event taking place on the exact same day will be the Great California Shakeout. At Condit, we have recently reviewed our Disaster Plan and noted areas of need and concern. We have been making every effort to be prepared for this drill and any other emergency that can and may take place at Condit.

Our after school intervention program will begin next week, October 19th, for selected students in grades 3—6. If your student received a permission slip, please return it as soon as possible. The after school intervention classes will take place on Mondays, Tuesday, and Thursdays for 1 hour. The 1st six week session will end on Thursday, December 10th, with two weeks off during conference weeks.

Have A GREAT week!

Mrs. Christine Malally-Principal

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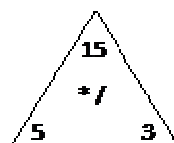
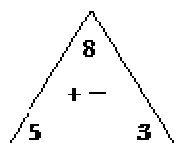
October 12, 2009

Important Dates:

- ☺ October 14
PFA Meeting
7:00 PM
- ☺ October 14
Pseudonymous Bosch—Author visits 4th—6th grade.
- ☺ October 15
Lifetouch School Picture Day
- ☺ October 15
The Great California Shakeout
- ☺ October 28
School Site Council Meeting 7:00 PM
- ☺ October 30
Halloween Parade
8:30 AM

Everyday Math-Fact Extension & Fact Triangles

Fact extensions are calculations made with larger numbers using knowledge of basic facts. If children know that $3 + 4 = 7$, then they also know that $30 + 40 = 70$, and $300 + 400 = 700$. Children are introduced to fact extensions in first grade and are encouraged to practice them throughout the program. Fact Triangles are *Everyday Mathematics* flash cards with a difference. The difference is fact triangles help children learn fact families rather than isolated facts. Partner practice with addition and subtraction fact triangles begins in first grade. Multiplication and division fact triangles are introduced in second grade. Practice with Fact Triangles is often suggested in the Home Link and Study Link (homework) assignments.



Tardy Policy

Every effort should be made to insure that students arrive at school on time. When students arrive late to class, this causes an interruption and students miss morning instructions. We understand that there will be times when situations arise that cause a student to arrive late at school. To allow for those situations, students may be late no more than 3 times without penalty. If a student is late a 4th time, they will be assigned a lunchtime detention for that tardy and any subsequent tardies.

If a student is approved to attend Condit School on an intra-district or inter-district transfer and is frequently tardy to school or late being picked up, the transfer may be revoked.

Condit Coupon Winners

We are going to start listing the Condit Coupon Winners for each week. The winners for the week of 10/5—10/9 are:

Matthew Levitt—Mrs. Sapienza's Class

Samantha Hutchins—Ms. Aveves Class

Grant Synder—Mrs. Caputo's Class

Gigi Camacho—Mrs. Felton's Class

Courtney Schoen—Mrs. Riihimaki's Class

Sean Patrick McElvy—Mrs. Gentry's Class



Our students will be starting the 100 Mile Club this week. Primary students will participate on Mondays from 8:15—9:00 AM. Upper grade students will participate on Friday afternoons from 2:00—2:44 PM. We would love to get more parent volunteers. There is a sign-up list in the office. 100 Mile Club will be a part of the 100 minutes of PE time required per week for elementary students in first through third grade. These students will also have PE again on Friday afternoons coordinated by their classroom teachers. The upper grade students will have opportunities to acquire more miles during their regularly scheduled PE time on Tuesdays and Fridays as well.



Yearbook Sales



Yearbooks are now on sale. Pre-sale prices are \$14.00. After 12/18/09, prices will increase to \$16.00. There are only a certain number of yearbooks ordered each year, so don't be left out.

At the same time, we would love to get any pictures that are taken throughout the school year. Please submit any pictures to our office as soon as possible, with the names of students and the event that the picture was taken at. We will make every effort to get those into the yearbook.

Annual Spaghetti Dinner

Condit Staff and Families enjoyed a great evening of delicious food and amazing desserts at the Annual Family Spaghetti Dinner. We had a huge turn out and both parents and kids enjoyed getting to see each other at this great event. Thanks to Kim Patterson and all of the other members of Condit PFA that helped to make this such a fantastic event. We also want to thank all of the families that donated the home baked items, they were delicious. Thank you also to John Brubaker for lighting the playground for us. We are very fortunate to have such an amazing group of people in our Condit Family that make all of our events a HUGE success. Without your support in attending these events and helping out, we wouldn't have the success we do.



How can I get work for my sick student?

With the cold and flu season upon us, we are seeing more and more students missing days of school. We wanted to make sure that parents are aware that we can get work together for their child if they are out for the day or several days. We just ask that you notify the school office the morning your child is out and we will contact the teacher to make sure that work for your child is in the office by the end of the school day. The sooner you can notify the office, the better chance you have of making sure we can get in contact with your child's teacher and have everything ready for your child by the end of the day.