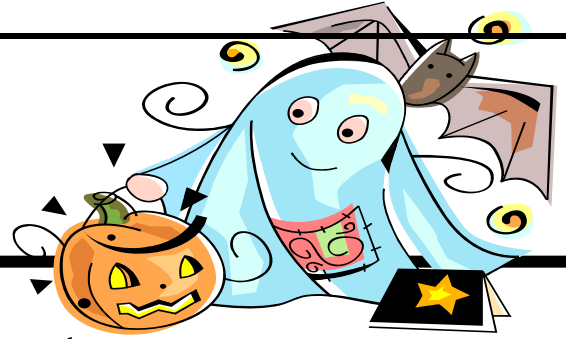


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## October 24, 2008



### Family Involvement Team

We are in the process of developing a new family involvement structure. At the first meeting, the Family Involvement Team defined as its vision and mission the following:

Vision: All families will participate in and enrich the educational experience at the Charter School of Morgan Hill.

Mission: The mission of the Family Involvement Team is to foster, support and facilitate volunteerism among CSMH families.

Stephanie Affourtit has graciously agreed to help spearhead this very important effort. The team is working on defining the family involvement structure and the different volunteer opportunities available at the school. If you are interested in joining this group be sure to contact Stephanie at [stephaffourtit@gmail.com](mailto:stephaffourtit@gmail.com). During conference time all parents can expect to receive a list of the different school wide volunteer opportunities available and a sign up form.

### Bathrooms

Last year, we proudly opened our new bathroom portable. It was so wonderful to have a brand new facility. We were hoping that the students would be excited and appreciative of a new facility and would treat it with respect. However, we continue to have some real issues in the bathrooms. Though these issues are happening more often in the boy's bathroom, they do occasionally occur in the girl's bathroom. We would truly appreciate if parents could review proper bathroom etiquette with their children. Some of our biggest problems have been with plugging toilets and urinals with excessive amounts of toilet paper and/or paper towels. Students have also been kicking and hanging on the bathroom partitions. The boy's bathroom has needed frequent mopping. All students should be reminded that the rules for bathroom use at school are the same as the rules they abide by at home. The teachers will be discussing proper bathroom usage in class. However, we appreciate your help and support in discussing this issue as well.

### Parking Lot!!

Again, a reminder about carpool procedures and the parking lot.

- All vehicles need to enter the school at the Bailey intersection – both in the morning and the afternoon. The south entrance will be blocked with barriers.
- Cars should enter the Bailey entrance at the driveway only. Cars should not be entering and/or exiting across the dirt and back onto Monterey. This is very dangerous.
- All cars should park in marked parking spaces. We are not allowed to block the gate in the back parking lot – this is the entrance for emergency vehicles and needs to be left clear.
- Loading and unloading of students should only take place at the designated curbside area.
- No children should be picked up in the back parking lot.
- All pedestrians need to use the crosswalk.

Please remember, even though these procedures are not always the most convenient, they are in place to keep our children safe.

### More Wishes Coming True!!

More wishes were granted this week as a result of our Clos LaChance auction. The wishes granted this week were:



The sixth grade teachers, Mrs. Sin and Mrs. Southland,



received globes, World atlases for each student and numerous Kids Discover books about ancient cultures.



Mrs. Moody's kindergarten class received a new rug, book cases, alphabet bean bags, a sorting activity, a magnetic clock and wooden maze. The students love tossing the bean bags and making the letter sounds.

Mrs. Taylor's 4<sup>th</sup> grade class received math manipulatives such as cubes and base 10 blocks. The class also has new, colorful storage baskets.



# Upcoming Dates to Remember

October 27 <sup>th</sup>	Academic Chess
October 28 <sup>th</sup>	Golf Club after school from 3:00-3:45 CSMH Board meeting to set goals at Booksmart at 7:00 pm
October 29 <sup>th</sup>	Minimum day - Staff Development 4 <sup>th</sup> and 5 <sup>th</sup> graders on field trip
October 31 <sup>st</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup> grade (Swope) on field trip
November 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Academic Chess
November 4 <sup>th</sup>	Golf Club after school from 3:00-3:45
November 6 <sup>th</sup>	Fall Exhibition (more info to come)!!
November 10 <sup>th</sup> and 11 <sup>th</sup>	No School - holiday and staff development
November 12 <sup>th</sup>	1 <sup>st</sup> and 5 <sup>th</sup> graders on field trip
November 14 <sup>th</sup>	End of first trimester 1 <sup>st</sup> graders (Gillis and DeRome) on field trip
November 17 <sup>th</sup>	CSMH Board meeting at 7:00 pm at school
November 18 <sup>th</sup>	Golf Club after school from 3:00-3:45
November 19 <sup>th</sup> - 21 <sup>st</sup>	Minimum Days for Parent Conferences Book Fair
November 24 <sup>th</sup> - 25 <sup>th</sup>	Minimum Days for Parent Conferences Book Fair

Innisbrook orders can still be turned in next week but not cookie dough orders.