

Principal's Paige

December 19, 2008



Family Involvement Team

Thank you to all the families that turned in their Family Involvement Sign Up form this week. If you have not yet completed and turned yours in – please make it a priority for the New Year. If you have questions please contact our VPs of volunteer coordination Gary Luke at gluke@garlic.com or Lora Knol at loraknol@gmail.com or contact the F.I.T. coordination Stephanie Affourtit at stephaffourtit@gmail.com.

CSMH Wear

Our new line of CSMH Spirit-wear fleece vests, fleece jackets, zip front sweatshirts, t-shirts and other items have arrived!! We have some fun new designs. We also have a 2009 calendar that was created by our 7th and 8th grade elective art class. The drawings they did for the calendar are absolutely stunning. All the items are on display in the office. Be sure to stop by and purchase a calendar and/or spirit wear!!

Mark Your Calendars

As many of you are aware, the Charter School is required to present an annual report to the Morgan Hill Unified Board of Directors each year. We are scheduled to present the evening of January 13th. The District's Board meetings begin at 6:00 pm. We would like to have a large group of staff and parents at the meeting to show the Board members how much we support CSMH. Please mark your calendars now and plan on attending!!

Book Fair Wrap Up

Our Book Fair Safari was a roaring success! Thank you to everyone who showed their support. This year, we generated over \$12,000 in revenue which translates to over \$5,000 for our school to buy literary materials and books to fill our new library. Our 3rd annual 'Donuts for Dads' event had the biggest attendance yet! The support and enthusiasm our families show is amazing!

We owe a huge thank you to all of our volunteers who are invaluable every step of the way from transforming our multi-purpose room to an African safari, to tear down and everything in between. Special thanks to Noreen Romero for the carpool reminders, Kristen Georgi for the fabulous signs, and Christie Mortensen for the countless hours spent helping out. We couldn't do it without you!

Also, a big thank you to Starbucks on East Dunne for once again donating coffee for our Donuts for Dads event and Safeway on East Dunne for their donut contribution. Congratulations to the Funke, Quijano, and Wolf families, who were our winners in the drawing for the iPod Shuffle, Target gift card, and our big stuffed gorilla that was front

and
center
to
greet
every
one
who

came to the Book Fair. A big thank you to the Walton family for generously donating the gorilla!

- submitted by Heidi Lofquist, Rebecca Santos, & Mary LaRochelle (who also deserve a huge thank you for overseeing the book fair, all their time and commitment and all their flexibility)

Cheetah Sports

Congratulations to both our girl's middle school basketball team and boy's middle school soccer team on their winning seasons. Coach Chagnon led the 8th grade girl's to an undefeated season. They easily dominated the court with only one game being determined by a last second shot.

The 7th and 8th grade boy's soccer team went 6-1. They were led by coaches Christine Kelley and Buzz Sarll. The boys were quick on the field and scored multiple goals against their opponents while the Charter goalies let almost nothing by them.

Thank you to all the athletes for their participation and Charter School sportsmanship. A huge thanks to the coaches – we could not have these great teams without you. Special thanks, once again, to our Athletic Director – Laura Hagiperos.

*Happy Holidays from
the Charter School
Staff!!*

*Enjoy your break - rest,
relax and cherish the
special moments with
your children!!*

Upcoming Dates to Remember

December 22 nd	Start of Holiday Break
January 5 th	School resumes 5 th graders on field trip
January 6 th	Golf Club after school from 3:00-3:45
January 7 th	Order hot lunches for the following week by 5:00 pm
January 8 th	2 nd grade (Price) on field trip (correction from last week)
January 13 th	Iron Chef field trip Golf Club after school from 3:00-3:45 CSMH presenting at Morgan Hill Board meeting at 6:00 pm
January 14 th	Minimum day - staff development 6 th graders on field trip Order hot lunches for the following week by 5:00 pm
January 15 th	Prospective parent info night at CSMH from 6:30-8:00 pm
January 16 th	1/2 way point of school year - middle school students change electives and enrichments schedules 1 st grade (Gillis) on field trip
January 19 th	Holiday - No School
January 20 th	Golf Club after school from 3:00-3:45 Charter School Board of Directors meeting at 7:00 pm
January 21 st	Kinders on field trip Order hot lunches for the following week by 5:00 pm