



Diamond Class News

September 1, 2011



Work Plans

We started work plans on Monday! The work-plan is a tool used by parents and teachers to support each child's learning process. You will notice that each area of the classroom is represented on the work-plan and can be used as a conversation starter at home to learn what your child is working on in the classroom. Many times parents are worried about how many jobs their child is completing in one day, but we would encourage you to focus on discussing with your child how challenging the jobs are and not the number of jobs they completed. If there are any concerns about a child's work time we will contact you individually.

Food Allergies & Water Bottles

We are aware of two children with peanut allergies in our class. Please be extra sensitive when bringing snack and, or other celebration treats. Also, we have noticed some children have been asking for cups for water. We cannot provide cups for everyone. Each child needs to bring a water bottle to school everyday. The reusable kind is the best because they are durable!

Free Dress Passes

Free Dress Passes are **earned** and placed in Thursday folders on Thursdays. They are earned by being on-time and in school each day, **all day**, of that week. If your child is on-time and at school Monday through Thursday, on Friday of that week they have earned free dress! Please be aware of what your child chooses to wear on a free dress Friday. Just as during the week, the clothing should not be a distraction to the child or other children.

Gotcha Slips

Gotcha slips are a way for teachers to acknowledge students when they are being Safe, Respectful and Responsible. We expect students to follow these practices and when they do, they might receive a yellow gotcha slip! We are all contributors to CMP's safe and peaceful environment. Gotcha's are a way to provide positive feedback to students.

We encourage you to ask your child about these when they come home.

Field Trip Permission Slips

Diamond Class will be going to Fog Willow Farm on Oct. 6th. The field trip permission slip and payment are due tomorrow, **Friday, Sept. 2nd**! Please have these two items in on time so that we can organize the trip efficiently and make a list of drivers. Also, we need to have you fill out a field trip slip for our walking visits to the fellowship hall, where middle school is, and Jessie Baker Park. These will be in the Thursday folders.

Walk-a-Thon

CMP Elk Grove's annual Walk-a-Thon is coming up at the end of the month on September 30th. If you would like to help with this event please call Heather, a fellow campus parent. She would love the support and volunteering your time with this event is a great way to earn parent hours! Heather can be reached by phone at (707)333-3441. This event is our one big campus wide fundraiser which financially supports our classrooms directly. Please look for our sign up sheet to donate items for our raffle movie basket, it will be posted tomorrow!

And the good news is...

If it is challenging for you to look up this newsletter online, you can fill out a form in our classroom to get a paper copy every Thursday. This information is important; please find a way that works for you to receive the newsletter every week!

Upcoming Snack/Sharing

9/2 Joe
9/6 Jodie
9/7 Kaelyn
9/8 Kaleb



Important Dates

9/5 Labor Day/ No School
9/23 Minimum Day/ dismissal 11:30
9/30 Walk-a-thon
10/6 Fog Willow Farm

*Your children continue to amaze us everyday,
Diamond Class Teachers*