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DATES TO REMEMBER:

10/6-CAC meeting @
4:00

10/6- 7 Habits workshop
@ 5:00

10/6-10/11- Onyx
Smoothie Fundraiser

10/12-10/14- Parent/
Teacher Conferences/Min
days

10/17-10/21- Red Ribbon
Week

10/19- Picture Day

10/28- School Closed/
Club M Open

10/31- Continent Party

Montessorigram

OCTOBER 6, 2011

Walk-A-Thon

What an amazing event! The success of this event would not have been possible without the support of staff, parents, extended family, and friends. This was not only a fundraiser, but a great opportunity for community building. The kids had a blast visiting the classroom booths, dancing to the music, and of course walking. If you were curious, 1 lap was equal to 1/9th of a mile.

Based on the lap cards that were turned in, the following people have walked the most laps:

Jade: Cole-105

Turquoise: Hannah-54

Diamond: Mauricio-45

Quartz: Jonah-100

Sapphire: Sahnna-53

Topaz: Armondo-100

Emerald: Kawaihuokawila- 100

Oscar-100

Aquamarine: Rhea-54

Ruby: Shayla-126

Garnet: Mason-52

Amethyst: Shadrack-132

Onyx: Surina-75

Peridot: Cynthia-79

Governing Board Meeting/Facilities Update

We would like to invite all parents to attend the CMP Governing Board Meeting this Monday, October 10, 2011. The meeting is being held at the Elk Grove campus at 6:30 p.m. in the Onyx classroom. During the meeting, students from the Onyx classroom will be performing their "Maria Montessori" tribute song, we will be recognizing just a few of the outstanding members of our learning community, there will be short campus update, and a Prop 55 update regarding facilities. As many of you know, CMP-EG was awarded \$11 million dollars five years ago for the purchase and/or construction of a new facility. We are happy to report that the funds have been released, architectural drawings have been completed, and we are getting ready to commit to a piece of property. We hope you are able to join us for this informative meeting.

Adopt the pace of nature: her secret is patience.

-Ralph Waldo Emerson

Parent/Teacher Conferences



Parent teacher conferences are October 12, 13, 14. Please check classrooms and newsletters for more information. Keep in mind students who are not signed up for Club M or do not have a punch card **MUST** be supervised by you at all times. Club M does not accept drop-ins. This is a wonderful opportunity for older students to take an active role in their education by participating in the conference.

These three days are also early dismissal days:

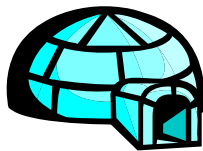
- K-3rd: 11:45 dismissal
- 4th-8th: 12:00 dismissal



Don't Forget! Friday, October 28th is a non-instructional-day.

Club M will be available to families with a contract or punch card. If you will be using your punch card hours for that day, please let the office or Club M staff know in advance so that we have enough coverage.

Gallon Milk Jugs Needed!!!!



The Diamond class is making a research igloo for the Continent Party. They are in need of **many** gallon size milk or juice jugs to build it. There will be a container in front of the office for collections. Thank you in advance for your donations.

Garden Committee



Have you got a green thumb or just like to work outside? Our garden committee is looking for a few handy volunteers to help create a beautiful outdoor environment for our campus. If you would like to volunteer your time, please let the office know and we will get you in contact with the garden committee representative.

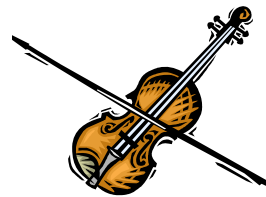


Smoothie Fundraiser

The Onyx class will be having a smoothie fundraiser. Orders will be accepted today through Tuesday.

Smoothies will be delivered before school is out on Friday, October 14th.

After School Violin Classes



New Songs School of Music (Mr. Michael) is offering violin classes after school. These classes will hold 8 to 10 students. Additional staff will be added for greater demand (minimum enrollment of 5). This class is 9 weeks long, October 14th through December 16th. Additional CMP-campus violin classes will be scheduled in January based on demand. Additional information can be found on the school's website. Thank you.



**ANNOUNCING THE
GRAND OPENING
OF
CMP GEAR**

OUR NEW ON-LINE STORE SELLING CMP SHIRTS!



SIZES: Kid's Small ~ Adult 4XL
Variety of Colors & Styles
T-shirts, Sweatshirts, Hoodies, Bags and more

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The students voted last week for a new school mascot and the Lions won! A huge thank you goes out to PJ Blohm-Craig for creating mascots and logos for us to choose from, such as the Miners and the Tigers, as well as creating the T-shirts designs and setting up the account through Café Press. This is a great opportunity to buy a new sweatshirt for this cooler weather. T-shirts can be worn on Fridays if you do not have free dress and all students may wear them on CMP game days during the volleyball and basketball season. The volleyball schedule is also in this Montessorigram.

**This week in
History**

Oct 03, 1995

O.J. Simpson acquitted

Oct 04, 1957

Sputnik launched

Oct 05, 1947

First presidential speech on TV

Oct 06, 1866

First U.S. train robbery

Oct 07, 2003

Arnold Schwarzenegger becomes California governor

Oct 08, 1871

Great Chicago Fire begins

Oct 09, 1936

Hoover Dam begins transmitting electricity to Los Angeles.

Welcome Michael Ruiz, our newest CAC parent representative!

We are happy to announce Michael Ruiz as our newest parent representative for our Campus Advisory Council (CAC). Thank you Michael for your participation and continued support of our school and community. Read an excerpt from Michael Ruiz below.

I have been partners for nearly 20 years with my wonderful wife, Patricia, who has given me 4 outstanding girls, 3 of which have been attending CMPEG since the Fall of '10. We live here in Elk Grove and have a vested interest in CMPEG for the next several years, as my youngest is in the 1st grade and we plan on staying here until she moves on to high school. As a matter of fact, our family has been involved with volunteering around the school since before we were formally accepted - with the garden project last summer.

I grew up nearby in Vacaville, CA and attended college here at Consumnes River College. After completing my Doctorate program in the San Francisco Bay Area in March of 2000, I returned to the Elk Grove area to join a practice. My practice is primarily a Family-based wellness practice but I have started to specialize in Neurological conditions (Brain-related) and Metabolic conditions (Chronic pain and other illnesses).

A few of my other outside interests include:

Community Service: I hold the position of Club Chaplain of the local Maharlika Lions Club in South Sacramento as well as the Chaplain position of District 4-C5 of the California Lions Club International - the World's Largest volunteer Service organization. I am the Chair-person for the Loaves & Fishes Project for our club, as well as co-chair for the Flag Day project and the Peace Poster contest.

Professionally, I am the Vice President of External Affairs for the California Chiropractic Association-Sacramento Valley District (CCA-SVD).

In my "personal" time, I look forward to 1 thing: working out several times per week, especially if involves my children.

I believe I can bring fresh insight to the CAC because I am approachable, I enjoy interacting with people, and I am not afraid to stand up for what I believe is right and appropriate. I believe that will allow me to "represent" many other families of our CMPEG community as a parent-Representative of the CMPEG-CAC.

Dr. Michael Ruiz

Volleyball Teamsleyball Games

Friday, October 7th 6:00 Elk Grove Elementary vs. Carmichael Elementary
7:00 Elk Grove Wicked Spikes vs. Carmichael 1 (Middle School)
8:00 Elk Grove Cool Aces vs. Carmichael 2 (Middle School)

Friday, October 14th 6:00 Elk Grove Elementary vs. Capitol
7:00 Elk Grove Carmichael 1 vs. Elk Grove Cool Aces (Middle School)
8:00 Elk Grove Wicked Spikes vs. Carmichael 2 (Middle School)

Club M

Morning Club M (group games picture)

Afternoon Club M

This week:

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
FREE CHOICE	PERFORMING ARTS	ARTS	GROUP GAMES	
3	4	5	6	7
FREE CHOICE MONDAY	SILLY SPEECHES	CURSIVE NAME BUGS	AM: LIBRE PM: LIBRE	MOVIE @ 3:30

Next week:

10	11	12	13	14
FREE CHOICE MONDAY	AM: LINKS TAG PM: SILLY ACTING GAMES	*SEE HALF DAY SCHEDULE	AM: LINKS TAG PM: *SEE HALF DAY SCHEDULE	*SEE HALF DAY SCHEDULE

October Calendars are out! If your child is on a punchcard, please take a calendar and let us know of the days he/she will be joining us.

Sign-up for October 28th We will be going on a walking field trip to Zehnders and the library. We will also have time to play group games, create art in various workshops, and eat tons of popcorn during our movie.