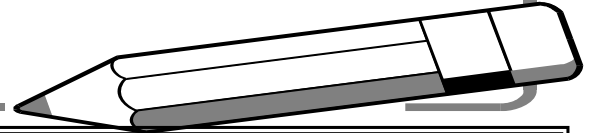


# Laurel News

November 7, 2011



## A Note from the Teachers:

**Last Week in Laurel:** We have officially learned "The Big 3", homonyms (same name), homophones (same sound), and homographs (same to write). Wow. We're also really practicing the importance of UPPER CASE LETTERS. In math, we had a fun lesson on measurements. We also focused on metrics and learned a lot about weight. The kids studied parts of a bat on October 31<sup>st</sup>---ask them what their wings are made of. These kids are working hard every day and should be commended for (their/they're/there) efforts. Ask your child which word above is appropriate.

**November 10<sup>th</sup>:** On Thursday we will be celebrating Veterans' Day as well as the Marine Corps Birthday. The 2/3 team will be cooking hot dogs for the kids to have at lunch. We'll serve them at the normal time; your child can bring anything else they want to eat along with a hot dog!

**Cultural:** In cultural, we studied the human skeleton this week. Third graders made Mr. Bones and second graders created their human skeleton books. Ask your child where their patella, mandible, and clavicle are!

**Field Trips:** We had a tremendous experience at "Beauty and the Beast". Seeing all the CMP kids on stage, while learning the morals of that story made for a great day. We came back and had a writer's workshop about the day. The kids loved sharing their ideas in writing. Thank you parents for the chaperone help.

**Holiday Performance:** Our show on the 18<sup>th</sup> starts at 10:00. Doors will open at 9:45. Please bring a plate of cookies and stay after for our Parent/Student Social in the classroom. *Ms. Witwer and Mr. Tom*

## Dates to Remember

11/8	Honesty Assembly
11/10	USMC's 236 <sup>th</sup> Birthday
11/11	Veteran's Day-No School
11/18	Holiday Performance Minimum Day
11/21-11/25	Thanksgiving Break/No School

### **"Words From the Special Person"**

From Samantha: Laurel is an awesome class. All of our teachers on campus are great. CMP has the best learning materials of any school. Pancake breakfasts are delicious and field trips are great. We go to so many different places like Lake Tahoe, Camp Lotus, plays, and a lot of other great things. Thank you Miss Witwer and Mr. Tom for teaching us. I love Laurel!

Coming up:

11/7/11	Sarah
11/14/11	Sophia
11/28/11	Timothy

Beauty and the Beast: If you paid for a chaperone ticket but did not go, please stop by the office for either a credit or refund of your \$8.00.

## Homework and Assignments

**Spelling:** Lesson 9

**Reading:** 20 minutes/night

**Conceptual Math:** In purple folders

**Math Facts:** 3 minutes per night

## **Student work:**

**“My favorite character was Beast. He was so hyper and dramatic. Every time I saw the Beast sitting I’d think something was going to jump out. My favorite part was when Gaston was about to kill Beast and then Beast turned around and hit Gaston off the castle.**

**It was cool when they danced with metal cups and were clanging the cups. After the play I was tired and hungry. The theater was huge and cold and it smelled like pancakes to me. At the end of the first act, I liked the fog and the confetti.”**

**Great work by Dutch**