



Rosedell Tuesday Telegram

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Just a reminder that tomorrow is an early release day – 1:44pm dismissal

Principal's Message:

Health Week: Please help our students celebrate our annual "Health Week" this week! Thanks to our PTA, we will be focusing on various health-based lessons and fun activities to highlight the importance of healthy living and giving back to our community. Events included bringing a vegetable or fruit to school for snack/lunch, wearing different colors for each day, running in our Mileage Club on the track, and encouraging students to walk to school during "Walk to School Day!" Please refer to the PTA flyer that was sent home last week and our website for the list of activities/spirit wear. We hope to catch many students with "Caught Being Healthy" stickers this week!

Assembly Bill 1575 –New law affecting School Districts regarding Fees and Charges: Districts all across California are grappling with the new AB 1575, which governs how schools may collect fees and charges for student participation in school-related educational activities. During the last few months, principals have been working with the Saugus Union School District's Superintendent and Board in clarifying policy and rules that will govern how we proceed with our many events that we fundraise or have parents financially support. Some of these programs include science camps, Magic Mountain, and afterschool enrichment opportunities (Band, Drama etc.). Our Board Policy states "No student shall be required to pay any fees, deposits, or other charges for his/her participation in an educational activity which constitutes an integral fundamental part of the district's educational program, including curricular and extra-curricular activities." We're busy working with PTA leadership, Site Council, teachers and the district in finding alternative solutions that "think outside the box" so we can continue to offer the educational opportunities that we feel are vital to our student's education, but continue to meet the spirit of the law – providing equal opportunity for all student participation.

For more details about AB1575, our board policy, frequently asked questions and other documents related to this topic, please visit the Saugus Union School District website to read posted documents.

Spring Performances! We are excited in the next few weeks to hear our students perform in our annual Spring Performances. At this time of the year, half of the school will be preparing for our Spring Chorus Performances on March 18th, 20th and 21st at 7:00pm. Below is a list of the classes performing and their performance dates. **Doors will open at 6:30pm for the general audience to be seated.** Please do not save seats for friends or other family members. We look forward to hearing the students sing their unique musical selections during their evening performances.

Spring Performances:

March 20th – Ms. Dickinson, Miss LaPorte, Ms. Hankla, Mrs. Fox

March 21st – Mr. Kubasak, Mrs. Gordon, Mrs. Follstad, Mrs. Besa, Miss Pressman

“Smarter Balanced” Pilot Testing for 5th and 6th Grade: Rosedell has been selected to participate in a computer-based pilot test launched by the Smarter Balanced Assessment Consortium. We will be joining over 1100 schools across California in this pilot that will eventually replace the state’s STAR testing in 2015. The pilot is expected to be a key milestone in the effort to overhaul the state’s testing system. Rosedell has been assigned English Language Arts sections for 5th and 6th grade. The new computer test items are aligned to the new Common Core State Standards and include selected response, constructed response and performance tasks. Taking part in the pilot tests will not produce scores for the students, schools or districts, but allows students and educators to experience the basic operation of the Smarter Balanced test administration system and provide feedback. Each 5/6th grade student at Rosedell will take 3 tests over a period of a week. The dates for the pilot are the following: 5th grade (4/8-4/12), 6th grade (3/19-3/26).

Rosedell’s Toastmasters: Every year our students participate in our school-wide and district-wide Toastmaster’s program. Students write “informative” speeches in 3/4th grade and “persuasive” speeches in the 5/6th grade. Congratulations to the following students who won the Toastmaster’s contest last week and will be representing Rosedell at the district level:

3rd/4th Grade: Samantha V.

5th/6th Grade: Ayla N.

Congratulations to all of the students who worked very hard on their speeches and presentations. We wish our two students the best of luck at the district competition on April 18th and April 25th at North Park Elementary.

Festival of the Arts: Our Saugus District Festival of the Arts will be held on June 7, 2013. We have many opportunities for Rosedell students to be involved.

Calling all singers! If your 4th-6th grade child would like to sing in the **district choir** for this event, please let your child's teacher know. There are practice dates in May for students participating in the choir.

Is your child an **artist**? We will select three pieces of art from Rosedell to show in the Art Gallery at the Festival of the Arts. Student art pieces are selected in three grade ranges: K-2, 3-4, 5-6. Have your child submit an original piece of art (watercolor, acrylic, photography, sculpture, pencil) to their teacher. Label the art with the name and grade level of your child. There are size restrictions for art work 9-12" for art paper, 20" for sculpture. Judging will take place and artists selected will be notified.

Any poets in the house? Rosedell will select one **poetry reader** to read their own original poem at the Festival. If your child is interested, have them submit one original poem they have written to their teacher, with their name and grade level. Judging will take place and winners announced.

If you have any questions regarding the Festival of Arts, please contact Leslie Rose or Karen Harvey.

Message from William S. Hart Union High School District: Dear Parents/Guardians of 6th Grade Students, This is a letter from the WS Hart School District to the Saugus, Newhall and Sulphur Springs School Districts outlining their new progression of math courses for incoming students. Please read this carefully because it changes their past practice. If you have any questions please call the junior high school student will be attending.

New Math Courses for Incoming 7th Grade Students - The Wm. S. Hart School District is working diligently to prepare for the state-wide implementation of the California Common Core State Standards for English Language Arts, Literacy, and Mathematics. The new Common Core State Standards for Mathematics identify Algebra 1 as a 9th grade course and not an 8th grade course as did the previous State Standards. The transition to the new Common Core State Standards, which are due to be fully implemented during the 2014/15 school year, will require modifications to the current sequence of math courses at the District's junior high schools. In order to provide the smoothest transition for our students and to assure that students don't experience gaps in their math education, beginning next year, advanced 7th grade math students will be enrolled in an accelerated Common Core Math 7 course in lieu of Algebra 1. The accelerated Math 7 course will cover the material from both the 7th and 8th grade Common Core curriculum. These students will move to Common Core Algebra 1 during their 8th grade year.

Offering Algebra 1 to 7th grade students next fall would result in these students missing out on a significant amount of curriculum necessary for success in subsequent courses as the Common Core builds upon itself year-to-year. The academic bar is not being lowered for these advanced math students. In fact, with the Common Core State Standards, the curriculum for all students is inherently much more rigorous.

Nuevos Cursos de Matemáticas para Estudiantes Ingresando al 7^o Grado - Wm. S. Hart School District está trabajando diligentemente para preparar la implementación estatal de los Estándares Estatales Básicos Comunes (Common Core State Standards) para lengua y literatura en inglés, alfabetización y matemáticas. Los nuevos Estándares Estatales Básicos Comunes para las matemáticas identifican Álgebra 1 como un curso para el 9^o grado y no un curso para el 8^o como en las normas estatales anteriores. El período de transición a los nuevos Estándares Estatales Básicos Comunes, que van a aplicarse plenamente durante el año escolar 2014/15, requerirá modificaciones a la secuencia de cursos actuales de matemáticas en las escuelas secundarias (junior high) del distrito. Con el fin de proporcionar una transición sin complicaciones para nuestros estudiantes y para asegurar que los estudiantes no tengan ninguna interrupción en su educación de matemáticas, comenzando el próximo año, los estudiantes cursando matemáticas avanzadas en el 7^o grado serán inscritos en un curso avanzado de los Estándares Básicos Comunes de Matemáticas 7 en vez de Alegra 1. El curso avanzado de Matemáticas 7 cubrirá el material Curricular de los Estándares Básicos Comunes del 7^o y 8^o grado. Estos estudiantes cursarán los Estándares Básicos Comunes de Algebra 1 en el 8^o grado.

Ofreciendo Álgebra 1 el próximo otoño a los estudiantes del 7^o grado causaría que estos estudiantes perdieran una cantidad considerable del currículo necesario para tener éxito en los cursos posteriores ya que los Estándares Básicos Comunes se desarrollan de un año al otro. El nivel académico no se está bajando para estos estudiantes de matemáticas avanzadas. En realidad, con los Estándares Estatales Básicos Comunes, el plan de estudios para todos los estudiantes es mucho más riguroso.

Women in History Month: Rosedell's celebration continues with a beautiful exhibit in the library. Students, who's your favorite woman from history? Is she a politician, a doctor, architect, CEO? Here's your opportunity to thank her for making a difference and inspiring others. Join the "Thank You" letter writing campaign! Stationery is available in the library. Jot a thank you note and leave it in the tray. We'll post them all!

Health Week 2013: Eating right, staying fit and keeping safe are the themes for this week's activities. Mon. - Germ Buster Monday (wear green), Tues. - Dental Health Day (wear orange and assemblies for pre-k - 2nd grades), Wed. Walk to School/Heart Health Day (wear red), Thurs. - Healthy Family Day (wear purple), Fri. - Fun in the Sun Day (wear yellow). All the details can be found on the yellow flyer that was sent home last week. This year, Rosedell has partnered with the Santa Clarita Valley Senior Center's Meals on Wheels program to provide health-themed placemats for program recipients. Meals on Wheels delivers more than 300 meals each day. Students are encouraged to stop by the arts and crafts table outside the MPR during lunch to participate. The placemats will be delivered later this month.

White Cart: The white cart will be out on Friday this week instead Wednesday.

PTA Association Meeting: Come join us for the PTA meeting on Monday, March 25th at 8:15am in the MPR. The elections for next year will be held at this meeting. Parents are welcome to bring their kids if needed. We will have crayons and stuff to color for them. We hope to see you there!!

Dates To Remember

March 20	Walk to school day and wear red day Spring Performance – Ms. Dickinson, Miss LaPorte, Ms. Hankla, Mrs. Fox 7:00pm – MPR
March 21	Turn off day/family health day and wear purple day Spring Performance – Mr. Kubasak, Mrs. Gordon, Mrs. Follstad, Mrs. Besa, Miss Pressman - 7:00pm – MPR
March 22	Fun in the sun Friday and wear yellow day Principal's BBQ – lunchtime Mrs. McCallon's class to Castaic Lake Water Agency – 9:00am 5 th grade Boys Film – 2:30pm - MPR
March 23	Math Field Day – Plum Canyon School
March 25	PTA Association meeting – 8:15am - MPR Site Council meeting – 4:30pm
March 26	Mrs. Rose's class to Castaic Lake Water Agency – 9:00am
March 27	Miss Perdisatt & Mrs. Stanzione's 4 th grade to Rancho Camulos
March 28	Kindergarten Fairy Tale Ball – 10:15am – MPR Wear Neon Day Ms. Dickinson's class to Castaic Lake Water Agency – 9:00am Mr. McGroary's class to The Getty Museum
March 29	No School – Furlough Day
April 1-5	Spring Break



**The Santa Clarita Valley's annual prep basketball
ALL-STAR EXTRAVAGANZA
Saturday, March 23rd at the Valencia High School Gymnasium**

SPECIAL OFFER

\$15

Greg Hayes
Basketball Clinic +
Admission to the
Games + Lunch +
Bonus DVD

Longtime Santa Clarita Valley basketball coach Greg Hayes will conduct an hour long clinic for fourth- to eight-graders at 3:30 p.m. in the Valencia High Auxiliary Gym. This will also include admission to the game, a lunch and Hayes' basketball skills DVD.

Girls game: 5 p.m.

Boys Game: 7 p.m.

Admission: \$5 at the door

Halftime of the girls game features a 3-point contest.

Halftime of the boys game features a slam dunk contest.

The game is a benefit for the William S. Hart Union High School District's WISH Education Foundation for special education programs

Preparación Anual de Balón Cesto de Santa Clarita

Extravagancia de Equipo de Estrellas

Sábado, Marzo 23 en el gimnasio de Valencia High School

Admisión: \$5.00 en la puerta

Juego de las niñas: 5 p.m.

Juego de los Niños: 7 p.m.

En el medio tiempo del juego de las niñas hay un concurso de 3- puntos.

En el medio tiempo del juego de los niños habrá un concurso de Slam dunk.

Oferta Especial

\$15

Greg Hayes

Clínica de Balón Cesto+

Juegos+ almuerzo +

Un DVD de Bono

El entrenador por largo tiempo Greg Hayes conducirá una clínica de una hora para los estudiantes de octavo grado a las 3:30 p.m. en el Gimnasio Auxiliar de Valencia High. Esto también incluye la admisión al juego, un almuerzo y un DVD de habilidades de Balón Cesto Hayes.

El juego es para beneficiar a la Fundación WISH del Distrito William S. Hart Union High School para programas de educación especial