



Rosedell Tuesday Telegram

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

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

AMGEN BIKE TOUR AND MINIMUM DAY – IMPORTANT!! Parents, the entire Saugus Union School District will have a **MINIMUM DAY on Tuesday, May 14th** due to the 2013 AMGEN Tour of California. **We will be dismissing students at 12:30pm at Rosedell.** Bouquet Canyon will be closed at 2:30-4pm for the bicyclists for the “Stage 3 Finish.” “Stage 4 Start” will begin on May 15th from Town Center Drive. Attached are the flyers with all the road closures on May 14th and May 15th. Please ensure that your babysitters, and afterschool childcare providers (ie. Teddy U, TaeKwonDo, Montessori, LaPetite, etc.) are made aware. We will send reminders out. Please see attached flyers for more information.

Band Spring Program: We are VERY excited to see our young musicians perform in the Spring Music Band Performances this Thursday, May 9th at 7:00pm and on Friday, May 10th in the morning for our students (8:30am and 9:30am shows). Our students have worked VERY hard this whole school year in their after-school music classes learning their specific instruments and working together to become a school Band Ensemble. It takes a lot of dedication and perseverance to learn to play a musical instrument and we applaud their efforts! Thank you to the following people who have worked very hard organizing schedules, classes and performances this year; Mrs. Davidson, our PTA Music/Band Coordinator, Troy King (Band Ensemble/Percussion), Scott Peters (Brass & Woodwinds) and Andrea Hammond (Strings). Without our amazing Music teachers we wouldn't be able to provide such a great Music program. Our parent performance will be Thursday, May 9th at 7:00pm in the MPR. Students performing need to arrive by 6:30pm in the MPR.

2012-13 Parent Survey Results: Thank you for all your Parent Survey responses via Survey Monkey and/or hard copies that were returned back to school! We have presented results to our School Site Council, staff and to our Superintendent who will share copies with our Board of Education. We are very pleased with the overwhelmingly positive scores and responses! There's always room to improve our services, programs and communication, so thank you for your detailed comments and suggestions! A few packets of the results and comments are available in the office for all our parents to read and review upon request. The Site Council presentation which summarizes the results of the survey has been posted on our school website for parents to review. Lastly, I would like to thank all the parents for their support and very kind words that you offered for our great teachers, staff, and PTA! We look forward to being an even better school with the community's input!

Santa Clarita Library's Summer Reading Program- "Reading is Sooooo Delicious!": Attached is the SCV City Library summer reading program for 2013. The school with the highest percentage of students registering for the program will receive a box of new Scholastic paperbacks for their school library. Please read the various programs in the attachment or visit their website at <http://www.santaclaritalibrary.com/>

Star Testing: Dear Parents, Students and teachers continue to work on the California Content Standards for each grade level and are making great strides. Our students are demonstrating their knowledge and competence in the classroom daily. Coming up next week our 2nd through 6th grade students will be participating in the statewide STAR testing.

The following is our California STAR testing window:

- **April 30th – Practice Test (2nd-4th)**
- **May 1st – May 13th – Testing in the morning, Make-up tests on Fridays**

How to Help Your Child Succeed on Standardized and District End-of-the-Year Tests

Students throughout California take standardized tests to determine academic progress and mastery of state standards. These scores and the scores they receive on the Saugus District End-of-the-Year tests become part of the students' cumulative record.

At school, teachers have based their curriculum on the state adopted curriculum standards and content frameworks. Instruction has been rigorous and has also incorporated test-taking strategies to better prepare students for the testing situations.

As parents, you play a vital role in helping your child succeed in testing situations and can help make your child's test-taking experience a successful one. Following are some suggestions:

- Put your child at ease and let them know that feelings of nervousness or anxiety are normal.
- Be aware of the specific days tests will be given. Ask your child how the testing sessions are going and offer encouragement.
- Stress the importance of listening to test directions and following those carefully. Provide practice activities at home such as reading and answering questions about a story, practice math facts etc.
- Make sure your child goes to bed early every night and at the same time every night, especially during the testing window period. Encourage healthy eating, rest and exercise.
- Make sure your child is at school and on time for each day of testing. **Testing begins at 8:30am and students who arrive later than 8:20 will be sent to a primary classroom. These tardy students will have to make up the test section separately.**
- Provide a good breakfast before coming to school.

TIMELINE FOR END OF YEAR TESTING:

STAR Practice test for 2nd-6th grades

April 30th

STAR Testing window for 2nd-6th grades

May 1st-14th

STAR Science test for 5th

May 8th-9th

STAR P.E. test for 5th

Completed by May 29th

- Testing dates determined by grade level

Writing Prompts: All students K-6

- May 2nd-23rd

End of Year District Math Assessment (K & 1st only)

- Testing dates determined by each teacher in May

End of Year English Language Arts Assessment (K & 1st only)

- Testing dates determined by each teacher in May

Reading Fluency Rate (all K-3, select students in 4-5th)

- Testing dates determined by each teacher in May

ADEPT for English Learners (K-6 ELs who are below Advanced in CELDT)

- May 1st-31st

Arroyo Seco Math Placement Test (6th Grade)

- Completed by May 17th

The STAR testing is designed to measure student's understanding of grade level content standards. The California Department of Education provides information, FAQ's, and sample questions for upcoming STAR tests in mathematics and reading/language arts. Please take a few minutes to review the resources available to you at: <http://starsamplequestions.org/index.html>

Lost and Found: Parents, we have **many** lunch pails, jackets, sweaters, gloves, backpacks and many more clothing items in our Lost and Found. We always encourage the students to visit the lost and found before school and during all our recesses so we can get materials back to parents. Please visit our lost and found after school by our MPR to find your children's expensive jackets, pails and sweaters! Thanks!

Site Council Representative: We would like to welcome Danielle Bendrat and Brandy Clayton to the 2013/2014 Site Council committee.

Backwards Day: Friday, May 10th is Backwards Day. Wear your clothes backward to show your school spirit.

Join Us: Ever wonder how Rosedell is able to do so much for its students? Wonder how some of those Smart Boards got into the classroom? Looking for a way to show your child your commitment to education? If so, please join us for a Volunteer Get-Together Fri. May 17 at 8:15 am in the Library. Meet PTA members, have fun and discover all the opportunities available! RSVP to Susie Unkeless, [818 399-7455](tel:8183997455). Children welcome.

Dates To Remember

April 30-May 16	STAR Testing window for grades 2 nd – 6 th
May 9	Band Performance – 7:00pm – MPR
May 10	Backwards Day
May 14	Minimum Day – 12:30pm dismissal Awards Assembly 1 st & 2 nd – 8:20am – MPR
May 15	Awards Assembly 3 rd & 4 th – 8:20am – MPR
May 16	Minimum Day – 12:30pm dismissal for all grades Awards Assembly 5 th & 6 th – 8:20am – MPR Awards Assembly Kindergarten – 12:00pm – MPR Open House – 6:30-7:30pm
May 17	BMX Assembly – K-3 rd – 8:20am, 4 th -6 th – 9:25am
May 20	Colonial Day for 5 th grade Mrs. Haas' class to CLWA
May 21	Mrs. Haas & Mrs. Mike on SCV Tour Mrs. Stanzione's class to CLWA Ms. Dickinson's class to Albertsons
May 22	Mrs. Stewart's class to CLWA
May 23	Ancient Civilization Day for 6 th grade Mrs. Mike's class to CLWA Mrs. Stanzione's 3 rd graders & Mrs. Stewart's class on SCV Tour Parent Appreciation Tea
May 24	No School – Furlough Day
May 27	No School – Memorial Day
May 28	Soup Plantation Night – More information to come PTA Association Meeting – 8:15am – MPR Site Council Meeting – 4:30pm
May 30	Musical – 6:00pm – MPR
May 31	Musical – 6:00pm – MPR
June 1	Musical – 12:00pm - MPR

WIN 2 MOVIE TICKETS AND FREE PIZZA!

It's time for our Box Tops, Tyson Project A+, & Labels for Education Competition!

Three lucky students will win a pair of Regal Cinema movie tickets, PLUS the class that brings in the most total labels will WIN A FREE PIZZA PARTY FOR THEIR CLASS!

Turn in any of the following and your name will be entered into a drawing for a chance to win a prize:

>10 Box Tops (please trim and count if you can, and please do not send in expired labels)

>10 Labels for Education Labels

> *Every single* Tyson Project A+ label!

So if you turn in 20 Box Tops+ 10 LFE+ 1 Tyson label your name goes into the drawing 4 times!

This contest is for all students K-6th Grade

Make sure you write your name and your teacher's name on each entry! Contest ends May 30, 2013.

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