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WOODLAND STAR CHARTER SCHOOL

Learning to think, to care, to create.

17811 ARNOLD DRIVE, SONOMA, CA 95476

Just the Facts

February 23, 2010

Chalk Art by 8th Grade,
Teacher, Bob Harrington

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Walk through The Grades Saturday, February 27 & Wednesday, March 3.

Experience a day in the life of
a Woodland Star student.
Adults only please. Spanish
and English speaking tracts.
R.S.V.P. greatly appreciated.
Free childcare provided. Two
chances to invite your friends
to see the school:
• 9:00 to 12:00, Sat., 2-27-10
• 6:00 to 9:00, Wed., 3-3-10
For more information or to
RSVP call 996-3849

Open Forum on Child Abuse Prevention:

Upcoming Events

WS Ed Foundation Meeting, Main Hall, Tuesday, February 23, 2010, 6:30 pm
Class Parent Meeting, Wednesday, February 24, 8:30 am
Charter Council Meeting, Main Hall, Wednesday, February 24, 6:30 pm [Agenda](#)
Gardening Group, Friday, February 26, 2010, 8:40 Main Hall,
Walk through the Grades, Saturday, February 27, 9:00 to 12:00
Open Forum on Child Abuse Prevention, Monday, March 1, 6:00 to 8:00 pm
Sweet Pea and Kindergarten Meeting, Tuesday, March 2, 6:00 pm
Walk Through the Grades, Wednesday, March 3, 6:00 to 9:00
Epicurean Connection Wine and Cheese Reception, Thursday, March 4, 6:00 to 8:00 pm
First Grade Class Meeting, Thursday, March 4, 6:00 pm
Sixth Grade Class Meeting, Thursday, March 4, 6:00 pm

Online Auction Starting March 9, 2010

Our online Auction will start on March 9, 2010. It's not too late to make a donation to the auction. [To Donate an item](#)

We are short on our donations for this online auction. We need about another \$10,000 in donations.
We are looking for:

- Gift Certificates for Restaurants, Massage, lessons, etc.
- Art, pottery, paintings, wood carvings, blown glass, etc.
- Experiences: special party, hike with a teacher, dinner party,
- Handmade items: knitted scarves, toys, dolls, clothes, jewelry, etc.

The Epicurean Connection benefit for Woodland Star Charter School

Sheana Davis, the Epicurean Connection, is hosting a non-profit day for Woodland Star Charter School on Thursday, March 4th, all day. Stop by The Epicurean Connection for lunch or pick up dinner, 10% of your purchases will be donated to Woodland Star. Starting at 6:00 pm there will be a complimentary wine and cheese reception from 6:00-8:00.

In the wake of recent events we are holding a panel discussion with experts from Sonoma county law enforcement and agencies dedicated to education and the prevention of child and sexual abuse. Woodland Star board members will also be on hand to answer questions that the community may have. The focus of this forum is to answer questions and to look at therapeutic measures that the school has in place to bring the community through this situation. All are welcome and encouraged to attend. Childcare will be provided at \$5 per child with an advanced reservation.

Woodland Star Education Foundation Meeting

Please join us for our regular meeting. On the Agenda: portables, update on wsef budget and fundraising. Meeting is on Thursday, February 23, 2010, 6:30 Main Hall. It's not to late to join the Ed Foundation.

Gardening Group Forming

The first meeting will be Friday, February 26, 8:40. Will be discussing, planting starts for a spring sale. Plus other ways to support the gardening program.

Sponsorship for Mini Golf Tournament.

Sponsorships on sale now. We have a level of sponsorship for everyone. Buy a sponsorship now and be included on the poster. [Click here to purchase one.](#)

Monthly Lunch Order Forms

Monthly Order Form and Pizza Order form available online. Parent Council is hosting the Market again this Thursday. [Form forms click here.](#)

The Epicurean Connection
 Stop in for a hot sandwich, fresh soup and of course some artisan cheeses!
 Open Wednesday through Saturday plus special events

See you in the Springs!
Délice de la Vallée

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SCHOOL GARDEN SEED FUNDRAISER ~ Now thru March 5, 2010.

Please support Woodland Star School's 7th Grade class as we fundraise for our 8th grade class trip.

Woodland Star School 7th Grade Garden Seed Sale ~ 25 varieties to choose from, \$1.60 per packet. All seeds are non-treated (no pesticides, no fungicides, no gmo's) and include organic and heirloom choices, from [Fedco Seeds](#).

Fedco Seeds is a cooperative, one of the few seed companies so organized in the United States. Because Fedco Seeds does not have an individual owner, profit is not the primary goal. Consumers own 60% of the cooperative and worker members 40%. Consumer and worker members share proportionately in the cooperative's profits through our annual patronage dividends. Fedco Seeds has been in the seed business since 1978. Fedco Seeds supports school and youth groups in learning about gardening and fundraising through seed sales.

Fedco Seeds offers a wonderful selection of certified organic cultivars and regional heirloom varieties. All seeds are non-treated (no pesticides, no fungicides, no gmo's). Fedco Seeds are so committed in their conviction against genetically modified seeds that they dropped one of their suppliers when that supplier (Seminis) was purchased by Monsanto. You can read the story at <http://www.fedcoseeds.com/seeds/monsanto.htm>

Online order forms are available to print out at <http://www.fedcoseeds.com/forms/woodland.pdf>

Print out your order form, make your selections, include a check made out to "Joan Medan" (class treasurer), and return to Kathy Lee, c/o Woodland Star School, 17811 Arnold Drive, Sonoma, CA 95476. Orders can be turned in to the office, or to Mr. Stone's 7th grade class as well.

All seed packets are \$1.60 each.

Add up the number of seed packets you want on the form, multiply by \$1.60 for your total.

Please fill out the order form with your contact info plus the following:

Student Name: (your child - this is who the seeds will be delivered to)

School: Woodland Star

Grade: (your child's grade at Woodland Star)

Teacher: (your child's teacher)

Seed orders due by March 5th. Make checks payable to "Joan Medan".

Seed orders will be filled and delivered back to each student in their classroom, in about 3 weeks.

For any questions, please call Kathy Lee, WSS parent, at (707) 537-5780. Woodland Star School 7th Grade Garden Seed Sale Coordinator.

Thank You for your support!

Pennies for Peace Campaign ~

We are delighted to share with you that our students will participate in a Pennies for Peace



campaign from March 1st to April 1st. Pennies for Peace is a service-learning program designed to broaden our students' cultural horizons while teaching them about their capacities as philanthropists – one penny at a time. This program inspired second grader Elijah Lakritz who brought Pennies for Peace to our community. Elijah's note to the community follows this announcement.

Pennies for Peace is a program of Central Asia Institute (CAI), founded by Greg Mortenson – author of the #1 New York Times best seller, *Three Cups of Tea*. CAI is a registered 501(c)3 nonprofit organization that promotes and provides community-based education and literacy programs, especially for girls, in remote mountain regions of Central Asia. Founded in 1996, CAI has built, to date, nearly 100 schools in Afghanistan and Pakistan, which serve more than 28,000 students – over 14,000 of whom are girls.

How can a penny bring peace? It doesn't buy much in our community. However, in the villages of Pakistan and Afghanistan, a penny can buy a pencil, start an education, and transform a life. In a region where terrorist organizations recruit uneducated, illiterate children, that pencil can empower a child to read, write, and learn. The Pennies for Peace program goal is to encourage our students, who are ultimately our future leaders, to learn the value of philanthropy by collecting pennies for global peace.



Our schools will join tens of thousands of students around the world who are participating in the Pennies for Peace program and who are working together to become members of a global family dedicated to peace.

If you have any questions about our Pennies for Peace campaign, please feel free to contact Sheila at 996-3849.

Elijah's letter:

I am Elijah and I am a second grader. I would like you to help me donate pennies, only pennies, to a village on Mount K2 that needs a school. They are very poor and need our help. One penny will buy them a pencil to write with and in our country it buys nothing. One hundred pennies will help one child go to school for one month! So, can you help me build them a school?



Please bring your pennies to the office and dump them into the Pennies for Peace jar.

Thank you for helping,
Elijah

Springtime Laughter Yoga at the Kenwood Depot

314 Warm Springs Road. Kenwood, CA. 95452

NEW SERIES STARTING Tuesday MARCH 2nd.

5:30 - 6:30 p.m.

Five Sessions in March for \$60.

Sign-up now to reserve your place!

Mail your check to P.O. Box 296. Petaluma.CA 94953.

If you cannot attend a session, send a friend to laugh in your place.

Drop-ins = \$15 / class.

We do warm-ups on the floor with yoga mats and practice laughter exercises standing, stretching and

moving around. Diverse levels of fitness accommodated. No previous yoga experience necessary.

Join us

for your dose of joyful laughter. All of the side-effects of extended laughter are the good ones to get your

springtime mojo roused for the season ahead. This class is for adults. Please wear comfy, loose clothing

(layered); bring your own yoga mat, pillow to sit upon and water bottle.

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