The Cougar Chronicle

Wednesday, October 21, 2015

Fall Festival: VOLUNTEERS NEEDED
Our annual Fall Festival is this Friday night! If you haven’t yet signed up to volunteer, please do so now. We still need lots of helpers to make this event a success. Please visit our Volunteer Spot sign up at http://vols.pt/fallfestival.

Fall Festival: Tickets on Sale!
Tickets are on sale before & after school all week in the courtyard!

Jog-A-Thon
Congratulations Caleb students, the jog-a-thon raised over $28,000! All students have earned a week of NO HOMEWORK Oct 26-30th. Top earners and prizes will be announced at the recognition assemblies on Friday, November 6th. Thank you to all who came out to cheer our students and help make it a fun day. Many thanks to all the volunteers who also helped make this day a huge success (see flyer).

October Means Halloween
Halloween is an exciting holiday for all of our children and we know how much they want to celebrate at school. However at Caleb Greenwood, we do our best to keep the focus on academics and to keep our students healthy while you enjoy the holiday with your families. Here’s a refresher on our Halloween policies:
• Costumes are allowed at school only at the Fall Festival on Friday, October 23, 5pm-8pm.
• Students do not wear costumes to school at any time for Halloween.
• Candy, other food, and non-food items will not be distributed at school for Halloween. If your child brings this type of item for distribution to the class, it will be sent home without being distributed. Please do not put teachers in the position of having to send these items home with the child who brought them.

Garden Clean-Up
Thank you to Anna Symkowick-Rose and her team of volunteers for working on our gardens last weekend. Our grounds look beautiful thanks to all these helping hands!

Student-Parent-Teacher Conferences
Student-Parent-Teacher Conferences are just around the corner, November 12-19. You can expect a scheduling letter from your child’s teacher in your Wednesday Folder this week or next week, followed by a confirmation letter By Nov 4. Please take a moment to complete the schedule forms so that we can schedule your conference at a convenient time for your family. Remember these are STUDENT-LED conferences, so your child’s attendance is required!

Calendar Change Community Forums
If you haven’t taken an opportunity to voice your opinion on the school calendar changes proposed by the district, you still have a chance. You can visit one of the remaining community forums: Tonight, October 21 at West Campus, October 28 at Hollywood Park Elementary, or October 29 at Kennedy High School. All sessions begin at 6pm with district and board personnel sharing their rationale followed by community comment. Please also take the survey at http://www.scusd.edu/form/survey-should-scusd-start-school-earlier-next-fall.
Upcoming Dates

F 10/23: United Nations Day  
Fall Festival 5pm-8pm
10/26-30: Red Ribbon Week
Th 10/29: Wear Red Day
Th 10/29: School Site Council
10/30: Wellness Committee
T 11/3: PTSO General Assembly
W 11/4: Progress Notices Sent Home
F 11/6: Student Recognition Assemblies
11/9-11/14: Missoula Children’s Theatre
W 11/11: Veteran’s Day – NO SCHOOL
Th 11/12: School Site Council
F 11/13: World Science Day
11/12-11/20: Parent Conferences  
SHORTENED DAYS
11/20: Picture Make-Ups
11/23-27: Thanksgiving Break
12/1: PTSO Board Meeting
F 12/4: Student Recognition Assemblies
12/7-12/11: 6th Grade to Sly Park
W 12/9: Report Cards Sent Home
Th 12/10: School Site Council
F 12/11: Human Rights Day
12/11-18: Book Fair
W 12/16: Family Movie Night
F 12/18: Morning Sing
12/12-1/1: Winter Break

IB Learner Profile Focus in October

**Inquirers**

Students who are INQUIRERS are curious about the world. They can conduct research independently. They love learning and discovering new things and will carry this love of learning with them throughout life.

How can parents help to develop students who are Inquirers at home?

- Encourage areas of your child’s interest by visiting the library to borrow books that explore these topics.
- Develop an understanding of the Internet. Work with your son or daughter when the Internet is being used and try to instill the understanding that some Internet sites are not reputable.
- Model being an inquirer. Admit when you don’t know the answer to a problem or a question and seek out answers in front of your child.

October’s IB Learner Profile Experience

**United Nations Day**

**October 23rd!**

In recognition of the learner profile attribute of Inquirer and the United Nations’ aim to reach every corner of the globe and make the world a better place, we are participating in World Singing Day. World Singing Day provides a platform for people to connect with others wherever they are through the international language of music. This is done by simply singing to others in person or by recorded video. On Friday, October 23rd, students will get a chance to “Sing it Forward” by singing a song during lunch recess. This song will be recorded and sent to a school in another part of the world where they will also sing a song and then “Sing it Forward” to another school and so forth.

Also, check out the World Singing Day website and video which shows our very own Caleb Greenwood students participating in World Singing Day during Friday Sing last year! [www.worldsingingday.org](http://www.worldsingingday.org)

Kit Carson IB Tours

Amazing things are happening at Kit Carson! Administrators have just submitted their request for authorization for the Middle Years Program and the Diploma Program is on its way. Take a moment to visit Kit to see what you can expect for your future middle and high schoolers. Tours take place two Wednesdays per month at 9am beginning with October 28 and November 18. Visit the school’s website for more details: [http://kitcarson.scusd.edu/](http://kitcarson.scusd.edu/).