



Friday Flier

January 9, 2009

Calendar:

Minimum Day: Wednesday, January 14

NO SCHOOL: Monday, January 19, 2009 Martin Luther King Day

Adopt-a-Family Update

We want to thank everyone for their generosity extended to the adopt-a-family event held last month. Because of your generous donations, we were able to assist 3 of our own MMCA families and 3 families in our community in having a memorable holiday. This exceeded expectations given current economic times, so wanted to express our thanks to our very committed MMCA community. I was extremely proud to be an MMCA representative!

We delivered gifts to 2 families at their home, gifts to St. Vincent De Paul and took with us 2 children from the Green Room on December 22.

Speechlessness is the only word to describe how the families reacted. They were very appreciative and words couldn't express their feeling at the moment we showed up with the many gifts.

When we delivered to St. Vincent De Paul, the lobby was filled with people in need of everything. I overheard one mother ask about food for her family. The people at St. Vincent's informed her they only had the means to feed her family for 2 days and the mother responded with "But what about the other days, what am I going to do?" It reminded me of what has been seen in the movies around the depression era. It was difficult to witness but then brought everything into perspective as well.

We hope everyone had a memorable holiday break and that your 2009 is filled with health and happiness. We also hope and pray that mothers (and fathers) everywhere can feed their children in 2009.

Terry Ammirati & MMCA PTA

Tardies

If your student is arriving to school late (after the bell rings @ 8:30) **you must come to the office to sign them in!** Teachers have been asked to not allow late students into class without a pass from the office.

Board of Directors

The Board of Directors establishes policies governing the day-to-day operation of the school in all areas of concern: legal, financial, definition of programs, and strategic direction.

This year's Board of Directors is Tracy Estridge, Bill Scott, Kevin Cooper, Laura Crouch, Robyn Garcia, Bruce Houdesheldt, Sarah Lynch, Laura Preszler, Jennifer Tarabochia-Martin, and Fallon Vaughn.

The Board welcomes your input throughout the year, whether at our monthly meetings (second Monday) or in passing on campus.

Regards,

Bruce Houdesheldt

CALLING ALL PHOTOGRAPHS!

Your Yearbook Club needs YOUR photographs to start our publication. We can use any media you have. We can scan your pictures; download from CD or memory card. If you bring in these medias to the front office please label them with your child's room color and name. We want to return these items to you. If you are tech savvy and want to email them to us, you can do so by emailing your photos to Banetta (banettab@yahoo.com).

Want to bring back the fun in parenting?

Join us for 5 weeks for the Becoming a Love and Logic Parent. This program was designed by experts in psychology and kids from the Love and Logic institute. Use their techniques to minimize lectures, nagging and yelling and encourage your kids to be responsible for their own actions. The DVD real life examples and practical discussions will together empower you to be a better parent. Leave each week with new ideas and strategies to make parenting more fun.

**Mondays, January 26 —
Feb 23**

6:45 – 9:00 pm

**\$75 per family or \$50 per
individual**

+ \$15 material fee

**Maria Montessori Charter
Academy, Rocklin**

*No childcare provided and must meet minimum
class size*

Register online at www.info4CES.com or call

Heather at 521-3472