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**UPCOMING ACTIVITIES & EVENTS**

April 28-May 4	Digital Art Show at The Beat in Grass Valley
May 4,5,6	Bitney Drama Production, <i>Tongue and a Bird</i> , at the Center of the Arts
May 6	School clean up. EVERYONE NEEDS TO HELP
May 9 & 10	CAHSEE for juniors who still need to pass
May 8-12	STARR Testing and Senior Trip
May 14	Salmon Run – Community service opportunity
May 20	Prom
May 27 <sup>th</sup> -May 29 <sup>th</sup>	Air Traffic Control, the school's Ultimate team will be holding their annual tournament over the Memorial Day weekend. Note that we had to change the date to avoid a conflict with the Western Junior Ultimate Championships
May 30 and 31 <sup>st</sup>	Big Night – Senior Project Exhibit
June 9	Graduation 5:00 p.m. at the school.
June 12	SNOW DAYS – THERE IS SCHOOL

**COLLEGE BOUND**

Congratulations to the following Bitney Springs seniors who have been accepted to the colleges listed.

- ☞☞ Gardner, Jed: CSU Humboldt
- ☞☞ Gregory, Connor: CSU Humboldt
- ☞☞ Kaufman, Sara: CSU Chico, CSU Sonoma, UC Santa Cruz
- ☞☞ Lery, Eric: CSU Humboldt
- ☞☞ McCluskey, Jessica: National Career Education
- ☞☞ Patterson, Rebekah: Culinary Institute of Technology
- ☞☞ Rapp, Max: Lewis and Clark College, Willamette University, UC Santa Cruz
- ☞☞ Rogerson, Aden: Linfield College
- ☞☞ Skalisky, Ricky: Full Sail School of Art
- ☞☞ Skeen, Kate: CSU Humboldt, Evergreen
- ☞☞ Spencer, Robert: CSU Humboldt
- ☞☞ Stillwell, Alicia: UC Santa Cruz, Univ of Nevada Reno, Lewis and Clark

## **BITNEY NEEDS YOU!!! May 6<sup>th</sup>**

On Saturday, May 6, Ms. Simpton will lead a school work day from 8:00 am to 11:00 am. Clean up, painting, fixing, and landscaping work will be done. Parents and students are encouraged to come out and help spruce up the school.

## **THE SALMON RUN – PARTICIPATE OR VOLUNTEER- May 14<sup>th</sup>**

The Salmon Run 10K Trail Run/Walk will take place May 14th. It is an event put on by Sierra Friends Center to raise awareness and funds for environmental education. If anyone is interested in participating or volunteering, please contact Karen Grosskreutz at 273-3183 ext. 25, or [kareng@woolman.org](mailto:kareng@woolman.org)

## **COMMUNITY SERVICE OPPORTUNITY – May 19<sup>th</sup>**

On May 19, 2006, Yuba River Charter School, grade 6 will present The Medieval Games Day in Nevada City, hosting sixth graders from 6 other regional schools.

This is a great opportunity to volunteer and obtain community service hours by assisting the parents and teachers from Yuba River Charter Scholl to host this exciting event. The Medieval Games include an obstacle course, archery, javelin, tug-of-war and jousting events, all staged in period costume from the 12th and 14th centuries.

We need volunteers on May 18th to help construct a medieval castle out of straw bales. We need volunteers on May 19th to hand out refreshments to sixth graders at rest stations and to sell food at booths for all participants of the games. If you are interested in helping, please contact Betsy Welton at (530) 265-8645.

## **THE PROM – May 20<sup>th</sup>**

A Bitney tradition for "all" students. Scheduled for Saturday, May 20<sup>th</sup> at the Stonehouse in Nevada City. Tickets are \$45, which includes dinner! Don't miss it.

## **BIG NIGHT – May 30 & 31<sup>st</sup>**

Big Night, our annual exhibition of senior projects, is a treat for both parents and students in all grades. This event, held on May 30 and 31<sup>st</sup> at the Center for the Arts in Grass Valley, showcases the exceptional projects our seniors are completing as they prepare for graduation and moving on.

## **COMMUNITY GARDEN NEEDS THE LOAN OF A TRACTOR**

Parent Volunteer, Maria Unger needs the use of a tractor prepare the garden behind the school. Maria also needs: wheelbarrow, shovels, hoes, hoses, soil test kit, starting trays and soil, stepping stones, irrigation drip, bulbs, seeds, starters and fencing: 4-8' T posts, 4-10' T posts, 3 peeler cores, 3 bags concrete, a gate, T post hooks, fence staples. If you can help, call Marie at 274-0272.

## **SUMMER OPPORTUNITY:**

Learn Photoshop CS2: Introduction to Electronic Imaging at Sierra College Nevada County Campus Summer 2006. David Arnold, Instructor. Summer Session takes place from June 19-Aug 3, 2006 MTWT 8-10:25. Register at [www.sierracollege.edu](http://www.sierracollege.edu)

## **URGENT: BUDGET DEFICIT**

The school is \$7000.00 shy in meeting our financial obligations. Specifically, this means we are unable to make our payment to the district for the use of our site. Although we receive \$6000.00 a year per student, this is not enough to cover our basic expenses. That is why, at the beginning of the school year, we ask parents to pledge \$100/month (or whatever they can afford). To date only 1/3 of our parents have pledged. **Now is the time to step up to the plate.** If you cannot afford \$100/month, then please send a check in whatever amount you can afford. When

we have a minimum of 120 students at our school, the budget will be balanced, so pledging will no longer be the issue that it is today.

### FRIDAY ASSEMBLIES

Friday assemblies have been moved from the end of the day to after 1<sup>st</sup> period.

### BELL SCHEDULE

	MONDAY-THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Per 1	8:20-9:15	8:20-9:05 9:09-9:29 Assembly
Per 2	9:19-10:07	9:33-10:17
Per 3	10:11-10:59	10:21-11:05
Per 4	11:03-11:51	11:09-11:53
Lunch	11:51-12:22	11:53-12:24 Lunch
Per 5	12:26-1:14	12:28-1:12
Per 6	1:18-2:06	1:16-2:00
Per 7	2:10-3:30	

### PARENT COUNCIL TO ELECT NEW OFFICERS

At their last meeting, the individuals were nominated to run for the following parent council offices and will be voted in at the next meeting. Parent council meetings are available to all parents.

### ON-GOING MEETINGS –GET INVOLVED

The Parent Council meets at 6:00pm at the school on **the first Monday** of every month. The next meeting is May 1. The Charter Council meets at 6:00pm on the **second Monday** of each month. The next meeting and May 8.

### FREE MEDICAL CARE & HEALTH INSURANCE

All Care is provided at Shriners Hospitals free to all children. Applications for No-Cost Medi-Cal and Low-Cost Health Coverage via Healthy Families are available in the school office. Or call toll-free 1-800-880-5305.

### HOMEWORK ONLINE

Keep track of grades and assignments on line at <http://www.bitneysprings.net/parents.html>

### WISHING FOR....

We still need DVD players, VCRs and newer computers with Ethernet connections, and an electric correcting typewriter (IBM or Wheelwriter) for use in the office.