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*... where great beginnings never end!*  
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Word of the Week: *careful*

Dear Parents,

A big thank you to Julie Brady for all her hard work in coordinating the "Great American" gift sales for our PTA, and to all of you who have helped her! This PTA fund-raiser ends officially today; if you still have orders and money to turn in, please do so ASAP. Although we do not know our actual profits yet, this is typically the PTA's biggest fundraiser. We appreciate all of you who supported this event. The money raised helps fund many exciting programs and events for our Baywood students!

I know there are a lot of questions about the H1N1 Flu (Swine Flu). The school district is striving to stay current on all the new information that is coming out about it; I will make sure to get that information to you ASAP. Accompanying this newsletter is a letter from our district superintendent outlining our current plan for dealing with the illness.

Did you know that our school district sponsors two artists-in-residence here at Baywood School? Rene Delk is our theater and drama teacher and Stephanie Aerhart is our visual artist. Each class will receive 8 drama lessons and also 8 art lessons sometime during the school year from these artists. In addition to these programs, our PTA funds and supports our school choir for all interested 4<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> grade students. Thanks to Mr. Snapp our Choir director, we have this special program that meets after school Tuesdays and Fridays. We appreciate this strong support to the fine arts!

The School Site Council (SSC) meets once a month to plan and implement a school wide plan for improvement. This plan takes the form of goals that we update every year based on student test data as well as parent and teacher input. The SSC oversees a budget that supports these goals. Our parent representatives on the council: Jean Buchanan, Jeff Jacobs, Mike Leahy, Christi Peters, Doug Rauenzahn, and Charlane VonLangen. The staff members that sit on the SSC are: Rob Banfield, Emily Cappellano, Wendi Craig, Diane Dubois, Doug Jenison, and Jean Usilton. Our next meeting is Monday, September 28 at 3:00 p.m. We meet in the staff lounge. These meetings are open meetings and any interested parent is welcome to attend.

...Doug Jenison

P.S. This Thursday, September 24 is picture day! Please help your child remember their picture envelope and smile!

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

- Picture Day ..... Sept. 24
- School Site Council Meeting, 3:00 ..... Sept. 28
- Cal Poly Soccer Game and Fundraiser ..... Oct. 4



**MUSIC MATTERS:** Attention Parents of Kindergarten/1<sup>st</sup> Grade students! Beginning Thursday, Oct. 1<sup>st</sup> 3:00-3:40 pm, a music education class will be offered in Los Osos. Students will learn beginning music notation, keyboard skills, and increase their auditory awareness through games, movements, singing, and instrument play. Academic skills enhanced as well as a great prerequisite to private music instruction. Flyers in the office or call Kim Rosen 528-5343/Marian Kaiser 528-5208 for more info. (These are private lessons not associated with the school).

**CHINESE FOOD AND CAL POLY SOCCER - WHAT DO THEY HAVE IN COMMON? THE ANSWER: BAYWOOD SCHOOL FAMILY FUN AND A PTA FUNDRAISER, THAT'S WHAT!** The Cal Poly Men's Soccer Team came to visit us last week and did a fun demonstration. They also invited us to be their special guests at their Sunday, October 4, 1:00 p.m. game at Cal Poly. They will be playing UC Davis and should be a good game and an opportunity for the Baywood Family to come out and enjoy a fun event together (wear your school shirt and show your spirit!). **They have provided a FREE ticket to each student.** (Additional tickets can be bought at the game). PTA is making this a fund-raiser with Panda Express. Come out and enjoy some Chinese food at the Panda Express on Foothill Road before or after the game. If you use the accompanying flyer when you purchase your meal @ Panda Express, our Baywood School PTA gets 20% back on the purchase price - that's a great deal! **We will send home the FREE soccer ticket** with a Panda Express coupon on **Friday, October 2. So, please come out and root on our Cal Poly soccer team and enjoy some Chinese food on Sunday, October 4!**

**"FAMILY STORIES"** is a program from the *Latino Family Literacy Project* that Baywood School will be offering to our parents. Parents are invited to come and learn about new books to read to their children, meet other parents, and make a family album. The books introduced are bilingual and bicultural (English and Spanish). The class will be taught in English and in Spanish by two of our own teachers here at Baywood - Mrs. Brooke Segler (English Language Specialist) and Mr. Rob Banfield (4<sup>th</sup> Grade Teacher). The classes are sequential and will be taught every Tuesday starting on Sept. 22 through Oct. 17. The time will be 5:30-7:30 p.m. in our Art/Science Lab and school library. And, the best part is that these classes are FREE to any interested Baywood parents (moms and dads are encouraged to come together IF they can). There will be babysitting, food, door prizes, and bilingual books to check out each week. If you are interested, come by the school office to register for this 8 week class.

**"CUENTOS PARA LA FAMILIA"** es un programa del Proyecto de lectura para la familia latina (Latino Family Literacy Project) que se va a ofrecer en la escuela de Baywood a los padres. Los padres son invitados a venir y conocer nuevos libritos para leer a sus niños, conocer otros padres y componer un álbum de fotos para la familia. En cada reunión, se introduce un cuento nuevo que es escrito tanto en inglés como en español. Se van a enseñar las clases en inglés y español, bajo la dirección de dos de nuestros maestros de Baywood, la Sra. Brooke Segler (especialista de inglés) y el Sr. Banfield (maestro del grado cuarto). Las clases van en seguida cada martes, empezando el 22 de septiembre hasta el 17 de octubre. Serán desde las 5:30 hasta el 7:30 PM en nuestro laboratorio de arte/ciencia y en la biblioteca. Y la parte mejor es que las clases son gratis a cualquier de los padres de Baywood (se espera que los padres vienen juntos, mamá y papá si es posible). Va a haber cuidaniños, comida, regalitos y cuentitos bilingües que se llevan a casa cada semana. Si tienen interés, por favor de pasar por la oficina para matricularse para esta clase de ocho semanas.

#### PTA CORNER

***GIFT WRAP FUNDRAISER*** - Be sure to submit your orders to your teachers by **Mon. Sept. 21<sup>st</sup>**. The last day to submit your 3-item coupons will also be **Mon. Sept. 21<sup>st</sup>**. The class with the highest dollar-amount-sold per student will get an ice cream sundae party. A lot of students had been submitting their coupons for prizes.....thank you for your efforts in raising money for our PTA.

***ZUMBA NEWS*** - The PTA Zumba Fundraiser is in full swing! If you're looking for a great workout and you like to dance to music from around the world then come try it out. Classes are on Tuesdays 4:30-5:30 and Fridays 4-5, in the Multi Purpose Room at Baywood. Cost is \$4 per class, wear tennis shoes, workout clothes and bring water. "Ditch the boring workout and come join the party!" If you have any questions please call Sally at 528-8929 or email [sallyunks@yahoo.com](mailto:sallyunks@yahoo.com).