



Baywood Elementary School
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Word of the Week: ***mathematical***

Dear Parents,

Each year Baywood School receives a substantial amount of money from the federal government. This special money is called **Title 1 funding and is about \$68,000** for us at Baywood School this year. Each year our School Site Council develops goals to support our school plan. Title 1 money, along with some other monies, helps us implement these goals. This year we are using the Title 1 money to fund a part time teacher and instructional aides to assist students in reading and mathematics in kindergarten through 6th grade. This money is generated through the number of students who qualify for the Free and Reduced Lunch Program. During these tough economic times, many families in our community have experienced a change in their finances, and the criteria for qualifying for the lunch program changes annually as well. I encourage families to apply as it may help your family situation, AND, in addition, may generate more Title 1 money for our school. Families need to re-apply each year or they will be dropped from the program. **So, please consider applying (or reapplying) as we need this federal money at Baywood to support programs that help all our students. Application forms are available in the school office.** *(These applications are kept completely confidential).*

Thanks to so many of you who are helping to support our district's student wellness policy. We are encouraging healthy foods/snacks during morning recess, lunch and also at special class parties. When your child has a birthday, we encourage you to consider something else other than cupcakes. For example, special pencils for each child, a book donated to the classroom library in honor of the birthday child, or healthy treats. Again, thank you for your support in this area.

...Doug Jenison

DOGS! Most people love dogs, but NOT everybody does due to past experiences. And, unfortunately, we are NOT all responsible pet owners and pick up after our pets. It is not fun to be comforting a terrified child who has been attacked by a dog in the past and sees one on campus, or to be playing soccer and have a student slide into some "dog business." Bottom line: the San Luis Coastal Unified School District has a policy of "no dogs" on any of our school campuses. The exception would be by special permission by the principal or teacher for "show and tell" or something along these lines. **We ask that you please not bring your dog to school (even if it's on a leash) when walking your child or picking up your child from school on foot.** We appreciate your cooperation with the school district policy.

UPCOMING EVENTS

SLCUSD Board Meeting at Adult School, 7:00	Oct. 6
PTA Meeting in the Library, 6:30	Oct. 13
"Baywoodstock" Carnival	Oct. 30



HANDICAPPED PARKING SPACES AND RED CURBS: We know it gets crowded at drop off and pick up time around Baywood School, but we ask that you please respect the parking laws. Please do NOT use the handicapped parking space unless you are disabled or have a disabled child or passenger. As you can imagine, it is a very frustrating thing for someone that truly needs a handicapped parking space and can't find one. Even if you see that no one is using a handicapped space and there are two available, we still ask that you NOT use this space. Also, please do not park and leave your vehicle unattended in the red curb zone in front of the school. You may use this space to drop off and pick up your child, but please do not use this red zone as a parking area as it backs up traffic and creates an unsafe area for our students being dropped off or picked up. Thank you for your assistance with these safety laws.

FLU MIST: The County Health Office is offering flu mists to kids with no illness/asthma/allergies for \$20. Please call for appointment at 781-5500.

FLU SHOTS: The Community Health Center in SLO will give flu shots on Saturday Oct. 10th from 1:00 - 5:00: kids - \$15, adults - \$20. Walk-ins are welcomed. Any questions, please call 269-1500. If you have private insurance, it is best to see your primary care physician. If you have Cencal (Medical) insurance, the shot is free with your physician.

ATTENTION KINDER PARENTS! The YMCA would like to offer Full Day Kinder Club starting October 1st. The YMCA will provide afterschool care for kindergarteners from 1:30-2:30 Monday through Thursday and 12:00-2:30 on Fridays at Baywood Elementary School. Kindergarteners will then take the free school bus over to Monarch Grove where they will participate in homework club and enrichment classes. Parents pick children up at Monarch Grove before 6pm. The YMCA must have 6 full time students signed up to hold this program. So sign up today! Please contact Katie McGinty at 528-8150 if you have any questions.

AFTER SCHOOL POTTERY CLASS: Anam-Cre' Pottery Studio is offering pottery classes for ages 6-11. Students will be taught instruction in sculpture and slab forming. This class gives children instruction on a project each week, the last 30 min. of class allows children to explore and make their own creations in clay. The fee is \$80 for 4 weeks: Nov. 13th & 20th, and Dec. 4th & 11th, at 2:40 p.m. in the Art/Science Lab. Please call Shevon Sullivan at 544-1850 if you have any questions.

PTA CORNER

LOS OSOS REXALL FUNDRAISER - "Fall" into Los Osos Rexall to see their displays of new, fun merchandise! On October 10th from 10 a.m. - 5 p.m., 15% of all gift purchases will go to Monarch Grove & Baywood Elementary PTA's. Support your school while you shop for the holidays. Refreshments will be served!

SILENT AUCTION 2009 - Tax-deductible contributions and donated items or services for this year's auction are being accepted and are greatly appreciated. Full recognition will be given to all participating sponsors. All proceeds of this event will go towards providing the special programs and materials that enrich our children's education here at Baywood. If you, a family member, or a business have something to offer, would like to help, or have questions...please contact Deanne Shong @528-1294, or Camille Silva @ 534-1336. Formal letters regarding this event with our tax ID # are available.

PTA MEMBERSHIP - Let's hear it for the parents, students, teachers, family, and community members that have already turned in their \$5.00 dues and information envelopes! With your help we will meet our current membership goal of 350. Last year our goal was 250...and we had 267 members! Please renew your annual membership or become a member of the Baywood PTA today! Extra envelopes are available in the main office.

BAYWOODSTOCK CARNIVAL NEWS - Please consider volunteering for a half hour or so at one of our fun carnival attractions. We will have a giant slide and a food court that will all need volunteers from 3-8 pm. In the past Dads seemed to be great helpers with the giant slide! Sign-ups to help are located in the front office. Each classroom has a game at the carnival. Sign-up sheets are on your child's classroom door. We need one adult to volunteer every half hour from 3-8 pm (your child can help you during your shift.)

Let's make this the GROOVIEEST carnival ever!

Peace

Love

Baywood