



Arlington Elementary School
 ~ A California Distinguished School ~
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SUPER STARS

Calendar



- Read to Achieve Continues
Grades 1st – 5th
- 2/2 Progress Reports home
- 2/3 **NO SCHOOL:** Teacher's
Inservice
- 2/8 Early Dismissal Grades 1-5
2:27 pm
- 2/10 5 Star
- 2/10 GATE testing during school
hours
- 2/13 **NO SCHOOL**
- 2/16 PTA Honorary Service
Awards & Reflections
Winners 6 pm – café
- 2/20 **NO SCHOOL**
- 2/22 100th Day of School!
Pennies for Patients Drive
begins
- 2/23 4th grade parent meeting
café 6 pm
- 2/24 Five Star
- 2/27 Turn in Pennies for Patients

10K Goal – What can \$15 do?

As you may have read, Arlington is trying to raise \$10,000 to keep our three intervention teachers to continue to help students who struggle with reading, writing, and math. Please read the frequent Q & A to help explain.

Q: How much money has Arlington raised so far? If we were to ask parents for money, what would help us make the goal?

A: Arlington has raised \$2,823 so far. This is through donations from our families, as well as a small gift from Torrance Education Foundation. This also includes some money from the Torrance Education Foundation raffle tickets. Our balance is \$7,177. **If every family donated \$15 we would reach this goal!!** (We have approximately 500 families).

Q: Doesn't the money I give to the PTA benefit the school?

A: The fundraisers that the PTA runs helps support the fun activities for the children! PTA is not able to fundraise for hiring teachers.

Q: I know Arlington is trying to sell Lexus Tickets to raise money, but what if I wanted to make a direct donation to the school?

A: Arlington will absolutely accept donations to the school. Checks can be made out to Arlington Elementary. Torrance Unified will send you a letter of receipt that can be used for Tax Deductible reasons. The money stays with Arlington School. Please indicate 10K goal in the memo line.

Q: Can you help me understand what money the school has to hire teachers?

**Open Enrollment
Applications now available
in the office**



Super Stars: Caught Being Good

Congratulations to our Caught Being Good Students who were recognized at our morning spirit assembly. High 5's go to: Mya (Rm. 16), Mia (Rm. 17), Cassandra (Rm. 7) Micah (Rm. 24) Jack O (Rm. 15), and Melia (Rm. 12). Way to go, Super Stars!



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A: Arlington Elementary receives both federal and state funds, of which both have rules and restrictions. The federal money Arlington receives is designated for our students who are learning English. Some schools receive federal money for their socioeconomic students often referred to as Title I money. Arlington does not receive this. The funds TUSD receives from the state has been used to help with the economic crisis, however, the Board of Education made sure schools received something to help with costs. Arlington receives \$10 for every student – so with 605 students we receive approximately \$6,500. This money can be used for improving student achievement for all students.



*Science Fair
Coming Soon!*

Please look through next week's PIP or online at www.arlingtonpta.com for guidelines and information related to Science Projects. Arlington's Science Fair is **THURSDAY March 29th**. Six projects will advance to the District competition on Thursday, April 5th.



Spread the News...

Kinder Round Up

Dates for Arlington

If you or a family you know has an incoming kindergartener spread the news and call Arlington to schedule your child's Kindergarten Round Up appointment. Round Up is from 2:00 – 3:30 p.m. Thursday, April 19 or Monday April 23rd.

Chance to Win a 2012 Lexus and Support Arlington!



What an EASY way to Support Arlington and have a chance to win a car!! The Torrance Education Foundation (TEF) is sponsoring their 7th Annual Spectacular Raffle Drawing. Please see the attached TEF flyer or visit Ms. Lorraine in the office. Tickets are \$30. **For every ticket sold, Arlington receives \$20! That is awesome!** This is a fun way to support our children and school!



Physical Fitness Testing for 5th Grade

All 5th grade students will be participating in Physical Fitness Testing (PFT) in March. The PFT is mandated by law and assesses students' general fitness based on a scale called the "Healthy Fitness Zone." Areas that will be measured include aerobic capacity, body composition, muscle strength, endurance, and flexibility. Please watch for communication from your child's teacher for information on testing dates. Children should wear appropriate shoes and clothes for this assessment.

4th Grade Families State Testing News March 6th

In February 2000, legislation was signed to add writing assessments to California's standards-based testing program at the elementary and middle grade levels. These assessments, the California Writing Standards Tests, were administered for the first time in spring 2001. In addition to the Writing Test, the 2012 STAR English-Language Arts Standards Tests (administered throughout the Torrance Unified School District in spring 2012) at grade 4 contain multiple-choice questions that will be combined with students' Writing scores to produce an overall score in English-Language Arts. Because the students receive a combined score, it is essential that students be present for all phases of testing. **The STAR Writing Test will be administered to all 4th grade TUSD students on Tuesday, March 6, 2012.** March 7th is designated as a make-up date for the Writing assessment for students who are absent on March 6th. This is the only allowable make-up date, per State regulations. Please contact your student's school if you have any additional questions.

Yogurt Me Mine
\$3 Thursdays

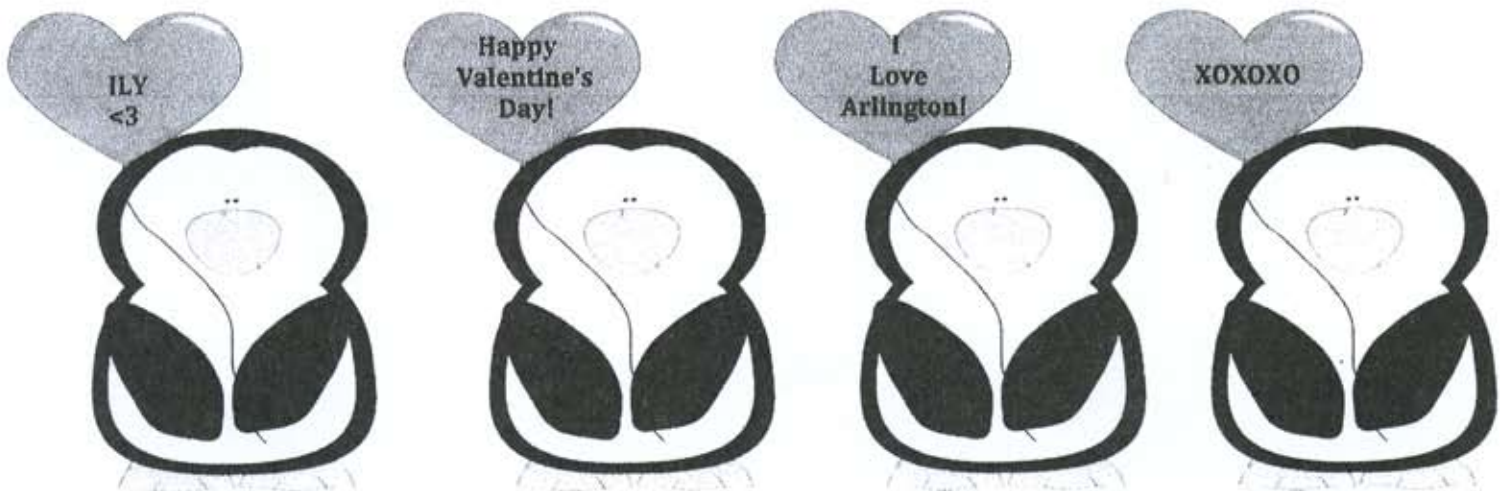


5th Graders
Will Be Selling Care-Grams
Wednesday February 1st - Thursday February 9th
In Front Of The Office
After School

Care-Grams
\$1.00
Send A Care-Gram
To Wish That
Special Someone A
Happy Valentines Day!!!

Care-grams will be delivered to classrooms on Tuesday February 14th

For questions please contact: Chris Peng forohense@att.net
Nencie Fukushima skishred@yahoo.com
or Paula Samora Kalkilover@aol.com



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NHS Varsity Softball Team



Join us for a fundraising night at
McDonald's
(18145 Crenshaw Blvd.)

On: Thursday, February 2nd, 2012

Coaches, parents & students will be
working
behind the counter.



Time:
5 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Come & support the Varsity Softball Team
at North High and see what
students & coaches are serving up!



Softball Clinic



Hosted by

NHS Varsity Softball Team

2008 & 2009 CIF CHAMPS

2010 CIF Finalists

Monday, February 20, 2011

8:30am - 1:00pm

\$30 prepay (\$40 on the day of the Clinic)
(lunch and t-shirt provided)

8:30 – 9:00 Check-in/ Warm-up

9:00 – 12:00 Stations:

Hitting/Bunting/Base running

Pitching/Catching/Throwing

Infield/Outfield position drills

12:00 – 12:30 Lunch/ Q&A

12:30 – 1:00 Sliding

AGE: Girls in 1st – 8th grade are eligible to participate in the clinic.

WHAT TO BRING: Bring your glove, cleats and a bat. Be sure to put your name on all your equipment.

WHERE: NORTH HIGH SOFTBALL FIELD

3620 West 182nd Street

(enter off of Yukon Ave. behind Tennis Courts)

To Preregister for the clinic:

Send \$30 check made payable to NORTH HIGH SOFTBALL

Mail to: **Wendy Gonzalez 18813 Haas Ave, Torrance, CA 90504**

Any questions email Wendy at gWendy@socal.rr.com

*****return bottom half*****

Player's Name:

Grade:

Phone Number:

Shirt Size: YS YM YL AS AM AL (circle size needed)

North High Softball Clinic

Participates Name: _____

Contact #: _____

I hereby give consent for the player named above to participate in the North High Softball Clinic. I will assume all risks and hazards that are incidental to the conduct of this activity. I fully agree to release, absolve, indemnify, and hold harmless, North High School, Coaches, Players, Organizers, and Supervisors, of all legal responsibility.

I (we) give permission for any of the people listed above to arrange for prompt medical treatment in case of emergency or injury.

Signed by: _____ Date: _____

Father's Name: _____

Mother's Name: _____

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Supporter
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- Enclosed is my check.
 Charge my credit card today
 I prefer installation payments. Please charge my card \$ _____ monthly on this day _____ for _____ months (Must end by 6/1/12).

CREDIT CARD INFORMATION

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Amex Visa MC # _____
Expiration _____ Signature _____ 3-digit SC _____

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Ms. Dr.

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Phone Home Cell Email

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Home Address This is a new address City Zip

Billing Address (if different than home) City Zip

Parent Other Relative Teacher TUSD Administrator TUSD Staff Community Supporter

CHILD

SCHOOL

GRADE

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____



We will be having a Box Tops Drawing on
Monday, February 6, 2012

Please turn you box tops in to the office with your name and room number
clearly labeled on the front of the bag. Thank you!



VH