



Bee Informed on-line!

eNewsletter of the Bonita Canyon PTA

Thursday, November 12, 2009

Nov. 12-13	Th-F	Families Forward Food Drive
Nov. 20	F	Kindergarten Thanksgiving Feast / BC Multicultural Club Swarovski Workshop & Potluck Luncheon
Nov. 21	S	IPD vs. OCFA Basketball Tournament @ University H.S. 6:30 p.m.
Nov. 25	W	6 th Gr. Toilet Bowl Soccer Tournament on Field
Nov. 26-27 ¹	Th-F	Thanksgiving Holiday
Dec. 2	W	Picture Make-up Day

Last 2 Days to Donate to Families Forward Food Drive! The Annual Bonita Canyon Thanksgiving Food Drive continues through Nov 13. Donations will help Families Forward provide Thanksgiving meals to more than 700 area families. Collection boxes are in the classrooms. For questions contact Vivian Ecclefield at vecclefield@cox.net or Teresa Ng at ngfam3@cox.net.



Nominating Committee Members Needed The nominating committee needs your help in identifying members for the 2009/2010 PTA Board and Committee leadership positions for next year! Please let us know your interest in leadership for next year and let us know about anyone that you would like to recommend for leadership. You can talk to any PTA Board member or call Natalie Hill, PTA Parliamentarian, at 949/509-1902 or email: nataliehill@cox.net to learn how you can become more involved in your child's future while expanding your skills.

2009-10 Student Council Elected ★ And the winners are: President, **Audrey Litvak**; 1st Vice President, **Michelle Maddox**; 2nd Vice President, **Kian Abolhoda**; Treasurer, **Olivia Gray**; Historian **Allison Piper**; Co Secretaries, **Claire Chang** and **Gauvri Nathwani**. Congratulations!

BC Multicultural Club Swarovski Workshop & Potluck Luncheon Back by popular demand, we are pleased to offer a Swarovski Crystal Beading Workshop on Friday, November 20, from 9am to 11:30am. We will be creating beautiful earrings using Swarovski crystal beads and silver findings. Newcomers have the option of making a Swarovski crystal bracelet instead. Potluck Luncheon immediately following from 11:30am to 1:30 pm at Chaparral Park. Please RSVP Delphine Haley at tweedyblue@yahoo.com.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR BONITA CANYON SCHOOL FAMILY NIGHT! Dine at California Pizza Kitchen or Fatburger in Irvine on Michelson/Jamboree on Tuesday, December 1! Bring your coupon for Bonita Canyon School to receive a donation to support our instructional programs. Invite friends and relatives! Choose either or both. Dine at CPK any time on December 1 and at Fatburger from 5:00-8:00 p.m.

BC School Directories Are Out! Stop by the office to purchase. \$10.00 each!

Sixth Grade Annual Toilet Bowl Soccer Tournament nears Parents are encouraged to cheer on their 6th grader at the BC Toilet Bowl Soccer Tournament to be held on Wednesday, November 25th on the soccer field. The sixth grade classes will challenge each other with friendly and competitive spirit for the coveted trophy – a toilet lid! Bring your camera and capture some colorful photos.



Say "Cheese"

If your child missed picture day on Oct. 21st, they will be photographed on Wednesday, December 2, 2009. Order forms will be sent home with students needing a photo. If you would like your child's photo retaken, please send your child with their original order to school on December 2nd.

Bee Green!

Congratulations to this week's winners, sisters, Natasha Hill, 3rd grade, Mrs. Gramata's class & Juliette Hill, 1st grade, Mrs. Hinkle's class. The Hill family is setting a good example by being good stewards of our earth. Natasha recommends always recycling cans & bottles and purchasing recycled products. Juliette gives us clever tips for reusing plastic containers: making a piggy bank, vase or pencil holder. Good homemade gift ideas!



Did you know that Patagonia, a company that makes rugged outdoor clothing, uses fabric made from soda bottles in some of their products? They have saved more than 86 million soda bottles from filling trash heaps! The amount of oil saved by recycling 86 million soda bottles is enough to fill a 40 gallon gas tank of a SUV twenty thousand times! Have you used recycled paper products? Recycled paper products are available at most stores.

What is the most interesting recycled item you have seen or created? Keep sharing your Bee Green tips. Remember to submit your great ideas to the green "Bee Green" envelope in the school office. You may be published and win a prize!

Bicycle Safety

Please review bicycle safety rules with your child before allowing them to ride to and from school. Please note that parents assume full responsibility and liability for the conduct of their child rider and his/her bicycle.

1. Only students in grades 3-5 may ride bikes to school
2. Bikes are to be walked on school grounds and in the crosswalk.
3. Only one child at a time is allowed on a bike.
4. Bikes should be in safe working condition.
5. Bikes are to be parked in the bike rack and locked.
6. Bike locks should not be shared by students.
7. Students may not loiter in or around the bike racks.
8. Per IUSD policy and city code, all bike riders must wear a properly fastened safety helmet.



Failure to comply with these rules may result in the loss of bicycle riding privileges. Although we take precautions, we cannot assume responsibility or liability for bikes that are lost, stolen, or damaged. We strongly suggest you license your bike through the Irvine Police Department (as is required by City Code Sec. 4-7-401). Find out more at http://www.cityofirvine.org/pdfs/pw/bikeways_info.pdf



Irvine Police Department vs. Orange County Fire Authority Basketball

Tournament Mark your calendar for Saturday, November 21 at University High School Gym to cheer on Bonita Canyon's 6th Grade DARE Officer Michael Gibney and fellow officers. Admission is free. Doors open at 6:00 p.m. Game starts at 6:30 p.m. Bring a non-perishable food item to donate to Families Forward at the door. See flyer included in email for further information.

