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eNewsletter of the Bonita Canyon PTA

Friday, November 19, 2010

Nov. 19	F	Kindergarten Thanksgiving Feast
Nov. 19	F	6 th Gr. Toilet Bowl Soccer Tournament on Field
Nov. 22-26	M-F	Thanksgiving Holiday Week
Nov. 30	Tu	1 st Gr. Field Trip to the Kellogg House 8:15 a.m.–12:30 p.m.
Nov. 30	Tu	Family Night at California Pizza Kitchen
Dec. 1	W	Dads & Donuts 7:15-7:45 a.m. in MPR
Dec. 1-15	W-W	Families Forward Food Drive
Dec. 3	F	Picture Day Make-Ups – 9:00 a.m.
Dec. 8	W	Coffee & Conversation with Mr. Curley 8:30a.m. in MPR
Dec. 8	W	3 rd Gr. Field Trip to Gabrielino Walk–Come to school at 8:00 a.m.

The Buzz From Mr. Curley This week has been exciting for the students with a variety of activities. Upper grade students enjoyed a concert performed by a quintet, *the Brass Connection*, sponsored by the Philharmonic Society of Orange County. Each year, the Philharmonic Society sends a musical group to Bonita Canyon that highlights one section of the orchestra and teaches students about the instruments' capabilities through humorous and entertaining songs. I'm excited to cheer on the 6th graders today at their Annual 6th Grade Toilet Bowl Soccer Tournament and I know we have many excited Kindergarten parents joining the Kindergarten classes for a wonderful Thanksgiving assembly and celebration. May you all have a restful and exciting holiday!

AWESOME Effort Bonita Canyon's Irvine Hoops Tournament Basketball Team gave it their all on November 7 at University High School winning their first game by a wide margin, and battled hard against Stonegate Elementary, as Stonegate went on to win the tournament. Way to go 6th graders: Mitchell K., Jonathan S., Ryan J., Brian C., Quentin L., Jack "JP" S., Ben H., Darrah S., Andrew K. and 5th grader: Bennett K. The boys practiced hard, played hard, and showed excellent sportsmanship. I am proud of how our team represented BC in the tournament and was honored to coach. Sincerely, Jim Kauker



Irvine Unified School District Furlough Date Changes – Mark Your Calendars Now!

Jan. 4	Tu	Students and Staff will report back to school on this date following the winter recess.
Jan. 28	F	All students and staff will attend school on this date, which now includes high school.
May 27	F	All students and staff will attend school on this date, previously a holiday for K-8 Grade.
June 16	Th	This day represents a staff development day. (June 15 is still last day for all students)
June 17	F	Nonstudent teacher work day. (June 15 remains the last day for all students)



Family Night at California Pizza Kitchen If you are tired of turkey leftovers, join BC families and staff at CPK after school throughout the evening for dinner on Tuesday, November 30th. CPK will donate 20% of each bill to BC when you present the coupon (see attached). Mark your calendars NOW!

PIZZA, SALADS, SOUPS, YUMMY DESSERTS AND MORE!

BC Student Council & PTA Sponsor Families Forward Food Drive The Annual Bonita Canyon Families Forward Food Drive will be from Wed., December 1 through Wed., December 15. Donations will help Families Forward provide holiday meals to more than 700 area families. See the special flyer on Monday, Nov. 29th for more details. There will be collection boxes in the classrooms. If you have any questions contact Cathy Martinez cverlench@yahoo.com or Brita Hodgins britaabele@mac.com

Say "Cheese" If your child missed picture day on Nov. 3, they can be photographed on Friday, December 3, 2010. Picture 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 3 and complete the re-take order form that will be sent home with the portraits.



Important IPSF November Updates Please **OPEN** the attachment to find out the many ways you can support IPSF which in turn helps support our schools and children.

IPSF Annual Campaign and City of Irvine Pledge of \$1 Million

The city of Irvine has set aside to help make sure your child gets the best education possible.

Between now and Dec. 31 they will match any amount you donate to IPSF, up to a total of \$1 million dollars for the calendar year.

Give \$500, and the schools get a total of \$1,000. Give \$1,000, and the schools get \$2,000.
Give \$100, and the schools get \$200.

But you must hurry. **The deadline is Dec. 31-- just 8 short weeks away.**

Visit IPSF website at www.ipsf.net and give. Give a little. Give a lot. Give something. Because whatever you give, the City will match.

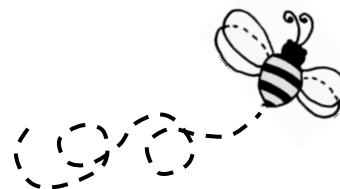


Hoag Generations Wall to Benefit IPSF

Hoag Hospital Irvine is partnering with the Irvine Public Schools Foundation (IPSF) to create and dedicate the "Generations Wall" in the atrium of the new facility.

The Generations Wall will be dedicated to families who generously contribute to the IPSF Health & Wellness Initiative, to increase funding for nurses and health clerks in IUSD. **The current ratio of IUSD students to school nurses is approximately 3886:1 and our goal is to reduce that to 3400:1 in 2011-12.**

Contributing families will be recognized with a permanent tile on the beautiful Generations Wall at the new Hoag Hospital in Irvine. **The Generations Wall campaign will run through December, 2010** with the unveiling scheduled in January 2011. Please see the attached flyer to donate, or contact Debbie Rugani drugani@ipsf.net.



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