



# Culverdale Elementary School



## Koala News



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### Jog-a-thon Donation Envelopes



**Due Friday, May 2nd!**

### UPCOMING DATES



STAR Testing 5/05 - 5/16  
Grades 2-6

Staff Appreciation Week 5/19 - 5/22

School Site Council Meeting 5/20  
2:45pm

English Language Advisory 5/20  
Committee 6:30

Memorial Day Holiday 5/23 and 5/26  
NO SCHOOL

Basket Raffle and Bridging 5/29  
Event

### Principal's Corner

Dear Culverdale Families,

Thank you for supporting our Jog-a-thon last Friday. It was bigger and better than ever - thanks to the hard work of PTA volunteers. **Special thanks to Don Spitler for donating the awesome sound system to our school.** We used it for the Jog-A-Thon and it was fantastic! Also, many thanks to Mrs. Srsic for donating the Koby Koala mascot costume. It was a great day for Culverdale! Please return the donation envelope to school tomorrow. We want to award prizes to the students as soon as possible, and so we are looking for volunteers to help count the donations. If you are available to help next week, please email [tspitler@iusd.org](mailto:tspitler@iusd.org).

Beginning next week, the second — sixth graders will participate in California's annual state testing program called S.T.A.R. We count on families to partner with us to prepare our students for success. Please provide a healthy breakfast, make sure children have a good night's sleep, and arrive to school on time so the students are more relaxed and prepared for testing. S.T.A.R. testing begins May 5th and will continue through Friday, May 16th. Each grade level has their own testing schedule, but for the most part, students will be tested between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. See the attached letter for more details about S.T.A.R. Thank you for your support at home.

### PTA News

- The PTA is looking for help for the 2008-09 school year. In order to operate a PTA, we must have a president, secretary and treasurer. In as little as a few hours a month, you can keep our PTA operating so our school can have a health clerk and library clerk every day. Please consider filling one of these three vital PTA board positions. We have many volunteers waiting in the wings to help you. A sign-up sheet is in the office or you can call the office at 949.936.5600
- Volunteers wanted to help count Jog-a-thon donations next week. Contact Tammy Spitler at [tspitler@iusd.org](mailto:tspitler@iusd.org).
- The Mother/Daughter Tea Committee is forming. If you have a daughter in fifth or sixth grade, please help Mrs. Nixon plan the special June event. Contact her at [anixon@iusd.org](mailto:anixon@iusd.org).
- Our next family evening will be the Basket Raffle and Bridging Event on May 29th. Mark your calendar for a fun-filled evening. Please contact [ssmith@iusd.org](mailto:ssmith@iusd.org) if you have time or energy to donate.



**KOALA PRIDE**  
**VALUE OF THE MONTH**  
**PERSEVERANCE**



**2008 - 2009**  
**Reservation Card**  
In preparation for the 2008-2009 school year, we ask that you return the green enrollment reservation card to school as soon as possible. It is very important that we have your child enrolled for next year prior to the end of school. Thank you.

### Is Your Student Information Up-to-Date ?

It is essential for school to have accurate contact information in the event of an illness or emergency. Please take time to review your student contact information and assure that we have current phone numbers and that you have several people on your contact list in the event that you cannot be reached. Information can be reviewed through your My.IUSD Account Online or by stopping by or calling our office at 949.936.5600.