



Principally Speaking Newsletter



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Family Day—Sept 27th

Family Day is a movement that encourages parents to eat dinner frequently with their children and be involved in their lives.

The National Center on Addiction and Substance Abuse (CASA) at Columbia University has conducted research that consistently shows the more often children eat dinner with their families, the less likely they are to smoke, drink or use drugs.

Family Day helps remind busy families of the invaluable role that parental involvement plays in steering children and teens away from cigarettes, drugs and alcohol.

Please read more by going to the Family Day Official Website at www.casafamilyday.org

All Teachers Rated Highly

By Title I Coordinator, P. Kimpler

We are pleased to report that for the 2010-2011 school year, 100% of the teachers at Greentree Elementary School are "highly qualified" as defined by the Federal *No Child Left Behind Act*.

Federal law gives parents the right to request information about the certification of teaching staff.

Please direct your inquiries to Principal, Tammi Brown.

Used Printer Cartridges Needed!

Help raise money for our school by recycling your ink cartridges! Drop off bins are located near the front office of the school.

Orange County companies may also participate and designate their credits to go to Greentree. If your company is interested in helping Greentree School in this way, please contact Linda at ldovespike@pacbell.net for more information. Arrangements can be made to pick up used cartridges from the company site on a regular basis.

Thank you in advance for all your support!



PTA News

Welcome to a new year at Greentree School. I am honored to be your PTA President for the upcoming school year. Your PTA has been busy preparing for the start of the 2010-2011 school year.

Our annual membership campaign is in full swing. The biggest misconception about PTA membership is that attendance is required. By joining PTA, you are saying "Count Me In" to our elected officials at local, state and national levels-- that good public education is a priority for your family. If you haven't joined the PTA yet, we would encourage you to jump in and support your child's education. We need your support and so does your child.

One of the PTA's goals this year is to give parents an opportunity to get involved and learn more about your school. We have all kinds of volunteer opportunities available from taking art home to cut, collating papers, copying at school, or helping in your child's classroom. Please e-mail me if you want to become more involved with Greentree School at jmjefisher1@cox.net

Spirit Wear is every Friday. If your child does not own a Greentree shirt, you can purchase one now from the PTA. As the school year gets going, we will be giving prizes for the classroom that shows the most spirit on Friday's. Help your child be proud of their school by purchasing a Greentree T-shirt for them to wear on Fridays.

Please come out and meet new families during our 4 (four) Family Nights this year! Watch for dates to be announced. Although the PTA makes some money on these events, it is our goal to create a sense of community for Greentree.

We hope that you will join us on these evenings and also show your Greentree

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Sept 17—Constitution Day
(wear red, white and blue)

Sept 23 —Back To School Night; Gr. 1-3 from 6:15 to 7:00pm; Gr. 4-6 from 7:15 to 8:00pm.

Oct 5 —Ident-A-Kid

Oct 11-22— Parent - Teacher Conferences. Both weeks are Modified Schedules; Grades 1-2-3 dismissed at 1:00, and Grades 4-5-6 dismissed at 12:58.

Oct 26 —School Pictures

Spirit by wearing your spirit wear.

Greentree PTA provides many services that are not visible but benefit all our children. More than half the dues goes straight back to important school programs **not** funded by the state budget (K-3 Music, a health clerk, counseling assistant, assemblies, etc.). Your PTA spends roughly \$82 per student on programs that directly impact each of our children.

Join me in supporting Greentree Elementary.

Sincerely,

Marilyn Fisher
PTA President



K-6 TEXTBOOKS STUDENT ON-LINE ACCESS 2010-2011

If your child forgets his/her Language Arts or Math textbook/workbook at school there is no longer a reason NOT to be able to complete homework! Please follow these simple steps to access any of the K-6 Reading & Math, 4-6 Science and 6th grade Social Studies texts online.

Language Arts (K-6) and Math Expressions (K-5)

Go to: <https://www-k6.thinkcentral.com/>
 Select California
 Select: Irvine Unif School District
 Select: Your School
 Click the Box that says "Remember My Organization"
 See the table below for User Names and Passwords. Both are case sensitive.

Grade:	Username:	Password:
K	gradek	student
1	grade1	student
2	grade2	student
3	grade3	student
4	grade4	student
5	grade5	student
6	grade6	student

Click on the word Library.
 Select either Math or Language Arts Text

Holt Math Grade 6:

Go to: <http://my.hrw.com>

6th Grade User Name: mathgrade6

6th Grade Password: mathgrade6

User names and passwords are case sensitive.

Click on Go to the Online Textbook.

McMillan/McGraw Hill Science Grades 4 and 5:

Go to the following website: http://www.glencoe.com/sites/common_assets/science/ose/

1. Click on the button that says OSE (On-Line Student Edition).

For 4th Grade, the User Name is casc04.
 For 5th Grade, the User Name is casc05.

The password for both grades is redwood.

On the left, click on the icon that is 3rd from the top (word document with a ribbon on it).

On the left, click on the Plus Sign in front of Table of Contents.

Select the Unit you want to view. Click the plus sign in front of that unit. Then click the plus sign in front of the chapter you want to view. Click the lesson or activity you want to view.

You can also click on Page Navigator on the left of the screen. Then, you can select an exact page number that you would like to view.

Glencoe Science Grade 6:

Go to: <http://glencoe.mcgraw-hill.com/sites/0078741831/>

Click where it says "Click Here to Enter Student Center."

On the left, click on Online Student Edition.

Click on the link that says "For online student edition click here."

Complete User Name: FESCCA07
 (case sensitive)

Complete Password: 61f56c2b (case sensitive)

On the left, click on the plus sign in front of Contents in Brief.

Click on the Plus Sign in front of Table of Contents.

Select the Unit you want to view. Click the plus sign in front of that unit. Then click the plus sign in front of the chapter you want to view. Click the lesson or activity you want to view.

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Social Science Grade 6:

Go to: www.classzone.com/eservices

6th Grade Student User Name: grade6ss

6th Grade Student Password: grade6ss

Find the name of the textbook: World History Ancient Civilizations in the middle of the screen and click on it.

Click the Tab at the top that says Book.



We're on the web..

**Visit Greentree's Website at
www.iusd.org/gr**

Absence Line

949-936-5801

Call when your child is not in school, **every day of absence.**

Please record the following information:

Your child's name, teacher's name, date of absence, reason for absence..