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Adobe Bluffs Elementary



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May 1, 2008 at 6:30
Canyonview Elementary
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Please join an in-depth and enlightening talk for parent of 5th graders and middle schoolers on peer pressure and other topics at Canyonview Elementary School

Donate Your Old Books

It's spring and time to clean! While on spring break, clean out your bookcases of unwanted books. The AB PTA is having a book exchange May 14-16. Details will be sent home soon.



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A Message from AB PTA: Budget Crisis

Governor Schwarzenegger has proposed the largest reduction to education funding in California history. **ALL OF OUR SCHOOLS AND PROGRAMS WILL BE IMPACTED** by these reductions.

This is not just a Poway Unified School District problem; this is a California state budget problem, which is filtering down to every school district. Our students and schools didn't create this budget crisis, and progress in education shouldn't be undermined because of it. Our PUSD superintendent and school board members do not want to make any cuts, they did not want to send out pink slips on March 15 (California Educational Law legally required them to do so). *But, unlike many school districts, OUR superintendent is asking for help and wants our community involved in the process.*

As the budget gets debated in Sacramento, it's our **responsibility** to make sure our children's voices are heard. If these cuts go through as proposed, we can expect:

- **CLASS SIZES TO INCREASE**
- **REDUCTION** in teachers
- **LOSS** of reading specialists and other interventions
- **FEWER** counselors, custodians and nurses
- **FEWER** class selections for middle and high school
- **LOSS** of music and sport programs assistants
- **ELIMINATION** of transportation, music and art programs

What can we, as parents, educators, and community members, do about it?
 What does this mean for PUSD, my school/teachers/programs?
 How can we *work together* before the governor's May revision of the budget?

You can take action by letting your legislators know how you feel by sending a letter to your State Senator Wyland and Assembly member Plescia TODAY. We can make a difference. In an effort to save you time, a budget concern letter is available for download. You may use it as is or edit it as you see fit. For more information on the budget cuts and to download the letter, log on to the AB PTA website at <http://adobebluffspta.org/default.aspx>.

Adobe Bluffs 2008-09 PTA Board Nominations

The following members have been nominated for the 2008-09 Adobe Bluffs PTA Executive Board:

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| PRESIDENT: | Ron Cole |
| EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT: | Open |
| 1 ST VICE PRESIDENT-MEMBERSHIP: | Jamie Kaesbauer |
| 2 ND VICE PRESIDENT-PROGRAMS: | Ed Gerstin |
| 3 RD VICE PRESIDENT-VOLUNTEERS: | Corrinne Cousar |
| 4 TH VICE PRESIDENT-LEGISLATION: | Gemma Ripperton |
| SECRETARY: | Shannon Henwood |
| TREASURER: | Laura Nagro |
| FINANCIAL SECRETARY: | Cheri Rice |
| AUDITOR: | Open |
| HISTORIAN: | Cindy Schunk |

Adobe Bluffs Calendar

April 2008

A Look Ahead ...

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
21	22	23	24 YMCA Sports Clinic Willow Grove PTA Meeting	25 School T-Shirt or School colors day	26
28	29	30	1 College T-Shirt Day	2 School T-Shirt or School colors day	3

5/1 Storytelling Night
5/7: Kindergarten Registration
5/8: Open House (not 1st grade)
5/12-17: Staff appreciation week
5/15: PTA Meeting
5/26: Memorial Day
5/30: Spirit Day

YMCA Sports Clinic April 24th: Track & Field

The next scheduled YMCA Sports Clinic will be held on Thursday, April 24th. During this clinic the students will be learning the fundamentals of various Track & Field events. We will begin at 12:30pm and end at 2:00pm and will be on the grass fields behind the school. Also, we are currently looking for volunteers to assist the YMCA staff members as they lead the activities. Please contact me if you have any questions or would like to volunteer. Thanks!

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Congratulations to all that participated in the Doodle 4 Google contest. There were a lot of really terrific drawings! Unfortunately, only six doodles could be sent in to Google to represent AB. Congratulations to the following students:

- Mattie Sanseverino (Mrs. Lamb)
- Noemi Palihnich (Mrs. Reddell)
- Julia McCabe (Ms. Reyes)
- Emily Krysl (Ms. Louie)
- Darya Yacoubian (Mrs. Baird/Mrs. Shank)
- Matthew Maceda (Mrs. Nobles)



SCIENCE DAY 2008 WAS A SUCCESS!



Thanks to all who were involved in this year's "Leap into Science!" All over campus you could see many smiling faces and lots of science going on! It couldn't have happened with out everyone's help-- donations from the PTA helped fund the entertaining Einstein Alive assembly, the Radical Resptiles presentation for the first graders, lunch for the

afternoon community presenters and staff and supported the other costs involved in this school-wide event.

Many parent volunteers were on campus helping out in classrooms, behind the scenes setting up food and greeting presenters, and some even spent the afternoon as presenters sharing how they use science in their daily lives with our students. Thanks also goes to Round Table Pizza in PQ and Pat & Oscars (Carmel Mtn) for pitching in to help keep the costs down. There is always a buzz on campus the week of science day... hope you can join in the fun and excitement next year!

Willow Grove Elementary School PTA Organization Meeting

The process of forming a PTA at Willow Grove Elementary School is almost complete and for those families that will be attending Willow Grove, you are cordially invited to attend the Willow Grove Elementary PTA Organization Meeting. During this meeting, you will have the opportunity to be the first to join the Willow Grove PTA, to elect and meet the inaugural Executive Board, and be a part of the nation's largest child advocacy organization – PTA.

The details for the Information Meeting are as follows:

Date: April 24, 2008
Time: 6:30pm
Location: Adobe Bluffs Elementary School
8707 Adobe Bluffs Dr., San Diego, CA, 92129

ALL PARENTS ARE INVITED to participate in this exciting process and help shape the identity of Willow Grove Elementary. If you have any questions please contact Ron Cole, VP Leadership, Palomar Council PTA at rcole4@san.rr.com or 538-1699.