



PRINCIPAL'S HOME & SCHOOL CONNECTION

The World Languages Department from SFUSD toured Argonne last Friday. They observed the Russian language program. We have formed a committee which will be chaired by Mila and Zhanna to save the program and brainstorm financial options for outside funding. The funding for the program is secure through the end of the school year.

We will begin preparing our students for the California Standards Test in February. Each teacher will receive a copy of the release questions from the 2008 test for English Language Arts and Mathematics. Fifth grade teachers will receive the additional questions for Social Studies and Science.

February 17th is a Furlough Day for employees of SFUSD and February 20th is a school holiday in honor of President's Day.

Our Kickball season will begin on February 24th, our first home game against West Portal Elementary School. The game will be held during our lunch period. If we have an away game, the students will be transported to the game by a First Student Charter Bus.

On Friday, February 24, 2012 we will coordinate The Great African American Read-In during which hundreds of volunteers in classrooms across the city will read books by African American authors and illustrators in celebration of Black History Month. The San Francisco Unified School District is pleased to offer this event in partnership with Citizen Hope, the San Francisco Education Fund and SF Noir with the SF Education Fund providing training and screening for all volunteers. The volunteers will visit classrooms for 30 minutes, read a book, and discuss the book with the students.

Working Together for School Success

Karen Francois

PTO MEETING TONIGHT

Our January PTO Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday Jan 31st. Everyone is welcome and childcare is provided by the YMCA. Refreshments will be served. Hope to see you there!

David and Robin

AGENDA

- Welcome and Introductions
- Budget
- Russian Program
- Playstructure and Walk-a-thon
- Library Committee
- Lunar New Year
- Mayfair
- Green Argonne

GREEN ARGONNE

GARDEN APPRECIATIONS

A HUGE thank you to Argonne's very own department of public works: Jason Gillam, Julie Reber, superstar grandparents Gary and Mary, Angela Lee, Tracey Limon, Alexandra Minnis, Neil Hrushowy, Andy May, Vanessa Taylor, Sahru Keiser, Diana Solis, David Silberman, and Tina Eshaghpour for excavating the site for Argonne's edible garden. We are one step closer to planting!

COMMUNITY MEETING POSTPONED

The Saturday Community Meeting was postponed and will take place in about a month. The exact date will be announced soon. The school leadership felt that we all need more time to prepare for this important meeting so we can have a productive conversation and a meaningful outcome. We apologize for the inconvenience to anyone's schedule that this has caused.

**LUNAR NEW YEAR CELEBRATION
 FEBRUARY 10TH**

The Chinese After School Program is once again excited to host the annual Lunar New Year Celebration event next Friday, February 10, 2012 from 5:30-8pm. Flyer with RSVP was included in last week's Tue. folder.

We hope to see many of you there....

UPCOMING EVENTS CALENDAR		
DATE	DAY	EVENT
Jan 31	Tues	PTO Meeting 6-7:30
Feb 3	Friday	Spirit Day - Red & Black Day
Feb 10	Friday	Lunar New Year - 5:30- 8pm Argonne Multipurpose Room
Planning Ahead:		
Feb 17	Fri	No School- Furlough Day
Feb 20	Mon	No School - President's Day
Feb 24	Fri	African - American Read-In
Aug 20	Mon	Start Fall Session

VOLUNTEER CALENDAR

DATE	DAY	EVENT
Jan 30- Feb 3	Mon-Fri	Stop Drop Go - Room 203
Feb 1	Wed	Library Committee - 6 pm Library
Feb 6-10	Mon-Fri	Stop Drop Go - Room 101
Feb 10	Fri	Lunar New Year
Feb 13-16	Mon-Fri	Stop Drop Go - Room 302
Feb 20-24	Mon-Fri	Stop Drop Go - Room 102



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LIBRARY COMMITTEE

Please join the newly formed Argonne Library Committee.

Argonne's beautiful library is a wonderful resource, and we want to make sure it gets the attention it deserves. We are forming a library committee to ensure it is adequately supported. The goal of the committee is to identify and to provide for the library's long-term needs, including collection development, space planning and use, and technology.

Our first meeting will be Wednesday, February 1, at 6 p.m. in the library. All parents and teachers are invited to attend.

Megan Potente
Mother of Natalia, 3rd grade

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER SUBMISSIONS

Do you have an announcement or news item for the entire Argonne community? Please email your blurb (remember, less is more) to Cassandra Belair at ArgonneES_News@yahoo.com, Subject: "Newsletter", please place text in the email, not as an attachment. Deadline, Friday 10pm.