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ARGONNE NEWS **TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 2011**

PRINCIPAL’S HOME SCHOOL CONNECTION

Thank you to parents, guardians, and friends who helped with our Halloween parade and activities. Thank you to the PTO for providing the Pizza Party for our students and faculty.

Our students just completed their first Common Learning Assessment in English Language Arts and Mathematics. The CLA is a new district assessment. Our students will take the CLA three times this year. I hope you were able to review your child’s results with their teacher during Parent/Teacher Conference Week.

Thank you Janet Yieh for purchasing our new Argonne merchandise and maintaining our school store.

Many prospective families have toured Argonne for Kindergarten placement next year. Thank you to the PTO for arranging the tours and speaking to families. I’ve had great feedback from families who told me the atmosphere in the classrooms and the teaching they observed was incredible!!! Many have commented on the artwork displayed in the halls.

If you have friends who have children applying for Kindergarten next year, please remind them children have to be five years old by November 1st 2012 to be eligible for Kindergarten. Families whose children will not meet the age deadline, will be able to apply for Transitional Kindergarten at elementary sites. The Educational Placement Center has not identified which sites, but I will let you know as I am given the information.

Thank you Cassandra Belair for taking the lead for School Loop. Every Argonne student has been given a username and password. Some teachers have started using the site for classroom homework assignments as well as field trip information.

November 11th is a school holiday. Schools will be closed for Veteran’s Day. November 12th is our Harvest Moon Auction. Thank you Jennifer Creasman for organizing the auction. I know it will be a wonderful evening. Thank you again Jennifer Carlin for your Giving Letter campaign and our families who were able to donate to Argonne to help our enrichment programs.

Working Together for School Success,
 Karen Francois

HARVEST MOON AUCTION

Yes, there are eight days this week as we count down to when we need those awesome donations for the Silent Auction: by Friday, November 4th. And, here are the Beatles to remind us how much we love our kids and Argonne! <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Vs5qsk0pc6Y&feature=related>



As we head toward the weekend, think about all the restaurants you love and could go to several times a week. Ask the manager or owner for a donation of a gift certificate! Attached is the letter and form to take in with you as you buy your lunch, get takeout, or enjoy a nice dinner out.

And, thinking of a nice evening out, we hope you will join us Saturday, November 12th, from 6-9:30pm at the Golden Gate Park County Fair Building for Argonne’s first adult evening out. With live music, silent auction (including artwork from many of our classes), raffle, great food, and even better company, it’s a great time to get to know other families and the faculty in our awesome community!

UPCOMING EVENTS CALENDAR		
DATE	DAY	EVENT
Nov 5	Sat	SFUSD Enrollment Fair
Nov 11	Fri	No School - Veteran’s Day
Nov 12	Sat	Auction; GG Park 6:00 pm

We’ll be featuring a different auction idea for each of the next eight days-- eight is our number this year!! :) You can check out the items we have so far, buy entry and drink tickets and even sponsor a teacher to attend at our really cool online site: www.biddingforgood.com/ArgonneFallAuction

FUNDRAISING CORNER

ARGONNE LOVES BOOKS!

A HUGE thanks to the many families who bought lots of books for Argonne and for others last week at Books Inc. Night. Together we made \$397.75 for Argonne. Wahoo! We hope to know more as to how we did at Pasta Pomodoro in the next few weeks ... stay tuned!! Go Argonne!

ARGONNE SCHOOL STORE: HOODIES ARRIVED!

Our new zip front hooded sweatshirts & hats have arrived. All pre-sale orders have been delivered. If you pre-ordered and have not received your child's order, please let me know. We still have hats and kids sweatshirts available. In addition, we have red Argonne tees in size medium back in stock too! Don't forget about our awesome drawstring backpacks for only \$8 and we still have long sleeve grey tee shirts in all sizes.

A copy of the order form with all available items listed is available in the office or on the Argonne_ES website. Please turn in your order forms with Check or cash attached to Grace, and I will make sure you order is delivered to your child. I am also available every morning after drop off if you prefer to order with a credit card. Happy Halloween!

FRESH AND EASY MAKE FUNDRAISING FOR ARGONNE SO EASY!

If you shop at Fresh and Easy, save your receipts and send them to school! For every \$20 in receipts collected from now through December 31st, Argonne receives \$1. You will find the bright green collection box in the office area near Grace. Stay tuned for a possible Argonne Shopping Night at Fresh and Easy in the next few months!

UPCOMING FUNDRAISERS

We have a few fundraisers coming up end of November/beginning of December. Stay tuned for more information regarding the GL Scrip program which allows you to order gift cards with a certain percentage coming back to Argonne. In addition, we will have See's candy for the holidays as well. Keep these in mind for great holiday gifts!!

SLOAT GARDEN EVENT

Are you excited to enjoy our beautiful fall weather by getting out and doing some gardening? If so, take the Growing Up Green flyer included in this week's Tuesday folder to any Sloat Garden Center when making a purchase. 10% of all purchases will be directed back to Argonne! It's a win-win!

HAVE YOU REGISTERED FOR SCHOOLLOOP?

Please go to the Argonne SchoolLoop site to register. <https://argonne-sfusd-ca.schoolloop.com/>, you will need your students' ID#, which you may find on the Argonne Student ID card, or obtain from your teacher. If you have questions about the registration process or using SchoolLoop please click the help button on the website, or email Cassandra Belair at cdbelair05@mac.com. Help files will also be posted at http://groups.yahoo.com/group/argonne_es/files/Communications/

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES



SILENT AUCTION: IT'S JUST ABOUT A MONTH AWAY. Our first adult-only silent auction and dinner. Planning is well underway. You can help by soliciting donations from local businesses and artists - we are asking for two donations/family. You could help by organizing your child's classroom to make an art project to donate. You can help the night of the event. <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/silent70..> Please plan on coming and having a good time November 12..

ON-GOING VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

MORNING DROP-OFF: Four or more adults are needed every morning to help our students exit quickly and safely from their rides on Seventeenth Avenue. Contact Safety Committee Chairperson Gerald Crump (gcfuel@gmail.com) or go to: <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/daily24>

ARGONNE LIBRARY: Contact our Librarian, Ms. Campbell by dropping by or email campbelld@sfusd.edu, if you are interested in assisting with our beautiful library.

GARDEN WATERING: Contact Tina at greenargonne@gmail.com if you can water in the morning.

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.