



Argonne Elementary
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ARGONNE NEWS **TUESDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2011**

PRINCIPAL'S LETTER

October 4th is Picture Day at Argonne!!!! If your child is absent, we will have a photo make up day. Parent/Teacher Conference Week will be October 17th-21st. We will dismiss one hour early at 1:40 p.m. for conferences. Every effort will be made to accommodate parents and guardians to have a conference with your child's teacher. Telephone conferences will be an option if you are unavailable to come in person. Interpreters will also be available for the conferences.

Thank you to our parents and guardians who visited sites to look at play structures. Our Buildings and Grounds Department installed a fence around the play structure last week. We will have our first Design Team Meeting this week to discuss the project. We will work very closely with SFUSD Architect who will guide us through this process. Our timeline approximately 4/5 months for the project.

Our annual Halloween Parade will be on Monday, October 31st. Students should bring their costumes to school. Our parade will begin in the afternoon.

Thank you to the parents and guardians who worked over the weekend and opened our school yard for the Blue Grass Festival. All SFUSD Middle School students went to the festival on Thursday for a private concert!!!!

Congratulations and thank you Jennifer Carlin for your amazing effort this year for our Giving Letter!!!! Our school community is so lucky to have parents, guardians, and friends to help our school.

Karen Francois
 Principal

GIVING LETTER CAMPAIGN EXTENDED UNTIL OCTOBER 7TH

ARGONNE IS THE BEST PLACE TO BE BECAUSE OF YOU AND YOUR GIFTS TO THE ANNUAL GIVING CAMPAIGN! Just a few more days until the Annual Giving Campaign ends--this Friday, October 7th! The kids are excited--hopefully you are hearing the ARGONNE chant with verses being added until Friday. Please be sure to send in your family's gift as soon as possible so that your child's class can have a pizza party in October and so that we can celebrate with an all-school ice cream social in the spring. Letters have been sent home this week to families whose gifts we haven't yet received. Remember, any gift, no matter the amount, makes a difference. We are focused on 100% of Argonne families giving. Because we so appreciate the gifts our families are making, we will recognize all families who have given in one of the next Tuesday newsletters. Please contact Jennifer Carlin at 415-572-9101 or jmaudecarlin@gmail.com with any questions. You can find giving forms in the office. Look for updates via the Yahoo group and check the chart in the main hallway. We are on our way to 100% participation--thank you for your wonderful gifts!!

HARDLY STRICTLY... PARKING SUCCESS

We had a fantastic weekend parking 258 cars to raise a total of \$6466. The yard was filled both days by noon and we were able to resell spots as some people left early. Thank you to the following volunteers who donated their precious weekend time to this profitable fundraiser and especially Eric and Erin Lichtenwalter who organized the troupes again this year.: Mark Sole, Adina Safer, Cindy Wong, Farley Pierce, Jim Cureton, Larry Scancarelli, Megan Potente, Scott Laswerwith, Robin Morjikian, Erin Lichtenwalter (and Eric....), Mike Loudermilk, Steve Carlin, Willie Chin, Erik Moreno, Christina Boyle, Chris Gaede, Donna Campbell, Felicia Won, Marvin Louie, Melinda Louie, Angele Yee, Tracey Limon

| UPCOMING EVENTS CALENDAR | | |
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| DATE | DAY | EVENT |
| Oct 4 | Tues | Picture Day |
| Oct 5 | Wed | International Walk to School Day |
| Oct 7 | Fri | Stop-Drop-Go form due |
| Oct 10 | Mon | No School - Columbus Day |
| Oct 17-21 | Mon-Fri | Parent Teacher Conferences - Early Dismissal |



to Argonne Day 2011

| VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES CALENDAR | | |
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| DATE | DAY | EVENT |
| Oct 5 | Wed | International Walk to School Day |
| Nov | | Stop-Drop-Go Roll Out |
| Nov 12 | Sat | Silent Auction |
| ongoing | Mon-Fri | Student Drop Off; 17th Ave. Gate |
| ongoing | Mon-Fri | Argonne Library; drop-ins welcome |



INTERNATIONAL WALK TO SCHOOL DAY

ARGONNE WILL COMMERATE INTERNATIONAL WALK TO SCHOOL DAY WEDNESDAY OCT 5. Please celebrate healthy living by walking or bicycling to school on this day. If you live outside the neighborhood, we encourage you to bus or park a couple blocks away and walk the last bit with your child. If you are driving please be especially vigilant on this day when we hope to have increased foot traffic.

GIVING LETTER PARTICIPATION

- Ms. Dere's Divine Dashers: 100% have given--YEAH!!!
- Ms. Marcia's Magnificents: 9 to go
- Ms. Bondy's Brilliants: 7 to go
- Mr. Lopez's Lovely Leapsters: 8 to go
- Ms. Kristen's Cream of the Crop: 7 to go
- Ms. Rha's Remarkables: 2 to go
- Ms. Franks's Fantastics: 7 to go
- Mr. Strohms Superstars: 100% have given--YEAH!!!
- Ms. Peterson's Par Excellence: 6 to go
- Ms. Flynn's Fabulous: 8 to go
- Ms. Inna's Enthusiasts Excel: 6 to go
- Ms. Cox's Crafty Creators: 8 to go
- Ms. Juri's Jabberwockies: 10 to go
- Ms. Thayer's Thoroughly Enthused: 6 to go
- Ms. Angus's Aces: 12 to go
- Ms. Terry's Top-Notch Terrifics: 10 to go
- Ms. Towsley's Tip-Top Talented: 10 to go
- Mr. Freund's Fantabulous: 16 to go
- Mr. Allyn's Absolutely Awesome: 15 to go



A-R-G-O-N-N-E, Argonne is the place to be!
 If we want P-I-Z-Z-A, the giving letter is the way
 I-C-E C-R-E-A-M, mmmmmmm
 We love chorus, art and dance; when we have PE we
 run like we have ants in our pants
 Crafty Creators are so cool, raising money for our
 school
 Rooms 107 and 101, the pizza party have already won.
 The rest of us can get pizza too, if we bring back our
 forms and a buck or two.
 A-R-G-O-N-N-E, Argonne is the place for me!

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. You could help by organizing your child's classroom to make and art project to donate. You can help the night of the event. <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/silent70..>

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 intersted 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.