



Argonne Elementary Parent Teacher Organization

680 18th Avenue SF, CA 94121

www.argonnesf.com

Tuesday, September 15, 2009

Sally Foster Deadline Extended

We have extended the deadline by one week! Deadline for orders submitted through Argonne's school office is Thursday, September 24, 2009. If you did not receive a catalog during the summer through your child's Tuesday folder and would like one, please email me and I will deliver one via your child's backpack. Alternatively, please visit www.sallyfoster.com, click on the upper right hand link for "support a fundraiser" and enter Argonne's account number, 226581. Free shipping is available for orders >\$70 or if you submit any size order at Argonne through our chairperson. Checks should be made payable to Argonne PTO. Internet orders are paid online with a credit card. Delivery of Sally Foster items will be on Thursday, October 15, 2009 and can be picked up from your child's classroom. Any questions, feel free to contact Lillian Chou, parent volunteer and Sally Foster Fundraising Chairperson at lillianbfan1990@yahoo.com.

Seeking Tour Guides

Kindergarten tour season is upon us! Beginning in October, we will have lots of interested families visiting Argonne to decide (as we all did) that our school is the best fit for their child. This is a great opportunity to share your enthusiasm for Argonne and really sell the school. No previous marketing experience is required :) We will provide a tour outline (and a rough script) to all tour guides. We need volunteers to lead tours on the following dates, from 8:45 to 10 am:

October 6, 13, 30
November 3, 10, 17, 19
December 1, 8, 10
January 5

We also need volunteers for Saturday November 7th, which is the SFUSD Enrollment Fair. If you are available on any of those dates and are willing to give a little time for this very important function, please email Emily Ginsburg at ehginsburg@yahoo.com.

Argonne Gear (get your t-shirts/sweatshirts here!)

Make sure your child(ren) are ready for the next Spirit Day with a complete wardrobe of Argonne attire – namely t-shirts and sweatshirts in a full range of sizes for children and adults. Prices: children's t-shirts (\$10), sweatshirts (\$24); adult's t-shirts (\$13), sweatshirts (\$28).

Giving Letter Campaign '09-'10

The time is now to donate to our school. All donations are tax-deductible. Every year we seem to rely upon more and more the contributions made by parents to provide the programs that we know our students deserve. We hope that you all will give what you can. We understand that times are difficult so any contribution is appreciated. Everybody should have received a Giving Letter Campaign notice last week. (If not, you can pick one up in the office.) The first two classrooms with 100% response will win a Pizza or Ice Cream party from the PTO, so respond early! All responses count, even if you can't donate at this time. Questions? Please contact Annie Au at 269-8633 or email her at annie_chow@msn.com. Installment and credit card payments happily accepted.

Once Again! Seeking Parent Volunteers (October 3 &4)

Given the recent success of our PTO-led parking fundraiser in which we 'sold' parking spaces on Argonne's outdoor yard during the Outlands Concert at the end of August – we have decided to repeat this effort during the upcoming Hardly Strictly Bluegrass Festival (also to be held in Speedway Meadow) the first weekend in October. It is our hope to match our recent success in raising close to \$4,000 for the school IF we get the number of volunteers needed to pull off this effort.

Once again, we are recruiting parents to take 3-4 hour shifts on Saturday, October 3 and Sunday, October 4. We have a variety of volunteer positions -- including collecting payment, and guiding cars to the appropriate parking spot. Please help Argonne in raising significant money for our school PTO. If you have questions or are interested in helping out, please e-mail Eric Lichtenwalter at ericlich@yahoo.com.

Upcoming Events / Important Dates

Back-to-School Night: TONIGHT, September 15th, 6-8:00pm (childcare provided)

Spirit Day (this Friday, September 18): Red & Black

Caring School Community: School spirit

Field Day: September 25th (volunteers needed)