



LAKESHORE
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
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IMPORTANT DATES

October 9, 2013

Wednesday, October 9

International Walk & Roll to School Day

Join International Walk and Roll to School day to work together to make communities safer and more pleasant for walking. For information: <http://sfsaferoutestoschool.org/>

Friday, October 11, 2013

Picture Day

Find your best duds and give us a big smile!

Saturday, October 12, 2013

Sandcastle Contest, 10:30am – 4:30pm

Ocean Beach @ Fulton

Cheer on Mrs. Fusscas' class in building a sandcastle masterpiece. www.leaparts.com

Monday, October 14, 2013

NO SCHOOL: Indigenous People's Day

Wednesday, October 16, 2013

Puberty Education Info Session

7:00 – 8:00pm, Room 106

Parents (especially of 4th and 5th graders) meet with Ivy Chen to understand the curriculum and how to discuss the changes of puberty with your children.

Thursday, October 17

PTA Fest

We can't wait to present you with a showcase of our many Enrichment Programs including examples of student work and live demos from Motor. Consultants Jean Butler and Steve Rubenstein will serenade while taking you on a tour through the Lakeshore gardens. Light refreshments will be served.

Thursday, October 31

Halloween at Lakeshore

Don't miss this Spooktacular event! Join us for costume parades, class parties, and a Creepy Carnival.

So much fun in the sun!

Thanks for making the Walk-a-Thon and Picnic and Gardening Day shine.

What a spectacular weekend! The sun was shining, the kids were smiling and the grounds are sparkling.

Friday's Walk-a-Thon was a wonderful school-wide event. "Thanks to all the volunteers and sponsors," says organizer Ms. Camou. Parents and guardians from all grades came to cheer on the students, spray them with water and stamp hands (arms, elbows, and in some cases, shoulders). Stamps were the day's hottest commodity with children proudly displaying their accomplishments. Walking to an expertly selected playlist, the students traversed the track walking forwards and backwards, wearing Lakeshore gear and enjoying the camaraderie of their friends. While an engaging community event, the Walk-a-Thon is also a major fundraiser for the school. Ms. Camou reminds us "Each penny goes right back to our students, and **we will be accepting envelopes until Friday, October 11.** Thanks for all your support!"

Saturday was the inaugural Picnic and Gardening Day hosted by our industrious gardening team, Jean Butler and Martha Luna. Dozens of families braved the heat to tackle the indoor and outdoor tasks. Gardens were pruned, raked, watered and weeded. Countless wheel barrels of pine needles were cleared. Storage areas were cleaned and organized. Shelves were constructed and painted. "We are overwhelmed by the turnout!" said Martha Luna. "By opening students' minds to lessons of the garden, we are developing a scientific technique that enables children to examine closely, yet see broadly, the world that surrounds." Between chores, families enjoyed the shade of our fantastic pine trees and had lunch and snacks on the colorful picnic tables. There may have been one or two water fights and it is rumored, there was a very competitive kids vs. adults kickball game. Kids in attendance have been added to the new "Brag Board."

Thank you to everyone who planned, organized, and volunteered for these events.

Trick or Treat?

Give me something good to eat! The Halloween bin is now in the Lakeshore lobby and available to swallow up big bags of nut-free candy and small prizes. When shopping for your home, pick up an extra bag or two and drop it in the bin. Here are some nut-free candy suggestions from allergysf.com: gummies, licorice, lollipops / Tootsie Pops, Junior Mints, Hershey Kisses, Laffy Taffy, Starburst Fruit Chews, Now and Laters, Skittles, and Rolos. All candy must be individually wrapped.



Corporate match your donation

Many companies generously double charitable contributions to non-profit organizations like Lakeshore. Both large and small companies embrace this fantastic way to make your money go farther. Companies such as Bank of America, PG&E, Genentech, Kaiser, the Gap, and Starbucks have been known to match. Check with your human resources department to see if your sponsorships, PTA and class funds donations qualify.

Puberty Education Information Night

Please join Ivy Chen for an information session about the upcoming Puberty Education program on Wednesday, October 16 in room 106 from 7-8pm. Parents and guardians of children of all ages are invited but we encourage those who have children in the 4th and 5th grades to attend. Ivy has been working with our Lakeshore children for more than a decade and she has a skilled and thoughtful way to help adolescents understand what is physically happening and navigate the feelings they may have about the changes they will experience. This session is your opportunity to ask questions, raise concerns, and learn how you can discuss this sensitive topic with your child.

Want to include something in the next edition? Please email newsletter@lakeshoreelementary.org no later than Friday evening with final content and your contact information.

Student Corner

I Am Poem By Ryan Wu

I am handsome as Mr. Glover
I am strong as a bear
I am shiny as a gold coin

I am worried as a bad-guy
I am kind as a doctor
I am rich as a royal king

I am lazy as the story character Mr. Lazy
I am happy as elephant stomping on the floor
I am scary as a zombie

I am itchy as a monkey
I am dusty gray as crayon
I am chicken yellow as a lemon

But I am always Ryan.



My Halloween Thoughts By Adrian Lau

When I think of Halloween my thoughts turn to scary, frightful, terrible zombies, and ugly sloths. My thoughts include frightful dragons and stinky blood, mean bats, and the sounds of lightning and thunder.

I also think of ugly scary, terrible cobras and rattle snakes. I credit Bruce Lee for so many people wearing only pants and without a shirt like Bruce Lee did. Halloween makes me think of treats like candy, gum fruits snacks and lots of Apple juice. I also think of the haunted house and the pumpkin patch. I think of skulls and the movie called, "Skulls verses Zombies". I visualize a Halloween and Harry Potter Lego building set,

I would like to be a Ninja for Halloween. I plan to wear a Ninja costume. I would like for my costume to include the following items: a Ninja masks, two dragon swords and holders, a black belt, black gloves, a green shirt with an image of a dragon, a fire laser gun, green pants, knee protectors, and a plastic model of a golden dragon.

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Make Adrian's and every little leopard's Halloween unforgettable by helping to spookify Lakeshore – email volunteer@lakeshoreelementary.org or sign up on the sheets by the big yard.

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