

October School Newsletter 2009

Volume 52, Issue 1

Campbell Parents' Participation Preschool, 528 Harrison Avenue Campbell, CA 95008 (408) 866-7223



Important CPPP Dates!

November 4

Board Meeting, CPPP
Campus

November 11

Veteran's Day- School
Closed
Parent Education Meeting-
Willow Glen Library

November 14

CPPP Fall Carnival: Sail
Around the World! 10am-1pm

November 25-27

Thanksgiving Break- School
Closed

Letter from the President

October is here, and I love the Fall!

I don't know about your kids, but my twins are counting down the days until Halloween, Thanksgiving, their birthday, and Christmas!

I hope everyone has enjoyed their first month of school, and that you feel you are getting into the swing of things.

The board has been very busy...

Maintenance removed the slide structure this past weekend. We have a committee looking into getting a new play structure. Our goal is to have this installed during the holiday break. They have also been working on giving the boat structure a facelift.

Fundraising is busily working on the details for the Fall Carnival. You will be receiving more details as we get closer.

I want to remind everyone that since we are at the beginning of the flu/cold season to help keep everyone healthy by having the kids wash hands as often as possible and keeping home children with fevers. You can refer to your membership binder if you want to know the school's recommendations.

We still have openings in the 2's and 4's classes. If you know anyone who might be interested, please send them our way. Our best advertising is word of mouth by our members!

Sincerely,

Leticia Hunter
CPPP President

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Two's Class

Gia Mohlajee 6/24
Maxwell Rosenberg 6/27
Alfrad Valdez 7/9
Madison Cline 8/31
David Juliano 10/6
James Shirk 10/20
Zachary Johnson 10/24

Three's Class

Nicole Headley 6/5
Anisha Reddy Purumala 6/14
Nivrith Raman 7/4
Zachary Reinie 8/4
Aaron Husted 8/9
Kaitlyn Nguyen 8/30
Samantha Carlson 9/7
Rachel Hoogensen 9/7
Hannah Manning 9/12
Nola Boucher 9/20
Alan Nguyen 10/23

Four's Class

Kaylee Downs 6/2
Quelin Vuist 7/19
Aparna Prabhakar 7/22
Evan Dudley 7/27
Melania Metanovic 9/30
Landon Kane 10/14
Darian Azimi 10/22

Director's Corner

The air has been getting a bit of a chill in the evenings and mornings, as our first fall storm arrived this past week. At CPPP we are off to a wonderful start. The classes are up and running with the special families characteristic of a Parent Co-op. Thanks so much to all our parents who work so hard to keep our school in good condition.

Items to touch base with you:

1) Our fantastic maintenance team removed our old slide and play fort structure this past weekend. Not only was it over 10 years old and past warranty, but the wood was becoming very weathered and rotten at the support poles. We will be getting a new structure as soon as possible. Teacher Erica and her committee are working diligently on a time line to get this accomplished. If you would like to be on this project committee, please contact Erica.

2) Please remember to fill out an accident form when a child is injured at school. This is for any incident that requires more than a hug and a kleenex. (Forms are located in the children's bathroom on the clipboard hanging from the towel rack.) White copy goes to the child's parent, yellow and pink copies go to Teacher Carol's file. Thanks!

3) We have a parent's library located in the school office. It is filled with wonderful books on many subjects. Take some time to browse the selection and feel free to check a book out to take home. Please note that our children's library does not have the same advantage. All the children's books stay at the facility as they are a corner stone for the children's curriculum.

4) Please remove pens, pencils and kleenex from your work apron when done for the day. Your kleenex is fine for you, but the next working parent does not feel the same way about handling a used tissue. Thank you so much.

See you at the Fall Carnival in November!
 Carol Mandere

The Two's Class

Fall in the Two's Class

Fall is in the air in the Two's class with many activities for the harvest season. We enjoyed an exciting field trip to the Saratoga Street Pumpkin Patch where the children had hands-on fun with the goats, chicks, pigs, bunnies, turkeys, and many more animals. The pumpkin painting was a big hit with many beautiful pumpkins being decorated.

We will continue with the harvest theme through November with our family feast right before Thanksgiving. Our family feast is a highlight of the Harvest season when the parent's bring in a food item from their family heritage. We end up with an amazing array of dishes from around the world.

I am looking forward to another wonderful year and all of the great experiences we will have together.

Teacher Monica



The Three's Class

Fall Fun in the Three's Class!

We have had a wonderful month filled with apple experiences and learning about our new friends. The children have been busy making applesauce, apple dump cake, pumpkin pudding, and popcorn. We have been learning about how to listen to our friends, how to treat our friends, and all the feelings that can be seen in our faces. Circle time has settled down to a nice routine. Finger plays are a favorite this year with requests for, "Let's do it again!" :-). The Surprise box is going great, too. The children love to guess their own favorite item as being in the surprise box, but they are also beginning to catch on that the clues will help them guess the item before it's taken out of the box. An excellent exercise in listening, thinking, and verbal skills.

As we leave our first month of school behind, the children have jumped into loving the leaves, nuts and seeds, gourds and pumpkins of fall in the science corner. Our trip to the pumpkin patch was this week. Shannon scheduled a wonderful day for us at the Uesugi Pumpkin Patch in Morgan Hill. We learned how pumpkins grow, saw the different stages of pumpkin plants growing, walked through the sensory corn maze, and each child picked out their own pumpkin to take home. The all time favorite has to be the train ride around the farm past all the scare crows and pumpkin mountain. We could see many golden pumpkins hidden here and there as we rode along the track. The farm gave the class a huge pumpkin for free. We'll have a wonderful time cutting it into a Jack 'O Lantern the last week of October. Halloween here we come!

Teacher Carol

Something you'd like to share with the school or your class? Here are the email addresses for our new Google Groups!

CPPP All School:
all_cpppp@googlegroups.com

Teacher Monica's
2's Class:
twos_cpppp@googlegroups.com

Teacher Carol's
3's Class:
threes_cpppp@googlegroups.com

Teacher Erica's
4's Class:
fours_cpppp@googlegroups.com



Have you enrolled in eScrip for the 2009-2010 school year?

Go to www.escrip.com to register your debit, credit, Safeway, Macy's, and many other cards.

Help CPPP receive a percentage of each sale!

Don't worry - all information is safe and secure.

You MUST renew your card every year, so that our school can earn the benefits. Make sure you re/register today

The Four's Class

Fall is here!

As we wind through October, we are seeing children who are really settling into school. The kids look forward to their job of being the frog helper or door helper. Everyone knows what to do when the frog "croaks" before our meeting. Everyone knows what two fingers in the air means (they like to do it to me, too). We have experienced our first big rain storm, sharing is happening at circle time (did you hear about the dog?) and field trips are all in the mix. What big kids!

This month we have been busy planting a fall garden, exploring the world of spiders and bats, going to a pumpkin patch and trying out new art techniques – like crayon melting. Later in the month the children will be sewing their own Halloween bags this year. Yep - a real sewing machine and everything.

We will be having a Halloween costume parade on Thursday, October 28 at Live Oak Adult Day Services in San Jose. We will leave from CPPP at 12:30 and should be returning around 2, just in time for snack and some playground time. Mariely will have a sign-up posted for drivers and chaperones – it should be a great time.

November will be filled with friends, harvesting, taking care of our families (like preparing a feast to be eaten at school), and lots of smiles and love.

Looking forward to the fun,

Teacher Erica

Basic Cornbread Recipe

1 cup cornmeal
1 cup flour
2 teaspoons baking powder
½ teaspoon baking soda
1 cup buttermilk or yogurt
1 egg
3 tablespoons honey or sugar
3 tablespoons oil

1. Preheat the oven to 350 degrees
2. Grease an 8 inch square pan with oil
3. Combine the dry ingredients in a medium sized bowl
4. Combine the wet ingredients (including the sugar or honey) separately
5. Stir the wet mixture into the dry just enough to thoroughly combine
6. Spread into the greased pan
7. Bake for 20 minutes or until the center is firm to the touch



FALL CARNIVAL

CPPP invites you to "Sail Around the World" at our annual Fall Carnival and Fundraiser on Saturday November 14th from 10am - 1pm.

Kids are encouraged to come dressed in International Costume or as their favorite Sailor, Explorer, Pirate, Submarine Captain, Mermaid, etc. Adult costumes will be admired, too!

Kids will have a blast playing carnival games, jumping in a bouncy house, having their faces painted, and making sailing-themed craft projects. Everyone will enjoy delicious food and an International Bake Sale. There will also be a raffle with some great prizes.

Please spread the word to your family and friends! Everyone is welcome, and all proceeds will benefit our school.

If we can round up performers, we may also be able to add on International Dance Performances and/or Music.

Your fundraising committee needs your help to make this event a success!

To volunteer to work at the carnival or to help with set-up or clean-up, please contact Amy Ho (Kaitlyn Nguyen's mom, 3's class): Honguyen1443@sbcglobal.net

We need:

- People to operate the games and bouncy house.
- People who are talented face painters.
- People to help with the craft area.
- People to cook, grill, prepare, and sell food.
- People to bake for the International Bake Sale and sell the food.
- People to sell tickets and help with the raffle.
- People who are willing to help decorate the school and assist with other set-up, and a clean-up crew.

Please contact Huong Remotigue (Sammie's mom, 4's class) if you want to bake for the bake sale, or if you want to cook or donate food: huongremo@gmail.com

We are hoping to borrow certain items for the carnival. Please let us know if you have any of these items to lend:

- Grills
- Outdoor Event Tents/Shelters (in case of rain)
- Extra folding tables and chairs.
- International Decorations—help make our kids feel like they're really sailing around the world.

Valerie Shirk (James' Mom, 2's class) is in charge of decorations, so please contact her if you have decorating ideas or have international items/decorations to lend. valerieshirk@yahoo.com

Any general questions or concerns about the carnival? Contact Christine Headley, your fundraising chair. chris@headley.org or krissy8444@yahoo.com

**Campbell Parents'
Participation Preschool**
528 Harrison Avenue
Campbell, CA 95008

Phone (408) 866-7223

Board of Directors

President, Leticia Hunter
hunterleticia@yahoo.com

VP, Michelle Dudley
Mydudley75@gmail.com

Treasurer, Vaish Gopal
ammalee@hotmail.com

Secretary, Amy Juliano
amy.juliano@yahoo.com

Membership Co-chairs,
Kristie Manning
flyingace72@hotmail.com
Aeilene Ramirez-Phan
aeilene@yahoo.com

Education Coordinator,
Shirlee Rosenberg
devjessmummy@yahoo.com

Maintenance, Wim Vuist
wimthu@hotmail.com

Fundraising, Christine Headley
Krissy8444@yahoo.com

Webmaster, Tomas Remotigue
tomremo@gmail.com

Visit us at
www.cppp.com

*Do you have a topic, article, or
advertisement you'd like to see in
our next Newsletter? If so,
CONTACT US!*

Newsletter, Shanda Husted
shanda_husted@yahoo.com

Thank You!

- ❖ A BIG thank you to Carol and Gene Mandere for volunteering their time and materials installing the drinking fountain in the back yard. Way to go Carol and Gene.
- ❖ Thank you to Mariely Azimi, for hosting the 4's class meeting on October 14.
- ❖ Also, thank you to the families in the 4s who have taken on an extra work day, so we can have science one day a week. So far (for both Sept. and Oct.), that includes:
 - The Dudley Family
 - The Remotigue Family
 - The Reichel Family
 - The Chen/Yu Family
 - The Prabhakar Family
 - The Vuist Family
 - The Keller Family
 - The Azimi Family
- ❖ Thank you to Michael Kane (and friends) who came out to replace the paneling of the boat. It looks super!