

School News – USC – Feb. 5th, 2018

Survey Reminder, Please complete by February 9th!

We want to hear from you and your opinions matter. We report the number of survey participants in the Local Control Accountability Plan. Our goal is to have parents participate and give us feedback. We strive to make the school a special place for your students based on what you say works and what can use improvement. If you prefer a paper copy, they are located on the bulletin board by 2nd grade.

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Y6MPW3H>

Number of Parent Surveys Completed (we want more!):

Kindergarten: 3; First Grade: 4; Second Grade: 1; Third Grade: 2; Fourth Grade: 1; Fifth Grade: 2

After School Sign-out Board

When your child is in after school, the adult picking them up needs to come into school and write the time out on the after school sign-out board. If the box is left blank you may be charged until 5:30. Afterschool for grades 1-5 starts at 3:15 on Wed. – Fri. and at 2:00 on Mon. Afterschool for Kindergarten starts at 2:00 all days. Please pick up your child by 5:30. Students picked up after 5:30 are a charged a \$1/minute late charge. If you have any questions, please talk to Rea or an afterschool teacher. Thank you!

Please Welcome our New Spanish Teacher Marti Mason!

Marti is fluent in Spanish and has taught it at several elementary schools and at Suzuki camp. She was also an International English Language teacher at HSU. Marti will teach Spanish on Monday and Friday.

Thank you for Donating to our Kindergarten Classroom!

Thanks to parent donations, we have purchased a sensory table for kindergarten. Look for it in the classroom soon!

Board Meeting, Wednesday February 7th at 6 pm

Valentines Day at Union Street Charter

Please do not use the school campus, playground, driveway, or cubbies to pass out Valentine cards or treats from home or from the store. Thank you for supporting our no pop-culture policy. Each classroom celebrates Valentine's Day in a manner appropriate for that grade and class. Talk to your child's teacher if you have any questions about Valentines Day. Thank you!

Support the Annual Fund Drive - See attached letter

Thank you for your donations, we have raised \$8,000 to date! Our goal is to raise \$20,000 this school year. We are currently choosing new playground equipment and writing grants, but we need your help to make it happen. The direct appeal fund raising program has been essential to maintaining the quality of our program. Please see the attached letter that describes the school's fund raising philosophy! You can send the attached slip to the school office or send the information electronically to office.unionstreet@gmail.com.

Annual Family Potluck & Student Sing, Sunday March 18th, 12:00-3 pm

Please save the date for this wonderful school community event at the Arcata Community Center!

Earth Day Celebration, March 28th, 12:00-3pm

We are having an Earth Day event at our school on March 28th. The purpose of the event is to raise student awareness of the plants and animals of the earth and reduce the use of natural resources. There will be 5 presentations from community members to our 100 students. One of the presentations is by the HSU Center for Appropriate Technology on energy use, with the loan of smoothie bikes from the Dept. Of Health And Human Services. Students will have the opportunity to make smoothies using bicycle-generated energy. We are seeking donations of juice, fresh and frozen fruit and yogurt. We also need volunteers to pick up and drop off the bikes and help students. Contact Rea to volunteer.

Community Flyers Attached: Presidents Break Camp, T-ball sign-ups

Calendar Highlights for Family Vacation Planning:

Feb. 7: Board Meeting 6 pm

Feb. 19 – 23: Presidents Break

March 18: Family Potluck & Student Sing, Arcata Community Center 12-3:00

April 16 – 20: Spring Break

June 14: Last Day of School

June 17: All School End of Year Picnic & 5th grade graduation

Questions or Suggestions? Please contact Rea Erickson at rea.unionstreet@gmail.com or Pam at office.unionstreet@gmail.com