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Happy spring time to everyone! The weather has warmed, the rain has stopped (at least for now), and the flowers are blooming. It is my hope that each student, their families, and all staff members had a relaxing and enjoyable spring break. As we enter the month of April, we have several important upcoming events to highlight.

MONTH OF THE MILITARY CHILD

In the month of April, we celebrate our military students and their families along with the vast number of military personnel that support our students throughout the school year. This Friday, April 7 we will honor the men and women who serve on the U.S.S. New Orleans and we will welcome them to our site to tour and to speak of future partnership plans. We are thankful and delighted to have their support! Miss Gia, our MFLC, will also be offering our students various military-based activities throughout the month via our Military Kids Club offerings during lunch time. All are welcome and invited to attend!

TK/KINDERGARTEN/PRESCHOOL REGISTRATION

Monday, April 3 marks the beginning of the registration period for both our transitional kindergarten and our traditional kindergarten programs for next fall. Registration for our preschool program begins next Monday, April 10. Registration will continue up until the first day of school, August 24, 2017, but early registration is highly encouraged. Information about all programs can be found on our school website or can be obtained via our school office.

SPRING PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES

Our spring time parent/teacher conferences will take place this week on April 5, 6, and 7. Modified release schedule times per grade level (the same as our Wednesday afternoon schedules) apply during these three days. Contact via your child's teacher has already taken place (prior to spring break) if a conference meeting is requested at this time. If you were not previously contacted, your child is doing well in school and no conference is presently needed. Please note that parents are always encouraged to correspond with their child's teacher at any time throughout the school year – good parent/teacher communication is key to student success.

SPECIAL OPPORTUNITIES IN APRIL

We will have some special programs in April such as...

- Preschool YMCA Nutrition Day - Tuesday, April 11 beginning at 11:30 a.m. at our preschool classroom location – room #101.
- Military Spouses Meeting – Wednesday, April 12 at Village Elementary School beginning at 8:30 a.m.
- Title I Reading Support Meetings – Support for parents to learn ways to best help their child with reading (for all parents having students in grades K-5 here at Silver Strand). The meeting will take place on Wednesday, April 12. Kindergarten – 11:00-11:30 a.m.; Grades 1 and 2 – 12:30-1:00 p.m.; and grades 3,4, and 5 – 1:00-1:30 p.m. All meetings will be held in room #701.

- Current 5th grade students/families - Band and Choir Assembly for 5th grade students at CMS beginning at 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday, April 12. Also, please note other special upcoming events for our 5th grade students. April 21 – CMS counselors will visit with all incoming 6th graders about electives being offered at CMS next school year. April 25 – Parent Information Night at CMS beginning at 6:30 p.m. in Granzer Hall. All parents of current fifth grade students please note these important dates on your calendars and please plan to attend the Parent Information Night at CMS if at all possible.
- Kona Ice – Thursday, April 13 (during dismissal times after school).
- Ronald McDonald Assembly entitled “On the Inside: The Importance of Good Character!” – Thursday, April 13 at 10:15 a.m. in Strand Hall (for students only).
- Local Holiday break – Friday, April 14 and Monday, April 17 – NO school on these days.
- Kids Turn San Diego – Peak Performance Military Families Class in Strand Hall on April 18 beginning at 5:30 p.m. Pizza dinner will be served to all attendees beginning at 5:15 p.m.
- Bike Rodeo – Students in grades Kindergarten, 1st grade, and 3rd grade will participate in our spring time bike rodeo on Wednesday, April 19 and students in grades 2, 4, and 5 will participate in the bike rodeo on Thursday, April 20. More information for bike rodeo participants soon to follow.
- Mootime Treat Day – Hooray! Silver Strand came in second place during this year’s CSF Telethon. As a reward, all students will be receiving a complimentary ice cream treat from Mootime Creamery in Coronado on Friday, April 21 during their lunch time. Thank you CSF and Mootime Creamery for your generosity!
- PTO’s Craft Fair – Friday, April 21 from 4:00-7:00 p.m. in Strand Hall.
- Fire Drill – Thursday, April 27 at 1:00 p.m.
- PTO’s 5th grade fundraiser yard sale – Saturday, April 29 in Strand Hall.

CAASPP (SBAC) TESTING

Our annual state testing – CAASPP (SBAC) will take place during the month of May for students in grades 3-5. Please see the schedule below for the testing window for each grade level being assessed. Additional information regarding testing will be forthcoming soon.

Grade 5: Week of May 1-5 (Science pilot test will be given on Monday, May 1)

Grade 4: Week of May 8-12

Grade 3: Week of May 15-19

May 22-26: Make-up testing - throughout the above stated three weeks and/or during this week.

As always, thank you for your ongoing support. Our doors of learning and collaboration are always open!



Sincerely,

Tammy Marble

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