

TWAIN HARTE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Parent Newsletter for the week of January 9th

MARK YOUR CALENDAR:

- 1-11 Board of Trustees Meeting, 4:00 p.m., Study Hall
- 1-12 Cub Scout Pack Meeting 6:00 Cafeteria
- 1-16 No School Martin Luther King's Birthday
- 1-18 Minimum day dismissal
- 1-21 Cub Scout Pinewood Derby Gym
- 1-27 K-3 VIP Assembly, 9:00 a.m., Cafeteria
 - 4-8 Character Counts Assembly, 2:10 p.m., Gym

After Christmas break, we have made some changes to our lunch schedules. Previously we have had 3 lunch periods, and we now have combined those to two. Our first lunch period for our TK-3rd graders has moved back by 5 minutes (T/K/K start lunch at 11:35 now and 1st-3rd starts at 11:40). The biggest change has been to combine the 4th & 5th grade lunch with the 6th-8th grade lunch and move that lunch period to 12:25-1:05. This change is necessary due to the new language arts program that we are implementing in the middle grades that requires longer instructional blocks. We have made adjustments to our music schedule as well so we can ensure that students are getting enough instructional time to ensure they are mastering their grade level standards.

6th grade science camp is coming up around the corner! Our students have a great opportunity to head out to the Marin Headlands and attend the Nature Bridge at Golden Gate program on March 15th-17th. We are going to hold an informational night for our 6th grade parents on Tuesday, January 17th at 6:00 in Mr. Brown's classroom (room 14) where you can find out more about the program. This is an important meeting for our 6th grade families to find out more information about this great program.

Don't forget that yearbooks are on sale now! They are \$30 for a hardbound, full color yearbook of the entire school. You can order them online at www.inter-state.com/yearbook with code 10956C or by contacting Mrs. Roberts in the library. After March 1st, the price will increase, so get yours now!

Our ski program for our 4th-8th graders is gearing up! Informational packets went out to all 4th-8th grade students this past Friday. We have not set dates yet, as we are looking to see what the conditions will look like, but we hope to get three trips in this year. The packet that went home last week includes a couple of sheets that need to be signed and returned by this Friday, the 13th if your child is interested in participating in any of these three trips. Think snow!

Go Braves!
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