

QHIA Weekly Update: October 21, 2017

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Hello families,

Thanks to a last minute push, our program raised a whopping \$800.00 in Drive for Schools raffle tickets. Thank you so much! We can definitely move forward with purchasing tickets for STOMP! in the Spring now. Thank you for signing your students' journals and attendance sheets on time! We had a great week despite the poor air quality. We spent much of the "Art Jam" hour in the dance room playing Improv Games and other big body activities to get our energy out. Capture the Flag yesterday was a welcome event; 36 ish kids running around in the sun with clear air :)

Here is a brief recap of our academic activities:

- Students completed their Science packets on Genetics
- We ended our study of the Byzantine Empire by watching a really well done documentary on how engineering helped build this golden era: <https://youtu.be/QJ0DRhRhAtY>
- The students sorted skittles and worked on the computer-art program, Pixlr, learning the tools to edit and pixelate portraits and paintings. This is an extension of our Roman/Byzantine Mosaic study. I think you will be impressed with the finished products!
- Students worked hard on their individual myths, and we did some reader's theater with the play, "Escape from Ilium".
- We clarified which "tracks" the students are working within for math; either the "Key Concepts" track or "Chapter by Chapter" track.

Coming Up Next Week:

Monday/Tuesday, Oct. 23, 24: Charter Play auditions in the Dance Room and RC from 3-5:30.

Thursday, Oct. 26: First Book Club Meeting at 3pm in the Resource Center (**organized by Miles...yay!**)

Friday, Oct. 27: Final Thriller Dance Practice in the dance room (Rm. 29) from 3-4:30pm

Saturday, Oct. 28: Thrill the World Event at the Loudon Nelson Center in Santa Cruz at 3pm sharp

Weekly Snacks

Thank you to Holly and Miles for providing snacks this week. **Please take a look at some dates and try to fill in for November.* These kids are hungry all the time! We appreciate it :)

[QHIA Snack Sign Up](#)

Other Dates in October/November:

Tuesday, Oct. 31: Halloween/Fall Celebration at school. Please remind students that we do follow district guidelines regarding costumes; please no gory/violent costumes, and leave the fake (and real) weapons at home. **If you have an idea of an activity that you would like to offer for our students that day, please let me know! In addition, I always welcome company in the classroom for this day!**

Tuesday, Oct. 31: 8pm Sharp. Thriller Flashmob in front of 405 Riverside Ave. in Ben Lomond.

Thursday,

November 9: Picture retake day. Details to follow

Friday, November 10: Veteran's Day Holiday

November 20th-26th: Thanksgiving Break

It's time to start planning your ideas for our All Charter...

Winter Holiday Craft Fair, Friday, Dec. 1, 2017!

This is an opportunity to share our creative talents and support each other's artistic endeavors by selling and purchasing each other's crafts and/or food. Students and parents are encouraged to make and sell their craft items! We have had everything from photo cards, friendship bracelets, and earrings made by students, to essential oil blends and exquisite quilts made by parents. It's great fun for the kids to sell their creations and buy from their friends, bartering is always on hand as well :)

Please email Amber Walker at awalker@slvusd.org if you would like to participate and have a space to sell your wares (It will be a shared table space, approx. 3ft. X 3ft.) **The deadline to reserve a table is Monday, November 27, 2017.**

When: Friday: December 1, 2017

Time: 10:00am to 2:00pm

Where: Rooms 14, 15, and 16 (and maybe 17) at the Quail Hollow Campus

In addition, please respond to Amber if you would like to volunteer to help set up and/or take down tables and clean up after the event.

Time to get crafting!

Thank you for sharing your students with me!

Sincerely,
Amber

All important info, including All Student Assignments and our calendar of events, are accessible at any time here. Just click on this link:

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Links to Community Events, Organizations, etc:

Check out the horse exhibit at our own Santa Cruz Mtn. Art Center in Ben Lomond:

<https://www.mountainartcenter.org/gallery-2/2016-exhibits/>

The Santa Cruz MAH is sponsoring new events in Abbott square. Check it out!

[Events at Museum of Art and History](#)

Art Classes with Peggy Edwards:

<http://www.sierranatureprints.com/>