Antelope Hills Elementary School



Character
Achievement
Respect
Excellence

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May 2013

Antelope Hills

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Character Counts

Do you remember as a kid, the feeling you had as summer vacation approached? As the number of school days started to dwindle, the excitement and expectations of the upcoming break became almost uncontrollable. The idea of having no responsibility for two and a half months seemed like the greatest gift in the world. Sleeping in late, eating whenever you wanted, playing with your friends all day, staying up late and going on some sort of family vacation was usually in the plans.

However, as an adult, I find that even though the responsibility lessens during the summer, it never goes away completely. There are still things around that require someone involved to be responsible. Planning vacations, organizing medical and automotive appointments, trying to establish a work-out routine and getting prepared for the next school year, all require significant time and energy.

I also find that being a person of character requires full time duty as well. There is no vacation from the six pillars of character (trustworthiness, respect, responsibility, fairness, caring and citizenship). Everyday, no matter where you go or what you do, you are being challenged to do the right thing, even if no one is watching. It's so easy to cut corners, thinking that no one will ever know or be affected by your decision. However, there is one person who will always know if you did the right thing or not....yourself.

So this summer, spend your time playing, swimming, visiting and resting, but also recharging your character batteries. Wake up each morning with the plans to make this day an even better one than the day before. Vacations and summer breaks always come to an end, but the pressure of being a person of character never does.

Remember.....no matter where or when......Character Counts!

Mr. Fairchild, Principal



Character Counts Pillar – Trustworthiness – Blue

Wednesday, May 01, 2013 Kindergarten Hear I Come (Parent Event) 5:30-6:30

Second Trimester Awards for Mrs. Carlson & Mrs. Swanson (MPR) 2:00 Thursday, May 02, 2013

Flag Salute Mr. Basin & Pennies for Paws Celebration Friday, May 03, 2013

Friday, May 03, 2013 Bingo De Mayo PTA Event!!!! 6:00-7:30 (MPR)

Early Release Monday Monday, May 06, 2013

Monday, May 06, 2013 PTA Executive Board Meeting (Room 41) 6:30

Tuesday, May 07, 2013 AHES Leadership Meeting 3:00 - 4:00

Friday, May 10, 2013 First Grade Flag Salute

Friday, May 10, 2013 Kindergarten Mother's Day Tea and performance - All kindergarten 8:30

Monday, May 13, 2013 Early Release Monday

Monday, May 13, 2013 All kindergartens come in the morning 8:30

Tuesday, May 14, 2013 4th Grade Invention Convention 9:00 MPR

Wednesday, May 15, 2013 Site Council Meeting 3:15 Library

Xtereme Yogurt Fundraiser - Say you are from AHES Wednesday, May 15, 2013 First Grade Annual Wild Wonders Animal Assembly 8:40 Thursday, May 16, 2013

Friday, May 17, 2013 FLAG Salute

SCHOOL TOUR 9:00am Friday, May 17, 2013

Friday, May 17, 2013 5th Grade State Fair Assembly 1:20

Monday, May 20, 2013 Early Release Monday

Monday, May 20, 2013 5th Grade visits Shivela 8:45 Volunteer Brunch 8:00 MPR Tuesday, May 21, 2013

3rd Grade Planetarium Assembly 9:00 MPR Tuesday, May 21, 2013

Tuesday, May 21, 2013 Elementary Solo and Ensemble Recital Night (Avaxat 7:00)

5th Grade DARE Graduation 9:45 - Murrieta Time Square Amphitheater Wednesday, May 22, 2013

SCHOOL TOUR 3:15pm Thursday, May 23, 2013

Friday, May 24, 2013 Flag Salute

Friday, May 24, 2013 Kindergarten Visits First Grade - All Kindergarten in the Morning 8:30

Memorial Day - No School Monday, May 27, 2013

Tuesday, May 28, 2013 First Grade Trimester Awards 2:10 Tuesday, May 28, 2013 SDC Third Trimester Awards - 10:30 Second Grade Trimester Award 2:10 Wednesday, May 29, 2013 4th Grade Gold Rush Day 9:00 Wednesday, May 29, 2013 3rd Grade Trimester Awards 8:45

Thursday, May 30, 2013 Lunch with the Principal

Friday, May 31, 2013 FLAG Salute

Thursday, May 30, 2013

Friday, May 31, 2013 Spirit Day * Generations Day!!!! Friday, May 31, 2013 5th Grade State Fair (MPR) 8:30

Friday, May 31, 2013 5th Grade Trimester and Honor Roll Awards 2:00

2012-2013 YEARBOOKS on SALE

* 65 plus pages of FULL color!!!

Don't miss out on the memories!!!

Yearbooks will be distributed in June!!!

Forms are in the office!!!!

Payment can only be accepted in the office * \$20 CASH ONLY



FULL DAY MONDAY * All kindergarten on early bird schedule 8:30
PTA Executive Board Meeting 6:30 (room 41)
4th Grade Movie 1:00 (MPR)
5th Grade Frenzy Tournament 1:20
All kindergarten in the morning 8:30
4th grade Trimester Awards and Honor Roll 2:00
5 th grade End of Year Awards 8:45
All kindergarten in the morning 8:30
5th Grade Market Day 8:30-2:30
AHES Preschool Year End Program 6:00 (MPR)
All kindergarten in the AFTERNOON 11:20-2:45 SPLASH DAY
5th Grade Flag Salute
Minimum Day * ALL Kindergarten 8:30 - 11:45 - Grades 1-5 8:30- 12:45
5th Grade Promotion Breakfast & Slide Show 9:00am
All kindergarten in the morning 8:30
Minimum Day * ALL Kindergarten 8:30 - 11:45 - Grades 1-5 8:30- 12:45
5th Grade Staff vs. 5th Grade Kickball Game 9:00
Kindergarten Graduation 4:00
Minimum Day * ALL Kindergarten 8:30 - 11:45 - Grades 1-5 8:30- 12:45
5th Grade Field Day 9:00
All Kindergarten morning 8:30 - LAST DAY OF SCHOOL - Minimum Day
Last Day of School - Have a wonderful summer!!!



The Antelope Hills PTA is looking for some great parents to join the board next year- if you are interested please email AHESPresident@yahoo.com



If you would like to share information about your child as we form classes for the 2013 – 2014 school year, please feel free to pick up a Student Profile form in the front office starting on May 6th. These forms are optional and **may not be used to request a specific teacher.** The staff works carefully as a team to match up students and teachers to ensure a successful year for all. Teaching styles, learning styles and classroom balance are all considered when forming classes for the upcoming school year. All forms must be returned no later than Friday, May 17th





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Minimum Days on June 7th, 10th & 11th All Kindergarten 8:30-11:45 Grades 1 - 5 8:30 - 12:45

The <u>proposed</u> start date for the 2013-2014 school year is Wednesday, August 14, 2013

Antelope Hills Upcoming 5th Grade Events

5/17/13	5th Grade State Fair Assembly 1:20
5/20/13	5th Grade visits Shivela 8:45
5/22/13	5th Grade DARE Graduation 9:45 - Murrieta Time Square Amphitheater
5/31/13	5th Grade State Fair (MPR) 8:30
5/31/13	5th Grade Trimester and Honor Roll Awards 2:00
6/4/13	5th Grade Frenzy Tournament 1:20
6/5/13	5 th Grade End of Year Awards 8:45
6/6/13	5th Grade Market Day 8:30-2:30
6/7/13	5th Grade Flag Salute
6/7/13	5th Grade Promotion Breakfast & Slide Show 9:00am - Minimum Day
6/10/13	5th Grade Staff vs. 5th Grade Kickball Game 9:00 - Minimum Day
6/11/13	5th Grade Field Day 9:00 - Minimum Day

Attention 5th Grade Parents

If you are interested in keeping your 5th grader on an elementary campus next year, Rail Ranch Elementary will once again be offering a 6th grade program on their campus for the 2013-14 school year. If you are interested, please contact the Rail Ranch office at 696-1404.

Antelope Hills Upcoming Kindergarten Events

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05/10/13	Kindergarten Mother's Day Tea and performance - All kindergarten 8:30				
05/13/13	All kindergarten in the morning 8:30				
05/24/13	Kindergarten Visits First Grade - All Kindergarten in the Morning 8:30				
06/04/13	All kindergarten in the morning 8:30				
06/05/13	All kindergarten in the morning 8:30				
06/06/13	All kindergarten in the AFTERNOON 11:20-2:45 SPLASH DAY				
06/07/13	All kindergarten in the morning 8:30 *Minimum Day				
06/10/13	All kindergarten in the morning 8:30 *Minimum Day				
06/10/13	Kindergarten Graduation 4:00				
06/11/13	All Kindergarten in the morning 8:30 – Minimum Day LAST DAY OF SCHOOL				
	Antelope Hills Upcoming Fourth Grade Events				
5/14/13	4th Grade Invention Convention 9:00 MPR				

5/29/13 4th Grade Gold Rush Day 9:00 6/4/13 4th Grade Movie 1:00 (MPR) 6/5/13 4th grade Trimester Awards and Honor Roll 2:00



Lice Control Tips

Don't worry!! Lice have NOT taken over. However, parents of young children should be aware of what to look for on their children's heads. Head lice are a nuisance that make everyone feel itchy, even when you don't have them! Let's work together to limit the incidence of this nuisance in our schools.

Here are some tips for keeping your children lice-free.

- Tell your kids to NEVER share hats, hair brushes or headbands. Girls can wear their hair up for added protection.
- Check their hair, especially long hair, every week. Look at the hair behind the ears and at the nape of the neck for small, sesame seed-sized eggs (nits). They may be silvery, or white, in color. They look brown or grayish on blonde hair. You may also see live black lice on the scalp, but this is rare, as they move quickly.
- Nits do not move when brushed away, or blown upon. Don't confuse them with dry skin or hair casts, which are like cuticles for hair. Nits won't move without you actually pinching them between your fingernails and pulling down the hair shaft all the way until they are off the hair. Vinegar may help loosen the nits.
- Lice don't jump or fly. Lice must be killed with a medicated shampoo, such as Rid, Nix or Mata Piojos. The remaining nits MUST be removed to avoid re-infestation. This may take a while, but it is important to get rid of the eggs. It only takes 1 live egg to hatch and start the lice problem all over again!
- Vacuum your house (sofa, chairs, etc.) and wash all bedding. Put stuffed animals in the dryer for a cycle or tie them up in a trash bag for 2 weeks. Wash jackets & backpacks. Make sure the dryer cycle is hot.

If you have any questions, feel free to call the school nurse. Lisa Van Ryzin, RN, MSN at 696-1406 x4092

With the warmer weather please make sure all students respect the dress code at Antelope Hills

Kindergarten and NEW students grades 1-5 for 2013-2014 Registration Packets available Packets need to be returned by May 3rd



Good news about health coverage!!! Now, more children and teens qualify for free or low-cost medical, dental, vision care coverage programs.

Forms available in the office.

Food Pantry at AHES

Hello Antelope Hills Families,

We appreciate your continued support of our school and generosity for those who are having difficulty during these economic times. I wanted to remind all families that our school Food Pantry (sponsored by Oakstone Community Church) is open and available to families who may be struggling a bit this year due to the economy and the job market. The pantry is open on school days from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. If you would like to get items from the pantry, please stop by the office during these hours



Disease Control Branch Phone: (951) 358-5107 Fax: (951) 358-5102

Cameron Kaiser, MD Susan Harrington, M.S., R.D. Public Health Officer Director, Department of Public Health

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March 21, 2013 Dear School Colleagues:

MENINGITIS OUTBREAK IN TIJUANA, BAJA CALIFORNIA

The County of Riverside Department of Public Health seeks your assistance in raising awareness and preventing the spread of bacterial meningitis. Since January 1, 2013, there has been an unexpected rise in the number of cases of meningitis (caused by the bacteria, "meningococcus") in Tijuana, Mexico. To date, 25 suspect cases have been reported; 17 are confirmed or probable cases and 16 of these had disease caused by the specific group C of the meningococcal bacteria. The most recent case was confirmed March 14, 2013. The median age of the 16 confirmed cases is 13 years (range 1 to 27 years). Five deaths have been reported there.

In Riverside County this year, there has only been one confirmed case of meningococcal disease (a 38-year old). The patient had not been to Tijuana.

School personnel can help prevent a meningitis outbreak on this side of the border in the following ways:

- 1. If you are aware of a student or staff member with signs and symptoms of meningitis, relay this to a school nurse working with your site or the district's health office. Have a plan so that one representative from the school or district notifies Disease Control (see number below).
- 2. Observe for the following: fever, intense headache, lethargy, stiff neck, and/or a pinpoint rash that does not blanch under pressure.
- 3. School staff should take every opportunity to remind parents that a meningitis vaccine (MCV4) is routinely recommended for children and adolescents 11 to 18 years of age, with an initial dose recommended at age 11-12 and a booster at age 16 (or within five years of stating college). See attached notice for parents.
- 4. Routine hygiene recommendations should be reinforced at school. Hand washing is important. If permitted by school policy, allow students to bring in and use their own hand sanitizer. As bacteria can be spread through coughing and sneezing, teach students that when a tissue is not available, they should cough or sneeze into their own elbow/sleeve, NOT their hand.
- 5. Sharing of saliva can spread disease so remind students not to share food or beverages, eating utensils, lipstick, or lip balm. Adults must not share cigarettes or pipes.

There are no changes in recommendations on travel to Tijuana or Mexico. Individuals traveling there should be aware of the recent reports of meningococcal disease and should promptly seek care for suggestive symptoms. Report cases to Disease Control at (951) 358-5107, Monday – Friday, 8AM – 5PM or fax to (951) 358-5102. After hours use: 1-(888)-430-5195.

Any questions you have may be answered via one of the following web sites:

☐ Information about meningococcal disease	: http://www.c	cdc.gov/mer	ningococcal/
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 $\hfill\Box$ Prevention and control of meningococcal disease: http://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/preview/mmwrhtml/rr5407a1.htm Sincerely,

Barbara Cole, R.N., B.S.N., P.H.N.

Director, Disease Control Branch