

The Lion's Roar



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Calendar

May 19	District Math Olympiad Contest
May 23	Spring Choir Concert @ 7pm
May 25	Evening Around the World @ 5pm
May 28	Memorial Day - No School
May 29	Writer's Faire @ 6pm (DMS)
May 31	Kinder Round-Up
June 6	5th Grade Promotion @ 10:30am
June 7	Last Day of School

Staff Appreciation Week

Dear Families,

Thank you so much for making Teacher/Staff Appreciation week awesome! We wanted to let you know how your contributions were utilized last week:

All week I saw many, many kids bringing thoughtful gifts to their teachers.

Wednesday we had a delicious lunch catered by our own Amy Lee Elrite of <https://eighty20.kitchen/> and our own Bettina Fernandez of <https://www.busybcookies.com/> who donated some amazing dessert treats for our luncheon. We also held a raffle during the lunch for all of the teachers and staff made possible by all of the generous donations from our community.

To name a few:

- 1 night stay at the Hyatt Regency SF
- 1 gaming mouse
- 1 \$100 gift to Kat's Flower Affair
- 1 signed 49ers football
- 2 tickets to the symphony
- 1 bottle of wine with glasses and a handmade tote
- 1 month music classes at The Music Place

Zumba classes

Passes for workout sessions here at Lietz

A paintball party

\$100 towards Just B Dance Camp

\$50 towards Picaboo Photo Gifts

As well as several awesome gift cards...

Friday many families donated food for a terrific breakfast spread.

And **thank you to all of the helpers**. We had so much help setting up and cleaning up all week. Many hands make light work!

Thank you everyone for helping us appreciate the people who make Lietz the incredible place it is for our kids to learn. If you didn't get to that card or craft you wanted to give your teacher or staff person last week know that it is never too late. Any day is a great day to show gratitude.

The Staff Appreciation Committee,

Loren Romley and Nicole Buchwald

Evening Around the World - Fri., May 25

Let's celebrate all of the diversity that is Lietz! Join us on May 25 at 5:00pm. You will have an opportunity to view cultural performances, listen to stories and sample various foods! If you would like to help with the event or showcase your own culture, sign up at:

<https://tinyurl.com/LietzOneWorld>

Class Placement

As noted in a previous letter, we seek to create balanced classrooms by considering such factors as gender, ethnicity, the academic readiness levels of the children, students' learning and working styles, and relationships among children. Please remember, we do not accept requests for specific teachers because such requests would compromise our ability to develop balanced classes - which would impact all children. Since requests for specific teachers are not helpful to this process, we ask that you do not formally or informally make requests for specific teachers. It is helpful for us to know if you have had an older child in a specific classroom that did not work well for him or her. If that is the case, feel free to email me that information and we will do our best to place your child elsewhere.

The actual process for composing classes involves all teachers at a grade level working together to develop classes for the next grade. As they work together during several meetings, the administration and support staff also provide perspectives based on their knowledge of the children. As appropriate, input from prior teachers is tapped. Although this activity begins this spring, a number of variables and unpredictable factors --- such as new enrollments, student transfers, staff changes --- delay the final class assignments until shortly before school begins in the fall. In August, you will receive information with instructions on how to go online and view your child's classroom assignment. Thank you!