



*A Community of Lifelong
Learners and Friends*

March 8, 2016

Important Dates

3/8 – PTA restaurant night at Rigatoni's! Mention Marshall if you eat in or take out!
3/9 – School Smarts @ 6:00
3/9 – PTA meeting with special guest Steven Altbaum, family therapist from Kaiser @ 7:00
3/11 – Spirit Day – wear NEON!
3/13 – Daylight Savings Time!!!
3/14 – Pi day. Google it.
3/16 – Marshall Musical performance of Jungle Book. For our students only.
3/17 & 18 – Jungle Book @ 7:00
3/25 – Report cards go home
3/28 – 4/1 Spring Break!
4/5 – Marshall celebrates Autism Awareness day
4/9 – Schoolwide assembly
4/11 – 4/15 – Scholastic Book fair returns to Marshall
4/11 – 4/15 – No one eats alone week. Student Council is running this to combat social isolationism in children. Look for more info.
4/15 – Kindergarten Dance
4/29 – Spring Movie Night
5/13 – PTA Spring Carnival

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Marshall Memo

NOTE – This newsletter was ready to go out on Monday, but got delayed with the terrible accident that happened to one of our children. I have no doubt that our community will come together to support the wonderful family that this happened to, in any form they want, when they are ready to receive it. Please look for more information over the rest of these next few months about how you can help.

Happy March!!!

Spring is in the air over here at Marshall. The flowers on the trees are all gone and the leaves are popping out. The weather is warming up! Daylight Savings Time is almost upon us. The spring musical is in full swing! We are doing The Jungle Book, directed by the fabulous Maddie Goett, Amiee Peri and Beth August. Our third grade team is stepping into big shoes left by Debbie Brown, who wrote and directed our Musicals for the last 10 years. I have seen the auditions and can attest to the quality of this production. Show times for the public are Thursday and Friday night at 7:00pm, March 17th and 18th. Look for information on how to reserve tickets soon on our website or in flyers coming home with your children.

Have you subscribed to the Marshall Remind e-blast yet? Text @marshallecv to the number 81010 to join! It is easy and will allow me to send important reminders as text messages to your phone. You can opt out whenever you want!

We are almost done with our first series of School Smarts classes. We have a 6 week parent empowerment and education series of classes here at Marshall, sponsored through the California PTA. These classes are designed to get parents CONNECTED to their child's education! Although you missed signing up this year, maybe you will join next year?

We have had some fabulous events over the last few weeks. Did you hear about the [Brent Daniels Music Technology](#) assembly that we had a few weeks ago? It was awesome!!! What about the [Ballet Folklórico](#) performance at the International Festival before Open House? OMG we have been busy over here!

Speaking of Open House, can you believe the quality of the work being done by your children? These amazing teachers are squeezing every drop of effort out of your beautiful, hard working children. These kids play hard and work hard... I am sure they come home exhausted after a full day at Marshall.

What would a Mr. Woodward Marshall Memo be without a mention of Twitter? I only have 264 followers right now. The first family to follow me after I send this out will get a Marshall lanyard delivered to their oldest child's class tomorrow. Download the Twitter app, create a profile, follow @MarshallElement ONLY. Check it every night to see what we are doing. You will not be sorry. I promise ☺.

Lastly, we really need a few brave parents to volunteer to help with our PTA leadership. We can hold your hand through the introduction to the group, and to learn your role on the team. It will mean about 8 more nights out through the course of the year. We need the continued support to make sure we have all the wonderful things our PTA provides us. Won't you help? Email me!

With gratitude,
Jesse Woodward

Marshall is a Green Ribbon certified school!

Did you know we have a Green Team here at Marshall? Organized by Mrs. Peri and Ms. Pipkins, this team of 4th and 5th graders take out the recycling from every class each Friday. They also help promote appropriate organization of our trash during lunch every day! We sort our refuse into 5 bins every day at lunch! We have a green waste bin, a blue recycling bin, a liquids bin, a Capri sun bin, and a tiny little trash can. Students have realized that very little of what we throw away is ACTUALLY trash! Can you help support this by talking about it at home? Can you also try and recycle at home too? Check out the FOG flyer below, with important information about recycling Fats, Oils and Grease!

Did you also know that events like the Costume Swap and the Crayon Initiative are all part of Marshall's dedication to being a Green Ribbon school? If parents want more information about how to recycle items at home they can contact Ms. Pipkins, Mrs. Peri or Mr. Woodward.

How to Dispose of Fats, Oils, and Grease (FOG)

Dispose of FOG in your green organics cart



Fats, Oils, and Grease (FOG) is used to prepare food and produced during food preparation. Please do not pour FOG down the drain. FOG builds up in sewer pipes and can clog sewer lines, leading to sanitary sewer overflows.

Collect small amounts of FOG in a compostable container (paper milk or ice cream carton) and dispose of FOG in your green organics cart. Or use a small reusable container to capture FOG. It's best to pour FOG on top of leaves, grass clippings, or other yard trimmings. Thank you for keeping Castro Valley sewers clean!

Visit www.cvsan.org/howtodisposeoffog for more information

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Important Enrollment Dates

2016-2017 Transitional Kindergarten Enrollment Requirements

Children must turn 5 years old between September 2nd, 2016 and December 2nd, 2016.

2016-2017 Kindergarten Enrollment Requirements

Children must be 5 years of age by September 1, 2016 to register (born on or before September 1, 2011)

Monday, February 22, 2016

Transitional kindergarten and kindergarten priority enrollment for siblings of students currently attending Independent Elementary begins.

Monday, March 1, 2016

New Transitional Kindergarten and Kindergarten student enrollment begins.

Monday, April 4, 2016

Grades 1st -5th new student enrollment begins.

Enrollment Procedures for 2016-2017

Enrollment page and all required forms can be found on the district website: www.cv.k12.ca.us

You must have a valid email address to enroll your student. Once you finish the online enrollment, please call the office at 510-537-2431 ext. 4300 to schedule an appointment to bring in your documents.

Appointments are made between the hours of 9:00a-12:00p and 1:00p-3:00p Monday through Friday.

The following documents are mandatory to enroll all new incoming students:

- Enrollment confirmation documents (print & return all pages):
- Child's original birth certificate
- Child's immunization records (must include mandatory boosters)
- Proof of residency (all items must be provided)
- The Health History & Physical Exam Form (physical done no earlier than 6 months before your child enters school)
- The Oral Health Assessment/Waiver Request Form for a dental check done no earlier than 12 months before your child enters school
- If you answered any other language other than English on the Enrollment Form/Home Language Survey section, you must complete the Informal Primary Language Assessment Form.

The Character Trait for March is **Cooperation**

**Work well with others. Be a team player,
keep an open mind and listen effectively.**

Parking rules

The white curbs on Omega and Marshall St, and the turn around, are all for IMMEDIATE drop off and pick up only. Cars should not be left parked here while someone walks onto campus, or waits to watch while their child walks in by themselves. If you need to stay longer than immediate drop off allows, please park in a regular spot on the street or a side street and walk your child in.

If you are using the turn around, please try and pull as far forward as possible before letting your child out. It makes a difference for all of the cars that are behind you.

Remember, this is about keeping your child, and the other 475 children, safe here at school. **Arrive 5 minutes earlier, find a parking spot just a little away from campus, walk in and enjoy the environment!**

Golden Sneaker Contest!

We just finished our 2 week [Golden Sneaker contest](#), sponsored by Alameda County Safe Routes 2 School. This contest encourages children and families to walk, roll or carpool to school for 3 main reasons.

- 1). It is healthier for our bodies to get exercise! Walk don't drive!
- 2). It is better for the environment to have less cars on the road.
- 3). It is safer for the kids who ARE walking to school to have fewer cars driving on our streets.

