



The Badger

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MARK YOUR CALENDARS:

- 10/13 Collaboration Day – Early dismissal/Art
- 10/14 Fundraiser for Serra**
- 10/15 Project Pluton 4th-6th grades
- 10/18-22 Fall Break**
- 10/26 PTG Meeting – 5:30pm
- 10/27 Collaboration Day – Early dismissal/Art
- 10/29 SCARECROW CONTEST JUDGING - 10AM**
HALLOWEEN PARADE - 1PM
- 11/1 Project Pluton 4th-6th grades
- 11/3 Collaboration Day – Early dismissal/Art
- 11/10 Collaboration Day – Early dismissal/Art
- 11/11 Veterans Day Holiday – No School**
- 11/13 PTG Fall Frolic Fundraiser**
- 11/19 End of First Trimester
- 11/24 Non-school Day
- 11-25 & 26 Thanksgiving Break
- 11/29 Report Cards come home
- 12/16 Winter Program – 6pm

for dinner but hope you will join us and “give what you can”.

FALL BREAK—OCT 18-22 YVS will be on break from October 18-22. There will be no school for students and teachers that week. Hope you have a wonderful break from school that week and we will see you back here, rested and ready to go on Monday, October 25th – 8:15am.

FALL FROLIC Plans for the Fall Frolic are well underway. Be looking for information about collecting auction items to be attached to the Badger! With all parents participating we plan to have the best Fall Frolic ever! Please set aside the November 13th date so that you may attend the event.

PTG MEETING The next PTG meeting is scheduled for Tuesday October 26th at 5:30pm. This is a very important meeting whose focus will be on the Fall Frolic preparations. We really need full parent participation at both the Frolic on November 13th and this meeting so we hope someone from your household can attend.

NEW READING SESSION We are so pleased that so many students reached their homework goals (some with a little extra recess reading time). For most students this is the beginning of a new session and another opportunity to see just how many “stickers” they can earn. For those who didn’t quite make it in the last 6 weeks, we will continue to work with them to help them reach their goals...keep going, you can do it!

COOL MORNINGS » JACKETS As the weather is changing we are finding more and more students shivering in the morning hours. One of the easiest things we can do to keep ourselves healthy is to keep our cores warm – it is true! And as we our outside first thing in the morning hours with our FABB program it would certainly be more comfortable for our students to come prepared for the cooler mornings by having either a heavy hoodie (summer weight is just not making it) or a light jacket that could be “zipped-up”. We know it is hard to make this change as we are all enjoying the end of this warm weather...but it is time to own it... we have definitely flipped into fall.

SCHOOL LUNCH PROGRAM Once again YVS will be offering lunches through the District program.

Breakfast: Milk, fruit, yoghurt, cereal

Lunch: All lunches include fruit and vegetables, milk and will include one of the following: Deli sandwich & chips, grilled chicken wrap, or taco salad.

Breakfast costs \$1.50

Lunch costs \$2.50

If you would like to order meals for your child(ren) please send a note detailing which meals for which

THANK YOU

- ✧ DNC for so quickly responding to our request for help with the Serra Fundraiser.
- ✧ Janis Kunz for her early work on soliciting donations for the Fall Frolic Fundraiser.
- ✧ Tony Munoz for all the true “Hard Labor” in our garden.
- ✧ Mrs. Soria for going above and beyond a principal's duty daily, specifically for her help with room 1's science investigation.
- ✧ Parents & Teachers for accommodating each other for parent conferences. This is such an important communication tool.

DONATIONS FOR SERRA Once again last week we were shaken to our very cores with the news of our classmates involved in a crazy rock fall event. We are very grateful to have both Angel and Carmen Ortiz back to school with us, but are missing Serra Webber who was not so lucky. While we are optimistic as news of her recovery remains positive we know she has a long recovery ahead of her and wanted to offer some financial relief to her family. It is for that reason that we hope you will join us on Thursday evening for a pasta dinner generously donated by DNC. We will not be “charging”

days as well as payment to Ceci by 9 am Friday of the week before, thank you.

IMPACT AIDE SURVEYS It is Impact Aid Survey time again. We encourage everyone to read the letter located on reverse side of the survey for detailed information regarding the Impact Aid purpose. These surveys are essential to receive additional funding for our District. Please return them to the office asap, that would ensure not getting a call from the office as we have to account for each and every family...there is no getting away from it. ☺ Surveys will actually come home with the weekly reports after the fall break for those who do not stop by the school and fill them out by the weeks end. (Code for Mrs. Archer is going to be looking for you.) Thank you

MRS SORIA'S BLOG Please see "Mrs. Soria's Blog <http://yosemitevalleyschool.weebly.com/mrs-sorias-blog.html> on our website to read about the Scotland trip and PTG fundraising efforts. To read more about and see pictures of our previous trips to Scotland please copy and paste this link: <http://yosemitevalleyschool.weebly.com/scotland-trip.html>

SCARECROW CONTEST YVS families, you are invited to submit a scarecrow for our Scarecrow Contest. Scarecrows can be erected in the school yard from Monday, October 25th – Friday, October 29th and will be judged at 10am on Friday. We will leave the Scarecrows up for display until Halloween proper, Sunday the 31st.

HALLOWEEN PARADE On Friday, October 29th, 2009, we will be having our annual Halloween parade. We will leave school promptly at 1:00pm. Students are allowed to bring in their costume and we will make our rounds around the DNC offices. This has become a fun and treasured tradition. A few things to remember:

- 1.) Please send your child's costume into school that day clearly labeled with your child's name. We want to make sure you have all costume parts for the big day on Sunday.
- 2.) Please ensure that the costume is not too scary! (No blood please).
- 3.) Don't forget a bag (name labeled, please) to collect all the generous offerings we receive from the offices that we visit.
- 4.) If you would like to come help put your student in their costume, you should be at school around 12:30pm.

Thank you for your support in this exciting community event.