



# The Badger

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## MARK YOUR CALENDARS:

- 9/26-30 Facelift bake sale fundraiser
- 10/3 Picture Day
- 10/10 Collaboration Day – 12:30 dismissal
- 10/18 Fresno Discovery Center Field Trip
- 10/19 End of first grading period
- 10/24 Collaboration Day – 12:30 dismissal
- 10/31 Halloween Parade

## YVS WELCOMES DAYCARE AFTER-SCHOOL PROGRAM

We are very pleased to welcome the YCC to our Multi on school day afternoons. We believe this will be a positive and beneficial collaboration benefiting YVS students. Parents who pick up students from this program please use the Multi door on the opposite side of the garden...the front doors are usually locked. Thank you

## SOME AFTERSCHOOL REMINDERS

While there is a lot of afternoon activity happening around YVS in the late afternoon, please remember school is closed.

There is no access to the restrooms, Tony is already doing a fantastic job working around the afterschool program, but adding the neighborhood kids to that equation has become overwhelming.

There is also no access to play equipment. At the beginning of the school year our balls and Frisbees required 3 tubs to store them... we are now down to fitting everything in just 2.

## THANK YOU

- **Parents** who are baking for our Facelift fundraiser!
- **Heather Foster, Stephanie Hance, Christina Stark, Cathy DeCecco, Patsy Fulhorst, Bil Gleason and Melissa Devlin** for "manning" the Facelift bake sale table.

**FACELIFT BAKE SALE** We have had a wildly successful beginning to our first fundraiser of the year so please continue to bake and drop off items at our table in the Village Mall near the Visitor Center folks are there starting just before 8am.

**PICTURE DAY WEDNESDAY** Forms will go home with students today, be sure to return them by Wednesday morning, all students will be photographed but only students who have completed the forms will have packages printed.

## THANK YOU KIDS FIRST!



**Mrs. Fulhorst's Class:** Here is a photo of our wonderful science note books and science quiz show, all purchased with the help of the generous grant.

**YVS LEADERSHIP CLASS** Student's in the 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grades have taken on the roles and responsibilities of our traditional student council. This year's "officers" were chosen according to their strengths and interests in filling the mandated roles of any student government. We have our 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> officers (formally president and vice president), Nolan Lyle and Layton Houser. We have our secretary, B.J. Kerns and we have two treasurers, Adam Moua and Patience Nelson. Kiersten Lott and Alec Small are voting members and community ambassadors. Ms. Fulhorst is the faculty representative and will be facilitating the twice monthly classes. As is the tradition all students are welcome to attend leadership meetings and share ideas for Spirit Days, fund raisers, and service projects.

## K-6 BUDDY PROJECTS, TOGETHER WE DO EVERYTHING

**BETTER!** This year the YVS student body will be getting together most months for a shared language and visual arts project. You can see the first two Buddy Projects displayed in our lovely hallway. Earlier in the month we worked on the Labor Day display you see as you walk into to school. Later we celebrated the 225<sup>th</sup> birthday of the US Constitution. As part of these patriotic party older students paired up with a younger **buddy** to write about America and make a cool flag. This **Buddy Project** is displayed in our side hall.

## **PAINLESS FUNDRAISING WAYS THAT YOU CAN HELP EVERYDAY**

**BOX TOPS 4 EDUCATION:** There are two ways to win with this one. First, collect the little "Box Top" coupons off of your favorite General Mills products and have your children turn them in at school. We get 10 cents per top and that does add up. Second, a percentage of your internet shopping can be designated for YVS. This is a great program especially for those of us who do so much of our shopping on-line. Here are the basics: Go to [www.boxtops4education.com](http://www.boxtops4education.com) Click "sign up for booster club: Enter all required fields and click continue. Enter our zip code (**95389**) and you are officially registered. In order to credit our school when you shop, start at [boxtops4education.com](http://boxtops4education.com), click on "shop", and go to the store where you want to shop. There are over 200 retailers to choose from. You order and pay as you would with any online store, and we get credited for it. It's as simple as that.

**RECYCLING:** Do you know that if you bring your recycling to the bins in the school parking lot DNC will donate the monies generated by those bins back to the school? It is true, every year Mark Gallagher presents a check to our student body. Please consider a weekly visit to our recycling bins.

**TARGET:** If you have a Target Visa card you can designate YVS to receive a percentage of all your purchases.

**WASHINGTON MUTUAL:** We also receive a check annually from Washington Mutual who runs the same kind of program as Target. So if you are banking through them ask about designating YVS as your "beneficiary".

**COMPUTER INK CARTRIGES:** If you bring your used computer ink cartridges to school, we can recycle them for cash. Please contact school for list of applicable cartridges.

**INNISBROOK.COM:** These folks have everything from gift wrap to chocolates to socks and our school will receive a check each year for 50% of all sales made on-line. All you do is go to the website, [www.innisbrook.com](http://www.innisbrook.com) and enter our school number **116890**, It just doesn't get any easier than that!

**e SCRIP:** eScrip is an online service which provides a hassle -free way for schools to raise funds through everyday purchases made at eScrip merchants (go to the website for a complete list). eScrip and merchant partners have created a system that rewards customer loyalty by contributing a percentage of purchases made with eScrip merchants to our school. Simple registration: Log on to [www.eScrip.com](http://www.eScrip.com) and go to "sign-up". Designate Yosemite Valley School to receive contributions. Our school ID number is **6590341**. Choose your level of support: Level one- register your Vons Club or Safeway Club cards. Level two- also register your credit and debit cards.

**ONE CAUSE:** OneCause promises socially-conscious consumers they can support their chosen cause through simple shopping that will result in doing good with every purchase. Cause Something Good.™ Simply go to the following website, register to get a sign-on and then you just go through the website when you do

your online shopping. You don't register your credit cards and a percentage of every purchase (varies with each store) is donated to the school. Check it out – every little bit helps. <http://www.onecause.com/>

**RALEY'S QUALITY OF LIFE CARD:** We have a limited supply of QOL cards, but are ordering more. Basically when you shop at Raley's, Nob Hill, or Bel Air grocery stores a donation is made to our school, 1-4% on a tiered scale...but if you are shopping there anyway, every little bit helps.

**LABELS FOR EDUCATION:** We are also collecting labels – participating products include: Campbell's Soups, Glad, Pop Secret, Dannon Yogurts... check out the website for more products @ <http://www.labelsforeducation.com>