

Eagle Play Needs Your Help!

Eagle Play has been a long-standing lunchtime tradition at SEES. Eagle Play is a group of volunteers organized through a coordinator that provides structured activities twice a week during lunch. These structured activities provide an opportunity for our students to increase their physical activity, explore their imaginations, connect with other people and grow both emotionally and socially through team activities.

We are looking for a coordinator to provide these activities to our students during their lunchtime and coordinate volunteers to support the program. The Eagle Play coordinator is a paid position whose responsibilities include planning and implementing lunchtime activities, in addition to recruiting and scheduling volunteers. If you love to play games and interact with students of all ages then Eagle Play is the program for you.

If you are interested in volunteering or coordinating the Eagle Play program, please contact Carolyn Kalicki at carolyn.kalicki@smusd.org.

Pennies for Patients Campaign



We are proud to announce that San Elijo Elementary will be participating in the 2012 Pennies for Patients campaign through the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society, which will take place from January 27th through February 16th. So mark your calendars, as we will have a very informative and emotional "Kick Off" Flag Salute on January 27th!

Watch for next week's Wednesday envelope, as each student will be receiving a letter from Mrs. Kalicki and the LLS along with an individual collection box explaining how the campaign works. The idea is to collect any spare change in the individual collection box and bring it to their classroom, where the money will be deposited into a "classroom collection box". LLS is also looking for donated cell phones and they can be deposited in the Cell Phone Collection Box located in the Front Office.

Each classroom will have its own temperature gage poster letting all students know where they stand in the campaign. The classroom earning the most money will receive a \$50 gift card. The money we raise will support local cancer patients and cancer research at The Leukemia and Lymphoma Society in trying to cure blood cancer. So start gathering all that loose change and old cell phones you have sitting around the house!

Be sure to check out the Heroes poster displayed by the front office with local students and one of our very own teachers, Mrs. Mullane, who has been fighting against blood cancer!

Let's help The Leukemia and Lymphoma Society make change, one penny at a time.

Sincerely,
Michele Zamora and Tatiana Walton - LLS Contact at SEES

Happening This Week

- 1/25 - After School Movie - Kung Fu Panda 2
- 1/26 - Sign Ups for Art & Craft Fair Due
- 1/27 - 8:45a Flag Salute
- 1/27 - Pennies for Patients Fundraiser Kick Off
- 1/28 - Pancake Breakfast
- 1/28 - VDEF "Discover the Taste" Fundraiser

Upcoming activities

- 2/6 - 6p PTO Meeting
- 2/6 - 6p Mom's Prep Night
- 2/11 - Father/Daughter Dance

Mark Your Calendars

- 2/16 - Pennies for Patients Drive Ends
- 2/17 & 2/20 - School Holidays
- 2/21-24 - Teacher Experience Bidding Period
- 2/21-24 - Staff Appreciation Week
- 2/24 - 8:45a Flag Salute

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

January

26th - Patti Phillips

Thank you to Blackstone Pizza for hosting our January dine out.



January Character Trait Initiative

SEES NEEDS YOU!

If you would like to contribute as a volunteer to any of the following activities, please email sees_volunteer@yahoo.com.

- 1/25 - After School Movies
- 1/28 - Pancake Breakfast
- 2/11 - Father/Daughter Dance

Spirit Wear Sales



We will be selling Spirit Wear at the Student of the Month Flag Salute on Friday from 8:15a until 9:30a. We received a new supply of pink Eagle girl tees, golden Eagle tees and basketball shorts. Please bring your cash or checks payable to VDEF-SEES.

1st Annual San Marcos Fire Department/SEES PTO Pancake Breakfast

Come join your community on Saturday from 8:00a - 10:30a at SEES for a delicious pancake breakfast cooked and served by SMFD and the SEES PTO. It will be a hot breakfast including pancakes, sausage, scrambled eggs, and beverages (orange juice or coffee) for only \$7.00 per adult and \$5.00 per child (one plate per person with refills on drinks). All proceeds benefit the San Marcos Firefighters and SEES PTO. Please register on-line at:

https://docs.google.com/spreadsheet/viewform?hl=en_US&formkey=dFZKRDF1TXpkRWVSLVhWN11bUN3Znc6MQ#gid=0

Art and Craft Fair

In conjunction with the Pancake Breakfast SEES students will be selling their handmade arts and crafts. If your student is interested in participating, download the flyer from the SEES home page and return to school by Thursday. Due to limited space in the MPR, reservations will be taken on a first come, first serve basis.



Donations Needed for Pancake Breakfast

We need your help to make this fun family event successful. We would like to pass out helium balloons to the kids, have a chalk walk (so the kids can show their artistic side on the black top), and face painting. So we are asking for donations: approximately 250 multi-color balloons (we will fill them up with helium), 100 pieces of jumbo chalk, and two face-painting kits. You can leave your donations in the community room. If you have any questions, please contact Nilda Castilleja and Kathy Gallagher at

seesfundraisingevent@gmail.com. Thank you again for all that you do for our SEES kids!!

Father/Daughter Dance

Our SEES Annual Father/Daughter Dance is now just around the corner with a NEW date of Saturday, February 11th! We hope to accommodate working dads/uncles/grandpas or friends and our growing SEES community by having the dance on a Saturday this year! While we know we have active and busy families, we hope to see as many dads and daughters there as possible. So, mark your calendars and please join us in our SEES multipurpose room, which is going to be transformed into an Enchanted Forest, for our "Once Upon a Time" Father/Daughter 2012 Dance. More details to come home in your Wednesday envelopes soon! If you would like to help with decorating or volunteer to work at the dance, please send an email to: seessocial@yahoo.com.





SEES BULLETIN

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VDEF Annual Fundraiser

When a SEES parent writes a check to VDEF-SEES, VDEF stands for Valley of Discovery Education Foundation. VDEF serves as our not-for profit entity as it does for several schools throughout SMUSD. On Saturday, January 28th at 7:00 pm VDEF will hold its annual fundraiser to raise money for its beneficiary schools and its general operating expenses.

This year the theme is "Discover the Taste" and will include an evening of tasting fine wines from around the world, hosted by PRP Wine International. There will also an olive oil taste and Pitch Michael will perform music. It's a fun community event where lots of local supporters of education come together. The cost is \$45 per person and SEES will receive \$25 of each ticket sold. Adults 21 and over only, please. For more information contact Kathy Gallagher at 760-500-5487.

Valentine Smencil Sales

These sweet scented pencils will be on sale before school on 1/27, 2/3, and 2/10.
Thank you for supporting our fourth and fifth graders.

SEES Country Fair Donations

SEES Country Fair decorations committee needs your help to transform our school grounds into a spectacular Country Fair.

If you would like to help with take home projects before the fair or help decorate at the Fair please contact Lisa Volpe @ socalvolpes@gmail.com. This a great way for families, groups, and kids to get involved and see their work displayed at the fair.

Items needed:

- White Flat Sheets
- Wood Crates (any size)
- Empty Veggie or Tomatoes Cans (any size)
- Black and Yellow Cardstock
- Black and Yellow Curling Ribbon
- Silk Flowers (yellow sunflowers, yellow or white daisies)
- New or Used Crayons

Please deliver these items before school, after 12:30p or anytime Wednesday to the community room, Country Fair decorations box. Thank you!

SEES Bulletin Advertising

As we start the New Year, SEES Corporate Sponsorship would like to announce new lower rates for advertising in our Bulletin. Our goal is to partner with our community, and with that, we would like to offer new reduced rates as follows:

- 1/4 page bulletin ad: \$100
- 1/2 page bulletin ad: \$200
- Full page bulletin ad: \$300

The SEES Bulletin is sent out once a week, and the ad would run for an entire month. Please contact Anne Browne or Nicole Apostolakos at seescorporate@gmail.com for more information.

PE Corner

Annual Elementary Track Meet

The 28th annual SMUSD track meet will be held sometime during late May. The meet is held at one of the two SMUSD high schools. Students in third, fourth and fifth grade are invited to represent our school. For more information please visit SEES website: <http://www.smusd.org/Page/4006>