



THE HAWK HEADLINES

MAY 8, 2012

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE...

As you can see, in every issue of the Hawk Headlines we feature our School's attendance. Good Attendance is extremely important and will make a big difference in your child's school achievement. Did you know that if a child misses a day of school every two weeks, they will miss the equivalent of about a month of school for that year? That is too much to miss. When a child misses school for reasons other than illness, or a medical appointment, their absence is considered unexcused. If your child is feeling ill but they don't have a fever and are not throwing up, you may send them to school and have them check in with the nurse if they continue to not feel well during the day. Additionally, as you can see from our table below, the school district loses large sums of money when students are excessively absent. Please make every effort to assure that your child is at school and on time every day so they can be as successful as possible. Thanks.

Scott Pickett, Principal

COES MARKETPLACE IS COMING...

Our second Annual Creekside Oaks Elementary School's "Marketplace" is Saturday, May 12th from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm. It will be located on the West Playground. This is the last fundraiser for our PTO (Parent Teacher Organization) this school year. For \$20.00, you can order a 10' x 10' space where you can sell items from your home-based business, advertise your non-profit sales or organizations or sell your garage sale items. If you would like to pick up an application, there are forms available in the office.

We are excited to have "Mc Teacher" Night on Tuesday, May 15th from 4:00 pm to 8:00 pm. It will be at the McDonalds located in the Sterling Point Shopping Center next to Lowes. We will be announcing the names and times for the shifts the teachers and staff will be working soon. This is a fun and exciting event!



A special thanks to all who have supported the PTO in so many ways. It really does take a village to raise a child and Creekside is a very dedicated village.

ATTENDANCE FUNDS COST...

Please make sure your child is here at school on time every day for the rest of the school year. Students are finishing the school year preparing for next year. If your child is missing school, they are missing valuable instruction that will help them perform better at the next grade level. When a child misses school they can become confused as they try to learn the concepts with only part of the information. Thank you for supporting your children and for supporting Creekside Oaks.

MONTH	ABSENCES	TARDIES	FINANCIAL LOSS
January	592	326	\$20,128
February	410	274	\$13,940
March	662	395	\$22,508
April	459	278	\$15,606

We continue to monitor our school attendance. The chart above shows the number of absences, tardies, and financial information related to absences. Absences are up, but tardies are down. Please help us by minimizing the absences of your child and the tardies to school each day.



Calendar of Events

May 08-11 Star Testing
 10 PTO Meeting
 12 COES Market
 14 Early Release Monday
 15 SSC Meeting
 15 Mc Teacher Night
 17 Open House
 18 PJ Day
 28 Memorial Day—No School

June 06-08 Early Release Days
 08 Last Day of School

Kinder Early Release Schedule

AM KINDER—Same hours

PM KINDER—Classes start 10:20,
 End at 1:40 pm

First—Fifth Grades 8:15am to 1:40pm

LOST & FOUND

Don't forget to check the "Lost & Found" containers located outside the back door of the office. We have a FULL container with many articles of clothing, lunch boxes and backpacks that your child may have lost at school.

Please check the container before Friday, June 1st. Any clothing or items left at school after this date will be donated to a local charity.



CAFETERIA NEWS: Effective immediately, there will be NO MEAL CHARGING. Also, all outstanding debts must be paid immediately. Please make sure your student has enough money to purchase lunch or brings a lunch from home.

C.A.R.E. Summer After School Program

Located at COES, the CARE Program will be June 18th through July 27th from 8:00 am to 12:30 pm. There is no cost for the program and it accepts K through 5th grade students who will be accepted on a first come first serve basis. C.A.R.E. is a four and half hour program which focuses on academic, enrichment and recreation activities.

Applicants will be notified by phone regarding acceptance into the program. If the program is full, students can be placed on a waiting list. For questions, please contact Lauren Quinn, After School Coordinator at (916) 645-5135.



OTTER POPS

FOR SALE IN ROOM 22— DURING LAST RECESS

WEDNESDAYS & FRI DAYS

25¢



YEARBOOKS

ON SALE, May 14th

See Ms. Avery—Room 22



RETURN FOR DRAWING

Please verify that you have read this newsletter by sending this portion back to school and your child will be entered into a drawing. Please return to your child's teacher.

Child's Name _____

Parent Initials _____