

🍄 Principal's Report

As we finish the last few weeks of **STAR testing**, it is clear that the children are sensing that the end of their school year isn't far off. They worked very hard to do their best and in a few short weeks they will be saying goodbye to their teachers and their familiar surroundings. You can almost feel the walls breathe a sigh of relief that testing is over for some and almost over for the rest.

We still have more to learn and more to do before we finish up our year, however. Sixth graders will be off to Science Camp on the 14th to put their textbook knowledge and research into practice. 1st and 2nd graders are preparing for their Spring performances. The Kinders will have their **BBQ** on the 6th of June and all students will be doing one last assessment of their reading levels. You can help these last few weeks be productive by reminding your child that homework is still important and that their homework reading time is still going to help them be better readers. While we are on that topic, please start the search for all the lost library books that have found their way under beds and onto bookshelves. As you are doing your spring cleaning, keep an eye out for runaway books!

Thanks to all of you for your support during STAR testing. Your children have come to school looking rested and prepared. Thanks too, to the **Home and School Association** for the treats they provided for the classes who were testing. These are very busy days for everyone and we are grateful for the many hours that you give us.

Hope to see you May 10 from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. for this year's **Open House**.

Happy Mother's Day!

Phil Duncan Principal





Staff appreciation week is coming up! Please remember to show our teachers & staff how much you appreciate them!! Have your child send in a heartfelt note, drawing, card, flowers or a special gift that lets them know how much they are valued!! Our staff is amazing and it's so important to show them how much we appreciate all that they do for our children!

The Home & School Association will be providing our teachers and staff with special treats throughout that week, including a fantastic luncheon on Tuesday, May 8th.

If you would like to help, please contact Lisa Wohlgemuth at (408) 836-1774 or by email at <u>lawohlgemuth@hotmail.com</u>. Thank you!

MAY's Checklist

- Attend H&SA last meeting of the school year on May 8th
- Place your Scrip gift card orders by May 4th.
- Return any PV Library books to your child's classroom.
- Current 6th graders: Get your required Tdap booster before your 7th grade, Fall semester, 2012.
- Show your PV Spirit every Friday by wearing your PV colors and/or spirit wear!
- Show your appreciation to our PV Teachers and Staff during the week of May 7 - 11th.



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SCHOOL REQUIREMENT for incoming 7th Graders for Fall Semester, 2012

All incoming 7th graders must be vaccinated against pertusis (whooping cough) <u>by the first day of</u> <u>school.</u> Seventh graders will be required to show proof of a "**Tdap**" booster shot before starting school this Fall semester, 2012.

It is recommended that parents who currently have students in 6th grade, get their kids vaccinated well before the first day of school, Fall 2012. <u>There will</u> <u>be NO grace period and the regulation will be</u> <u>strictly enforced.</u> After your child receives their Tdap vaccine, bring your child's immunization record to the school office as proof they have received the vaccine.

To obtain a whooping cough/pertusis vaccination for your child, please see your regular health care provider. Immunizations may also be obtained at the Public Health Department.



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🍄 PV Scrip Program

Purchase all your end of the school year teacher or graduation gift cards through **Paradise Valley's Scrip Program**. There are no additional cost to you and PV gets a percentage of every gift card you purchase. All funds raised for this program go directly back to our students by stocking the Panther Den with great new items. Gift cards are available for purchase online at <u>www.shopwithscrip.com</u> (school ID 525B748621813)

Our **next order is due Friday, May 4th** and will be ready for pick up/delivery by Thursday, May 10th. Orders can be dropped off in the HSA drop box in the lobby, with your child's teacher or ordered online.

Nicole Chaisson Scrip Coordinator

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