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The newsletter of the Yuba River Charter School

Yuba River Charter School CALENDAR OF EVENTS

<u>DAY</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>EVENT</u>
M-F	25-29 Jan.		Grade 8 at theater
Thurs.	28 Jan.		Grades 4 & 5 to see Grade 8 play*
Fri.	29 Jan.		Grades 6 & 7 to see Grade 8 play*
Mon.	1 Feb.	No School 9:00 - 11:00 am	Teacher-in-Service Day Community Meeting in Bldg 2*
T-Th	2-4 Feb.		Grade 8 to San Francisco
Wed.	3 Feb.	3:30 pm 5:30 pm	Parent Council Meeting Grade 1 Parent Meeting
Wed.	10 Feb.	4:00 pm	Charter Council Meeting
Fri. & Mon.	12, 15 Feb.	No School	Presidents' Holiday
Wed.	17 Feb.	3:30 pm	Ed. Foundation Meeting
Thurs.	11 Feb.	8:30 am	Parent Appreciation Assembly*
Fri.	19 Feb.		End of trimester
Tues.	23 Feb.	1:00 pm	Kindergarten Parent Meeting*
Wed.	24 Feb.	6:30 pm	Grade 3 ski trip Grade 8 Parent Meeting
Fri.	26 Feb.	1:00 pm	Kindergarten tea & crafting*
Sun.-Tues.	28 Feb. - 2 Mar.		Grade 4 to Fort Ross
T-W	2-3 March		STAR Writing, Grade 4 & 7
Wed.	3 March	3:30 pm	Parent Council Meeting
T, W, F	9, 10, 12 March	Minimum Days	Parent-Teacher Conferences*

The next newsletter will be delivered 11 February. Submissions are due by the previous Tuesday. The Bulletin Board is free and contains free items, items of interest to children and families, and occasional items for sale. The limit is 50 words. No anonymous submissions please. Paid advertisements are not accepted. Contact Lisa Hooper, 272-1182, Lisa@ObjectiveInsights.com for more information.

OFFICE NOTES

~ The Cross Country/Track Team will continue running Mondays, rain or shine, after school from 3:00 to 3:30 pm with Frank Plucker. This will be great training for the upcoming track season. Please meet by the 4th grade classroom if you would like to join us. This is open to all 4th through 8th graders.

~ Please note the speed limit and school zone signs as you enter the property. Please be conscious of the fact that this is a School Zone and as such, subject to state laws. It is a felony to have in your possession firearms, drugs, or alcohol on school premises. Also be aware that we are subject to our landlord's rules and he requires that we observe the posted speed limit. As always, we appreciate your cooperation in making our school a safe place for everyone and in keeping our landlord happy.

~ Please check for clothing left behind in play yards, classrooms and hallway.

~ The Development Center has relocated to the lower level Little Creek space. If you have any questions, or need information about our school giving campaigns or the new school building project, you may see Melissa Seibold there or call 272-8078 ext. 110.

~ An updated carpool list has been received from NCSA. It is available in the office.

~ An **aquarium/terrarium** was inadvertently taken from 1st grade to the lost and found. Apparently it was then picked up by someone claiming the unclaimed items. Please return to 1st grade or call Hilary at 274-9468 if you have it.

~ Correction from the last newsletter Bulletin Board - Russ Hooper's email address is Russ.Hooper.24@gmail.com.

Dear 4th - 8th Grade Parents,

Violin/Cello 2nd payments are now past due. Your child should have brought a reminder home January 5th.

Please send your payments this week.

Feel free to call me at 272-8078, ext.123 if you have any questions

Thank you,
Catherine

KIDSPACE NEWS

The new year is here and so is the wet weather. Fortunately, on these soggy days we have had the use of the assembly room to help the children burn some of their endless energy. They have been playing various kinds of tag, fruit basket upset, and just about anything that involves running! In addition, Lisa has introduced some yoga into circle time, which seems to be a favorite with all of the different ages.

Of course art time is as popular as ever.

Here are the upcoming Thursday art projects:

January 28 - Peanut People

February 4 - Colorful Boxes

February 11 - Valentines

February 18 - Oil Pastels

Remember to submit your February pre-enrollment sheet. They are due by Friday, January 28.



Thanks,
Karen and Lisa

Dear YRCS Families;

After much thought and deliberation, I have decided to transition out of my 8-year role as Attendance and Enrollment Coordinator so I may focus solely on teaching Handwork.

Caleb Buckley took a chance on me a few years ago and offered me the job of teaching handwork for the first and second grades. I have learned and grown so much over the last four years. I have found my passion. Being with the children feeds me in a way that no other "job" has. To be a handwork teacher means to be completely present with each and every student, to know them and to truly love each of them for who they are.

I look forward to returning to the classroom this week and to continue through the year. I am excited about the new direction my life and career are taking and am grateful for your support along the way.

With Love ~
Deanna Ronningen

Community Meeting
During Faculty In-service
Monday, February 1, 2010
9:00 am - 11:00 am
Bldg. 2

This time of year the faculty and administration meet to look at the state of the school and begin to shape our responses to the challenges of next year's budget. This year we have decided to open up part of our meeting to parents of our school who wish to come and support our conversation about the future direction of the school. How do we meet the needs of our teachers and community in these tough times? Schools all across California are having these meetings in a year of unprecedented budget cuts. Because we are such a special community, we hope to develop a process to meeting these needs that reflects the strength of our working together. Please RSVP at 530-272-8078 so we have a place for you. There is no school on February 1.

New Property Ribbon Cutting
10320 Old Dairy Place
Grass Valley, off Squirrel Creek Rd.
Friday, January 29, 2010
3:45 pm (rain or shine)

Our community has worked tirelessly to renovate the house on our new property. Please join us to celebrate the culmination of this work and celebrate our volunteers. The house will rent for \$1350/month, starting on an 11 month contract and we will have applications at the event.

ABOUT FINGERPRINTING

Here is an explanation surrounding the reasons and the procedure for getting fingerprinted:

The State of California under the **Michelle Montoya School Act** requires that people/parents attending an overnight fieldtrip, a fieldtrip that is over 150 miles away from school and/or people volunteering to help with students at school separately from a credentialed teacher undergo a criminal background check to be cleared to be in contact with children.

If you plan on attending any of the above stated school activities, you need to come to the office to start the fingerprinting process. The process starts with you stopping by the school office with \$32.00 to get the LiveScan form. This cost is to cover the cost billed to the school by the Dept. of Justice. Once you pay and fill out the form, you then either make an appointment with the Sheriff's Department at a cost of \$10.25 or go to the UPS Store (downtown Grass Valley) at a cost of \$17.00. No appointment needed at the UPS Store.

- Please remember, this is for the safety of the children.
- Fingerprinting is not transferable. If you are printed with another school or business, it will not transfer. You need to be printed with YRCS.
- Get your prints done before you plan on attending a fieldtrip. It has taken as long as 3 months for prints to clear and you are not allowed to attend until your prints have cleared.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

Annual Fund Drive Giving Campaign

Please turn in your pledges or gifts to support our Annual Fund Drive Giving Campaign by the end of next week. School budgeting is underway and your support helps to keep our school open and running. More California State budget cuts seem likely in 2010. Anything you can give to our school will enable us to work toward maintaining our operational budget.

To-date we have received over \$66,837 in pledges during our current Annual Fund Drive giving campaign with 67% participation from our communities and families! We hope to top our participation of 82% from last year; and to really make this a Community effort. Please give what you can to be involved.

Our school's public Waldorf education is priceless for our children and families. Thanks again for making this fund drive a success!

FRIENDS OF YUBA RIVER CHARTER SCHOOL

Custom-built, Waldorf-inspired woodwork - Did you see the lovely Waldorf playhouse at Moondance this year? You can have one too! Custom-built, Waldorf-inspired woodwork featuring play houses, play stands, lofts, bunk beds and doll houses. 10% of sales donated to YRCS. Call Mark Follansbee at 575-0916 for more information.

Yoga at Dragonfly Studios - Donations to YRCS - Come do the flow of yoga for everyone or prenatal yoga in the morning and 10% of class fee will be donated to YRCS. Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, 9:15 am flow with Julie or Wednesday morning 9:15 am prenatal with Hannah. Check out www.pennvalleyyoga.com or call Julie @ 575-1757 for more information.

Nevada City Classic Cafe YRCS Community Outreach Program. Simply have a meal at the Nevada City Classic Cafe at 216 Broad Street in Nevada City, write your name, address and your child's name and grade or your school connection on your receipt and leave it with your server. 20% of the proceeds will be donated to the YRCS Educational Foundation.

Become a Waldorf Teacher

"YOUNG AT ART EXHIBITION"

Information Evening Tuesday, February 2 • 7:30pm Rudolf Steiner College

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"Young at Art" K - 12 exhibition is again nearing. Each of our children's art will be displayed.

PARENTS ARE NEEDED
WEDNESDAY MORNING,
24 FEBRUARY
TO HANG YOUR CLASS' ART.

We may begin to hang art on the Rood Center walls beginning at 8:00 am. Hanging the art should take about an hour. I will be collecting the art from each class, so you just need to show up with a stapler and a small ladder, step-stool, or chair.

Please volunteer today to ensure your class is represented. You may contact me, Lisa Hooper, at 272-1182 or Lisa@ObjectiveInsights.com.

6th GRADE BASKETBALL

Come on out and support the Grass Valley Rec Basketball League. Kyle, Dylan M., Dylan B., Jackson, Logan, Adam, Levi, Chili and Randy from Mrs. Barber's 6th grade class are on a team this year and would love to see you there.

Come out and cheer for the THUNDERS! All games are at the GV Vets Building.

Fri.	Feb 5	7:15 pm
Sat.	Feb 6	8:15 am
Sat.	Feb 13	9:15 am
Fri.	Feb 19	7:15 PM
Sat.	Feb 27	11:15 am
Fri.	Mar 5	5:15 pm
Sat.	Mar 6	9:15 am

We also have VISITORS' DAYS February 1 & 2 and April 29 & 30.
To visit classes at our Fair Oaks campus, please contact our Admissions Office at 916-961-8727 ext.0

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RAPIDS BOYS BASKETBALL

The boys basketball team is 5 and 0. The schedule for the rest of the year is below. They are a very talented team this year, and have held 4 of our first 5 opponents to single digit scores.

The players are:

Owen Smith, KC Glowczwskie, Ensei Kaneko, River Berreman, Julian Jones-Mobley, John King, Shuba Ardagh, Julian Janzaruk, Ben Blair, Josiah Barber, Ryan Zuccaro, Jesse Dunbar

Date	LOCATION	TIME	OPONENT
1/26	Ready Springs	4:00 pm	vs Ready Springs
1/28	Mt St Marys	4:00 pm	vs Mt St Marys
2/2	Ready Springs	5:00 pm	vs GV Charter
2/4	Mt St Marys	5:00 pm	vs NCSA
2/9	Mt St Marys	4:00 pm	vs Chicago Park
2/11	Ready Springs	5:00 pm	vs Clear Creek
2/16	Mt St Marys	5:00 pm	vs Crossroads
2/18	Ready Springs	4:00 pm	vs Ready Springs

CHINESE NEW YEAR DINNER

RESTAURANT



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TWO SEATINGS, 5:30PM & 7:30PM

**COME ENJOY EXCELLENT
FOOD & HAVE A GREAT TIME!**

The Yuba River Charter School Class of 2010
presents

A Midsummer Night's Dream

by William Shakespeare
Directed by Greg Anderson and Mary Baird

**Thursday through Saturday
January 28-30**

Thursday & Friday at 10am and 7pm
Saturday at 7pm

Ticket Prices: \$5 students/children, \$7 adults

Tickets may be purchased at:

Yuba River Charter School at 13026 Bitney Springs Road, Building 3, Nevada City,
or from a YRCS 8th grade student. Call 272-8078 x109 for more information.



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Behind the Center for the Arts