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The newsletter of the Yuba River Charter School

“Receive the children in reverence, educate them in love, send them forth in freedom.” - Rudolf Steiner

FROM OUR DIRECTOR



The most fun you will have this year will be at Saturday's auction at the Miner's Foundry. Please join us for the party and support your school community. With increased enrollment and your generous support, the school is in a place to increase some programs for the Spring semester and we may actually be able to re-instate the salary cuts employees took last year. Furthermore, our global auction will provide much needed sports equipment and playground upgrades for all the children. When the finance committee looks at the figures from our auction proceeds, we would like to put additional resources to work right away. Also on our priority list is a folk dancing block for 6th graders as well as swing dancing for grades 7 & 8. I am also posting a job for another math teacher to support our large class size in pre-Algebra.

Special thanks to Torrie Mudd, our charter council chair, for managing the development of new policies and creating a process for bringing two new members onto our charter council. The educational foundation will be launching the annual fund drive next week and we have several new parent members who are very energetic about increasing participation this year. Parent council has filled its positions and is planning upcoming festivals, fundraisers, support for sports programs, and creating better accounting practices. Everywhere the school is well staffed with volunteers and we are ready to put our community into action.

Please follow your November calendar closely as you will see minimum days for parent conferences and a whole week off for Thanksgiving. And don't forget that four day weekend for Veteran's Day. It is still a struggle to find a venue for our Winter Assembly, and we are considering moving it to January in order to have a location large enough. In December, master Waldorf teacher Eugene Schwartz will be visiting to work with faculty and he will offer two parent lectures.

See you in Saturday,
 Caleb Buckley, YRCS Director

DEVOTION

Grade 6 is hosting this month's virtue.

Devotion is caring deeply about something or someone. It is the willingness to give our all to a friendship, a task, or something we believe in. It is the ability to make decisions and follow through on them. It is keeping promises.

Without devotion, we just drift along, with no idea where we are going. We change our minds. We give up easily if things get too hard. We give up on people we care about if they disappoint us or make a mistake.

Devotion is thinking carefully about what we want to do, deciding to do it, then giving it 100%, without allowing problems to stop us.

Adapted from *The Virtues Guide*
 by Linda Kavelin Popov

“Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world. Indeed it's the only thing that ever has.”

Margaret Meade

“Individual commitment to a group effort - that is what makes a team work, a company work, a society work, a civilization work.”

Vince Lombardi

“It is not the critic who counts; not the man who points out how the strong man stumbles, or where the doer of deeds could have done them better. The credit belongs to the man who is actually in the arena, whose face is marred by dust and sweat and blood, who strives valiantly; who errs and comes short again and again; because there is not effort without error and shortcomings; but who does actually strive to do the deed; who knows the great enthusiasm, the great devotion, who spends himself in a worthy cause, who at the best knows in the end the triumph of high achievement and who at the worst, if he fails, at least he fails while daring greatly.”

Theodore Roosevelt

Bulletin Board

Calling all student musicians!

You are invited to play at Victorian Christmas in Nevada City Wednesdays: December 1st, 8th and 15th, 5:00 to 9:00 pm and/or Sundays: December 12th and 19th, 1:30 to 6:00 pm. Contact Barbara Tanner at 265-8634 between 9:00 am and 5:00 pm before November 20th. She will schedule half hour performances on the dates and times requested as space allows. Similar times are available on Cornish Christmas Friday evenings between Thanksgiving and Christmas in Grass Valley. Call Howard Levine at 272-8315 for information.

Heavenly singing – not to be missed! From The School for Uncovering the Voice comes SOIN-NINKAJO (Sound Echo) a cappella singing ensemble from Finland. 7:00 pm, Saturday, November 13, Trinity Church, Nevada City. Tix at Briarpatch. Info: Thea 470-8646.

OFFICE NOTES

***The spelling tournament** was attended by Mystery Wallis and Benjamin Fogiel from Grade 5, Leah Skoyles and Tristin Duncan from Grade 6, and Toby Thomas-Rose from Grade 8. Congratulations to all participants and thanks for representing YRCS.!

* **Parent - Teacher Conferences will be held 15, 16, 17 and 19 November.** This is a mandatory meeting. Sign-up sheets are posted at the classrooms. Please sign up early for the best times that work for you.

* **Lost and found** is building up in the hallway. Come by to claim your things.

ORDER YOUR 2010-2011 YRCS MEMORY BOOK!

Please turn this order form into the school office to secure your receipt of the 2010-2011 YRCS Memory Book.

The 40-page yearbook will include:

- Individual Student Photos
- Classroom Activities for each Grade
- Festival Memories
- Sports Team Photographs
- 8th Grade Graduating Class Highlights
- And more!

The incredible keepsake can only be ordered in advance. After December 10th orders will no longer be placed. December will come up REALLY FAST. Each year many students and families really wish that they hadn't missed the opportunity to order the book.

Order forms can be placed in the manila envelopes in each classroom or in the main office.

MEMORY BOOK ORDER FORM

Memory Books are \$20 each.
You may make your check payable to "YRCS Field Fund."

Child's Name: _____

Grade: _____ \$20

Child's Name: _____

Grade: _____ \$20

TOTAL: _____

Order forms can be placed in the manila envelopes in each classroom or in the main office.

**ORDERS ARE DUE BY
FRIDAY, DECEMBER 10th, 2010.
Order Now!**



Yuba River Charter School Educational Foundation presents:



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| 5:00 PM | Doors Open. Wine Glass Charm Making & Silent Auction Begin |
| 5-6:00 PM | Wine Tasting by Lucchesi, Avanguardia, Clos Saron Wineries |
| 6-7:15 PM | Asia Restaurant Fine-Dining Buffet Served |
| 7:30 PM | Silent Auction Table Closings Begin |
| 8:30 PM | Live Auction Begins – Dessert & Coffee Served |
| 9:15 PM | Sista Kat & Deja with Biblical and Soul Medic |
| 9:30 PM | Check-Out Begins (no earlier) |
| 9:45 PM | San Francisco's Monophonics |
| 11:00 PM | The evening & fun concludes! |

Yuba River Charter School 13026 Bitney Springs Road ~ Nevada City, CA 95959

Moondance Auction!!
THIS Saturday, November 6th
5 - 11 pm
The Miners Foundry

Come join the celebration!

Consider shopping for the holidays!

You'll find excellent deals on gifts and have a great night socializing with other parents that you usually just see in passing. Plus it's great fun to watch our director, Mr. Buckley, demonstrate his auctioneer skills during the live auction! Last year, as part of the live auction, we raised over \$4,000 for Science Equipment during the "All Together Now Auction." This year we will be raising money for playground and games equipment and enhancement. Come with a bid in mind and get ready to raise your paddle when that bid amount is called out! As far as logistics, the Moondance Team has been working on many changes so that check-in and check-out will run smoothly. It is truly one of the best parties of the year! We look forward to seeing everyone come out to support the school!

Our Calendar of Virtues

- September - Creativity / Grade 8
- October - Generosity / Grade 7
- November - Devotion / Grade 6
- December - Thoughtfulness / Grade 2
- January - Fortitude / Grade 4
- February - Love / Lavender, Rose & Sweet Pea Kindergartens
- March - Detachment / Grade 5
- April - Helpfulness / Grade 1
- May - Compassion / Grade 3

if anyone is interested in anything Virtues Project related, please contact teacher Carrie Reuther at carriereuther@yahoo.com. This spring Carrie trained in Calgary, Alberta to be a facilitator with the Virtues Project and became a Master Facilitator this summer through the founders Linda Kavelin-Popov and Dr. Dan Popov.



Winter Fair
Saturday
December 4th

9 am to Noon

Please volunteer and help create a non-commercial, creative, home-spun experience for our children that celebrates the winter season and holidays.

Possibilities:

Woolen Angel making
Scented Holiday Sachet
Enchanted Cookie Forest
And more!



Homemade Gift Coupon Books
Elfin Gift Shoppe for children only

If you have questions contact
Shannon Becker at 477-6320, moosebeckergv@earthlink.net or
Anna Reischman at 272-1397, reischman5@att.net.

CHARTER COUNCIL NEWS

Dear YRCS Families,

Charter Council (CC) hopes that everyone had a wonderful fall break!

At our last CC meeting we approved our new "School Concern Resolution Policy". CC would like to send a big thank you to YRCS parents Lorrie Valvo and Mariana Nielsen as well as our business manager Susan Egan for the many hours of work it took to combine our former disagreement and grievance policies into one, easy to follow policy. You can access a copy of the new policy at our school website at www.yubariverschool.org. Most important is to turn in any concern forms to the office so that they can be recorded, copied and delivered to the school director for follow-up.

One of the steps of resolution involves the Confliction Resolution Committee (formerly called the Grievance Committee). CC approved appointments for the committee as follows: Suzanne Scirpo (Faculty Rep), Robert Wallis (Parent Council Rep), and Torrie Mudd - Chair (Charter Council Rep). Each member serves a one-year term.

CC is finishing up the final details of our easy online parent strategic plan survey which should launch on time on Monday, November 8th. This survey is being created to give parents an opportunity to participate in determining what's important in our school community to focus on during our strategic planning sessions in January. Your feedback is essential and CC hopes that everyone will take a few minutes to complete the survey. Paper copies will be available for those who don't have access to a computer.

CC would like to thank the YRCS parents Kateri Harrison and Gary Gardner for the many hours in service helping to create the survey.

Lastly, CC is in the process of revising our by-laws and many thanks to the sub-group of Susan Egan and Leila Barber that are working on this project.

Our next Charter Council Meeting will be on Wednesday, November 10th at 3:30 pm in the YRCS library. Agendas are posted on the front door of the school and online at www.yubarivercharterschool.org 72 hours before the meeting. Parents are welcome to observe and/or participate in our meetings as well as speak at our 10 min. public comment portion at the beginning of our meetings.

Important topics coming up for discussion/approval at our meeting will be looking at our lease extension, MOU, by-law revisions and school budget.

Agenda requests must be submitted in writing to the CC Chair, Torrie Mudd, one week prior to the CC meeting. Any questions or comments can be submitted by e-mail or by phone to any of your three Chart Council parent representatives:

- Allison Gjertsen - 277-3979 or lyonstribelive.com
- Matthew Reischman - 272-1397 or Matthew.Reischman@fire.ca.gov
- Torrie Mudd at 210-6507 or torrie@torriemudd.com

Respectfully Yours,
Torrie Mudd
Charter Council Chair

Tuesday Sushi Lunch Order Form

Happily offered by the 6th grade
and Way Yum Sushi.

Sushi Lunch Dates:
Tuesdays: Dec. 7 & 14.

Orders are due by Thursday, November 18.

Choices:
6 piece Vegetarian Roll
(carrot, cucumber and avocado)
or
6 piece California Roll
(crab, cucumber and avocado)

Questions? Ask Deanna Ronningen 913-4342
or kdronningen@aol.com

Thank you for supporting
the 6th Grade class!

Parent's Name _____

Phone # _____

First Child's full name _____

Grade _____

Check one please

- ___ Vegetarian Roll, no drink – \$9.50
- ___ Vegetarian Roll, with 100% juice drink – \$11.50
- ___ California Roll, no drink – \$9.50
- ___ California Roll, with 100% juice drink – \$11.50

Second Child's full name _____

Grade _____

Check one please

- ___ Vegetarian Roll, no drink – \$9.50
- ___ Vegetarian Roll, with 100% juice drink – \$11.50
- ___ California Roll, no drink – \$9.50
- ___ California Roll, with 100% juice drink – \$11.50

TOTAL: _____

Friday Burrito Lunch Order Form

Burritos are offered by the 7th grade, contain organic
ingredients, and are guaranteed to be delicious!
They come with chips, but no drink.

Burrito Lunch Dates:
Fridays: Dec. 3 & 17

Orders are due by Thursday, November 18.

Questions? Ask Jenn Knapp @ 292-3501

Parent's Name _____

Phone # _____

First Child's full name _____

Grade _____

Check one:

- ___ Bean, Cheese, & Rice Burrito – \$9.00
- ___ Bean & Cheese Burrito – \$9.00
- ___ Bean & Rice Burrito – \$9.00
- ___ Chicken, Bean, Cheese, & Rice Burrito – \$10.00

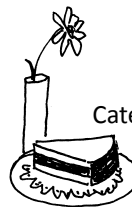
Second Child's full name _____

Grade _____

Check one:

- ___ Bean, Cheese, & Rice Burrito – \$9.00
- ___ Bean & Cheese Burrito – \$9.00
- ___ Bean & Rice Burrito – \$9.00
- ___ Chicken, Bean, Cheese, & Rice Burrito – \$10.00

TOTAL: \$ _____



Emily's
Catering & Cakes

Emily Scott, Owner/
Chef

Lunches are now being offered Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays & Fridays!

ORDER INFO FOR ALL LUNCHES

Due date for all orders
is the last Thursday
of the month that we
have school.

ORDERS DUE 11/18!

Orders are for one month at a time.
**IF YOU WANT TO PAY FOR SEVERAL
MONTHS, contact the info person.**
Envelopes are in each classroom and in
the office.

Orders accepted from faculty, staff
and Grades 1 - 8.

Payments are due, in full, with
your order form. If paying in cash,
please pay the exact amount. You
may pay for both pizza and sand-
wiches with one check. Burritos
and sushi checks each need to be
paid separately. Make checks pay-
able to: YRCS Field Fund.

Monday Pizza Lunch Order Form

Happily offered by the 8th grade.

Pizza Lunch Dates:
Mondays: December 6 & 13

Orders are due by Thursday, November 18.

Questions? Contact Lisa Hooper @ 272-1182 or
Lisa@ObjectiveInsights.com.

**Thank you for supporting
the 8th Grade class!**

Parent's Name _____

Phone # _____

First Child's full name _____

Grade _____

Circle either cheese or pepperoni. Circle the price.

1 slice:	Cheese/pepperoni	\$5.00
	With 100% Juice Drink	\$7.00
2 slices:	Cheese/pepperoni	\$9.50
	With 100% Juice Drink	\$11.50

Second Child's full name _____

Grade _____

Circle either cheese or pepperoni. Circle the price.

1 slice:	Cheese/pepperoni	\$5.00
	With 100% Juice Drink	\$7.00
2 slices:	Cheese/pepperoni	\$9.50
	With 100% Juice Drink	\$11.50

TOTAL: _____



Wednesday Sandwich Lunch Order Form

Happily offered by the 8th grade.

Sandwich lunch dates:
Wednesdays: December 1, 8, & 15.

Orders are due by Thursday, November 18.

Sandwiches are provided by the
Nevada City Classic Cafe.

Questions? Contact Lisa Hooper @ 272-1182 or
Lisa@ObjectiveInsights.com.

~The 8th Grade Thanks You For Your Support~

Parent's Name _____

Phone # _____

First Child's full name _____

Grade _____

Circle your choices

Choose one sandwich:
cheese tuna turkey

Choose one type of bread: multi-grain sourdough

Choose from the following 4 condiments:

mayo mustard lettuce tomato

Check any desired additions, add the price and total.

	Sandwich	\$10.50
_____ with cheese add \$1.50		_____
_____ with 100% juice drink add \$3.00		_____
_____ with apple add \$1.50		_____

First Child lunch total: _____

Second Child's full name _____

Grade _____

Circle your choices

Choose one sandwich:
cheese tuna turkey

Choose one type of bread: multi-grain sourdough

Choose from the following 4 condiments:

mayo mustard lettuce tomato

Check any desired additions, add the price and total.

	Sandwich	\$10.50
_____ with cheese add \$1.50		_____
_____ with 100% juice drink add \$3.00		_____
_____ with apple add \$1.50		_____

Second Child lunch total: _____

TOTAL: _____

DIRECTORY UPDATES

It seems no matter how much time and attention is given to preparing the Directory, mistakes happen :(

If you have an addition or correction to the Directory, please complete an update form in the office as soon as possible!

Please make the following changes to your Directory:

Grade	Student	Parent	Please change to:
3	Molly Becker	Shannon & Mark	Molly (not Holly)
6	Olivia Ronningen	Keith & Deanna	913-4342 (not 432-8990)
4, RK	Malachi & Damian Killion	Taitha Killion	235 Joerschke Dr. #7, GV 95945, 575-1689
6	Zoe Favour	Jason Favour	700 Grove St., Roseville, 95678

Welcome New Students!

Grade	Student	Parent	Address	Phone
HS-3	Charlie Chatelain	Kelly La Sha	4635 Coronado Ave. San Diego, 92107	263-7662
HS-7	Jacob Chatelain	Pierre Chatelain		619-861-8688
HS-8	Arianna Lang			

Farewell to . . .

ATTENDANCE NEWS

Grade	Student
1	Dublin O'Sullivan
HS-K	Tenzin Travis
HS-5	Jacquelyn Holbrook

Congratulations to our top classes for best attendance!

For the first Learning Period:

Grade 7 achieved 99% attendance and Grades 1 & 4 tied with 98%!

For the second Learning Period:

Grades 2, 3, 4 & 5 tied with 97%

Keep up the good work and stay healthy everyone! *Be present* for a quality education, and remember to always pick up a tardy slip if you are late.

Colleen, ext. 109, attendance@yubariverschool.org

SPORTS UPDATE

Cross Country is still running!

Flag Football, alive and well!

A girls volleyball team has been formed by Coach Deanna, thank you Deanna! Practices have begun.

Dave Smith has risen to coach boys basketball and we are looking forward to and graciously competitive team again this year!

Please contact Lyonstribelive.com for information.



HOLIDAY WREATHS



22" Wreath



25" Swag
With Holly Berries



25" Candy Cane
with Holly Berries



25" Door Charm
with Holly Berries

Dear Yuba River Families:

The eighth grade will be selling wreaths, swags, candy canes and door charms that are assembled in Oregon and delivered fresh the week after Thanksgiving. These wreaths are beautiful to either hang up in your home or as a wonderful gift to bring the scent of the holiday to someone special.

Please support the eighth grade's efforts to raise funds for their trip together by purchasing a wreath. Your efforts are greatly appreciated.

Fill out the form below and place it, with payment attached, in the 'Wreath Envelope' in the office. You may also contact any eighth grade student to purchase a wreath.

Thank you and HAPPY HOLIDAYS,

Class of 2011

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Wreath Order Form

Name: _____

Phone Number: _____

	Without Bow	# To Order	With Bow	# To Order
22' Wreath	\$20.00	_____	\$22.00	_____
25" Swag With Holly Berries	\$23.00	_____	\$25.00	_____
25" Door Charm With Holly Berries	\$23.00	_____	\$25.00	_____
25" Candy Cane With Holly Berries <small>(available in Right Hand ONLY)</small>	\$25.00	_____	\$27.00	_____

Total Amount Due: _____

Please make checks payable to "YRCS Field Fund" **PAYMENT MUST BE INCLUDED WITH YOUR ORDER.**

WREATH ORDERS ARE DUE MONDAY, NOVEMBER 10TH
THANK YOU FROM THE 8TH GRADE!!

Yuba River Charter School CALENDAR OF EVENTS

<u>DAY</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>EVENT</u>
Thurs-Fri	4-5 Nov		Grade 8 to San Francisco Winter Clothes Swap in Bldg 2*
Fri	5 Nov		Grade 6 to Medieval Monastery in Chico*
Sat	6 Nov	5:30 - 11:00 pm	YRCS Moondance and auction @ The Miners Foundry
Tues	9 Nov		Grade 3 to River Hill Farm*
Wed	10 Nov	6:00 pm	Grades 5-8 to Midsummer Night's Dream* Lavender Kindergarten Lantern Walk
Thurs	11 Nov	no school	Veteran's Day
Fri	12 Nov	no school	Teacher in-service day
Mon-Wed	15-17 Nov	minimum days	Parent-Teacher Conferences - mandatory
Wed	17 Nov	3:30 - 5:30 pm	Parent Council meeting in library
Thur	18 Nov		All lunch orders for December due*
Fri	19 Nov	minimum day	Parent-Teacher Conferences - mandatory
Mon-Fri	22-26 Nov	no school	Thanksgiving Break
Mon	29 Nov	6:00 pm	Grade 6 Parent Meeting*
Tues	30 Nov		Grade 4 to Sacramento Zoo Grades 5 & 8 vision and hearing testing*
Fri	3 Dec	8:45 am	School Assembly with the Wild Things
Sat	4 Dec	9:00 am - noon	Winter Fair at school*
Wed	8 Dec	6:00 pm	Parent Education Night*
Thurs	9 Dec	8:30 - 10:30 am	Parent Education Morning*
Wed	15 Dec	3:30 - 5:30 pm	Parent Council meeting in library*
Fri	17 Dec	minimum day	Last day before Winter Break*
	18 Dec - 2 Jan	no school	Winter Break*

* new item