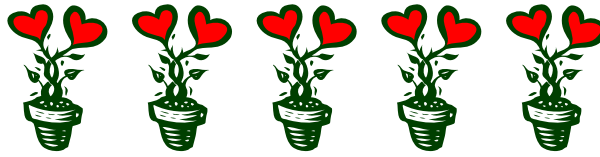
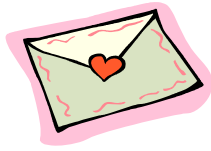


FEBRUARY NOTABLES



FIRST THURSDAY
BREAKFAST CLUB
SERIES CONTINUES
THIS MONTH
WITH PHYSICIST
PHILIP LUBIN

As we Anacapans know, Breakfast Club is a dynamic part of the Anacapa school day. Our many guest speakers bring high-level critical thinking opportunities to our students. Our First Thursday Open Breakfast Club series is open to prospective parents to see first-hand how a Breakfast Club works. This month's First Thursday speaker will be UCSB physicist Philip Lubin. Join us Thursday, February 3 for an exciting presentation about our universe – where it began and where it's heading. Dr. Lubin will share his insights on fascinating topics such as Dark Matter, Dark Energy, and the evolution of our universe. Anacapa parents are encouraged to bring prospective parents to First Thursday, but – of course – you are also welcome to come on your own. Breakfast Club will run from 7:50 to 8:30. Guests are invited to stay afterwards for coffee with Dr. Lubin.

DON'T MISS THIS!
YOUR FAMILY IS
INVITED TO A
CELEBRATION:
7PM, THURS., FEB. 3

Join us at **7pm on Thursday, February 3** as we celebrate the end of a great semester at our **All-School Slide Show for Anacapa Families**. The slide show will give you an insider's look at what we've been up to since September, and then we'll recognize outstanding academic performance by announcing our **First Semester Honor Rolls and Awards**. The whole family is welcome. We expect to finish by about 8 o'clock so as not to interfere with homework and early bedtimes of younger siblings.

REPORT CARDS
AND TEACHERS'
COMMENTS: PLEASE
SHARE THESE WITH
YOUR STUDENT

Parents can expect to receive first semester report cards and teachers' written comments in the mail by the end of the first week of February or early the following week. We ask parents to please sit down with their student to review these together. Teachers invest a great deal of care, thought, and time in writing their comments, and we think they are a valuable tool in helping students sharpen their study skills and enhance their academic performance. Students do not see their comments at school, so we count on parents to share them with their student at home.

WE'D LOVE TO HAVE
AS MANY AUCTION
DONATIONS
AS POSSIBLE
BEFORE THE BREAK

Auction donations have been coming in, so we know many of you have been out in the community soliciting items. Thank you, thank you, thank you—and, please, keep up the good work! Although the last day to turn in donations is Tuesday, March 1, please don't wait until the last minute. **We'd love to have as many donations before the break as possible, so we can catalog them during the break!** It makes the auction committee's job so much easier! Thanks!

TELL SOMEONE
THEY'RE SPECIAL
(AND HELP SUPPORT OUR TWO
TIBETAN REFUGEE STUDENTS)

To help raise money for the Tibetan refugee students that Anacapa has sponsored for many years, the student Senate will once again sell candy-grams for Valentine's Day. Contact our Senate Tribune Connor Proctor if you want to order one for your student or sweetie.



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COLLEGE COUNSELOR MEETS GRADES 9 AND 10

College counselor Lynn Hamilton will meet with ninth and tenth graders on campus from 12:45 to 1:10 p.m. on Thursday, February 3. Students in those two grades are asked to bring their lunch and their questions for this meeting with Lynn!

STUDENTS SUPPORT AUCTION BY SELLING RAFFLE TICKETS

Watch for raffle tickets coming home soon! For the last six years, the student body has played a very important role in boosting the bottom line for our auction fund-raising efforts, making the last six auctions the most profitable ever! And we're hoping for a repeat this year. Once again, students will be asked to sell auction raffle tickets for some fabulous prizes. The Parent Leadership Team (PLT) plans to distribute the tickets to students as soon as we receive them from the printer. **Raffle ticket stubs, money, and unsold tickets must be returned to school no later than Thursday, March 10.**

A LATE START FOR STUDENTS

The faculty has scheduled its next WASC accreditation meeting for 7-9am, on Wednesday, February 9. Please note that school will start at 9am that morning.

STUDENTS TO MEET WITH ADVISORS

Students will meet individually with their academic advisors on Wednesday, February 9 to review semester grades, goals, etc. These advisor meetings are for students and their advisors. If a parent would like to talk to an advisor (or any other teacher), please call the school office to leave a message so we can get back to you right away!

NEED SOME MORE AUCTION DONATION IDEAS?

Calling all families! The auction needs YOUR help. Getting donations is easier than you may think: the next time you're at the cleaners or eating dinner at your favorite restaurant or having a haircut or working out at the gym, ask them if they'll support your school! Don't forget: we're the school auction that tries to appeal to everyone's tastes, pocketbooks, and interests! We want and need big and small items, goods, and services for both the live and silent auctions.

Each donation needs to be accompanied by a donation form. These forms were mailed to all families in early January, and an additional copy is enclosed for your convenience in this mailing. The form may also be downloaded from the school Web site using the following link:

<http://www.anacapaschool.org/wp-content/uploads/2010/10/2011-Donor-Record-Receipt.pdf>

Thank you, parents, for working to make the auction a success! You are a big part of what makes this school special, and we appreciate all your efforts on behalf of our great Anacapa kids!

ANOTHER WAY TO HELP ...

We're looking for a few parents who would be willing to be "on call" to pick up auction donations if donors ask us to provide that service. Please call the school office if you can help. Thanks!

FACULTY CORNER: FOREIGN LANGUAGE

Find out more about Anacapa's foreign language program in this month's Faculty Corner (enclosed).

**SPREAD THE WORD:
A LOWER SCHOOL
SHADOW DAY FOR
LOCAL 6TH GRADERS**

As we work to find good enrollments for next year, we will be hosting local sixth graders for a special Lower School Shadow Day on Friday morning, February 11 (a holiday for many schools). Reservations are required, so if you know a sixth grader who might be a good match for Anacapa, please let them know about this opportunity to check out our seventh grade!

**AUCTION INVITATIONS:
IT'S TIME TO
"GET OUT THE VOTE"
FOR THE AUCTION**



**Flappers, Films,
and Friends**

In addition to securing donations, we all need to be sure there are plenty of enthusiastic bidders in the audience on Auction Day. Please start spreading the word among your friends and relatives that Anacapa will be hosting a fabulous auction on campus on Sunday afternoon, March 13.

The auction committee will mail auction invitations to all parents soon.

Each family is asked to buy or sell at least six tickets. Adult admission is \$40 until February 28. After that date, the price goes up to \$50, so make your reservations early and save \$10. That will help you stretch your dollars for shopping at the auction!

Because we encourage you to bring the **WHOLE FAMILY** for this event, we are offering a reduced rate of \$15 for those who are 18 or younger, and Anacapa students who sign up to work at the auction will be admitted free.

**VALENTINE'S DAY
AT ANACAPA**

Although Valentine's Day falls during our Synthesis Unit this year, we still plan to celebrate. Bags will be available for students and teachers to decorate for our annual Valentine exchange on Monday, February 14.



**SYNTHESIS UNIT:
HOW WOULD YOU
BALANCE THE
BUDGET?**



Anacapa's annual three-day Synthesis Unit is our premier tool for developing critical thinking skills. This year's Synthesis Unit will be devoted to a variety of perspectives on budget balancing. The Synthesis Unit will be held on campus from 7:50 a.m. to 3 p.m., Monday-Wednesday, February 14-16. Please remember that student attendance is mandatory and that students will receive 2.5 units of academic credit and a grade based on their attendance and participation during the Unit and afterwards with their work on the Synthesis Unit "product." A detailed Synthesis Unit schedule will be mailed to families right before the Unit begins.

**FEBRUARY 16 IS
THE LAST DAY
TO ADD TO YOUR
GRADE'S AUCTION
THEME BASKET**

The grade-level theme baskets are looking great, and we'd like to wrap them up soon, so **WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 16 WILL BE THE FINAL DEADLINE** for turning in a donation to your student's grade-level theme basket for the auction. If you have a question or need a suggestion for your grade's basket, you can call Julia Alcerro at 967-0771 or e-mail her at heydr.rey@hotmail.com. Please remember: we need to finish these baskets before the Presidents' Week Break. Thanks!

**PAJAMA DAY: OUR
COZY CAMPUS IS
ABOUT TO GET
COZIER...**

The student Senate is making plans for our annual Pajama Day on Friday morning, February 18. Appropriate PJs, robes, and slippers will be the order of the day (though there won't be any snoozzzzzzzing in class!) Teddy bears are optional!



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EARLY DISMISSAL ON FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 18

Students will be dismissed after morning academic classes on Friday, February 18 as we kick off the Presidents' Week break. Dismissal will be at 12:25 p.m. followed by Work/Study from 12:30 to 1:00 p.m.

PRESIDENTS' WEEK BREAK: FEB. 19-27



As is the case with many independent and private schools, Anacapa takes a week break for the Presidents' holiday in February. This year, school will be closed from Saturday, February 19 through Sunday, February 27 (inclusive). We do this to give students a full week to visit colleges, take family vacations, go skiing or snowboarding, or just catch their breath. We look forward to having everyone back on campus Monday morning, February 28!

AUCTION PROGRAM ADS: A GOOD PLACE TO DO BUSINESS— OR TO SEND SOMEONE A FUN MESSAGE

The school's auction program is a great place to advertise a business or service. If you—or anyone you know—is interested in having an ad in our program, please let us know. Camera-ready artwork and payments are due in the school office **by Tuesday, March 1**. Here are the rates:

- Business Card (horizontal or vertical) \$35
- Half Page (4½ x 3½ inches) \$55
- Full Page (4½ x 7½ inches) \$75

The next time you're in for a haircut or taking your student to a music lesson or having dinner at your favorite neighborhood café, ask if they'd like to run an ad in our program. Or if you have a business yourself, consider promoting it with our auction guests—you can't beat the price AND the targeted audience! Some of you may also want to use ad space to send:

- A congratulatory note to the Class of 2011
- A thank-you to someone special
- A "Message" to your son or daughter or to a teacher(s)
- Insert your own idea here...

The possibilities for creative fun are endless—and every ad helps us increase the auction's bottom line to **BENEFIT OUR STUDENTS!**

HAVE YOU SELECTED YOUR AUCTION COMMITTEE YET? CALL US BEFORE WE CALL YOU!

Parents who haven't signed up yet for an auction committee are asked to call Elizabeth in the school office (965-0228) ASAP to let us know which committee you'd like to work with. (We still have openings on many of the auction committees.) If we haven't heard from you soon, we'll give you a ring to let you know what's still available.

WOULD YOU LIKE TO RECEIVE *NOTABLES* ELECTRONICALLY?

Earlier this year, you were given an opportunity to let us know if you prefer receiving the *Notables* mailing electronically or via snail-mail. If you received this issue by snail mail and would like to switch over to e-mail, please let us know. We are happy to send *Notables* either way because the most important thing to us is that you receive it in a format that works for you so you feel connected and know what's going on at school! If you would like to switch from snail-mail to e-mail, just send a quick request to anacapa@anacapaschool.org from the e-mail account you'd like us to use. We can also make a switch the other way if you prefer; just let us know!