

# MAY NOTABLES



## LAST 6<sup>TH</sup> GRADE CAMP OF THE YEAR

It seems Anacapa's reputation for having the best sixth grade camp Cabin Leaders in town continues. The following Upper School students will be working with sixth graders from Washington and Adams schools at their camp Tuesday-Friday, May 3-6:

Patrick Alcerro, Sophie Crane, Chris Eckert, Mateus Elomaa, Genn Hatfield, Emily Johnson, Esai Macario, Isaac Macario, Maria Petraitis, Ryan Reish, Brenda Renteria, and Kiara Trujillo.

Thanks to this great group of Cabin Leaders for their leadership at camp. We know your sixth graders will have a wonderful and rich experience!

## WANTED! ANACAPA HOST FAMILIES FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS



Over the years, Anacapa has been fortunate to have international students as part of our student body. In fact, we have been very lucky to have Mateus and Milena Elomaa with us from Finland this final quarter of the 2010-2011 academic year while their parents have been on a temporary stay in Santa Barbara!

Sometimes our international students live with relatives or family friends, but sometimes they need a host family. As Anacapa's International Student Committee has been discussing ways to serve these students, they have recognized the need to develop a list of possible host families.

If your family might be interested in getting to know the world in a whole different way by hosting an international student for the next school year or part of it, we'd love to hear from you. For more information about this rewarding cultural experience, which would include a monthly stipend for room and board, please contact Eric Kirsch at 692-8430 or via email at [internationalanacapa@gmail.com](mailto:internationalanacapa@gmail.com).

We also invite you to check out our new electronic brochure geared to international students. Soon, you'll find it in the "International Students" section under "Admissions" on our school website. We'd like to thank Anacapa parent Wilja Happe for her generous support of this endeavor!

## WE'RE COUNTING ON EVERYONE DOING THEIR PART FOR ANNUAL GIVING!

Our school community's support of the recent auction was awesome. The success of our Annual Giving campaign is also crucial to keeping Anacapa strong. The school appreciates – and our budget relies on – Annual Giving donations from all of our families. Soon, you will be receiving a letter requesting that you help us reach our goal on this budgeted line item. Gifts of all sizes are valued greatly. With everyone doing the best they can, together we will help Anacapa continue to improve the lives and futures of students—even in these challenging economic times.

As we go to press, we have raised \$23,600 toward our \$40,000 goal. By this time next month, we hope to see the gap closed and we hope YOUR name will be included in our list of much-appreciated parent donors. Thank you one and all!

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## GOOD LUCK ON AP EXAMS

Good luck to the Upper School students who have signed up to take the AP exams—Calculus on Wednesday morning, May 4 and Literature on Thursday morning, May 5.

## A TASTY AND FUN CINCO DE MAYO CELEBRATION FRIDAY, MAY 6

This year's Cinco de Mayo celebration for students on Friday afternoon, May 6 will be combined with our traditional Cabin Leader Welcome Back. We're looking forward to fabulous food, wonderful music, and a very festive atmosphere—combined with the Cabin Leaders' entertaining stories from camp. Special thanks to teacher Hugo Macario for once again organizing this event!

## JUNIOR CLASS MEETING

College counselor Lynn Hamilton will be meeting with juniors during lunch on Thursday, May 12. Juniors are asked to meet Lynn in Elliott Hall at 12:45 that day for a brief session. Thanks!

## 7:30 PM, MAY 13 & 14 ***THE 25<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL PUTNAM COUNTY SPELLING BEE*** ON CAMPUS



The Anacapa School Performing Arts Department will be presenting ***The 25<sup>th</sup> Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee*** on campus on Friday and Saturday evenings, May 13 and 14. This funny play explores a group of over-achieving spellers as they battle for the championship of the local spelling competition. They are a quirky yet charming cast of outsiders for whom a spelling bee is the one place where they can stand out. Along the way, they learn that winning isn't everything and that losing doesn't necessarily make you a loser.

This production will be held on campus in Elliott Hall at 7:30 pm both evenings. Tickets are \$10 for adults, and students are free. Tickets are available at the door. Seating is limited so it's first-come, first-served.

## SOFTBALL GAME AND BBQ—THE TRADITION LIVES ON!

It's the game we've all been waiting for! The Friday afternoon activity for May 20 will be our annual all-school spring BBQ and softball game. This game of Anacapa-style softball has become a tradition that's always fun and user-friendly!

## FACULTY CORNER: VISUAL ARTS

Find out more about Anacapa's outstanding visual arts program in this month's Faculty Corner included in this mailing. Then join us for the Art Show and Concert on Monday, May 23 (see notes below).

## BRING THE WHOLE FAMILY — AND PROSPECTIVE ANACAPA FAMILIES — TO ENJOY OUR STUDENT ART SHOW AND CONCERT AT 5PM MAY 23

Our fabulous student artists and writers will display their work, and our talented Ensemble Music class will perform on campus at 5pm Monday evening, May 23. We invite you to bring the whole family and join us! Anacapa moms Julia Alcerro and Julie Proctor are putting together some tasty treats; Paula Campanelli, Suzie Sichi, and Peggy Lauer have assembled students' art and writing; and Hugo Macario is rehearsing his musicians. All YOU need to do is come and enjoy a glass of wine and our students' art and music! You'll be amazed at their talent and creativity!

We also encourage you to bring along friends, neighbors, or co-workers who might be interested in Anacapa for their student. This will be a great way to introduce them to our lovely campus and friendly school community!

THE LAST DAY  
OF CLASSES AND  
FINAL EXAMS

Thursday, May 26 is the last day of regular classes before final exams and the whirlwind of our end-of-the-year activities. Gordon will give final exams for his classes on Friday morning, May 27. Exams for other classes will be scheduled Tuesday, May 31-Thursday, June 2. **The final exam schedule will be sent to you later this month.**

ALL-SCHOOL  
SWIM PARTY

The traditional end-of-the-year swim party will take place at Hidden Oaks on Friday afternoon, May 27 (after Gordon's exams). We'll need some parent drivers, so please call the school office if you can help! Students will be asked to bring refreshments to share. Watch for the Senate's postcard about what they'd like you to bring!

NEED SOME GOOD  
WORKERS OR  
PROFESSIONAL  
INTERNS THIS  
SUMMER? ANACAPA  
KIDS ARE LOOKING  
FOR SUMMER JOBS!

At our recent student / advisor meetings, some of our students talked about trying to find summer jobs or professional internships. If you—or your place of business—needs some good temporary workers or interns, why not consider offering the opportunity to Anacapa students. We'll be happy to post your job and professional internship openings here at school. Our students have earned a reputation for being responsible, competent, reliable, efficient, friendly, and willing to tackle all kinds of tasks—from office work to babysitting to assisting with home and garden projects. We are hopeful the Anacapa community can give them a meaningful work experience this summer!

COME SEE OUR  
SQUARE AT THE  
*I MADONNARI*  
CHALK ART FESTIVAL

Anacapa student artists will once again participate in the *I Madonnari* chalk painting festival over Memorial Day weekend. We hope many of our families will stop by to watch our artists work at the Santa Barbara Mission on Saturday, May 28 or to check out their completed masterpiece on Sunday or Monday, May 29-30. (Look for the HUB Insurance square. Our thanks to HUB for sponsoring our block once again!)

COME JUNE, WE'LL  
BE HEADING TO THE  
CITY BY THE BAY!

After final exams, we'll be enjoying a special time of Anacapa bonding and celebrating the end of what has been a great school year. For this year's end-of-the-year trip (Sunday, June 5-Wednesday, June 8), we'll be visiting San Francisco. Details on this "city trip" will be provided in a separate mailing later in May.

ATTENTION,  
CLASS OF 2011!

It's time for seniors to begin working on their individual talks for this year's graduation. Seniors are also reminded that they will go to the Santa Barbara Woman's Club – Rockwood with the junior class at 12 noon on Friday, June 10 to have lunch and rehearse before that evening's commencement ceremony. **Seniors and juniors should not make other plans from noon to 2:30 that very important day.** Thanks!

AN IMPORTANT  
SAVE-THE-DATE:  
OCTOBER 1

Please mark your calendars now for an important date next fall. On Saturday afternoon, October 1, we'll be gathering in Elings Park for Anacapa's 30-Year Celebration! We hope you and your family will be joining us for the festivities!

Thanks to Anacapa moms Julia Alcerro and Maya Schoop-Rutten for volunteering to organize this family event.

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LOOKING AHEAD TO  
(CAN YOU BELIEVE IT?)

JUNE...

Here's a heads-up on what's happening as we close out a great year:

- June 1-2 Last Final Exams (schedule to be mailed later)
- June 3 Grading Day (No Regular School)  
Lower School: Promotion /Potluck Salad Lunch (12 noon)  
Upper School: No School But You're Welcome to Come!
- June 5-8 End-of-the-Year Trip: San Francisco  
(Details to come later – ALSO: See note above.)
- June 9 Trip Recovery Day (No School)
- June 10 Last Day of School for ALL Students (9 am-12 noon)  
Rehearsal for Seniors and Juniors (12 noon-2:30pm)  
Graduation Reception (5:30pm)  
Graduation Ceremony / ALL-SCHOOL Awards (6:30pm)

**Please note that graduation is not just for seniors. We appreciate having ALL of our students and their families in attendance at this very special event. Please make plans to join us at Santa Barbara Woman's Club – Rockwood on Friday evening, June 10.**

VERY IMPORTANT!

HERE'S THE WORD  
ON A NEW CA  
IMMUNIZATION  
REQUIREMENT FOR  
STUDENTS GOING  
INTO GRADES 7-12  
NEXT FALL

On September 30, 2010, Assembly Bill 354 became law. The new requirement affects all students – current, new, and transfers – in both public and private schools in California:

- **For the 2011-2012 school year, all students entering into the 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, or 12<sup>th</sup> grades will need proof of a Tdap (Tetanus toxoid, reduced diphtheria toxoid and acellular pertussis vaccine) shot before starting school.**
- **Students need their Tdap shot before returning to the classroom for the new school year. There is no grace period for this requirement.**

**To circumvent the rush in meeting this requirement and to avoid exclusion of students during the first weeks of school, the health department strongly recommends that parents of all students who will be entering 7<sup>th</sup>–12<sup>th</sup> grades next fall make arrangements with their health care providers to receive their immunizations now.**