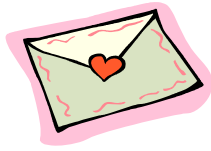


FEBRUARY NOTABLES



WELCOME TO TWO NEW ANACAPANS!

As we enter the second semester, we are delighted to welcome two new students to Anacapa! **Auguste Bourely Hinrichs** joins our seventh grade class, and **Shayna Smith** is our new tenth grader! Please extend a warm welcome to Auguste and his parents—Kirsten Hinrichs and Christophe Bourely—and to Shayna and her parents—Rena and Ty Smith. Contact information is included in the enclosed school directory update.

FOOD SYNTHESIS UNIT WRAPS UP FEBRUARY 1 WITH FIELD TRIPS

In a slight departure from our usual Synthesis Unit schedule, the third and final day of the unit this year (Wednesday, February 1) will be devoted to field trips. We will begin our experiential education adventure that day at the usual 7:50 a.m. time, and we plan to be back on campus in time for our regular 3 p.m. dismissal. Please note that there will be no Work/Study that day. For more information about the Food Synthesis Unit, please see this month's Faculty Corner (enclosed).

FIRST THURSDAY BREAKFAST CLUB SERIES CONTINUES THIS MONTH WITH ASTROPHYSICIST MATTEO CANTIELLO

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 Anacapa's students. Our First Thursday Breakfast Club series is open to prospective parents to see first-hand how a Breakfast Club works.

This month's First Thursday Open Breakfast Club speaker will be Matteo Cantiello, an astrophysicist with the Kavli Theoretical Physics Institute at UCSB. Join us at 7:50 a.m., Thursday, February 2 for Dr. Cantiello's talk, "Stars: Life, Death, and the Origin of Elements," which will focus on stars and their essential role in life as we know it.

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 and a chat with Dr. Cantiello.

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 2. Students in those two grades are asked to bring their lunch and their questions for this meeting with Lynn!

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 Monday, February 27, please don't wait until the last minute. **We'd love to have as many donations as possible before the break, so we can catalog them during the break!** It makes the auction committee's job so much easier! Thanks!

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DON'T MISS THIS!
YOUR FAMILY IS
INVITED TO A
CELEBRATION:
7PM, THURS., FEB. 9

Join us at 7 p.m. on Thursday, February 9 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 we'll also 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.

A LATE START
FOR STUDENTS

The faculty has scheduled its next early-morning WASC accreditation meeting on Monday, February 13. Please note that school will start at 9 a.m. that morning.

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 February 13. 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 before we mail them to parents, so we count on parents to share them with their student at home. 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 Senate Tribune Brenda Gutierrez if you'd like to order one for your student or sweetie.



WE ♥ VALENTINE'S
DAY AT ANACAPA

We'll enjoy a low-key celebration of Valentine's Day on campus Tuesday, February 14. Bags will be available for students and teachers to decorate for our annual Valentine exchange.

FEBRUARY 15 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 15 WILL BE THE FINAL DAY** to turn 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!

STUDENTS SUPPORT
AUCTION BY SELLING
RAFFLE TICKETS

Watch for raffle tickets coming home soon! For the last seven years, the student body has played a very important role in boosting the bottom line for our auction fund-raising efforts, making the last seven 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 8.**

ANOTHER WAY FOR
PARENTS 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!

STUDENTS TO MEET WITH ADVISORS

Students will meet individually with their academic advisors on Thursday afternoon, February 16 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 email the teacher directly (teachers' email addresses are listed in the school directory) OR call the school office to leave a message.

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.

SPREAD THE WORD: SHADOW DAY FOR PROSPECTIVE STUDENTS

As we work to find good enrollments for next year, we will be hosting prospective students for a special Shadow Day on Friday morning, February 17 (a holiday for many schools). Reservations are required, so if you know a student who might be a good match for Anacapa, please pass along word about this opportunity to check out Anacapa's program!

EARLY DISMISSAL ON FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 17

Students will be dismissed after morning academic classes on Friday, February 17 as we kick off the Presidents' Week break. For most students, dismissal will be at 12:25 p.m., followed by Work/Study from 12:30 to 1:00 p.m. Anacapa student ambassadors who are asked to host one of our Shadow Day guests will have lunch with our guests from 12:30 to 1:15. (For information about our Shadow Day on February 17, please refer to the note above.)

PRESIDENTS' WEEK BREAK: FEB. 18-26



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 18 through Sunday, February 26 (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 27!

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 at the following link:
<http://www.anacapaschool.org/wp-content/uploads/2012/01/2012-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!

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



OUT OF THIS WORLD

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

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

**HELP US GROW
OUR LIST OF
ANNUAL GIVING
DONORS !**

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 11.

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 29. 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.

The student Senate is making plans for our annual Pajama Day on Tuesday morning, February 28. 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!



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, February 28**. 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 2012
- 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!**

We appreciate knowing that **ALL** Anacapa parents **ARE WORKING WITH US ON ANNUAL GIVING**. Each year, this fundraising endeavor is critical to the school's fiscal health. If you haven't made your donation yet, please do so soon and help us reach 100% parent participation this year!

We thank the following Anacapa parents who, as we go to press, have already made their donations to the 2011-2012 Annual Giving campaign:

**Jon & Liz Brady, Russell & Christa Crane, Eryn Eckert,
Jairo & Thrisha Francia, Joe & Lisa Johnston, Alicia Lancashire,
Bill & Kathy Reish, Marlene Roberts, Marty & Megan Robertson,
Raul & Maya Rutten, and Pedro & Silvia Trujillo**

We hope to see even more names listed next month! Tax-deductible donations may be made online at www.anacapaschool.org or sent directly to the school. Gifts of all sizes are important to us. Thanks for your support in this most important campaign.

BOOK BILLS ARE
NOW DUE

First semester book bills were mailed to parents recently, and we appreciate your prompt payment. Please contact Sheryn in the school office if you have any questions. Thanks.

WOULD YOU LIKE TO
RECEIVE NOTABLES
ELECTRONICALLY
OR BY MAIL?

Earlier this year, you were given an opportunity to let us know if you prefer receiving the monthly *Notables* mailing electronically or via regular mail. We are happy to send *Notables* either way because the most important thing for 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'd like to switch your preference, just let us know!