JUNE NOTABLES











MAY WAS QUITE A
MONTH! ARE YOU
FOLLOWING ALL
OUR ACTIVITIES,
ACCOMPLISHMENTS,
AND ACCOLADES
ONLINE????
IF NOT, YOU'RE
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OF THE FUN!

What a fantastic month we just had! In early May, the Anacapa Near Space Exploration Club (ANSEC) scored another triumph with the successful launch of the high-altitude balloon (AAHAB-2) they designed and built and the recovery of its payload. By reaching an altitude of 111,814 feet, AAHAB-2 shattered the record of the group's own AAHAB-1 flight by more than 20,000 feet. (The stunning photos and video footage are a must-see.) The Performing Arts class was a delight at Center Stage Theatre with their production of *Carnival!* early in the month. And two days after that, we had a lively family party on campus, where we were wowed by the awesome work of our talented student artists and the rockin' music of The Adobes, as our Anacapa band has dubbed itself! And all of this was in addition to our full regular school calendar. What amazing students and teachers we have! If you haven't checked out all the action on our school Web site (www.anacapaschool.org), you're missing some of the fun!

Annual Giving: Let's Go For 100% Parent Participation! As we go to press, we are almost \$10,000 short of our goal for the 2011-2012 Annual Giving Campaign, and we have until June 30 to make up the difference and reach our budgeted goal of \$40,000. We can do it! Many thanks to those of you who have already supported this important endeavor during this academic year. We would like to acknowledge the following Anacapa parents who have already donated to the 2011-2012 Annual Giving Campaign:

Peter Artusio & Sonja Winter, Christophe Bourely & Kirsten Hinrichs,
Jon & Liz Brady, Stephen & Shauna Cazabat, Christa & Russell Crane,
Eryn Eckert, Melissa Erickson, Jairo & Thrisha Francia,
Maria del Carmen Gutierrez, Seth & Anna Hatfield,
Shawn Johnson & Helen Miller, Joseph & Lisa Johnston,
Rick Knowles & Erin Eamer, Alicia Lancashire,
Hugo Macario & Lucia Torres, George & Juli Powell,
Bill & Kathy Reish, Marlene Roberts, Marty & Megan Robertson,
Raul & Maya Rutten, Tom & Alison Strelich, Pedro & Silvia Trujillo.

THERE IS STILL TIME! We are still accepting contributions to this year's Annual Giving Campaign and would love to see <u>ALL</u> of our families acknowledged. **Donations of <u>all sizes</u> are needed <u>and</u> appreciated**. Please give what you can! Thank you.

CHECK OUT THE JUNE WORK / STUDY SCHEDULE Below is the schedule for Work/Study students this month:

 June 8 All scholarship students <u>except</u> seniors and juniors will do Work/Study from 12 to 12:30 pm on the last day of school.

THANKS to our GREAT crew of Work/Study students who have kept our campus in order throughout the year! You've been awesome, and WE APPRECIATE YOU!

LOWER SCHOOL PROMOTION AND POTLUCK SALAD LUNCHEON Our Lower School Promotion will be held on campus at 12 noon on Friday, June 1. Families and friends are welcome. **ALL Lower School students are expected to attend**, and students in grades 9-12 may also attend. Please note that **students are asked to "dress up"** for this occasion.

Eighth graders should be on campus at 11:50am. The brief Promotion ceremony, which will begin in Elliott Hall at 12 noon, will be followed by a potluck salad luncheon outdoors. **Parents who attend are asked to bring a <u>salad</u> to serve 10-12**. We always get a wonderful array of salads—including green salads, salads with meat, fruit salads, and pasta salads!

Every year, **seventh graders help "stage" this event** for the eighth grade class. Seventh graders who signed up for the set-up crew (**Hazel**, **Dela**, **Charley**, **Fatima**, **Ethan**, **and Elijah**) need to be on campus at 9:00 that morning; they will be finished about 1:30. Seventh graders who signed up for the clean-up crew (**Elena**, **Auguste**, **and Raymond**) need to arrive at 11:50 for the noon ceremony and then stay to help with clean-up after the luncheon; they will be finished between 2:30 and 3:00 that afternoon.

PARENTS, PLEASE BE SURE WE CAN REACH YOU DURING THE JUNE 3-6 TRIP... Parents, If you will not be reachable at your usual contact numbers while we are away on our End-of-the-Year Trip, please call Elizabeth in the school office (965-0228) and let her know how and where we can contact you or some other designated person in the unlikely event we need to call during the trip. Thanks!

END-OF-THE-YEAR TRIP WE'RE OFF TO THE SACRAMENTO AREA ON SUNDAY, JUNE 3! As you know from the separate trip mailing sent to you earlier, we have a fun-filled End-of-the-Year Trip planned this month! Students should be on campus at 6:00am on Sunday, June 3 so we can get on the road promptly. Please bring a <u>sack breakfast and lunch</u> as well as <u>snacks</u> for the bus trip. And remember to pack lightly and compactly, please. We expect to arrive back on campus on Wednesday evening, June 6 (exact time to be determined). The next day (Thursday, June 7) will be our Trip Recovery Day – no school that day!

For further information about the trip, please refer to the earlier mailing. There is also a copy of that information posted on the school Web site at: http://www.anacapaschool.org/2012/05/18/sacramento-trip-equipment-list/.

Trip payment and student medications, etc. were due earlier this week. If you haven't already done so, please give the following to the school office right away:

- \$460 Trip <u>Payment</u>
- Any Updates on Parent Contact Information
- Any Updates on Student Emergency/ Health Information
- Student Medications for the Trip (with detailed instructions)

OUR LAST DAY: YEARBOOKS AND MORE TRADITIONS! Friday, June 8 is our last day of school for the 2011-2012 academic year. Participation is required for all students when we meet on campus from 9 am to 12 noon on Friday, June 8 to enjoy our traditional end-of-the-year activities. That's when we'll "unveil" the yearbook! Students should bring their favorite pen for yearbook signing.

CALLING ALL JUNIORS AND SENIORS! A reminder to Juniors and Seniors: We will leave campus at 12 noon on Friday, June 8 to go to the Santa Barbara Woman's Club (Rockwood) for lunch, set-up, and rehearsal for that evening's commencement ceremony. We plan to be back on campus by 2:30. Please don't plan anything else until then!

COMMENCEMENT: It's Definitely Not Just For Seniors! Join Us! Once again, the lovely Santa Barbara Woman's Club (Rockwood) will be the site of this year's *Commencement and All-School Awards Ceremony* on Friday, June 8. While the spotlight will be on the graduating Class of 2012, we encourage ALL of our students and their families to attend as well. Included in the evening's program will be awards and Honor Roll recognition for ALL GRADE LEVELS, a slide show of the End-of-the-Year Trip, and some very special Anacapa School traditions. It's the perfect way for the entire Anacapa community to conclude the school year and send our graduates off in style! Please plan to join us! The reception begins at 5:30 pm, followed by the ceremony at 6:30. The program should conclude between 7:45 and 8:15 pm. We hope you'll be there!

BOOK BILLS DUE COMING SOON

<u>Second</u> semester bills for students' books, yearbooks, and other expenses will be mailed soon. We appreciate your prompt payment!

JUNE 19-JULY 24: COME CLAIM YOUR FINALS, OTHER WORK, LOST ITEMS

We expect to be able to mail second semester report cards and teacher comments to parents about June 19. When you receive that mailing, you will have until Tuesday, July 24 to stop by school to pick up your final exams, other student work, and items still in the Lost and Found. After July 24, unclaimed items will be donated to charity.

HELP! We'RE BURIED IN LOST AND FOUND

Parents, we have the usual end-of-the-year Lost and Found items—clothing, sports gear, books, shoes, etc. Unclaimed items will be donated to charity this summer. First, we want to give parents a chance to reclaim their student's belongings, so stop by school between June 19 and July 24 to check out the Lost and Found. You may be happily surprised at what you'll find to reclaim!

CAN YOU JOIN US FOR THIS SUMMER'S PARENT PAINTING AND WORK DAY ON JUNE 30?

We will have a parent painting and work day at school from 9am to 4pm on Saturday, June 30. We had such success and a lot of fun when we did this the last two summers, so we are planning a repeat this summer! This time, we will be working on door touch-ups, bookshelves, Lassen, and possibly Sedgwick.

We'll get the supplies—all you need to do is just bring your friendly, energetic selves and plan to work with the nicest parents in town! Stay all day or a few hours—it will all be appreciated! Please RSVP to the school office by June 26 so we can be well prepared. We look forward to seeing (and working with) you! Thanks a million!

A NOTE FROM THE COLLEGE COUNSELOR TO RISING SENIORS

College counselor Lynn Hamilton is available to the Class of 2013 and their parents over the summer. You are welcome to call Lynn (845-9444) between the hours of 9am and 4pm Mondays-Fridays. As we've discussed in our meetings, the summer months are a great time to begin your college applications and to work on your essays.

FACULTY CORNER: ANACAPA'S RECENT RE-ACCREDITATION ON-SITE VISIT

As you know, we had our on-site visit this spring for our re-accreditation by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC). In this month's Faculty Corner, Peggy Lauer, who served as our WASC coordinator, reports on the process and the Visiting Committee's three-day visit. Be sure to read the Committee's list of commendations on the reverse side of Peggy's remarks.

LOOKING AHEAD TO IMPORTANT DATES FOR THE 2012-2013 SCHOOL YEAR The 2012-2013 school year calendar will be mailed to families this summer. In the meantime, we'd like to <u>call your attention to the following dates</u>:

- ▶ We will continue our practice of beginning school on the first Thursday after Labor Day. This year, that means that our first day of school will be Thursday, September 6. You'll receive information about student schedules and class selections in August, but—for now—circle Thursday, September 6 on your calendars for our starting date! Our annual family potluck picnic at Leadbetter Beach will take place Friday evening, September 7.
- ▶ Our Beginning-of-the-Year Trip will be an early one this year— Tuesday, September 11-Saturday, September 15. We are headed to a new destination—the Big Pine area in the eastern Sierra. Trip Recovery Day is scheduled for Monday, September 17, with classes resuming on Tuesday, September 18. Details about the trip will be sent to families at the end of the summer.
- ► Winter Break will be **Friday**, **December 21 Sunday**, **January 6** (inclusive). School will resume on Monday, January 7.
- ► Our Presidents' Week Break will be **Saturday**, **February 16 Sunday**, **February 24** (inclusive). School will resume on Monday, February 25.
- ➤ Spring Break will be **Saturday, March 23 Sunday, March 31** (inclusive). School will resume on Monday, April 1.
- ► The last day of school and graduation for the Class of 2013 will be **Friday, June 14**.

HAPPY SUMMER BIRTHDAYS!

We send our best wishes to the following Anacapans, who will celebrate their birthdays in July and August:

July = HAPPY BIRTHDAY to Emilia (4th), Isabella (10th), Raymond (13th), Esai (29th), Isaac (29th), and Douglas (30th)

<u>August</u> = **HAPPY BIRTHDAY** to Megan (1st), Chris (2nd), Gracie (6th), Henry (6th), Ali (7th), Hugo (15th), Fatima (19th), Ethan (19th), Hannah (22nd), Timmy (27th), and Rufus (29th)

Thanks for a GREAT school year!



Have a happy, fun, and safe summer!