MARCH 2014 NOTABLES











PURCHASE YOUR AUCTION TICKETS BEFORE THE PRICE GOES UP MARCH 1! Friday, February 28 is the last day to purchase your auction tickets at the reduced price of \$40. Ticket prices go up to \$50 on March 1. Return your RSVP card and payment to the school <u>OR</u> purchase your tickets online (with no service charge) via the school's secure Web site at the following link: https://anacapaschool.ejoinme.org/?tabid=81043

DO YOU NEED MORE AUCTION INVITATIONS?

When it comes to the auction, THE MORE THE MERRIER! Last month, the auction committee mailed all parents a packet including three auction invitations. If you haven't done so already, please use one of these for your family and then use the other two to invite your friends, relatives, coworkers, and neighbors to join us. If you need extra invitations, just call the school office. Also, feel free to email the link to our Web site's auction information to your friends and relatives:

http://www.anacapaschool.org/2014/01/28/the-30th-annual-anacapa-school-auction/

THANKS FOR THE GREAT AUCTION DONATIONS—WE'LL ACCEPT MORE UNTIL MONDAY, MARCH 3 Wow! We have some great donations for the upcoming auction! Thanks so much to all of you who have already turned in your <u>THREE</u> donations. Although Monday, February 24 was the original deadline for donations, <u>we could still use some more items</u>—so feel free to take a few more days to turn in your donations. Because each item needs to be catalogued, priced, and prepared for display, we really must have all auction items turned in to the school office NO LATER THAN MONDAY, MARCH 3. Please help us stay on schedule by turning in your donations ASAP.

MONDAY, MARCH 3
WILL ALSO BE
THE LAST DAY
TO TURN IN AUCTION
PROGRAM ADS

The school's auction program is a great place to advertise a business or service—or to just send a message to your student, a teacher, or to the whole school! We will continue to accept camera-ready artwork and payments until Monday, March 3. Here are the rates:

<u>Business Card</u> = \$35 <u>Half Page</u> $(4\% \times 3") = 55 <u>Full Page</u> $(4\% \times 7\% ") = 75 You may drop off your ad and payment in the school office or e-mail your ad to <u>anacapa@anacapaschool.org</u> and then send in your payment.

STUDENTS ARE
SELLING RAFFLE
TICKETS FOR SOME
COOL PRIZES—AND
THERE'S A GREAT
INCENTIVE PRIZE FOR
THE STUDENT WHO
SELLS THE MOST!

Before the February break, each student received ten raffle tickets to sell for the auction. Each \$5 ticket gives the ticket holder a chance to win one of three fabulous prizes—a crisp \$100 bill, a \$75 TicketMaster gift card, or a cruise on the *Double Dolphin* for four adults and four children! Students are expected to sell their allotted tickets soon. Students who wish to sell more than the allotted ten tickets may get additional tickets from the office. ALL raffle ticket stubs, money, AND unsold tickets are due in the school office no later than Thursday, March 13. The three lucky winners will be announced at the auction on Sunday, March 16. Winners need not be present. The Parent Leadership Team (PLT) will be awarding a \$50 Paseo Nuevo gift card to the student who sells the most raffle tickets AND turns in the ticket stubs and money by the March 13 deadline. Go for it!

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An Important Note
To Juniors And
Their Parents!

Juniors typically take the SAT in May or June. Please note that the June 2014 date will conflict with our Upper School trip to Boston, so juniors should register to take the SAT in May. The test will be administered on Saturday, May 3, 2014. The registration deadline for the May SAT is Friday, April 4, and IT'S NOT TOO EARLY TO TAKE CARE OF THIS!

HELP US REACH OUR TWO ANNUAL GIVING GOALS: \$50,000 AND

100%

PARENT PARTICIPATION

One of Anacapa's "bread and butter" income streams comes from our Annual Giving campaign. Donations made to Annual Giving directly fund expenses for the current school year, and, collectively, they ensure the school's fiscal well-being.

The goal set by the Board of Trustees for the 2013-2014 Annual Giving campaign is \$50,000. With help from current parents, alumni, alum parents, grandparents, board members, and other Anacapa friends, we expect to meet our budgeted monetary goal, as we did last year.

Our second goal is a community-building one: 100% parent participation. We appreciate knowing that ALL Anacapa parents ARE WORKING WITH US on this important endeavor. 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 have already made their donations to the 2013-2014 Annual Giving campaign:

Peter Artusio & Sonja Winter, Dan & Karen Bernstein,
Anthony Boyle & Helen Morales, Liz & Jon Brady,
Matthew & Debby Brooke, Julie & Doug Burdette,
Peter & Marie Isabelle Dalbadie, Victoria Deane & Trevor Pritchard,
Lauren Emma, Jairo & Thrisha Francia, Modesto & Teresa Gonzalez,
Anna & Seth Hatfield, Ali Ironside, Alecia & Elliot Mayrock,
Fanghua Mei, Juli & George Powell, Colleen & John Rickman,
the Roe Family, Henry Rousso, Lanny & Holly Sherwin,
Tom & Alison Strelich, Lacy & Michael Taylor,
Zoraida Toshiko Yoneyama, and the Zhang Family

Tax-deductible donations may be made online via the school's Web site at the following link:

https://anacapaschool.ejoinme.org/MyPages/DonationPage/tabid/81042/Default.aspx OR sent directly to the school. Gifts of ALL sizes are important to us. Please let us know you're on board.

MID-QUARTER NOTICES EARLY THIS MONTH We're nearing the halfway point of the third quarter, and teachers will be sending home *Improvement Needed* notices for students who need to step up their class performance. Teachers may also choose to send *Commendation* notices for students who are doing particularly well.

DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME BEGINS DON'T FORGET TO SPRING FORWARD! Be sure to set your clocks forward one hour before you go to bed Saturday night, March 8 because Daylight Saving Time begins that night.

Have Fun, Meet Other Parents, Help Transform The Campus For Even if you didn't sign up to be on the auction Decorations or Set-Up committees, you are MORE THAN WELCOME to join in the fun on Saturday, March 15 and/or Sunday morning, March 16. We guarantee there will be plenty to do and plenty of fun—and the more willing hands we have, the more fun it will be! You are welcome to bring your son or daughter because we always have jobs for student workers, too. So come on out to lend a hand and get to know other Anacapa parents as we set the stage for Sunday's fabulous party—**Fiesta Anacapa!**

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AUCTION
SUNDAY, MARCH 16

Fiesta Anacapa!
(RAIN or SHINE)

The 30th annual Anacapa School auction will feature all the things you've come to expect from this event—friendly people, fabulous food, lively entertainment, great buys, and the satisfaction of supporting our wonderful students! **The funds raised by the auction are essential to balance our budget each year.** We depend on the auction's success to help us finish out a positive school year. <u>ALL</u> proceeds directly benefit <u>YOUR</u> students <u>THIS YEAR!</u>

The Parent Leadership Team (PLT) has had fun planning the auction with its Mexican theme, and we think you'll have just as much fun attending it! We're looking forward to seeing <u>ALL</u> Anacapa parents and students and your friends, neighbors, and relatives on Sunday afternoon, March 16! Rain or shine, we'll be cozy under the tent—though a sweater or jacket is recommended if it's cool or breezy1

MARCH SPECIAL: AN OFF-CAMPUS DAY FOR STUDENTS AND TEACHERS It's time for our March Special, a long-time tradition of taking a day off from classes and doing something together. Since the auction was brought to campus, we have been scheduling the March Special to coincide with the removal of the big tent and campus clean-up the day after the auction. This year's March Special will be a day hike in the local area. We are firming up plans and will send details soon.

MARCH 31 - APRIL 3
GETTING READY FOR
THE LOWER SCHOOL
SACRAMENTO TRIP:
PAYMENT DUE
MARCH 20

This year's End-of-the-Year Trip will actually be two trips—one right after Spring Break for the Lower School and another right after finals in June for the Upper School. In past years when we've done this, the Upper and Lower schools have gone their separate ways to Boston and Sacramento respectively, so that each division can experientially learn more about what students have studied during the school year.

The Lower School will travel to Sacramento on Monday, March 31 (our first day back from Spring Break) and return on Thursday, April 3. This trip will have a special focus on learning about our State's systems of water distribution, visiting San Luis Reservoir on our way up to Sacramento and the Department of Water Resources in Sacramento. Visits to the State Capitol, legislative committee meetings, and meetings with our legislative representatives are also planned, along with other fun activities like visits to Old Town and the California State Railroad Museum.

The full itinerary and additional details will be mailed soon to Lower School parents. In the meantime, however, we wanted to alert you to the fact that the cost of the Lower School trip is \$400 due Thursday, March 20 (just before our Spring Break).

JUNE 7- JUNE 11
UPPER SCHOOL
BOSTON TRIP IS IN
THE WORKS:
PAYMENT BALANCE
DUE MARCH 21

The Upper School will fly to Boston on Saturday, June 7 and return on Wednesday, June 11. We will visit sites that played critical roles during the American Revolution-era in Boston. Side trips are planned to Plymouth Plantation, home of the Pilgrims; the towns of Lexington ("The Shot Heard Around the World") and Concord; Walden Pond; and the homes of John and Abigail Adams.

The full itinerary and additional details will be mailed later to Upper School parents. The cost of the Upper School trip is \$1,000. As noted last fall when you paid your \$200 deposit, the balance for the Boston trip is due Friday, March 21. Please send in your \$800 payment by then.

EARLY DISMISSAL FRIDAY, MARCH 21

We will have an early student dismissal at 12:25 pm on Friday, March 21. Work/Study students will complete their chores from 12:30 to 1 pm. And then it's spring break! (over please)

Spring Break: March 22-30 School will be closed for spring break from Saturday, March 22 through Sunday, March 30. Have a safe and fun break! We look forward to seeing everyone back on Monday morning, March 31 when Upper School classes resume and the Lower School departs for their Sacramento trip.

FACULTY CORNER
HIGHLIGHTS
THE VISUAL ARTS

This month's *Faculty Corner* takes a look at Anacapa's vibrant and colorful visual arts classes. Be sure to check out what Paula Campanelli, Suzie Sichi, and Alison Strelich have to say about their dynamic program!

NANNIES NEEDED?

A NOTE FROM GORDON SICHI

A very, very dear Anacapa Alum family from Germany have two daughters who want to be nannies for the next school year. The girls, Jessica and Sandra Ruhle, are exceptional young ladies and would be highly responsible as nannies. They actually were Anacapa students for a brief time two years ago. Their triplet sister, Rebecca, was also here in the Spring of 2012, but she is staying in Germany. Suzie and I know the girls and their extended family quite well. Their aunt, Anita, was an Anacapa student in the 1980s, and Suzie and I consider her our "German daughter." We went to her wedding in Germany in 2007, and we will go to her parents' 50th wedding anniversary celebration this summer. If you have any ideas of great Santa Barbara families for each of the girls to serve, please contact me!