February 1, 2016

Principal’s Message:
Dear Parents/Guardians:

It is hard to believe that the first month of the new year has already ended. Before we look further ahead into 2016, I want to take time to review and celebrate the great things that have happened at Woodside in 2015. With the support of our community, PTO, parent volunteers, teacher expertise and dedicated staff efforts our children and staff have been blessed and enriched by the following highlighted resources and events:

- September Perfect Attendance Barbeque recognizing 262 students
- Fencing Project Completed for additional school-wide safety/security
- Fall Harvest Festival-PTO sponsored
- Fall Kid’s Night Out-PTO sponsored
- Art Docent Program- headed by Jacque Weaver
- Teacher Classroom Allocations for the 1st and 2nd Trimester-PTO sponsored
- 6th Grade Westminster Woods Field Trip, October 2015
- Advancement Via Individual Determination (AVID) Recertification for 2015-2016
- Bella Vista High Student Government Holiday Crafts Make and Take Day
- 8th Grade San Juan High School Tour
- Citrus Heights Rotary Club dictionary donations for all 3rd Grade students
- Scholastic Book Fair Family Night
- Red Ribbon Week with special presentation by the Citrus Heights Police K-9 and SWAT Division
- 7 Families/21 children supported through our Christmas Giving Tree Program
- Barnes and Noble Gift Wrap Fundraiser-PTO sponsored
- K-3 Weekly Citizenship Awards
- 4th and 5th Weekly Cougar Pride Awards
- Celebrated academic achievement with our 1st Trimester Awards Assembly for Middle School students
- Winter Holiday Staff Breakfast-PTO provided
- Special Awards and Student recognition for Craig Malkin, Leila Lopez and Hanna Pyle (Spelling Bee), Maya Taff, Hailey Graham, and Diana Serobyan (Yearbook Covers), Hailey Brooks and Leila Gross (Recycling Contest)

Thank you to everyone who worked hard to ensure the success of our programs and events! We truly appreciate our Woodside community support and our outstanding staff. We all want to provide the best education possible for our children and continue our tradition of providing an exceptional school environment. As we combine our gifts and resources this goal becomes a reality.

Thank you for also supporting your child at home with study skills, homework, and high expectations. We are fortunate to serve in a community that values and supports education.

Best Regards,
Marianne Williams
Principal
Yearbooks on Sale NOW!
Order your Woodside yearbook for $21. Make your check payment out to Woodside PTO or pay online by credit/debit card at ybpay.lifetouch.com and use yearbook ID code 2316016. Cash payments are also accepted. Order deadline is February 29, 2016.

White Copy Paper Donations Needed
Woodside goes through a lot of white paper! If you are able to donate any amount of white copy paper it would be much appreciated.

Jump Rope for Heart (American Heart Association)
Jump Rope for Heart Event Week will be February 8-12 during each student’s PE class. The last day to turn in donations is February 12th.

Family and Community Engagement Department presents: Loving Solutions
Loving Solutions is a program designed specifically for parents raising strong-willed younger children and early adolescents. Loving Solutions combines group learning activities with at home assignments to maximize learning and interests. $25 class materials fee for San Juan families. Register online at www.sanjuan.edu/familyed or call 916-971-7929 or email sjusdfamilyeducation@sanjuan.edu. Childcare available.

Family and Community Engagement Department presents: Parent Leadership Academy
The Parent Leadership Academy empowers families to become actively involved at the district level by gaining a greater understanding of our educational system, district initiatives, and parent leadership opportunities available within San Juan Unified. Wednesdays 9:00-10:30 am at Encina High School Community Family Resource Center. Register online at www.sanjuan.edu/familyed or call 916-971-7929 or email sjusdfamilyeducation@sanjuan.edu.

How can Families get District and School Information?
If you would like to receive school and district news through email, here is how you sign up:
1. Go to sanjuan.edu/Woodside
2. Go to Students and Families
3. Click on Online Family Resource Center
4. Click on the blue volunteer tab
5. Sign up for the school and district newsletter of your choice

Send a Valentine’s Candy Gram and Support 8th Grade Promotion
Candy Grams are for sale for .50 from February 1 – February 10 in front of rooms C2 and C3. They are on sale before school, during middle school break (9:54-10:04), and after school. The Candy Grams include a card and pencil or lollipop. On the Friday before Valentine’s Day (2/12) 8th graders will deliver purchased grams to classrooms.

Project Wisdom Character Focus: February “Tolerance”

Student Store:
The Student Store will now only be open on Fridays after school for all Woodside Students.

February’s Cougar Chat/Parent Coffee: February 25th
February’s Cougar Chat Topic:
“Tolerance and School Safety”
February 25th, 8:00 am, Library/Media Center

Upcoming Cougar Chats:
March 31st, April 28th and May 26th

Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP) Forums:
San Juan USD’s Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP) describes how actions and services are increased or improved based on the needs of students using a variety of funding. In particular, it describes the district’s use of funds principally directed toward supporting English language learners, foster youth, homeless youth, and socio-economically disadvantaged students. In 2015-2016, improvements resulted in additional counselors, campus monitors, more English language development classes, reduced class size in TK – 1st grade and in 9th grade math, and additional discretionary funds to schools. Please join us at one or more of the upcoming forums below to hear about our LCAP and to provide input on what is most important to you as we consider annual revisions:

Tuesday, February 2nd, 6:30-7:30 Howe Avenue Elementary
Thursday, February 4th, 6:30-7:30 Coyle Avenue Elementary
Monday, February 8th, 6:30-7:30 Northridge Elementary