

Bethany Elementary School Newsletter

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Upcoming Events

- ◆ 5/2 Stockton Ports Game for Baseball by the Books
- ◆ 5/4 3rd/4th Grade Music Concert, 7:00pm
- ◆ 5/5 BSF Meeting @ Wicklund 6pm
- ◆ 5/5 MHHS Planning Meeting 7pm @ Wicklund
- ◆ 5/6 OPEN HOUSE
- ◆ 5/10 Talent Show
- ◆ 5/12 Volunteer Tea
- ◆ 5/13 Band/Choir/Orchestra Concert, 7:00pm
- ◆ 5/20 Field Day
- ◆ 5/21 Bethany Bookfair
- ◆ 5/25 3rd Trimester Awards Assembly
- ◆ 5/26 8th Grade Promotion Ceremony and Dance
- ◆ 5/27 Last Day of School

Phone:
(209) 836-7250
Attendance Line:
(209) 836-7251

BSF Multicultural Potluck, Silent Auction, and 50/50 Raffle tonight 6:00-8:00pm Bethany Multipurpose Room See you there!!!

Dear Parents,

Thank you for all of your support during STAR testing. We appreciate the extra efforts on your part to have your children here on time every day and to ensure that they had plenty of rest and a good breakfast. Everything you do at home to support your child's education is appreciated and will go a long way to ensure their academic success. It was evident that students tried their best on the tests and their teachers did an outstanding job of preparing them for the challenge.

This Saturday our 7th/8th grade Pentathlon team will be competing with other local schools at East Union High School in Manteca. They have been preparing for this event all year and were diligently coached by 6th grade teachers Ms. Burns and Ms. Borncamp. Our 6th grade Pentathlon team will compete the following Saturday, May 8th at Manteca High School. Their coach is 6th grade teacher, Mrs. Swankhuizen, and they too have been working hard all year long to prepare for this event. We wish both teams much success!

May is definitely the busiest month of school every year – and the most fun! We had Multi-Cultural Day here this morning and all of our students had the opportunity to travel from classroom to classroom with their 'passports.' They experienced traditions, food, dances, and the history of various countries around the world. Tonight is the BSF Multicultural Potluck from 6-8pm in our multipurpose room. This is a fundraising event hosted by our school foundation and there will be plenty of good food and entertainment for everyone, along with a silent auction and a 50/50 raffle. Hope to see you there!

Sincerely,

Keri Buckley
Principal
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Bethany Open House Thursday, May 6 6:30-8:00pm





Lunch Account Update

Please be advised that as of Friday, May 14 there will be no “charges” to lunch accounts. All balances must be paid in full prior to May 27. Unpaid balances may result in activity restriction and a hold on final report cards.

Yearbooks

Yearbooks will be distributed to the students on Thursday, May 27th right after morning announcements. Anyone wishing to still purchase a yearbook can do so on May 27th at 8:30am. Supplies are very limited so yearbooks will be sold on a first come first serve basis only. The cost will be \$40. Please see Sherri Sentman in the front office to purchase your yearbook.

3rd Annual Canned Food Drive at Bethany

Please bring canned foods to your child’s teacher starting the week of April 26. All of the canned foods will go to families in need in the Tracy/Mountain House area through Tracy Interfaith Ministries. Most needed items are:

- Peanut Butter
- Rice & Beans
- Canned meat or tuna

Calling All Parents, Guardians, Staff and Community Members!

The Lammersville School District is in the process of designing Mountain House High School and needs community input. Please join us on May 5 at 7:00pm in the Wicklund Elementary School multi-use room to start planning our K-12 educational future. Together we will design a facility that will meet the needs of our children.

Young Authors’ Workshop

The Great Valley Writing Project’s Young Authors’ Workshop offers a unique opportunity for students to develop their writing talents. Under the guidance of experienced Great Valley Writing Project Teacher Consultants, students have a chance to grow as writers. In an atmosphere that is optimal for young writers, students become better writers. Students share writings with fellow students, conference with teachers, and experiment with a variety of genre and creative techniques. The camp will run from 9:00am–12:00pm, June 7–18 at Wicklund Elementary. This is for students entering grades 4–8. Registration is \$200 for the two week session and includes a shirt, course materials and an anthology of students’ writing. You can pick up a brochure and registration form from Jill Waters in Room 507 at Bethany. For questions, please call Jill Waters at (209)836-7250 x2445 or by email at jwaters@sjcoe.net

BSF News!

Please help us welcome our new Bethany School Foundation Board:

President – Natalie Lancer
Vice President – Tammy Hurst
Secretary – Harman Singh
Treasurer – Jodi Larson
Parliamentarian – Rashmi Tewari

Kimball High School Parent Information Night

When: Wednesday, May 12th
Where: KHS Main Gym
3200 Jaguar Run, Tracy
Time: 5:30-7:00pm

Bethany Bookfair!

May 21st: All Day Bookfair at Barnes & Noble in Tracy

- **Morning Storytime for preschoolers**
- **Coffee Social, 2-4pm**
- **Pajama Storytime, 7pm**

Watch for fliers coming home soon!

Please stop by and check out our Lost & Found! It is overflowing with jackets, sweatshirts and other personal belongings. All items remaining at the end of the school year will be donated to a local charity.