







November 15, 2013



Upcoming Important Dates

Mon Nov 18

Early Release Day

Children's Chorus 3rd-5th

Tue Nov 19

3:15pm School Site Council 7:00pm Children's Chorus Performance at Warm Springs Middle

School

Wed Nov 20

Drama Club Rehearsal

Fri Nov 22

All TK & Kindergarten students attend 8:20-11:40am for their Thanksgiving Feast

20 Fifth Grade Students to Compete in Turkey Trot at Warm Springs Middle School

M-F Nov 25-29

Thanksgiving Break - No School

Mon Dec 2

Early Release Day

Wed Dec 4

Drama Club Rehearsal

The Next Friday Spirit

Assembly is

December 6, 2013

at 8:30am

School Office Hours

Mon-Fri 7:45am-4:00pm

Website www.murrieta.k12.ca.us/buchanan





School Notes

As we begin this holiday season of Thanksgiving may we take a moment and remember the simple things that make life so precious. The gentle touch of a child's hand, the smile that warms your heart or a simple kind gesture that let's you know someone cares. I feel so blessed to work at an educational institution where I have the opportunity to experience these simple acts daily:

A caring staff of educators who go above and beyond to help our students develop socially, emotionally and academically. A wonderful community of Buchanan families that have entrusted their special cargo into our care five days a week, six hours a day. The most precious and beautiful children who daily bring so much joy to the world. The Watchdog dads who give of themselves to be both a positive role model and academic support to our students. To our men and women serving in the military to protect us daily. For the many students who cared enough to help our needy families by donating items to our canned food drive.

Be thankful, be hopeful, be kind. Happy Thanksgiving to all.



Good things are happening at Buchanan Elementary! Jennifer Randel and Jim Curtis

Did you know.....

- From September 9 through November 15 our Watchdogs have logged 260 hours supporting our students
 - Ninety seven of our students have a parent or two currently serving in the US military
- Ninety six students were honored today at our Friday morning assembly for passing a Fastt Math next generation operation
- Our library is almost completely lexiled which provides appropriate reading levels for students in both fiction and non fiction books
- Over one thousand non perishable food items have been collected so far to provide a Thanksgiving feast for members of our community in need



Thanksgiving Break - No School November 25-29

-Bicycle and Scooter Reminders and Safety-

A couple of reminders: please remember to wear helmets whenever riding. It can help protect your growing brain and....it's the law. Also, when pedestrians are present and the sidewalks crowded, walk the bike or scooter. For example, after school walk your bike or scooter to the crossing guards on either side of the bike compound. Doing these things shows good character and that you care. And, remember, character counts!



A single act of kindness throws out roots in all directions, and the roots spring up and make new trees. The greatest work that kindness does to others is that it makes them kind themselves. - Lawrence G. Lovasik