

Third Street Elementary School

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Assistant Principal**May Principal's Monthly Letter to Parents (5월 교장 월례 편지)**Calendar of Events for May:

- . 05/06/11 7:00 a.m. – SSC Mtg. – Library. Agenda: (1) Calendar of Events for 2011-2012
8:15 a.m. – PTA/FOT Mtg. – Auditorium
- . 05/12/11 8:15 a.m. - ELAC Mtg.- Parent Workshop on Summer Programs & R-30 Language
Census
- . 05/16/11-05/27/11 California Standards Test (CST) – Gr. 2-5
- . 05/23/11 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. – Kdgn. Registration for 2011-12 School Year Begins
- . 05/30/11 Memorial Day Observed (NO school)

Coming in June:

- . 06/01/11 Registration for New Students in Gr. 1-5: 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
- . 06/02/11 5:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. – KDLP Culmination Performance
- . 06/03/11 PTA Mtg. (NO SSC Mtg.)
- . 06/08/11 6:00 p.m. - Spring Concert (Kevin Mason, Orchestra Teacher, in charge)
- . 06/20/11 – 06/24/11 Third Reporting Period (3/28 – 6/24/10, 58 days, Total=175 days)
- . 06/21/11 - 06/24/11 Minimum Days - 12:35 p.m. Dismissal for all Students (**4 days**)
- . 06/23/11 5th Grade Luncheon
- . 06/24/11 9:00 a.m. - 5th Grade Culmination
- . 06/24/11 Last Day of the School Year for Students – 12:35 p.m. dismissal
- . 06/24/11 Report Cards Sent Home
- . 06/24/11 12:35 p.m.-Teacher/Staff Appreciation Luncheon by PTA-auditorium

Please review the following calendar of major events/holidays for the rest of the school year. Please mark these dates on your calendar and make the necessary child care arrangements. Please do not schedule family travel plans while school is in session.

- . 09/07/11 (Tentative) First Day of the 2011-2012 School Year, for Students

Dear Parents,

With only eight weeks remaining, we are indeed in the final phase of this school year. We must plan for the coming school year as well as for the closing of the present school year. Even as the year unwinds, we still have many people devoting their time and energy to many worth while projects.

STAR CST Testing (Gr. 2-5) (STAR 테스트)

On May16th, Third Street School begins its administration of our statewide testing program for students in grades 2-5.

It is critically important that all students arrive on-time every day during testing! While make-up testing is available, it is widely believed by educators that students perform better on standardized and tests when they sit for exams with their peers in their everyday learning environment. **Tardy students are not** permitted to enter their classrooms during testing after the teacher begins reading test directions.

Teachers are required to begin testing **on-time** to maintain a consistent structure and routine for all students. Out of fairness to your child(ren), please bring your child(ren) to school **on-time every day** to minimize disruptions in scheduling and to increase your child's/children's chances of performing well on these important tests.

If you do not want your child(ren) to participate in testing, submit a written request in English, Korean, or Spanish to the school office prior to testing to have your child(ren) exempted from the tests. Include your student's name, birth date, grade. Be sure to sign and date the request. If you have any questions, please leave notes in mailboxes of Stacey Byham, teacher in Rm. 29 and Jane Choi, teacher in Rm. 18, our testing coordinators.

What Parents Can Do to Prepare Children for the STAR Tests:

Parents can provide and encourage the following daily support to prepare children for testing:

- A GOOD night's sleep
- A HEALTHY breakfast
- ARRIVE ON TIME (BE IN SEAT, READY FOR TEST, NO LATER THAN 8:05 a.m.)
- Encourage children to FOLLOW DIRECTIONS
- Encourage children to do their BEST

Kindergarten Registration for the 2011-2012 School Year (내년도 유치원 등록):

We will begin our Kindergarten registration on May 23rd through June 24, 2011 during the hours of 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. and will continue registration the week of August 17th. We no longer grant any NEW permits and we do not have any space for open enrollment. Please remind your neighbors and friends who live in our school attendance area to bring the following information:

- The child's birth certificate or passport
- Address verification (current gas and electric bill)
- The child's immunization record, including the Mantoux TB test result within the year. Children must be 5 years old on or before December 2, 2011.

No Parent Requests for the Next School Year's Student Class Assignments, Please:

In order to establish balanced classrooms, NO parent requests will be honored. Student placements will be based on the following factors: student learning style, teachers' teaching style, peer relations and teacher/administrative judgment. Please trust your child's teacher's ability to properly match your child's needs with next year's teacher's strengths. Refrain from making special requests.

Friends of Third

Welcome back from spring break! We hope you all had a chance to relax and enjoy your families.

At the time of this writing we are preparing for the much awaited **Cinco de Mayo Gala and Silent Auction**. Thanks in advance to HJ Paik who has put so much hard work and time into planning this event. It is sure to be a fantastic one!

As we enter the last part of the year we will be launching our **100% Giving Drive**. This is your opportunity to participate in the funding of so many critical programs and services that are offered to **every** child at 3rd Street School. Think of a school experience **WITHOUT** music class, field trips, technology instruction and equipment, "active play with Angel" or any one of a number of other FOT funded programs. Then, if you have not yet given, please do so now. It takes every family at the school to provide these amazing opportunities for our children – please help at whatever level you can. To make it even easier you may donate online at www.friendsofthird.org. Thank you so much for your support.

Please remember **Teacher Appreciation Week** May 2nd-6th and do something nice for your teacher to let them know how much we appreciate all they do for our kids. Thanks again to Abby Mars and Terrell Perfitt for leading the charge on this!

We hope to see you at the next FOT Meeting on Friday, May 6th at 8:10 a.m.

Roy Forbes
Co-President

Carrie Heckman
Co-President

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Teacher Appreciation Week:

A BIG thank you to all those who generously gave their time, services & donations to make Teacher Appreciation a great success. 3rd St. teachers, administrators, faculty & families... you are all stars!

Third Street School Vision Statement:

We, the stakeholders of Third Street Elementary School, will, in partnership with our school community, educate, challenge and empower our students to become productive and responsible members of a changing society by providing a rigorous, forward-looking and nurturing environment.

Together, we can and will make a difference. We believe that all children not only can learn, but must learn. Thank you for entrusting your child(ren) to us.

Sincerely,

Food for Thought: “We all should know that diversity makes for a rich tapestry, and we must understand that all the threads of the tapestry are equal in value no matter what their color.” – Maya Angelou

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We are asking all general education parents whose students are currently in grades Kindergarten through Fourth Grade to inform us as to whether they intend to enroll their children at Third Street School for the upcoming 2011-2012 regular academic year. Your prompt response helps us to make our classroom placements and teacher assignments accurate and with sufficient time to absorb any possible changes that may be required.

PARENTS WITH STUDENTS CURRENTLY IN GRADES K – 4 IN GENERAL EDUCATION CLASSES ONLY: PLEASE COMPLETE THIS TEAR-OFF SLIP AND RETURN IT TO YOUR CHILD’S TEACHER OR TO THE MAIN OFFICE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

Child(ren)’s Name (Print)	Room#	<u>YES</u> , my Child(ren) <u>WILL</u> Return in ‘10-’11	<u>NO</u> , my Child(ren) <u>WILL NOT</u> Return in ‘10-’11
1. _____	_____	_____	_____
2. _____	_____	_____	_____
3. _____	_____	_____	_____
4. _____	_____	_____	_____