



THE SUNDIAL



“We remember only the sunny days”

Enjoy the beauty of nature which surrounds you. Enjoy the exquisite birds which should make your heart rejoice. Enjoy the beauty of the sky, the loveliness of the flowers, and the charm of children. Value the little experiences which make up your daily life and the kind deeds that you see others do. Cherish the tenderness which kind people show to the weak and to the less fortunate. Enjoy the success of others.

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Welcome Back to School

The teachers and staff wish our Carden families a happy New Year and will be so happy to see the children return to school on Monday morning, rested and ready for another exciting year. The teachers also had a well-deserved break from the daily rigors of teaching. We will be delighted to see them return to their classrooms and to their students.

We are looking forward to an exciting and inspiring 2020!

Spelling Bee

The annual Spelling Bee was held at school on Monday, December 16th. After competing in elimination rounds in the homerooms, the top 20 spellers in Grades 4 and 5 met together in the auditorium for the final rounds. Many rounds were necessary to arrive at the winner. We would like to congratulate our first place finisher, Arjun Shetty (5th). The runner-up was Olivia Millosavljevic (4th). Arjun will go on to compete in the District Spelling Bee and we wish him good luck.



**HAPPY
NEW YEAR!**

Happy Hearts

Jacob Bristow	Otto Lagerlöf
Elise Cromb	Michael McErlane
Reese Henrich	Esti Winston
Elliott Kim	



Busy Bees

Addison Bordner	Kashia Payan
Sydney DeLisser	Mark Torpoco
Sonia Nazari	



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Classes Reconvene—Monday, January 6th

Staff Meeting—Monday, January 6th

Carden teachers and staff will hold their monthly staff meeting in the auditorium from 3:15—4:30 pm. There will not be Academic Support on this day. **Study Hall for 3rd—5th will be available in the Science Lab.**

Mrs. Martin's Class Play –Thursday, January 16th

On Thursday morning at 9:00 am, Mrs. Martin's 3rd Grade students will be performing ***"Munchkin Mediation"*** in the auditorium. Parents, grandparents, and friends are invited to enjoy this dramatic performance. After the play, all are invited to the courtyard to enjoy refreshments.

Themed Assembly – Friday, January 17th

Many of the students will perform a poem or song to honor Martin Luther King, Jr.

End of Second Quarter – Friday, January 17th

Report Cards for the 2nd Quarter will be mailed home soon.

Martin Luther King Day Holiday – Monday, January 20th

No school today in honor of Martin Luther King Jr., on the anniversary of his birthday.

School Geography Bee—Wednesday, January 22nd

Each year our school participates in the National Geographic ***Geography Bee*** competition. Our 4th – 5th grade homerooms each hold geography bees to select those who will represent their class in the school-wide competition in the auditorium.

Kindergarten Orientation for Parents – Tuesday, January 28th

Mrs. Emiko Madison and Mrs. Lisa Flavin will discuss the Carden Kindergarten curriculum and how to help your child make a successful transition from Pre-Kindergarten and Junior Kindergarten. All interested parents, including prospective Carden families, are welcome. The meeting will be held in the school auditorium starting at 8:30 am.

CCPA's Wear What You Want/Crazy Hair Wednesday – Wednesday, January 29th

Children may toss aside the school uniform for a day and wear appropriate "free dress." The CCPA will be collecting donations (\$5.00 suggested) to a worthy charitable cause. More information about dress guidelines will be sent home with the children.

Mrs. Sharma's Class Play –Thursday, January 30th

On Thursday morning at 9:00 am, Mrs. Sharma's 5th Grade students will be performing their class play in the auditorium. Parents, grandparents, and friends are invited to enjoy this dramatic performance. After the play, all are invited to the courtyard to enjoy refreshments.



Student Enrollment for 2020—2021

Soon we will be mailing out the new enrollment contracts to current Carden Conejo families for the 2020-2021 school year. Please be sure to return your enrollment contract along with the enrollment deposit by **Friday, February 28th**. This will secure a place for your child in next year's class before we begin admitting new students.

Promoting Carden Conejo

Our goal is to make Carden Conejo the best school in the Conejo Valley. We love this wonderful little school and we often assume that everyone knows about us. Yet, we are surprised how many families say they've never heard about Carden Conejo. The best promotion is word-of-mouth from happy parents. If you like the education that your children are receiving, please let your friends know and see if they would like to come find out for themselves.

Flu Season

We encourage parents to consider having their children immunized against this year's common flu viruses. Each year, many Carden students miss valuable classroom time as a result of coming down with the flu. Since children are contagious a day or two before the onset of symptoms, the virus often spreads rapidly among the children at school.

It is not too late to get vaccinated. Influenza cases typically do not peak until February or later, so vaccination is still beneficial in January.