



Canyon Hills School Newsletter

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Program Coordinator's Message



It is a privilege and joy to return to Canyon Hills as the site administrator. I truly feel as if I have come home!

We are midway through another wonderful year at Canyon Hills. Students continue to grow and progress in a safe, nurturing environment. Our caring, professional staff enjoys being part of each child's life during the week.

Over the past few months, students have participated in a variety of school activities including the annual Snow Day, provided by our hardworking and supportive Canyon Hills Parent Group. Students enjoyed a fun and educational experience. During the event, students had opportunities to interact with one another, learn turn-taking, experience new sensory activities, and build fine and gross motor skills. Snow Day remains the most anticipated yearly event at Canyon Hills.

One of the community organizations that generously donates to our school is a local church youth group. Middle and High school aged students and their leaders provided a delicious pasta dinner and entertainment for the annual Sweetheart Dance at Canyon Hills. Approximately fifty volunteers prepared and served dinner, provided music and encouraged Canyon Hills' students out on the dance floor. Individual students were selected as the prince or princess to represent their class.

Work continues on campus to improve safety and beautify our surroundings. The garden has undergone improvements, including the replacement of wooden headers. The Anaheim Hills Rotary Club has generously offered to replace the former arbor in our central courtyard.

School activities and field trips, made possible in part by generous community donations, offer an opportunity for students to utilize many practical skills in the areas of communication, socialization, and community integration. A focus at Canyon Hills is to encourage student communication. At school, students continue to use a variety of new technologies and software to support expressive language development.

We sincerely thank all who contribute to Canyon Hills to make a difference in the lives of our students.

Dr. Karen Hanson, Ed.D.

Mark Your Calendar!

March

- 15th School Barbecue
- 20th Parent Group Meeting at 9:30am
- 24th Awards Assembly
- 31st End of 3rd Quarter/Minimum Day

April

- 3rd-7th Spring Break/School Closed
- 14th Spring Activities with Egg Hunt
- 24th Parent Group Meeting at 9:30am
- 28th Awards Assembly

May

- 8th Parent Group Meeting at 9:30am
- 16th Open House- Dinner, Dance, Raffle & Auction 6:30-8:00pm
- 17th Petting Zoo on Campus
- 26th Awards Assembly
- 29th Holiday - Memorial Day

June

- 5th Parent Group Meeting at 9:30am
- 13th Graduation Ceremony 10:00am
- 14th Minimum Day
- Staff Appreciation Luncheon
- 15th Last Day of School - Minimum Day



April 3rd-7th

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Information From the Canyon Hills Parent Group

Welcome to the New Year!



The Parent Group has been working hard to bring interesting and fun activities to the students of Canyon Hills. We

would like to thank those of you who have volunteered your time to help us out. There is still time to get involved as we have some upcoming events planned that are closer the end of the year. I'll catch you up on some of the things we have done and some of the upcoming events we have planned.

Snow Day in January, was an amazing success! The students enjoyed playing with individual bins of snow and the more daring students went down a small man-made slope. We had inner tubes that the students could sit in and they were pushed around by parent volunteers and staff in a flatter snow area. Everyone was smiling and laughing. It was a great day.

I hope everyone enjoyed themselves at the Sweetheart's Dance. I know we had fun. It was great to see everyone dressed up and having a good time. The Parent Group provided the photographer. I hope you and your family were able to get your professional pictures taken. The proofs will be coming home soon and will be available for purchase.

The Parent Group will be helping the Canyon Hills staff in getting the Skills Lab up and running. The Skills Lab will be focusing on life skills by using real life scenarios, like making a bed and sorting clothes to hang up. We will be meeting on a Saturday to help stock, sort items and clean out the rooms. The school will be asking for item donations and volunteers on that Saturday.

The skills lab will be a great addition to the campus. Please keep an eye out for the flyer that will be coming home.

We are happy to inform you that Bubblemania was on campus on March 9th. This assembly had a bubble blowing master who used lots of different bubble techniques to entertain and thrill the students.

Our largest fundraiser is coming up during Open House on May 16th. We will have an opportunity drawing and silent auction. There will be something for everyone! The money from this fundraiser will help the Parent Group pay for educational items for the classes, some items for the Skills Lab, assemblies, and special events for our students. We hope that you will join us on this evening. We'll be sending out flyers for auction items and other ways you can get involved later in the year. So please keep your eye out for that.

Lastly, towards the very end of the year the Parent Group will be hosting a teacher appreciation luncheon for the staff and teachers at Canyon Hills. It's our way of showing gratitude for all the hard work they do for our students every day.

As you can see, the Parent Group keeps busy. The greatest gift you can give is to volunteer and give back to a worthy cause. Please consider joining us at our next meeting on March 20th. If we get enough advance notice we can ask for the district translator to join us at any Parent Group meeting. Just let the office know.

Sincerely,

Norene Gill
Parent Group President



DONATION NEEDED FOR OUR NEW SKILLS LAB

Our new Skills Lab will enable student development opportunities including life skills and work experiences in the community. When completed, the Skills Lab will feature different learning stations including; Kitchen, Mock Grocery Store, Laundry Training, Office/Shredding, and Independent Home Living areas.

We are seeking the following donations to complete the Skills Lab stations:

- Small Dresser
- Plastic Lamp
- Cash Register (real)
- Empty Food & Drink Packages
- Small Food Cart
- Heavy Duty Shedder
- Pots & Pans
- Plastic Dishes
- Gently Used Clothes
- Pairs of Socks (different colors)

Please label donations for "Skills Lab".

Thanks You!



The Canyon Hills Parent Group was pleased to sponsor the Bubblemania Show on campus on March 9, 2017.

The show was educational, interactive, and most of all tons of fun for our students!





Sweetheart Dinner & Dance



February 21, 2017



SPRING Activities

Egg Hunt on
campus for all
students
Friday, April 14th
9:30am





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