

SCULPTOR NEWS

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PRINCIPAL'S CORNER: HAPPY NEW YEAR

I wish you all a very happy, healthy, and joyous New Year!

What a great time to renew our commitment to raising responsible children.

Raising a child means more than helping him or her grow up healthy and happy. It's important that by the time they are ready to leave home, children have learned to be self-sufficient and responsible. Those kind of lessons take an entire childhood to learn, but they are among the **most important** legacies you can pass on to your children.

So, parents, staff and faculty, let's re-commit to setting firm limits in loving ways without anger, lecture or threats. When a child

causes a problem, we the adults hand the problem back to the child with a strong dose of empathy.

Let's hold the child accountable for solving his/her solvable problem (with guidance from the adults) in a way that does not cause a problem for others. Let's offer choices that are acceptable to us. Let's use enforceable statements (we tell the child what we will do) e.g., "I will talk with you when your voice is as calm as mine." Let's use delayed consequences so that our children (and we) are in the thinking mode and the consequence is appropriate. AND above all, let's lock in the empathy before any consequences are delivered.

Let's rejoice when our

children make mistakes because we know this is a grand opportunity to solve a problem. They will grow from that experience and acquire a positive self-concept that says "I can make a mistake, solve the problem and try again".

Parents and school staff who learn how to use these techniques completely change their relationships with kids and take control of their homes and classrooms in loving ways.

In closing, I wish to thank you all for your holiday wishes and generous gifts. Your thoughtfulness is much appreciated.

A HAPPY
NEW YEAR

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER:

- *January 15-2nd Qtr. Award's Assembly
6th-8th @ 9:15am
3rd-5th @ 10:am*
- *January 18th-MLK Birthday Holiday For All*
- *January 19th -Class and Club Photos*
- *January 21st -3rd & 4th Grade Science Fair*
- *January 25th-BICS Board Meeting @ 7am*
- *January 26th-K-8 Parent Math Fair Night : 6pm-8pm*
- *February 4th-Drama Club Plays, 6pm-8pm*



Don't Miss Out! Mark your calendars, Monday, February 15, 2010.

We will have child care available for a reasonable rate of \$20/child, \$5/sibling. Pay \$3 for pizza and milk or pack a lunch for your child.

Come and learn the Love and Logic method that will help you raise responsible, happy, well-adjusted kids!

"Core Knowledge, Don't Leave School Without It."

COMING ATTRACTION: LOVE AND LOGIC'S SALLY OGDEN



Attend a Love and Logic Workshop from one of Love

and Logic's best, Sally Ogden, Monday, February 15, 2010 (9am-3pm).

Don't miss this energetic, charismatic, education veteran of 33 years, as she pre-

sents us with how adults can teach their children to diffuse the power of bullies and critical, difficult people. Learn practical tools to help get children back on the track of achieving and behaving well.

Come learn easy, fun strategies for discipline and building responsibility.

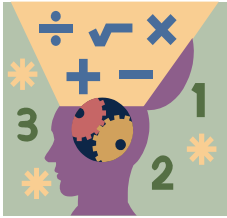
Take part of the day off. Take all of the day off. Earn double volunteer hours!!!

Please let us know if you can attend so that we have materials ready for you. Email Mrs. O'Sullivan at osullivan@sculptorcharter.org or sign up in the front office.

**Attention
Parents, Volunteers:**

Would you like to attend your child's field trips and/or volunteer in their classroom or elsewhere? If so, you must first complete the electronic application on the VIPS computer located in our front office!!! Waiting to do so will jeopardize your involvement at Sculptor.

SCULPTOR PRESENTS: FAMILY MATH FAIR NIGHT



“WE ARE ALL MATH PEOPLE”!!!

Yes we are !!!

Tuesday, January 26, 2010

6pm-8pm

Ya’ll come now and join us for a fun, engaging night of learning. Kindergarten through Middle School teachers will lead us through such math activities as Pumpkin Measurement, Points on a Coordinate Graph Scavenger Hunt, Hands-on Equations, and “Help My Child Has Math Homework”. Come help us change the “I can’t do this” to “YES, I CAN”!!!

Dinner from Panda Express will be available: \$6/plate from 6pm-6:30pm (served by our 8th graders. Proceeds benefit their Tallahassee Trip).

-Another Way to Earn More Volunteer Hours-

3RD ANNUAL FAMILY FIT FEST!—FEBRUARY 6TH



Sculptor families & friends are invited to come exercise and socialize at the SCS Family Fit Fest! The fun begins with the 1st Annual Sculptor Scorpion Scurry staking at 9am. You may choose either the 5K Run/Walk or the Family Fun Mile Run/Walk. Many energizing activities will follow from 10am to 1pm. Opportunities will include, but are not limited to, Health Screenings, K-9 Demonstration, Car Seat and Helmet Safety, and “Physicians in the Round”. You can even enjoy some healthy food choices. There are sure to be fun physical activities for everyone! You might even win a door prize!

Come get motivated with some great healthy lifestyle ideas and much, much more!

*Sneakers are a must, bring a water bottle, & energy to play!! Look forward to seeing you there!

-Coach Kirk

P.S. A wonderful family event! See you there!!! -Mrs. O

EDUCATION NEEDS YOUR ATTENTION



There seems to be a growing number of students checked out prior to the end of the school day. We ask that you carefully reconsider picking your child up early. Our teachers and administration want our students/your children to be able to take full advantage of the instructional time and educational experience obtained in each school day.

Try scheduling Dr appointments on student holidays. Consider making arrangements for other engagements/events during a time that will allow your child to finish the school day.

Your cooperation is greatly appreciated. Your support will help us continue to work together in raising responsible, **well-educated** citizens.

RECYCLED TOY DRIVE



AS YOU CAN SEE BY THE PHOTO ABOVE, THE RECYCLED TOY DRIVE WAS A HUGE SUCCESS! SCULPTOR’S ENVIRONMENTAL HEROES COLLECTED OVER 20 BOXES AND BAGS OF TOYS, ALONG WITH SEVERAL BIKES AND SCOOTERS, TO DONATE TO CHILDREN IN NEED. TOYS WERE DONATED TO A LOCAL MISSION GROUP THAT DELIVERED THEM TO FOSTER FAMILIES, FAMILIES STRUGGLING FINANCIALLY, FAMILIES OVERCOME WITH ADDICTIONS, AND FAMILIES THAT ARE HOMELESS. THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY! NOT ONLY DID YOU KEEP THESE TOYS FROM ENDING UP IN A LANDFILL, YOU HAVE BROUGHT SMILES TO MANY FACES!

*-MRS. LOPEZ &
ENVIRONMENTAL HEROES*

A DISCLAIMER OR TWO

CHILD CARE/PRE-K STATEMENTS:

Should you need childcare or Pre-K statements for tax purposes, please call or email Mrs. Diane Estes (ext 132 or estesd@sculptorcharter.org).

FALL FAIR RAFFLE PRIZES:

Please pick up your raffle prizes. Those prizes not picked up by January 31st will be donated to Sculptor Charter School. Thank you.