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Chico Country Day School provides a safe, joyful community where all learners are inspired to achieve their personal best.

{Principal's Corner}

2009-2010 Another Great Year for CCDS

This has been quite a year at CCDS — highlighted by our WASC Self-Study work and WASC Visiting Committee review of our school. The process went very well and the school now has a sound academic Action Plan lined out for the next few years.

Our Board approved new charter for a partnership school with the Boys and Girls Club will be finalized soon and submitted to CUSD for approval sometime this summer. We are excited about this partnership and the prospects of offering another school choice option for the Chico community.

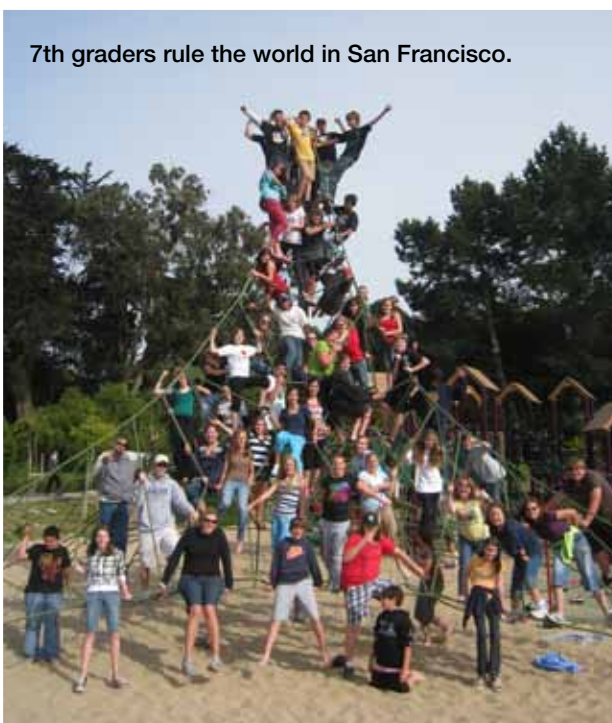
The Facilities Committee of the Board is looking at the feasibility of summer upgrades to our field area. This is budget dependant, but our goal is to improve the drainage and restore the grass.

Despite continued bad news and budget cuts from the State, we do not anticipate any layoffs or substantial program changes for next year at CCDS. Class sizes in grades K-3 will remain at 20:1. Credit for our sound financial position goes to our Board of Direc-

tors whose fiscal acumen have enabled CCDS to have a sound structural budget and adequate reserves.

Information about beginning of the year events and activities will be sent home over the summer. Class lists for grades 1-8 will be determined over the summer and posted at school on Monday, August 16, 2010.

Have a wonderful Summer.
— Paul Weber



7th graders rule the world in San Francisco.

CALENDAR

Mon. May 31 — Memorial Day — no school

Fri. June 4 — Last Day of School!

Bridging Ceremony, 11 am

8th grade graduation, 3 pm, Bidwell Bowl at Chico Children's Park

Wed. June 9 — CCDS Board Meeting, 6 pm

Tues. Aug. 17 — First day of school

Bridging Ceremony

Families are invited to experience our bridging ceremony on the last day of school. It starts at 11:00 and is a wonderful whole school event to culminate the school year. Mr. Weber speaks and gives out perfect attendance awards. Our band and choir play and sing a few songs. Each class crosses over a bridge to celebrate their accomplishments and represents their next adventure, whatever that may be. Parents are invited as well. See you there.

Report cards will be mailed home the week of June 7. Report cards will be held for students with lost or damaged textbooks or school owned equipment, as well as unreturned library books.

Prop 1D: Big News

The CUSD Board of Trustees voted last night to allow CCDS to move forward on the Proposition 1D Rehabilitation project. Thank you for the massive effort put forth by our Board of Directors, the Parent Action Group, our staff, and our entire parent community. We would like to particularly thank Chuck Tatreau, the CCDS Board Chair, for his personal sacrifice to get this done. CUSD agendized a special meeting on May 25th in order to give both of our organizations a chance to work out our differences. For CCDS, because the state funding for Proposition 1D is frozen due to poor economic conditions in California, it was important to our board to ensure that liability for the site remained in the hands of CUSD until we are able to access the state bond funding to rehab. Thankfully, this liability clause was added to Kathy Kaiser's motion by Rick Rees, and the board voted unanimously in favor of the project. Our board will consider ratification of this agreement on June 9th. CCDS can now access up to \$8.4 million to rehabilitate and modernize this school site (when the funds become available!).

This is great news for CCDS and we are very happy with this outcome. With our board approval, CCDS would ensure that the 102 West 11th school site is ours in perpetuity and we look forward to planning a very exciting project that will enhance the already wonderful education our students receive. Thank you again for your support during a year full of ups and downs and a lot of stress for many of us. This is a great way to end the year!

Paul and Margaret



{PTP Update}

To our parents...THANK YOU!

Dear Parents:

I would like to take this time to thank you for all your hard work throughout the year. As this year comes to a close so does my two years as your PTP President. I along with Vice President Kat Clark; Treasurer Kris Schroth, and Secretary Janell Koentopf, thank you for all your support and hardwork during the time we held these positions. Technology Advisor Cheryl Mortenson, and Committee List Manager Kate Hicks.

New PTP Officers

I am pleased to announce the following new officers joining the PTP next year.

- Shayne Law – President
- Sylvia deValming – Secretary
- Summer Moore – Treasurer

It has been my great pleasure to work with all these great people on our officer's board, to serve on the CCDS School Board and to have met and worked along side so many of our great parents. You have my heartfelt gratitude for helping us make CCDS the best school in Chico! Our fundraising and parent participation has been phenomenal over the last two years and I am hopeful that it will continue to grow with each coming year.

2007-08 School Year PTP Funds Raised - **\$67,357**
 2008-09 School Year PTP Funds Raised - **\$71,943**
 2009-10 School Year PTP Funds Raised - **\$76,450 (est.)**

Keep up the great work and I will see you in the Fall!

Kindest regards,
 Andrew Coolidge
PTP President

Reminders:

Do you have in your volunteer hours? If not make sure to turn them into the office asap as they are now past due. Please total them for us as that will save us lots of time and effort!

It is not too early to start thinking about which committee you may want to join next school year. If you are involved or chair an event that takes place early in the year you may want to even think about having a meeting during the summer.



2nd graders open Garden Cafe.

WASC Congratulations CCDS!

The Western Association of Schools and Colleges has announced the action taken by the Accrediting Commission for Schools—Chico Country Day School has been awarded a full 6 year term of accreditation with a midterm review, expiring June 30, 2016. The in depth Self-Study earned CCDS this full term of accreditation. In the words of the Commission, "Conducting the in-depth self study and preparing for the site visit requires a tremendous effort. Maintaining an effective quality program for students in the face of today's challenges is a truly commendable feat."

Thank you so much to all of our staff and parents and our students who were part of the WASC team. This effort took over 2 years of dedication and we greatly appreciate that.



the difference **1** can make.

Box Tops for Education

Please snip and save all summer long! These little rectangles are like "free" money for CCDS. You'll find them on many of the products you already buy. Every classroom has a collection envelope. Thank you!



Art Show Shines at CCDS

I would like to thank everyone who helped make the CCDS Student Art Show a success. I am always in awe at what our amazing students create in art. The MUR was filled with a fabulous array of artwork, that impressed both students and parents. I would like to thank the following people who helped;

Kat Clark & PTP
Jen Marcott-Stelle
Sylvia de Vlaming
Brigit Hull
Joy Buyert
Julianne Folger
Luanne Hiney
The Murray Family
Marian Stoner

Kami Grimes
Kristi Rosell
Lisi Walsh
Kelly Huber
Shelly Buchanan
Julie Lawrence-Loeb

Thanks!
Kari Zigan, Art

Thanks to all who helped at our last All School Clean!

Danny McCaughlin
Kristi, George and Austin Rosell
Rob Davidson
Ryan Tietz
Charles Thompson
Reuben Jacobson
Dawn Winter
Margaret Reece
Coreen and Madelyn Martinez
Steve Gutman
Rex Hervey
Patricia Smith
Brad Downham

Jen White
Kit Kelly
Shannon Lawson
Carol Louber
Michael Prefontaine
Janie Murray
Aaron Frandsen
Bryan Nolan
Patty Fox
Sadie Bridge
Hal Benson
James Hayton
Chico Rotary Club

Chico Country Day School 2010-2011 School Event Calendar

August 2010						
Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	Sa
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

11 ~ CCDS Board Meeting - 6pm
 12 ~ New Parent Orientation - 6:30pm
 14 ~ All-School Clean
 16 ~ Back to School Picnic, 11-1
 17 ~ 1st Day of School - Minimum Day Gr. 1-8
 20 ~ All-School Skate, 1-3pm
 26 ~ Back to School Night - Minimum Day

11 days

September 2010						
Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	Sa
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5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30		

6 ~ Labor Day - No School
 8 ~ CCDS Board Meeting - 6pm
 8 ~ Picture Day
 14 ~ PTP Meeting - 6:30pm
 24 ~ Middle School Social

21 days

October 2010						
Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	Sa
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3	4	5	6	7	8	9
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17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
31						

4-8 ~ TV Turn-Off Week
 13 ~ CCDS Board Meeting - 6pm
 19 ~ PTP Meeting - 6:30pm
 29 ~ Harvest Fair

21 days

November 2010						
Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	Sa
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30				

6 ~ All-School Clean
 10 and 12 ~ Parent Conferences - No School
 10 ~ CCDS Board Meeting - 6pm
 11 ~ Veteran's Day - No School
 18 ~ Pizza Night, 5-8pm
 22-26 ~ Thanksgiving Break - No School

14 days

December 2010						
Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	Sa
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5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
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3 ~ Middle School Social
 6-10 ~ Scholastic Book Fair
 8 ~ CCDS Board Meeting - 6pm
 13 ~ K-5 Holiday Sing (?)
 16 ~ Music Program Concerts (?)
 20-31 ~ Winter Break

13 days

January 2011						
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16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31					

3 ~ Return to School
 12 ~ CCDS Board Meeting - 6pm
 17 ~ Martin Luther King, Jr. Day - No School
 25 ~ PTP Meeting - 6:30pm
 28 ~ All-School Skate, 1-3pm
 31 ~ 100th Day of School

20 days

February 2011						
Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	Sa
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12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28				

4 ~ Middle School Social
 5 ~ All-School Clean
 9 ~ CCDS Board Meeting - 6pm
 11 ~ Lincoln's Birthday - No School
 14 ~ Washington's Birthday - No School
 24 ~ Picture Day
 26 ~ Auction for Excellence

18 days

March 2011						
Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	Sa
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12	13	14	15	16	17	18
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2 ~ Dr. Seuss' Birthday/Read Across America Day
 4 ~ Report Card Prep Day - No School
 9 ~ CCDS Board Meeting - 6pm
 14-18 ~ Spring Break - No School
 31 ~ Pizza Night, 5-8pm

17 days

April 2011						
Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	Sa
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3	4	5	6	7	8	9
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17	18	19	20	21	22	23
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7 ~ Student Art Night
 13 ~ Challenge/Jogathon
 13 ~ CCDS Board Meeting - 6pm
 15 ~ Middle School Social
 22 and 25 ~ Easter Holidays - No School
 27 ~ PTP Meeting
 30 ~ All-School Clean

19 days

May 2011						
Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	Sa
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14	15	16	17	18	19	20
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2-6 ~ Staff Appreciation Week
 11 ~ CCDS Board Meeting - 6pm
 13 ~ Faculty Follies
 17 ~ Spring Music Concert
 19 ~ Open House/Dinner/Spring Book Fair - Minimum Day
 30 ~ Memorial Day - No School




21 days

June 2011						
Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	Sa
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5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
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3 ~ Last Day of School, Graduation Day - Minimum Day
 8 ~ CCDS Board Meeting - 6pm

3 days

STAR Testing
 Apr. 19 - May 3

-  First/Last Day of School
-  Minimum Day
-  No School

178 Days of School
 Trimesters end: Nov. 5, Feb. 25, June 3