

May 9, 2012

Book of the Week:

My Best Friend
by Mary Ann Rodman

Summary: Told in Lily's honest voice and paired with dazzling watercolor illustrations by award-winning illustrator E.B. Lewis, *My Best Friend* will help children to understand that friendship is not always as simple as we wish.



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Mid Week Message

Board Meeting

Kit Carson will hold it's next regular scheduled Board Meeting tonight, Wednesday, May 9, 2012 at 6:30 pm in the staff room. All are welcome to attend.

Site Council

Kit Carson's Site Council will be meeting on Monday, May 14th at 3:15 in the office. Members, please plan on attending.

Minimum Day/Open House

All parents and family are invited to attend Kit Carson's Open House on Thursday, May 17th at 6:30 p.m. in the cafeteria then 7:00 in the classrooms. This will also be a Minimum Day. All students will be dismissed at 12:45 p.m..

Yearbooks on Sale

The Kit Carson Yearbooks are now on sale. The yearbooks are all hardbound and cost \$25.00. Books will be sold while supplies last. There will not be an opportunity to order more once they are all sold out, so hurry and order yours today!

Library Accounts

All library books need to be turned into the library by Friday, May 25th. Textbooks will be due to the library on Friday, June 1st. If a book is lost, the cost for the book must be cleared before a final report card/diploma may be issued.

Latchkey Accounts

Latchkey account balances need to be paid in full. Balance notices have gone home. If you have not received a notice, please contact Megan Vickers at 582-2843 ext. 104. Report cards and/or diplomas will be held if latchkey account is paid in full.

Pee-Wee Track Meet

Pee-Wee track meet is scheduled for Friday, May 11th. All K-3rd graders will participate. The meet will start at 12:30.

Due to the track meet, lunch will be served 1/2 hour earlier. They will begin to serve at 11:00 for kindergarteners.

Grandparents Breakfast

All Kit Carson's Grandparents are invited to attend the breakfast of Cinnamon Rolls and Coffee with their grandchild on Friday, May 18th from 7:30-9:15. Each breakfast is \$1.50 and order forms are due to the office on Monday, May 7th. Advance orders only will be accepted. Order Forms will be sent home soon.

Island Photography will be here to take pictures. Photos are \$3.00 each. Presale of tickets for photographing is taken early to avoid huge line.

Tiger Society

Tiger Society is planned for May 15th for our 4-8th grade students. They will be going to Adventure Park in Visalia. If your student is eligible to attend, they will be receiving a permission slip soon. Eligibility is based on:

- having no citations second trimester;
- earning a 2.0 and above G.P.A.;
- having no more than 5 detentions (lunch/after school) this quarter;
- having no more than 4 tardies second trimester;
- no outstanding lunch or latchkey balance;
- teacher's discretion.

Lunch Accounts

Lunch account balances need to be paid in full. Balance notices have gone home. If you have not received a notice, please contact the cafeteria at 582-2843 ext. 125. Report cards and/or diplomas will be held if lunch account is not cleared.



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Absence & Homework Hotline

Please call if your child is or will be absent from school.

The Absence Hotline number is 582-2843— dial 2 to connect to the school, then 2 to report absent (24 hours) and/or request homework.

You may also access this Web Page and other information from the Kit Carson Web Page at:

www.kitcarsonschool.com

Sports Information

It's softball time. Following is the season schedule.

Saturday, May 12th Tournament at Lakeside TBD

Students entering 7th grade

All students entering 7th grade next school year will need proof of a Tdap booster shot test before starting school. This requirement:

- Began July 1, 2011
- Can be met by receiving one dose of Tdap vaccine on or after the 10th birthday (the Tdap can be accepted if given on or after the 7th birthday, but the vaccine is generally not recommended this early)
- Can NOT be satisfied by a Td booster or having history of the disease
- Applies to both public and private schools.

In addition, ALL incoming 7th graders for the 2012-2013 school year will be required by Kings County to have a documented TB skin test within 6 months PRIOR to the start of school. (Children who left out of Kings County anytime during 7th grade to beginning of 8th) will also need a TB skin test. (this means that all current 7th graders who had their TB skin test done are okay for 8th grade UNLESS a student left Kings County to go to Mexico, India, etc. OR lived in Tulare, Fresno, or any other county and is returning to Kings County.

8th grade Memory Photos Needed

We are putting together the 8th grade slide show for graduation. Please save your photos on a disk or memory stick and send to the office as soon as possible. Please put your name on the disk or memory stick so that we may return it to you.

Help is Needed

The end of the school year is coming near and that means events are as well. Two of our main events are Play Day and Ice Cream Day. These two events require extra hands and this is where we ask for our parent's help. If you are able to help with play day on Friday, June 1st, and/or help with scooping ice-cream on Monday, June 4th please call Valerie at 582-2843 ext. 100 to volunteer.

8th Grade Information

Parents, it is time to think, talk, and plan for 8th grade graduation. Following are upcoming events for your 8th grader.

- May 30-31- Southern California Trip
- June 1— Water Park
- June 4— Sports vs Staff
- June 4— Graduation Practice (10:30-12:00)
- June 5— Award Assembly
- June 5— Graduation Practice (10:30 –12:00)
- June 6— Graduation Practice (8:30-Noonish)
- June 6- Individual Cap & Gown or Graduation photos
- June 6— Graduation
- June 7— Last Day of School (minimum Day)

Upcoming Fieldtrips

Tiger Society Members in grades 4-8 will be going to Adventure Park in Visalia on Tuesday, May 15th.

Kit Carson's 1st graders will be attending the Dias Dairy on Thursday, May 24th.

Mrs. Kanagawa's class will be attending the Dias Dairy on Friday, May 25th.

Summer Reading Program

The Kit Carson P.T.C. will be hosting the Summer Reading Program this year. Packets will be sent home with all students. If you wish your student to participate, have them read, complete the log, and turn it in to the office or their teacher the first week of the 2012-2013 school year. In addition to completing the log, it would help the student understand their reading if they keep a journal where they could put the book title, the author, rate the book with a 1-4 star, and give a brief summary. The goal is to keep the students reading and get an understanding of what they are reading to increase their reading level come next fall. A small party and awards will be given next school year after all students return their packets.