

Sierra Shark's Reef

Superintendent
Jane Smith

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Principal's Line

Dear Sierra Lake Parents:

The teachers and staff at Sierra Lakes are working very hard to prepare our students for the California Standards Test. As many of you know, Sierra Lakes Elementary has made significant growth during the past four years and our goal is to continue in the same fashion. Remember that it is extremely important that students are in school every day, on time, to ensure that they are getting the skills and knowledge they need to be successful.

On May 1, 2007 the CST, for Writing will be administered to our 4th grade students. From April 23 to May 11 students in grades 2-5 will take the CST in the areas of Language Arts, spelling, and mathematics. During this period, our 5th grade students will also be tested in science.

When we first opened in 2002, I set a goal for our students and staff to reach the state requirement of 800 for API within 5 years we are in our 5th year. Last year, we increased to 793. Parents, we need your help to ensure that all students at Sierra Lakes Elementary do their personal best in all academic areas and meet our goal for this year of 800 or better. In order to assist us, please continue to review the Standards Plus assessments with your child every Friday as well as read with and to your child daily. You should also discuss the importance of these tests with your child and encourage them to try their best. We are also in need of volunteers as proctors for the testing period. If you are interested, please let me know. Thank you in advance for all of your support and effort in making Sierra Lakes a great place to learn.

Sincerely,

Andrea D. Credille

New Staff Aboard

**Please help us welcome
Mrs. Buchanan to our third
grade team, and
Ms. Danganan to our 2/3
combination class.**

**Worth Quoting:
"Leave nothing for
tomorrow which can be
done today"
Abraham Lincoln**

Independent Study

If a time comes up where it is absolutely unavoidable for your child to be absent, for a minimum of 5 days, please make an appointment in the office to meet with the Independent Study Coordinator at least 3 days prior to their absence so they can get school work to complete while they are gone.

Shark's Programs Create Big Waves

Our first annual Spelling Bee was a success. The students were able to participate in at least two rounds of competition. We would like to congratulate and acknowledge the following winners:
3rd grade: Angela Alam (Richter) and Joshua Rector (Buchanan)
4th grade: April You (Dvorak) and Devin Robinson (Ness)
5th grade: J.L. Maramount (Ramirez) and Dominique Chamblis (Ramirez) -CONGRATULATIONS!

Calendar Catch

Every Friday: School Spirit
Day-Wear your Sierra Sharks
T-shirts and sweat shirts

ORDER YOURS TODAY!!!

April
14-District Spelling Bee
21-5th grade Physical Ed. Test
23 to May 11- State Testing

5/28-No school, Memorial Day
June 14-last day of school

July 26, 2007-The new school
year begins

Help us help our school

There's a wonderfully simple way for you to help us raise funds for our school. All you have to do is use your Target VISA or Target Card, and a percentage of the amount of each purchase you make goes back to our school in the form of a cash donation. The money can be used for things that aren't in our budget, like new computers, A/V equipment, musical instruments, and field trips. Just visit Target.com/tcoe or call **1-800-316-6142** to designate our school.

Box Tops

Please remember to send in your box tops for "Box Tops for Education" program, which helps in purchasing supplies for our school. There is a box in the office to put them in, or give them to your child's teacher.

Coral Contest

Turn your answers in to the office

Grades 2-5: John has two more dogs than he has chickens. If he has 8 dogs, how many chickens does he have?

Answer: _____

Name: _____ Room: _____

Grades K-1: Emma picked twelve flowers. She put 10 of them in a vase. How many did she have left?

