



Friday Flyer December 7, 2018

Upcoming Events:

12/12 - Garden Work Day, 3:30-5:00p - (Hosted by Blue Room but all are welcome!)

12/12 - Garden Meeting, 6:30p

12/14 - FREE DRESS DAY

12/17 to 1/4 - NO SCHOOL - Winter Break

Starstruck

I just wanted to thank EVERYONE again for their contributions on Starstruck - from our dance teachers, all of the parent volunteers, our staff, the kids and the families for coming to the event - we had well over **1000** people at the event Wednesday night, and it took A LOT of work to pull that off - THANK YOU!

Report Cards

We were able to mail out our report cards last week. Typically when we send out report cards, I write an article in our *Flyer* that explains our grading system. Given the need to close school for poor air quality before the Thanksgiving Break, the "report card" article did not get sent. Here is that article:

Our Report Cards are a standards-based report card that reflect the California version of the Common Core State Standards. Our rubric for these standards are as follows:

4 = above standard

3 = at standard

2 = approaching standard

1 = below standard

X = standard not introduced to student yet

In particular, I'd like to emphasize two key points regarding these report cards. One, assessments are based on the END OF YEAR benchmark – I don't expect most students to have mastered a full standard 1/3 of the way through a school year.

Second, the "4321x" scale DOES NOT translate to "ABCDF", and is not intended to do so. It is purely a representation of where the student is in relation to the end of year benchmark, and does not reflect effort or work completion in any way.

Winter Care

We've had a couple inquiries as to whether or not we are going to offer any Winter Care this year - we are not offering Winter Care this year. We WILL be doing our popular Summer Camp again next summer, and we'll be sending more information out about Summer Camp this spring.

Camp Fire Donations Collection



Thank you to everyone for all of the donations. We have accrued so much!

We will be collecting donations for the Camp Fire victims through Friday, December 14 which is the last day before Winter Break. Please drop off items in the front office. Urgent needs include school supplies, books and gift cards (gas and food, especially), however MMCA will accept all items.

Finally, we will be donating all of the lost and found items that are left on the rack (as of Friday, December 14) to the Camp Fire families as well. Typically these items are donated to the Goodwill a couple times of year, but we know there is a need elsewhere and will do what we can to help!