

PRIMANTI NEWS



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April

18th-22nd Spring Break

25th School Resumes

Primanti Montessori School

Spring Festival Right Around The Corner



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Our staff and children are hard at work preparing for the Spring Festival 2011. The Elementary performance will be held on Thursday, May 12, 2011. The program begins at 6:00pm. Our Primary performance will be on Saturday, May 21, 2011. It will begin

at 10:30am. Both performances will be held at the Vic Lopez Auditorium, at the Whittier Union High School. You may now pre-order your tickets. Fill out the pre-order form and take it with your payment to the Main Office. Tickets are ten dollars per seat, per performance.

The children always do a great job! Therefore, we need to show our appreciation and support by being in attendance when the curtain goes up. If you have any questions, please fill free to call the office.



CTBS TESTING

During the week of May 2nd -May 6th, our Elementary classes, grade levels 3rd-8th, will be taking the California Test of Basic Skills (CTBS) TerraNova standardized testing, the most comprehensive form of CTBS. You can help prepare your child for the test by doing the following:

- Be sure your child has adequate rest each night.
- Be sure your child eats a nutritious breakfast.
- Send a healthy snack and beverage each day.
- Make sure your child arrives on time each day.
- Be sure your child is wearing comfortable clothing and shoes.



Emergency Disaster Plan

In an effort to improve our Emergency Disaster Plan we do the following:

- We conduct monthly Fire and Earthquake drills.
- We periodically check our First Aid kits and other emergency equipment.
- We check with local agencies to get updates on emergency procedures.

For example, I called the American Red Cross to confirm that the ***Duck, Cover, Hold*** was the proper procedure to use whenever we experience seismic activity. I have heard that a new procedure, referred to as “**The Triangle**”, was a better way of protecting yourself against falling objects. According to the Red Cross, the ***Duck, Cover, Hold*** is still the recommended procedure. Therefore, we will continue to use ***Duck, Cover, Hold***.

- We also write articles in our Newsletter to remind you and keep you informed about emergency situations.

As a reminder, remember that you may pick up your child after any seismic activity. The child must be picked up at the Reunion Gate located at the northeast corner of our school. We do not want parents to walk back to our Assembly Area. Please wait at the Reunion Gate. Your child will be brought to you.

If you have any questions about our emergency procedures, please see Mr. Martinez.

Safe Campus

- In our continuing efforts to ensure campus security, we ask that parents enter through the Main Office during school hours. Our Main Gate closes at 8:30a.m. each morning and reopens at 2:30p.m. for dismissal.
- We do not allow any individual, who is not listed on the School Emergency Contact Form, to pick up your child. If an individual is listed on the form they also need to show ID. Please be certain to list all persons, on the Emergency Contact Form, who have permission to pick up your child.
- If you have to take your child out of school before the school day is over, please sign the Early Leave Sign Out sheet, located in the Reception Room.

Remaining Field Trips for 2010-2011 School Year

Friday, April 29, 2011	Pretend City	Room 1
Tuesday, May 3, 2011	Pretend City	Room 4
Wednesday, May 4, 2011	Columbia Space Center	Grades 1 & 2
Friday, May 20, 2011	Tanaka Farms	Rooms 5 & 6
Thursday, May 26, 2011	John's Incredible	Grades 3 & 6
Thursday, June 2, 2011	Build a Bear	Kinder Grads

St. Stephen's Church Parking Lot

We have a contract agreement with the church that allows our staff members to use the first six spaces in each row of their parking lot. Even though our parents have access to the parking lot, please remember that the church has priority over parking spaces during their special activities. **Remember:** First six spaces in each row.

Coming in May

May 2-6	Teacher Appreciation Week
May 2-6	CTBS Testing
May 12	Elementary Spring Festival 6:00pm
May 21	Primary Spring Festival 10:30am
May 30	Memorial Day (No School)



March Wrap-up

Science Fair

On Friday, March 11, 2011, Primanti Montessori School had its annual Science Fair Exhibition. Children exhibited their science projects for everyone to enjoy. The children enjoyed making their presentations to their families and friends. From Monday thru Thursday the children shared their projects with their classmates. It was a delight to see so many family members come out to support our children.

Primary Children's Night

On Thursday, March 10, 2010, we had our Primary Children's Night. This event is specifically intended for children enrolled in the Primary Montessori program. The children enjoyed presenting their classroom activities to you. Thank you for coming out to support our children.

Elementary Children's Night

On Friday, March 18, 2010, the Elementary classes had their Children's Night. Our students got an opportunity to share with you what they have learned in school. This event has always been a great experience for both children and parents. Before the classroom presentations began, parents attended our fantastic Art Exhibition in the Long Room. This exhibition was presented by Mrs. Tngrian and her art class.

Bagpipes at Primanti

On Saint Patrick's Day our children were visited by bagpiper Vincent Martinez. Mr. Martinez visited each classroom. He talked about the history of the bagpipes. He also played several tunes. It was a great cultural experience for all of us at Primanti.



Summer School

Join us this summer for an out of this world adventure of fun, learning and hands-on science.

There will also be many fantastic field trips.
Sign up now!



Our science themes for the summer are as follows:

Week 1 Space Exploration

Week 2 Back to the Moon

Week 3 Astronomy

Week 4 Robots

Week 5 Weather

Week 6 Water World

Week 7 Beyond the Hay Infusion

Week 8 Rain Forest

Week 9 Magnets/Electricity

Week 10 Dinosaurs

Week 11 Nutrition

