

# DRAGONFLY DIGEST

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## DMCS SITE COUNCIL

Dixon Montessori Charter School is forming a school site council that will meet on the first Tuesday of each month to:

- Create a plan for school improvement
- Review and update the site safety plan
- Implement a community outreach plan
- Evaluate the progress made toward school goals to raise the academic achievement of all students.
- Address parent concerns/complaints regarding the school program
- Advise and provide opinions on divisive school issues
- Serve as a think tank to provide research and find solutions for identified areas of need within the school program
- Assist the school with positive PR
- Support excellent school attendance

More information will be provided at Back to School Night regarding the nomination and election process.

## SCRIP FUNDRAISING PROGRAM

### *Order Deadline is Friday, September 2<sup>nd</sup>*

We have a new and exciting fundraising program here at DMCS! It's called "scrip", and it's the fundraising program that works while you shop. Scrip is simply a word that means "substitute money." Scrip participating retailers (including Walmart, Target, Safeway, and many others) agree to sell gift certificates to us at a discount. Member families in our school's community buy the certificates for full face value, they redeem them for full face value, and our school keeps the difference as revenue.

**ShopWithScrip.com** is the online ordering system that we will use to gather scrip orders. To register a new account, go to the green **Family Sign Up** box on the left side, and click "Create Account". Before you can place an order, you must enter our school's enrollment code: **385ALD9B27228**.

Our first Scrip order is due next Friday, September 2<sup>nd</sup>. You can place your order online, or use a paper order form found in the office above the PTO mailbox. Payments can be made online through PrestoPay, or you can drop off a check in the PTO mailbox in the office. Orders **MUST** be placed and paid for by **Friday, September 2<sup>nd</sup> at 3pm!** If you have any questions, contact DMCS parent Jo-Anne Steggall, our Scrip Coordinator, at (707) 330-4467 or [jmsteggall@yahoo.com](mailto:jmsteggall@yahoo.com).

## DMCS Events

Saturday, August 27

### Fall Festival Planning Meeting

9:00 to 11:00 am  
1110 Bello Drive

Thursday, September 1

### Back to School Night

This is a parent only evening  
6:30 pm

Friday, September 2

Spirit Wear Orders are due

Friday, September 2

Order Deadline for Scrip  
Fundraising Program

Monday, September 5

### Labor Day

School Closed

Saturday, September 10

### School Beautification Day

8:30 to 11:30 am  
Bring brooms, shovels, rakes and other tools to spruce up our school yard.

## ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

Ms. Charlene would like to thank Alyssa Benjamin's family for the donation of a vacuum cleaner! The students all want to use it! She appreciates the generosity that will allow our room to look inviting at all times! She would like to acknowledge Kylie Jo for her compassion in helping one of our Kindergartners to enjoy recess and not think about missing her mother. Thanks Kylie!

Ms. Patty would like to thank Ryley Steggall for her help in Room 11.

Ms. AnnMarie would like to acknowledge Emily Morrill for being so kind to others and for working so hard every day.

Ms. Joanne would like to acknowledge Liam Wolf for his guidance with a younger student. She would also like to acknowledge Jocelyn Hansen for adapting to her new school environment for first grade. Way to go!

Ms. Kim's class would like to wish everyone Happy Retro Day. They would also like to thank Ms. Robin for all the hard work she does in Ms. Leslie and Ms. Heather-Rose's classes.

Ms. Kim would like to acknowledge her class for taking the time to welcome a new student to our classroom.

Ms. Autumn would like to acknowledge her classroom leaders who identified a need for community service on our campus and cleaned graffiti off of the playground equipment.

Ms. Carolyn would like to acknowledge Jake Franceschi for his problem solving ability and his assistance to peers. She thanks Jill Rubio for her assistance in the office and lunch room.

Jane Hendrix has been recognized by her fellow Extended Day Program students for the kindness and friendship she has extended to our returning EDP students and especially our new students. Mrs. Davidson and Mr. Riemer acknowledge her as a great role model and for her ability to follow our class rules.

## REQUESTS

Unused musical instruments

Books for classroom libraries

a beanbag chair, relaxing CD's, essential oils, things that light up and things that make soothing or interesting noises

a plastic kiddie pool - please contact PTO Fundraising Committee Chair Kelly Kosiewicz [kellykosiewicz@hotmail.com](mailto:kellykosiewicz@hotmail.com) if you have one to donate

## ITEMS OF IMPORTANCE

The middle school team will have its first baked **banana bread sale** on **August 29, 2011** (Monday) after school from 3:15 to 3:30 p.m. All proceeds will go towards the field trip fund.

Orders for **spirit wear** (e.g. shirts, sweatshirts) are due next Friday, **September 2<sup>nd</sup>**. Please turn in order forms/ monies into the marked box in the office near the PTO mailbox.

A **Fall Festival Planning Meeting** will be held this **Saturday, August 27th, from 9-11 am**. All are welcome to attend and help plan this event. The meeting will be held at PTO Fundraising Committee Chair Kelly Kosiewicz's home, **1110 Bello Drive**, in Dixon. Children are welcome to attend. For information, you can contact her at [kellykosiewicz@hotmail.com](mailto:kellykosiewicz@hotmail.com).

**Due to an equipment issue, the lunch menu for next week will be slightly different than published.**

## A NOTE FROM MS. SHARI

Ms. Shari is very pleased with the 4th and 5th grade band students. They just started learning their new instruments this week and they are getting off to a marvelous start. The 6th and 7th grade band students did a wonderful job on Thursday's "Musician Showcase." They are a very talented group of musicians.

The 4th and 5th grade students will start playing soprano recorders next week, so make sure you bring them to school.



