



New Horizon School-Los Angeles

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Hey, that's News to Us!

Here are a few reminders:

- The Cookie & Wrapping Paper Sale began last Friday.
- House Council Campaigns begin today.
- House Council Speeches will be delivered on Wednesday, September 30, 2009.
- House Elections are this Thursday, October 1, 2009.
- All-school field trip to the L.A. County Fair is this Thursday, October 1, 2009.
- Friday, October 9, 2009 is School Picture Day & video taping for the 25th Anniversary Celebration.
- The Back-to-School Picnic will be on Saturday, October 10, 2009 at Griffith Park from 12 - 4 pm.
- There will be no school on Monday, October 12, 2009 due to a Faculty Workday.
- Fall Mid-term Testing for grades 2-5 will be from October 13 - 16, 2009.

House Elections

All the students from Kindergarten to 5th grade have been divided into three houses with a faculty adviser. This week they will have elections to elect House Officers to lead their houses. Help your children plan their campaigns and prepare their speeches.

Parent Service Contract & Fee

You all received your PTO Folders last week and included in the folder was a blue parent contract. Please fill out the contract, check the items you want to help with, sign, and return it with the \$10.00 PTO Membership fee as soon as possible, if you have not paid yet. Remember that the House that brings back the service contract with the fee first will get 30 House Points.

Back-to-School Anniversary Picnic & PTO Meeting

This year to spice things up, the first PTO meeting will be a picnic meeting at Griffith Park on Saturday, October 10, 2009 from 12:00-4:00 pm. During this meeting, the PTO will welcome all the parents to this school year and the students of the month for September 2009 will be awarded their certificates. We need parent volunteers to help organize the picnic. Please see the office for more information. There will be delicious food and exciting games for everyone. See you there!



Back-to-School Night

Last Friday night's Back-to-School Night was quite successful. Many parents attended and had the opportunity to visit their children's classrooms and meet their children's teachers. The teachers explained their classroom procedures and policies, while parents got to ask questions that they had. Mrs. Alikhan introduced the faculty, the PTO officers, and told the parents the team's qualifications. Mr. Ricky talked about the P.E. program, Mrs. Kay presented the Library, Mrs. Irshad talked about the Science program, and Mrs. Anis presented the BIAE. Overall, it was a lovely evening of introduction and conversation.

Cookie & Wrapping Paper Sale

The Cookie & Wrapping Paper Sale began last Friday. Each student is required to sell at least 5 items from the catalogs. Please make sure that you fill out the paperwork correctly. The seller who sells the most items will earn their house 25 points!



Date Change Notice

Please note that the Back-to-School Anniversary Picnic & First PTO Meeting will be on Saturday, October 10, 2009, from 12:00 - 4:00 pm.

L.A. County Fair Field Trip

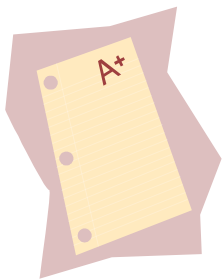
Next Thursday, October 1, 2009 all of the students from Preschool to fifth grade will be going to the Los Angeles County Fair. We need parent volunteers to help supervise, so if you are available, please sign up in the office. There are very few seats available, so only those parents who sign-up by Monday, September 28, 2009 will be allowed to come. There is no room for last minute additions or siblings.

After-School Enrichment Program

Next week the after-school enrichment program commences. Please make sure you turn-in the registration form complete with payment by this Friday, October 2, 2009 so that your child may participate fully in the program.

The Enrichment opportunities available for students are:

Math	Mrs. Irshad	Mon	(1 st -5 th)	3:30-4:00
Sports	Mr. Ricky	Tues	(1 st -5 th)	3:30-4:30
Martial Arts	To Be Decided	Wed	(1 st -5 th)	3:30-4:30
Quran	Mrs. Ehsan	Thurs	(1 st -5 th)	3:30-4:15
Creative Writing	Ms. Tamera	Fri	(1 st -5 th)	3:30-4:00



Test Taking Tips

As you help your children prepare for the fall midterm tests of the school year, keep these simple tips in mind, as they maybe the difference between an A and a B for your student.

- *Don't Cram* - In the week before the test, schedule several short study sessions.
- *Read the Directions* - Remind students to read the directions completely.
- *Skim the Test Quickly* - Encourage your student to skim the test quickly to understand what to expect and so they may answer any "easy" questions first.
- *Get Plenty of Rest* - Ensure your student gets plenty of rest before the test, so they may be able to focus on the test.

Scrip



One way of fulfilling parent service hours is by ordering scrip. Scrip is a wonderful and easy way to raise funds for the school. Scrip works the same way gift cards do. For every unit of scrip you buy, the school gets a certain percent of that value. For every \$200 dollars worth of scrip you buy, 2 parent service hours will be credited to your requirement. A complete list of retailers is located in the office for your viewing.

Scrip orders must be placed by Thursday at 1pm and will be sent home with your child on the Thursday of the following week. With a little planning, this is the easiest way to raise funds for the school and fulfilling your service hour requirement. Orders are now being taken. Please see Mrs. Keval if you have any questions.

NHSLA Celebrates 25 Years!!!

New Horizon School - Los Angeles officially turns 25 years old this year and we are planning a big party honoring the founders, recognizing everyone that helped make New Horizon what it is today on Sunday, November 22nd, 2009 at the Queen Mary in Long Beach. This event comes only once in a lifetime, so don't miss out! There will be a silent auction, delicious food, and entertainment. Plan to attend and reserve your tickets now!

Souvenir Book

New Horizon School - Los Angeles is publishing a souvenir book to commemorate its 25 years of providing quality education in an Islamic environment. We are seeking advertisements and messages for the founders and / or this milestone. Please contact the office at (213) 480-3145 for more details regarding this excellent opportunity to showcase your businesses or services and honor these supporters of Islamic education at the same time.