



Valley Oaks December Newsletter 2011

Mrs. Lane, Principal

Important Dates To Remember

12-2 Dental Screening k-3rd
12-2 PTO Craft Night 6-8 pm
12-6 DAC Meeting 3:30 pm
12-7 Band Concert 6:00pm
12-9 Spelling Bee 8:15 am
12-14 Board Meeting 7 pm
12-15 Kindergarten Performance
12-16 Friday Sing 8 am

12-19 through 1-3-12
Winter Break



Important Phone Numbers:

School Office: 745 -1564
District Office: 744-4550
VO Fax 744-4565
Web page www.galt.k12.ca.us

Kindergarten Winter Performance on December 15, 2011

All classes will be performing at 8:30 - 9:15 am in the Valley Oaks Cafeteria.
All PM Kindergartners will be coming to school at 7:40 to 11:05 on December 15th.

Winter Break

This years winter break will start December 16th thru January 2nd. School will resume on January 3, 2011. The Staff at Valley Oaks wishes you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Lost & Found Clothing

Please check the lost & found in the cafeteria before December 16, 2011. All items that are not claimed will be donated to charity.

2012-2013 Kindergarten Registration

Registration for the 2011-2012 school year started November 12th and we are still taking registrations. Your child must be **5 years old on or before November 2, 2012**. The following documents are required at the time of registration: 1). Proof of birth, 2). Immunization record, 3). Proof of residency. Registration forms are available in the school office or on-line www.galt.k12.ca.us. Office hours are 7:30 am to 3:30 pm.

VOV Craft Night

VOV Craft Night will be held Friday, December 2, 2010 at 6:00 pm in Valley Oaks Cafeteria. It is free for students; all students must be accompanied by an adult.

Band & Choir Concert

Valley Oaks Band & Choir Concert will be December 7, 2011 that the Valley Oaks Cafeteria at 6:30 pm. We look forward to this special holiday performance and hope you can join us!

Use the Winter Break to Spend More Time Creating A Language-rich Home

Good News: Strong language skills can make your youngster a better reader, writer, and all around student.

Great News: You can build those skills just by reading and talking to your child. Try these ideas:

- **Read regularly**—Try to read to your child every day. You might aim for 10-15 minutes of bedtime reading for a peaceful end to the day. Tuck read-alouds into the time when dinner is in the oven. Or curl up together with a book when you get home from work.
- **Narrate** everyday activities like driving or cooking. Hearing unfamiliar words in conversation will help your youngster understand words in books (“Please hand me the *colander* so I can drain the spaghetti”). *Tip:* If your child doesn’t know the word, explain: “This is a colander. Water drains through the holes.”
- **Encourage** your child to join family conversations. Ask him/her questions to help him expand on hi/her answers. (“Why do you think so? “What else happened?”) Your child will learn to talk about events and give their opinions.

For information on Healthy Families / Medi -Cal Insurance Coverage, call (888) 747-1222 or GJUESD Health Dept. at 744-4521