

## SCHOOL NEWS

May 9, 2017

### THANK YOU CPA. PARENTS, and STUDENTS

Thank you all for the wonderful week of lunches, coffees, muffins, notes, flowers, and other expressions of your support and caring. The whole staff is so thankful for your kindness and appreciation.

### HUMANITIES TEACHER

We have hired a most marvelous person to teach Humanities in our upper school, pending board approval later this month. Some of you know her as a neighbor and former teacher at Civano, Jana Dawson.

Jana Dawson holds a BA in Education from Arizona State University and an MFA in Creative Writing from Chicago's Columbia College. Jana was the second teacher hired at Civano Community School after founder Pam Bateman. Jana taught at the school when it was housed in a model home in the neighborhood, was deeply involved in the planning and construction of the original school building, and taught one school year in the new building before relocating to the Chicago area. Jana is committed to child-centered education and is amazed by the great things accomplished by the school's committed staff and families in the years she's been away. It has been her dream to teach at Civano Community School again and she is grateful for this opportunity.

### LETTERS FOR MEMORY BOOKS K-5 PARENTS:

All K-5 parents, please write an end of the year letter to your child(ren). We put these letters in their memory books and it is a very big deal for them to read them. In your letter you may want to include how old your child is, what grade they're in, any big life events that have happened this year (new house, new baby, etc.) and just how proud of them you are. You can send the letter directly to the teacher via email or put in the purple folder to bring back to school. Please have these letters to the school by Thursday, May 18th to ensure that they get into the memory books.

### ART AND MOVIE NIGHT

Friday night is our Art and Movie Night. Please join us on both campuses for the art show from 6-7 pm. After the art show, we will be having our ever famous movie night starring all of the students, in the MPR on the elementary campus. We should be wrapped up and on our way home by about 8:00.

Bring your own chairs, blankets, drinks, and snacks for the movie! Remember chairs in the back and blankets up front so everyone can see.

The playgrounds are not available for any children during this evening. We are having an event that does not include playtime, but is about art appreciation and sharing, as well as having a great time watching the movie. Please talk to your kids and be sure that you all have a plan to have a wonderful evening, as well as supporting everyone else's enjoyment of the evening.

#### CHICKEN CARE OVER THE SUMMER:

We need help caring for the chickens over the summer. The "duties" are visiting 1-2 times daily, giving them food and water, and collecting eggs (you get to keep any eggs they lay while you are caring for them). In addition, if we have a really bad heat wave (105+ for several days in a row), their swimming pool will need to be filled and their coop hosed down to help them stay cool.

If you are interested please contact Joanna at [normanj@vailschooldistrict.org](mailto:normanj@vailschooldistrict.org) and let her know any dates you would be able to help between May 30 and July 5.

#### BUDDY FAMILIES:

We are pleased to offer a warm and welcoming approach for new families starting for the school year 2017/2018. We are looking for existing host families who are willing to participate in "The Civano Buddy Family Program," which is designed to help new families become part of Civano Community School. New and existing families are paired up so the new family has someone they can go to when they have questions about Civano. The existing family is asked to contact the new family over the summer before school starts, "show them the ropes," help introduce the family, and check in with them throughout the year to be sure their transition to Civano is as easy as possible.

If this sounds like something you'd be willing to help with, please fill out the Google form below. We will send out the pairings by the beginning of summer break.

<https://goo.gl/forms/1Y6KB9RjBKNW7O6T2>

Thanks for your continued devotion to our little school and our community.

#### Crosswalk Duty

We have one remaining crosswalk shift open and in need of coverage this year, on Monday, May 15th, from 8:00am - 8:25am. Please notify Angie Henning or Scott Madsen if you can help. Thank you!

### RODENT SUPPLIES, FREE

The olders have a complete setup for a small rodent pet with cages, food, and various accessories. Free!

### WOKE UP DEAD CONCERT

Please see attachment for the Woke Up Dead Concert sponsored by the CPA.

### MS HOMEWORK CLUB DONE FOR THIS YEAR

The homework club at the middle school is over until the 2017-18 school year.

### ELEMENTARY HOME WORK CLUB

The elementary homework club will go through next week. The last day for HW club is Thursday, May 18th.

### UPCOMING

May 9	3:15	Site Council
May 9	7:00 pm	Strings Concert
May 12	6:00 pm	Art and Movie Night
May 16-18		8th Grade Passages
May 19	6-9 pm	CPA Bash- Woke Up Dead
May 22	9:00 am	4th/5th Grade Promotion
May 24	9:00 am	8th Grade Graduation
May 25	8:00 am	Family Breakfast
May 25	9:00 ish	All Grades Talent Show