

Wildwood
Elementary
School



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Welcome to Wildwood 2011-2012

Welcome to the beginning of another new and exciting school year!

We are busy preparing for the beginning of school and anticipate a school year filled with exciting new adventures and want to extend a special welcome the new students, families and teachers joining the Wildwood Team!!

We know that you and your children are excited about the start of a new school year as well as meeting our new teacher, Mrs. Luft, and we wish Miss Wallace good luck with her new school assignment. Grade level teams have worked many hours to place students in classes that will create the best learning environment for each individual child. All class placements were carefully made to create well-balanced classrooms with children who have a variety of learning needs and styles. Based on the number of students we anticipate for this school year, we might have combination classes again, but enrollment numbers fluctuate every day until school begins, therefore, class assignments will be posted in front of the office only on the day before school starts, **Tuesday, August 23rd, at 5:00pm.** We will have treats for sale while you talk about the coming school year with your friends. Also, you'll be the first to see and own a piece of our new Tiger Wear. T-shirts will be for sale on the 23rd and throughout the first few days of school. (No ordering necessary). If you have questions about your child's placement, we would very much appreciate it if you would allow school to get started first and if necessary, schedule an appointment in the office.

As school begins, the amount of traffic in and around the school increases. Please remember to follow all traffic patterns in our school parking lots as well as obey all traffic laws. If we all do our part, we can ensure that the traffic in our parking lots will be less frustrating for everyone and most importantly, safe for our children. Please remember that cars may not be left unattended while in the drop off line (against the curb) in both parking lots as this clogs the flow of traffic and created traffic concerns. If you need to come into the office, please park in an appropriate area (streets or parking stalls). Of course the easiest way to reduce the traffic problem in the parking lots is to walk to school as we know walking is great exercise and it allows you to talk with your child about how their day went. Please notice the new traffic signs, indicating that there is no parking along Arboles. Last year, cars were parked right up to the driveway, which created dangerous situations as drivers pulling out of the lot were unable to see oncoming traffic.

Please know that I am here to answer any questions you may have and my door is always open.. I look forward to meeting all of the children and parents on the first day of class, **Wednesday, August 24th, at 8:10am.**

This packet is filled with information that will not only help you prepare for the 2011-2012 school year, but also wants to encourage you to get involved. The new PTA Board has been hard at work planning and organizing since June, and has created many opportunities to do so. I think you will find that this board has developed wonderful strategies for making everyone feel part of our school, yet allowing consensus to be reached regarding PTA programs.

This is a great time for everyone to once again show support by joining the PTA and to put your name behind one or several of the activities coming up this year on our Wildwood campus. Those will not be possible without the generous help of our fabulous parents who volunteer their time and resources. Sign-up sheets will be posted around campus. Your involvement and commitment is what makes Wildwood so special!

So in advance, thank you for joining the Wildwood Team and for being a part of our continuous improvement efforts!

Sincerely,

Doug Hedin, principal

WILDWOOD Student Drop Off:

1. Drop off and pick up students in marked loading zone only. Drop students from passenger side of car only.
2. Use "Thru Traffic" lane to pass and exit (Do not drop off from the "Thru Traffic Lane")
3. No parking anywhere in the lot. Park only on the street.
4. No waiting or parking in the Passenger Loading Zone.
5. Driver should never exit the vehicle while in the passenger loading zone.
6. Always pull forward as far as possible before loading or unloading.

WILDWOOD Parent Volunteers:

When parents become involved in their child's school, two good things happen: Children do better in school and children go to better schools. We look forward to seeing you all on campus and be part of this Wildwood community, but please remember:

- For safety reasons, all volunteers must sign in and out at the front desk and wear a badge while on campus.
- Volunteers need to have a current TB test on file (good for 4 yrs.) BEFORE they may work with students in CVUSD. Now is a good time to renew your TB test if necessary.
- All Volunteers are asked to attend one of our Volunteer Meetings. We have scheduled the following dates and times: 8/29 @ 2:10pm, 8/31 @ 8:15am, 9/7 @ 1pm, 9/12 @ 2:10pm or 9/14 @ 8:15am

Please do not hesitate to ask if you have any questions or concerns. Beate Kunze, Office Manager

Important Information for Parents and Students:

Attendance: If your child is absent, please contact the school office before 9a.m. by calling **492-3531**. Late arrivals due to medical appointments need to be verified with a doctor's note in order to be excused.

Campus Supervision: Campus Supervision is provided daily at 7:45 a.m. (No student drop-offs are allowed prior to this time).

Students must be picked up by 2:45 p.m. daily and by 1:35 p.m. on Tuesdays. *Supervision is not provided after these times.* Please get into the habit of being on time. The safety of your child is our number one priority!

Clothing: Please adhere to the Wildwood and CVUSD dress code. Hats are allowed for sun-protection purposes, but may only be worn outdoors and must be worn facing forward. Please label all clothing, so it can be returned if lost.

School Lunches: Menus are now online! Lunches are available for purchase for \$3.50, breakfast for \$2.00. You can pay with cash or check in the office (\$25.00 minimum for checks, please), or you can also establish an online account through EZPay. Please check the district website for more information on how to sign up.

Lunches brought in later in the day should be left on the piano in the MPR.

Applications for free or reduced lunches are available in the office or online at any time during the school year.

Bicycle Safety: Students in grades 3-5 may ride a bicycle or scooter and lock them up in the bike rack area. Helmets are required by law. Parents are encouraged to discuss bicycle safety with their children. All bicycles are to be walked while on campus. Skateboards, roller skates and roller blades are not allowed on campus.

Medication: District policy prohibits the dispensing of any medication at school without a signed doctor's authorization. (This includes cough drops, aspirin, etc). If there is a need for your child to keep any medication at school, please pick up a form in the office for your doctor to complete for authorization, or come in to administer the medicine to your child in the health office.

Student Handbook: Please read the handbook in its entirety to become familiar with all school rules/policies. In our effort to conserve resources, the 2011-2012 handbook will no longer be sent home on the first day of school. But will soon be available online for your convenience on our website:

ww2.conejo.k12.ca.us/wildwood

A limited number of printed copies will be available in the office upon request.

Multi Media Consent Form:

The District or school site may on occasion provide pictures etc. with name of students, singly or in groups to the media, unless the parents have submitted a written request that such information not be disclosed. Request forms are available in the office or on our website, please return to the school by 9/2/2011.

School Supplies List 2011-12

Should you plan on purchasing your school supplies or supplies throughout the year from Office Depot, please remember to use our

5% Back to School Program ID # 70015773

every time you shop at Office Depot.

Thank you from your PTA!

School Hours

Kindergarten:

8:10am -1:20pm daily

Grades 1-5:

M, W to F: 8:10am -2:35pm

Tuesday: 8:10am-1:20pm

KINDERGARTEN

2 Crayola Watercolor sets, 8 colors
Large Crayola crayons, 8pack
Fiscars Scissors
1 ream of white copy paper
2 tubs of Play-Do, any color
1 box each of Ziploc bags, small/large.

Optional:

2 containers of baby wipes
1 roll of paper towels
1 large box of Kleenex
1 bag of 9" paper plates

FIRST GRADE

Fiskar Scissors
Pencil Box 8"x5"
1 box Crayola Water Colors, 8 colors
1 box Crayola Crayons, 24 colors
1 dozen pencils, Dixon Ticonderoga
4 fine dry erase white board markers, black only
1 ream of white copy paper

Optional:

1 large box of Kleenex
1 container of baby wipes
1 roll of paper towel
1 box of Ziploc bags

SECOND GRADE

Pencil Sharpener w/catcher
Large Pencil Box
1 Two-pocket Folder
1 box of Colored Pencils (12 or more)
1 box Crayola Crayons, 24 colors
2 large erasers
2 red ballpoint pens
2 glue sticks, no purple please
1 dozen pencils, #2
1 bag of Ruby tip pencil top erasers
Optional: 1 ream of white copy paper
1 Box of Kleenex, Scissors

THIRD GRADE

1 Three Ring Binder 2"
1 Large Pencil Box
1 poly 2-pocket folder
1 set of colored pencils, 12 or more
1 pair of sharper point scissors
4 pack of Highlighters, various colors

Optional:

1 ream of white copy paper
1 package wide ruled notebook paper

FOURTH GRADE

1 Three Ring Binder 2"
4-pack Expo Whiteboard Markers
Plastic Pencil Box, not higher than 3"
2 Sharpie permanent twin-tip markers
Pencil Sharpener w/ catcher
1 dozen pencils, Dixon Ticonderoga

Optional:

1 ream of white copy paper
1 large box of Kleenex
1 container of baby wipes

FIFTH GRADE

1 Three Ring Binder 2"
1 large box of Tissues
2 packs of filler paper, lined
Dividers, 5 or 8 tabs
1 dozen pencils
2 glue sticks
1 Pencil Sharpener w/ catcher
1 box of crayons, 24 or more
1 or 2 Sharpies, ultrafine, black
Optional:
1 ream of white copy paper
1 pencil box, not higher than 3"

EXTRA COPIES OF THESE SUPPLY LISTS ARE AVAILABLE IN THE OFFICE AND ON OUR WEBSITE WWW2.CONEJO.K12.CA.US/WILDWOOD

THESE SUPPLIES WILL HELP SUPPORT STUDENTS DURING THE YEAR. THIS IS A VOLUNTARY DONATION TO THE SCHOOL, (SHOULD NOT EXCEED \$25). NO STUDENT WILL BE DENIED SUPPLIES IF PARENTS ARE NOT ABLE TO OR CHOOSE NOT TO PROVIDE THESE ITEMS. HOWEVER, PARENT SUPPORT IN THIS REGARD ALLOWS OUR SCHOOL BUDGETS FOR ADDITIONAL INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS. WE HAVE ALSO FOUND THAT STUDENTS OFTEN TAKE BETTER CARE OF MATERIALS WHEN THEY HAVE BROUGHT THEM FROM HOME.

Upcoming Events:

August 23, 2011 – If you are a new to Wildwood family/ or your child will start Kindergarten, PTA will be sponsoring an ice cream social for you immediately following the Kindergarten (1pm) and the **Incoming Student Orientation** (at 1:30pm). Please come to the lunch pavilion and meet your PTA Executive Board, have some ice cream, and sign-up to volunteer for PTA events. We look forward to welcoming you and get to know our new Tigers. Our new Tigerwear will be for sale as well.

August 23, 2011—Class lists will be posted outside the office at 5pm. Stop by to greet friends, find out your child’s class room, enjoy a cold treat and purchase a brand new Tiger T-Shirt.

August 24, 2011– First day of school. After you say good-bye to your child(ren), please join us for the **PTA Welcome Back Coffee** at the lunch pavilion. It is a great chance to meet new friends and catch up with the old ones you haven’t seen all summer.

September 9, 2011 – Wildwood PTA Welcome Back Picnic – This will be an old fashioned good time! The In-N-Out Burger Truck will cook up their famous hamburgers, so return the attached order form soon, or bring your picnic dinner, lawn chairs, and picnic blankets. We’ll eat, dance to happy tunes, play field games, visit with friends and have fun together. Just enjoy each others’ company, the whole family is invited!

No School Monday, September 5th, Labor Day and Thursday, September 29th, 2011
September 8th, 2011—Back to School Night (5:30pm for Gr. 3-5, 6:45pm for Gr. K-2)
September 16, 2011—School Pictures (Class pictures will be taken, too, so smile and say Cheese)
October 10-14th, 2011—Conference Week, early dismissal at 12:15pm all week

Additional PTA Sponsored Events...

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| Wrapping paper sales - September 2-16th | Jog-A-thon —April 20th | Food Nights —monthly |
| Family Portrait Night – October 11th | Abilities Awareness Day —December | Mother’s Lunch —May |
| Red Ribbon Week – October 17-21st | Fall Festival — October 28th | Movie Night —June 1st |
| Book Fairs – November and February | Dodger Day May, TBA | Father’s Lunch —June |

PTA Reflections Program News 2011-2012

Diversity is... in your child’s imagination and talents! The PTA Reflections Program gives students an opportunity to receive recognition for their artistic endeavors. Encourage your child to create an original work of art based on this year’s theme.

Theme: “Diversity is...”

Rules: Available in the office starting Wednesday, August 31st, 2011

Turn-in day: Fri. Oct. 7th, 2011 in MPR, 7:45-8:15 am & 2:30-3:00pm (laminare available on 10/6 as well) **NO EXCEPTIONS**

Wildwood Gallery night: Thursday, October 20th, 2011, 6:00pm-7:30pm

There are six arts categories to choose from:

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| Film Production | Dance /Choreography | Musical Composition |
| Photography | Visual Arts | Literature |

Reflections Program awards are given at the local, council, district, state, and national levels. National award-winning entries are showcased in the PTA Reflections Program gallery at www.pta.org. Contact Karen McCarthy with any questions: 805 241-6173 or email her Kmccarthy095@gmail.com

We're on the Web!
 ww2.conejo.k12.ca.us/
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 High Achievement

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Tentative Wildwood School Calendar 2011-2012

Please check our website ww2.conejo.k12.ca.us/wildwood for updates and changes

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| • 8/23/11 | Kindergarten Orientation 1pm
Incoming Tiger Orientation 1:30pm

Class lists posted at 5pm | • 12/19/11—1/2/12 | Winter Recess |
| • 8/24/11 | First Day of School—Welcome back | • 1/16/12 | Martin Luther King, Jr. Birthday |
| • 9/5/11 | Labor Day | • 2/2, 2/3/12 | WWD Talent Shows |
| • 9/08/11 | Back to School Night | • 2/17/12 | Lincoln's Birthday |
| • 9/9/11 | Family Picnic | • 2/20/12 | Washington's Birthday |
| • 9/16/11 | School Pictures | • 3/19-3/23/12 | Spring Break |
| • 9/29/11 | Pupil Free Day | • 4/6/12 | Pupil Free Day |
| • 10/10-14/11 | Parent Conferences (Release at 12:15 p.m.) | • 4/20/12 | Jog-A-thon |
| • 10/20/11 | Reflections Gallery Night | • 4/23 to 4/27/12 | STAR Testing, <small>no volunteers, please</small> |
| • 10/28/11 | Fall Festival | • 4/30 to 5/4/12 | STAR Test make ups |
| • 11/11/11 | Veterans Day Holiday | • 5/24/12 (tent.) | Open House |
| • 11/23-25/11 | Thanksgiving Holiday | • 5/28/12 | Memorial Day |
| | | • 6/1/12 | Movie Night |
| | | • 6/8/12 | Last Day of School, |

12:15pm dismissal for Gr. K-3, 12:30pm for Gr. 4-5

