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Principal's News

In the month of May SRFACS has been a filled with lots of activities and life-long memories.

Both the 5th and 6th Grade students went on overnight excursions to the Redwoods and Point Bonita; exclusively. They came away with many memories and good times that they will always cherish. It was also a month marked by our annual Kermesse where we turn SRFACS into a carnival and celebrate French culture in a fun way. The event was followed by a well-attended pot luck dinner on the field.

With sadness, we say goodbye to many teachers who will move on to new adventures. For 20 years that was my life and so now the tables are turned as I say goodbye and remain behind to keep the school running smoothly with new teachers to replace our cherished teacher staff. We want to wish them all good luck as they venture into new,



horizons. Audrey Massat will take the longest flight as she moves to Cambodia to teach. The Courtels and Rebours will join Pascal Stricher in Egypt while the Quenets and Azal will move on to Canada. Ms. Caroline will return to France to be with her son and Ms. Portelli will go back home to France as well. Ms. Johnstone will enjoy life as a retired teacher while her husband will continue to take the reins and guide SRFACS into the future. We are also saying goodbye to Lisette Buchmeiler who will return to her Dutch homeland to work in special education.

Of course, we will miss all of our 6th graders who venture off to middle schools in Sonoma County and beyond.

Good luck to all and keep in touch.
Mr. Johnstone

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Upcoming Events

- ◆ Aug. 15th
First Day of School
- ◆ Aug. 31st
Back to School Night

Dear Parents

I want to take this time to thank the parent community for all the hours they volunteered to keep our school running smoothly. I really enjoyed celebrating the efforts of our parent volunteers during our thank you brunch on May 23rd. It was a fun morning of socializing and receiving raffle prizes to reward your efforts. I also want to thank the parent support for the wolf adoption

program and the plant sales. These funds were used to support fund-raising efforts on and off campus. A Big thanks to the parents that came out for our May campus cleanup.

I want to assure you that I am looking forward to the upcoming school year. All teachers have been hired and we are getting the school ready to receive our new staff. Happy Summer!
Mr. Johnstone



Kermesse 2017

Thank you to all who helped make our 2017 Kermesse a fabulous day for the students and fun evening for families. We would like to thank the following volunteers:

Prize Sorting- Ann Gospe
Game Card Makers- Caroline Ackroyd, Bronwen Arthur, Jennifer Castle, Molly Kuhl, Sara Manville,
Kermesse Set up crew - Roberto Aguilar, Ann Gospe, Cindy Mogannan, Ireine Nagai, Cora Partmann, Laura Cruz

Kermesse DJ- Kim & Golbou Wood, and Vika Hawley

Kermesse Strike Crew and Potluck Setup- Melissa Lue, Lynn Wheeler, Chris

Snyder, Wendy Sewell, Megan Hernandez

Kermesse Potluck Strike - Travers Ebling, Melissa Lue, Noah Eiger, Wendy Sewell, Steve & Niessia Diehl, Molly Kuhl

Booth Volunteers for your wonderful energy.

M. Le Rebours, Mr Johnstone, and Roberto Aguilar for enduring the sponge toss,

Teachers for helping us organize the students.

and a huge thank you to all who loaned pop up tents, tables and other supplies, and anyone we may have missed above.

Merci et bonne vacances!

Mariana & Galienne

6th Grade Promotion

The 6th Grade Promotion held on June 1 in our cafeteria was a big success. Thanks to Caroline Elliott, Stacy Guthrie, Jennifer Jimenez, and Rachel Williams for all the beautiful decorations, delicious brunch, and special certificates designed by our former student, Zoe Dinardo. The memory slide show was a big hit and a lasting keepsake. Mrs. Johnstone presented each student with a poetry anthology created by all of the 6th grade poets.

Student Council

Mrs. Johnstone and the student council completed the adoption of wolves through their fund-raising efforts. The 5 Yellowstone wolves are named Kootenai, McKinley, Summit, Adara, and Akela. Their photos are on the student council

bulletin board in the main hallway.



SRFACS WOLVES

“When educating the minds of our youth, we must not forget to educate their hearts.”
Dalai Lama