



CASTLEBAY PATHWAYS

PARENTS AND TEACHERS HELPING

October 2011

MARK YOUR CALENDERS!

October

October 25

California Pizza Kitchen
9301 Tampa Ave.
(818) 701-5035
11am to 9pm

October 31

Costume Parade - 1:45 pm

November

November 5

Family Fun Day

November 11

NO SCHOOL - Veteran's Day

November 14

PATH Meeting (8:30a)

November 24-25

NO SCHOOL- Thanksgiving Holiday

EVERY THURSDAY

Snack Sale - after school
Kindergarten fundraiser

EVERY FRIDAY

SPIRIT DAY

Wear your Castlebay shirt!

PIZZA SALE - after school
5th grade fundraiser

www.castlebaylane.com

WELCOME MS. VICTORIA LITTLEJOHN!

Ms. Littlejohn comes to Castlebay Lane with 22 years of experience in Education. She started in the biligual program working in East Los Angeles. Having a background in social work comes in handy working with families of all backgrounds. As a Peace Corp volunteer, she taught in Guatemala for 3 years. She traveled across the world to teach an American curriculum to the children of diplomats and buisness men from around the world at the International School of Beijing. She spent this summer working with children suffering from malnutrition and poverty in Guatemala. She and her daughters, ages 15 and 13, helped bring these babies back to health.

Ms. Littlejohn is impressed with Castlebay children being so well behaved and curious about life. She loves how active and involved the parents are in school. She is impressed with the level of dedication by the staff and teachers. She is "LOVING IT!" here at Castlebay Lane.



Castlebay's API Reaches New Heights!

Castlebay's API (Academic Performance Index) scored rocketed from 928 last year to 940 this year. The maximum score is 1,000. The API score is a measurement of academic performance and progress of schools in California; it is one of the primary components of the Public Schools Accountability Act passed by the California Legislature in 1999. At Castlebay 555 students from 2nd to 5th grades were tested last May. In English Language Arts 84% of students tested scored as proficient or above. In Math 91% of students tested scored as proficient or above. Castlebay's score puts the school in the top 10% of elementary schools in LAUSD and the State. Congratulations to our students, teachers, staff and ever diligent parents!

SAFETY CONTRACT

In an effort to avoid senseless tragedies, I will abide by these simple safety rules:

1. I will use the crosswalks and not jay walk in front of the school.
I understand it is both illegal and unsafe for my child to jay walk.
2. I will not make U-turns in front of the school.
I understand it is both illegal and unsafe for me to make U-turns in front of a school.
3. I will not park in the carpool lane, driveways, or in the teachers' lot.
I understand the school signs will be enforced by LAPD, Parking Enforcement & Castlebay Lane.
Additionally, videotaping has been approved for our school & tickets will be issued.
4. I will not drop off kindergarten students in the carpool lane or park there.
I understand that kindergarten parents must park appropriately & escort their children to class.



WHAT DID THE TEACHERS DO OVER THE SUMMER?

The best thing I did over the summer was set up my new 3rd grade class room in Room 8 and go to Carpenteria and boogie board! "Kowabunga Moondoggie!"

-Mrs. Dorfman

The best thing I did over the summer was having an amazing summer. My daughter and I went to Spain and on a Mediterranean cruise. Then I spent three weeks in New York visiting friends and family. The last week in New York my husband joined me and we went to the U.S. Open Tennis Tournament.

-Mrs. Lieber

The best thing I did this summer was to go to Hawaii with my family.

-Mrs. Horosny

The best thing I did this summer was the week I spent volunteering for the Sierra Club in Yosemite. A close second would be turning off my alarm clock.

-Mrs. Fischer

The best thing I did this summer was spend quality time with my daughters and grandson.

-Mrs. Kimmel

The best thing I did this summer was go camping beneath the majestic Redwood trees in Big Sur, California.

-Mrs. Blankenship



Community Activities

Lowes

FREE workshop (every other Saturday of every month) 10:00am to 11:00am
(reservations helpful, but be on time to the build)
<http://lowesbuildandgrow.com/>

Home Depot

FREE workshop (1st Saturday of every month) 9:00am to Noon
<http://www.homeimproverclub.com/kidsworkshops.aspx?month=sep>

LEGO Store

Free build FIRST Tuesday Night of every month (ages 6 to 14)
<http://stores.lego.com/en-us/Glendale/events.aspx>

Michaels

<http://www.michaels.com/on/demandware.store/Sites-Michaels-Site/default/StoreEvent-Show?event=se189>

Halloween T Shirt Event (must buy Tshirt in store)

Make a fun scary spider T-shirt. Make-It Take-It with purchase of shirt. Ages 3 and up.
While supplies last.

10/22/2011

10:00 a.m. - Noon

Public Library

<http://www.lapl.org/kidspath>

Name: Volcanoes in Story and Science*

Type: Family Activity

Date: 10/15/11

Time: 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM

Branch: Canoga Park

20939 Sherman Way

Canoga Park, CA 91303

(818) 887-0320

*personal note...AMAZING...

well rehearsed and well done

Lakeshore Learning Stores

17072 Devonshire St.

Northridge, CA 91325

(818) 366-8613

Every Saturday from 11:00 am to 3:00 pm

FREE crafts for kids!



Family Fun Day

Saturday, November 5th

11 am - 4 pm



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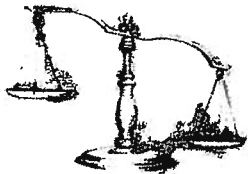
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