

SILVA VALLEY
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

SPECIAL
POINTS OF
INTEREST:

- **Juice-it-Up** every Thursday after school (\$4)
- **January 6, 2010 - First day back for students!**
Early Release Day 1:15 dismissal

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Parent Bulletin

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Principal's Corner

Dear Parents,

It's hard to believe the Fall Break is behind us and Winter Break is almost here! Teachers are busy with delivering high energy, high impact curriculum along with throwing in some Holiday cheer!

The Spirit of Giving has begun! Please read the information that was sent home in your child's Friday Folder last week for more information. Any help you can give these wonderful families would be appreciated.

Congratulations to all the people involved in writing the Innovations in Environmental Education Grant! Last month we were awarded \$3,520 for improvements and educational materials for our Life Lab which is headed by Karla Campbell and Gaynell Tomaszewski! We couldn't have such a successful program without our unbelievable parent volunteer force!

Don't forget to look at www.artsonia.org for your child's work and a possible holiday gift! Be sure to refer to the school calendar for all of our holiday events coming your way! We have many classroom productions coming next week!

Take a look at the school website for even more information! Our new Webmaster, Ms. Harris, has been updating sections this year and you can find information about School Site Council, PTA, educational websites, physical education, lunch menu, district calendar and more!! Thank you Ms. Harris!

With 2010 right around the corner I'd like to wish all of you a fantastic Winter Holiday and New Year! I am honored to have the opportunity to work with such a dedicated staff and parent community!

Kathy M. Holliman, Principal

Silva Valley PTA!

- **Juice-it-Up** is on campus every Thursday after school with \$4.00 smoothies(\$1.00 of each smoothie goes to the school)! Grocery Store Script from Raley's, Nugget, and Safeway is another "free" way to help raise money. Just sign up today and with each grocery purchase you make a certain percentage of that sale will go to the school!

Healthy Families Outreach!

Your children's health is important to us! Mark your calendar for January 11-15, 2010 for Buckeye Union School District's Healthy Families Outreach. Our office personnel and health office staff will have information for you, including applications, available from the State of California regarding the Healthy Families Program focusing on your children's health. A local resource listings of provider's and other resources related to medical and dental services will also be available. A healthier tomorrow for you children awaits!

Fire Prevention !

Congratulations to our Fire Prevention Poster Winners! Our overall winner for grades 1-3 was Sam Karpel and the overall winner for 4-5 grades was Gage Vogtlin. Congratulations also go to Mrs. Locher's 4th grade class having the highest class participation.

Winter Arts & Crafts Workshop

Your children can spend winter break drawing, painting an creating one-of-a-kind works of art and Christmas gifts. These will make wonderful gifts for the entire family. Students will make decoupage candles, tree ornaments, handmade Christmas cards, and paint a cookie plate for Santa. December 21-23 at the El Dorado Hills CSD. Times are 1:30-4:30 and the fee is \$102.00 To register call 916-933-6624 or visit www.edhcsd.org

Attendance Reminder

To help us ensure correct attendance records, please do not forget to call or notify the office if your child/ren will be missing from school. It is also important to sign your child/ren in to the school office if they are not in their classrooms by 8:00am.

Forgotten Items

If your child has forgotten a lunch, band instrument, homework etc., please be sure to bring those items to the office. Students are reminded regularly to check the office first if they have forgotten anything. We do our best to ensure items are given to students but please help us by reminding your students to check the office as well.

FOCUS on
Learning: District
and School Theme
2009-2010

**"All chil-
dren smile
in the same
language."
The Leader
in Me by
Stephen
Covey**

SCHOOL SAFETY TIPS

Traffic around a school is a safety concern because there are children on hand. Here are some traffic safety tips.

- Pay attention to driveways
- Use crosswalks, and look right and left for traffic at intersections
- Walk, don't run, across the road
- Wear bright colors or use reflective gear if it is dark or hard to see
- Obey all traffic signs and signals
- Children younger than 10 should be accompanied to school by an adult
- Parents should determine if kids 10 years or older are prepared to walk alone
- Parents should reinforce safe behaviors around a child
- California law requires that helmets be worn by children under age 18 while riding bikes, skates or non-motorized scooters.

We appreciate your cooperation in helping to ensure all of our children's safety!

“Never mind what others do; do better than yourself, beat your own record from day to day, and you are a success.”

Flyers in the Front Office

**Kidz Art
Family Service Guide
for El Dorado County
Choices for Children**

PE WEBSITE

Silva Valley now has a Physical Education website. Please click on the tool bar that says “P.E.” located on the left of the Silva Valley home page to find out what students are doing in P.E., and the latest information. Thanks and I hope you will visit it soon, Ms. Friedrichs.

H1N1 UPDATE

Please check our district website at www.buckeyeusd.org for the latest information on the H1N1 vaccine availability. Check the For Parents and Health Information area.

CALIFORNIA BUSINESS FOR EDUCATION

Silva Valley has been named as a California Business for Education Excellence Honor Roll School for 2009. After reviewing student academic achievement data for every public school in California, our school stood well above rest in getting students to grade level proficiency! Good job!

School Calendar

December

21-January 5 Winter Break!

January

- 1 Happy New Year!
- 5 Welcome Back staff ! No school for students
- 6 Welcome Back students! Early Release Day 1:15 dismissal
- 12 Kidz Art 2:30-3:30
- 12 Mrs. Sigrist's & Mrs. Beduhn's classes to Railroad/Indian Museum
- 13 Early Release Day 1:15 dismissal
- 14 Mrs. Paridon's, Mrs. Hall's & Mrs. Boggini's classes to Nimbus Fish Hatchery 8:30-11:30
- 18 Martin Luther King Jr Holiday—No school
- 19 Mrs. Gordon's & Mrs. Locher's classes to Railroad/Indian Museum 9:50-1:30
- 19 Kidz Art 2:30-3:30
- 19 Early Release Day 1:15 dismissal
- 20 B.U.S.D. Board Meeting 7:00pm at D.O.
- 26 Kidz Art 2:30-3:30

Electronic Parent Bulletin

In an effort to recycle and reduce paper usage, and provide better communication, we have implemented sending home our bulletin electronically. If you would like to receive your bulletin via e-mail, please follow these directions:

- Go to www.buckeyeusd.org and click on the Silva Valley school picture
- From Silva Valley's home page click on "Bulletin"
- Click the link and complete the online form to sign up and receive Silva Valley's parent bulletin electronically.

To request a paper bulletin please send the bottom portion of this form to the school office.

Name of child to receive printed bulletin: _____

Teacher: _____

Date: _____



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DATE: December 15, 2009
TO: Principals and Site Secretaries
FROM: Terry Wenig
RE: SCHOOL BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENT – (please include in your next bulletin)

2010/2011 Enrollment

Buckeye Union School District announces that beginning February 2, 2010, kindergarten registration for the 2010/2011 school year will be accepted at all of its elementary schools [Buckeye in Shingle Springs (530-677-2277), Blue Oak and Blue Oak Montessori in Cameron Park (530-676-0164), William Brooks in El Dorado Hills (916-933-6618), Silva Valley in El Dorado Hills (916-933-3767) and Oak Meadow in El Dorado Hills (916-933-9746)]. School websites can be accessed at buckeyeusd.org. Registration packets will be available in all school offices beginning January 25, 2010.

Registrations will be taken at school sites based upon designated boundaries. New kindergarteners living in the Valley View area south of Highway 50 should enroll at William Brooks Elementary School. New kindergarteners living in the Silver Dove area (Bass Lake Road development) should enroll at Blue Oak Elementary School. A map of the new boundaries can be accessed at buckeyeusd.org and follow the links: District → Boundaries, then select either middle or elementary school.

A child who resides in Buckeye Union School District and will be five years of age on or before December 2, 2010, may register for kindergarten. **Your child's birth certificate, immunization record and proof of residency will be required when you register your child.** If you need any further information regarding registration, please visit or call the school.

All new enrollees for all other grade levels are invited to register on February 2, 2010, according to the boundaries assigned to each site. Be sure to bring proof of residency when picking up registration papers and again when registering your child. Proof of residency information is posted on the district website under the "For Parents" tab.

Any child attending Buckeye Union School District on a current Interdistrict Transfer, and/or siblings thereof, must renew/submit the application or employment verification by February 2, 2010.

New Interdistrict Transfer requests will not be reviewed until May 17, 2010.