

# SUGARLOAF TIMES

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**\*\*THERE WILL BE NO AFTERSCHOOL PROGRAMS OR TRANSPORTATION OCTOBER 30TH\*\***

## IMPORTANT DATES

**October 25**, Report cards sent home

**October 28**, PTO meeting

**October 29**, Halloween Dance 6:00pm-8:00pm

**October 30**, Volleyball SLS @ Mary Immaculate

**November 1**, Band night rehearsal [concert band only] immediately after school

**November 11**, NO SCHOOL Veteran's Day

**November 12**, First Grade Thanksgiving Play

**November 13** SAC Mtg.

**November 14**, EARLY RELEASE DAY

**November 20th**, Progress Reports go home

## SNORKELING FOR OCEAN LIFE

BY: EILEEN ELLINGTON

On the morning of Friday, October 18, Mrs. McKenzie & most of her Marine Biology class embarked on a journey five miles off shore to observe some of the local sea life. The day started off with a set of rules, such as not purposely jumping off of the boat while it's moving. On the way there, Captain John Duke taught us about reading charts. At the reef, everyone was just itching to jump in the water and explore. Mrs. McKenzie took the 6th graders with her along with a couple of non-swimmers. (Who shall not be named) The most exciting sightings that day were a stingray, conchs, huge pufferfish, and a 10-foot nurse shark, but they all left when everyone started to cannonball into the water. To end the day, some of the students were able to steer the sailboat most of the way back.



## BOX TOP WINNERS

BY: BRYCE SELLERS

The newest box top winner is Mrs. Diaz's class - her class has won a popsicle party for having the most box tops. The party will be held next Friday at the end of the day! The kids say box tops = parties! The middle school winner will be announced soon.

## INVITATION FROM PRINCIPAL RUSSELL

Principal Russell would like to invite parents and stakeholders to **Shark Time** on Mondays, from 8:00AM to 10:00AM to learn about Sugarloaf School. The first hour will consist of a presentation covering information, initiatives, Common Core Standards and school programs. The second hour consists of a few classroom visits so you can see first-hand what takes place in our classes. During the two hours you will be able to ask questions and provide feedback about Sugarloaf School. Groups will be limited to 3-5 people, so please contact Patti Nicholas at 745-3282 Ext. 50303 to schedule your time to see the many great things happening at Sugarloaf School.

## IMPORTANT REMINDER!

The bus loop closest to the gym must be kept clear until 4:15 on Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays for our after school bus pick ups. Parents are welcome to use the cafeteria loop for pick ups during this time, or to park in marked parking spaces so as not to create traffic interference in the bus loop. Thank you for your cooperation.

**DOLPHIN TICKETS**

BY: ALLYSON NOVAK

Hey you Dolphin Fans, here's your chance to get \$55 tickets for only \$35! You can get tickets for the Dolphins vs. The Cincinnati Bengals on Oct. 31 at 8:25 pm. Tickets for the Dolphins vs. the San Diego Chargers on Nov. 17 at 1 pm. Tickets for the Dolphins vs. the Carolina Panthers on Nov. 24 at 1 pm. Go Dolphins! See a student or Coach Tirado for details.

**LAST CHANCE TO ENTER THE ESSAY CONTEST!**

BY: HANNAH LOWE

The VFW is sponsoring an essay contest for grade 6,7,and 8 with 50 prize winners. Prize amounts start at \$50 and range to the top prize of \$5,000, which includes an all-expense-paid trip to Washington, D.C. The essay must be 300 to 400 words, typewritten and must answer the question, What does patriotism mean to you? All essays must be submitted no later than November 1st, 2013. See your Language Arts teacher for more information. Hurry and start typing before your chance is gone!

**MRS. ASKMENOW**

Dear Mrs. Askmenow,

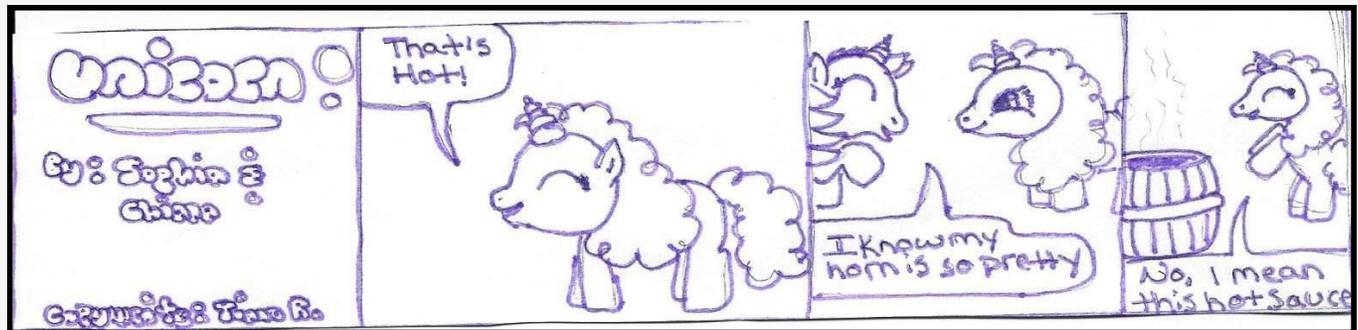
I'm new this year, and I don't understand AR one bit! How do they keep track of points?

Sincerely, Decelerated Reader

Dear De -

AR points can be tricky, but don't get frustrated. Ask your teacher about your ZPD and if you really need help, ask our librarian, Mrs. Thurber. You get AR points by taking a quiz on a book you have read. Then, you earn AR points according to the book's reading level. If you get all the questions right, you get all of the points the book is worth. If you don't get them all right, you get points according to your score. Best of luck on your reading goal!

Sincerely, Mrs. Askmenow

**NEW FACES**

BY: ALBERTO AGUIRRE

Welcome to our school, Mrs. Hettel. She teaches at elementary computer lab. She graduated from Saint Leo University. Mrs. Hettel has a Bachelors degree in Accounting. She last taught at Saint Leo. She loves to fish, snorkel, kayak, and hike. She is enthusiastic about reading. She has two teenage sons and a husband in the military, so they're moving around a lot. We hope you have a pleasant stay at our school.

**HALLOWEEN DANCE**

BY: ALLYSON NOVAK AND ZOE WINEMILLER

DON'T FORGET, there will be a Middle School dance on Tuesday, Oct. 29<sup>th</sup> from 6 pm till 8pm. There will be a DJ and a costume contest. The dance will be in the cafeteria, and admission is \$5. If you want to be in the costume contest, wear your costume! Have a spooky time at this year's middle school Halloween Dance.

**FIRST MEETING OF THE YEARBOOK STAFF**

BY: CARLA VILLARREAL

Students who would like to join yearbook staff need to see Mrs. Fairbrother-Smith on Wednesday, November 6th after school in room 1205.