

An 8th Grade Parent Newsletter Celebrating Our Students Growth & Achievements in Foreign Language

#### **CONGRATULATIONS, PARENTS!!!**



We have made it to the 8th Grade!!! Well, our children have made it and though we can't take full credit, we all had something to do with it! And soon it will be time to celebrate this "milestone" (hence the name of the newsletter) in our children's lives. So as

we continue to offer love, guidance and support as they complete this final year of middle school and transition to high school, we have some planning to do and money to spend. *The FLICS Milestone News* will be our primary method of communication to keep parents up to date on 8th Grade Student Activities, financial needs, fundraising, Promotion Ceremony, etc.

Fortunately, we have two teacher representatives to work with Mrs. Kuehneman (Elementary Science) and Mrs. Whittaker (Spanish). If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the teachers via email or any of the 8th Grade Parent Committee members (see contact info below). If you are interested in being on the 8th Grade Parent Committee attend Thursdays at 3:30 p.m. in Mrs. Kuehneman's classroom. We can use all the help we can get to plan and execute all the wonderful ideas the students and parents would like to accomplish by the end of the year. Parents needed to represent the Japanese cluster students.

#### **MONEY ALERT!!!**

Expect to Pay 8th Grade Dues of \$100\* Pay \$25 Monthly Installments by 15th of Each Month to Mrs. Kuehneman or Lump Sum due March 15, 2014

\*Amount subject to change. Complete list of items covered by dues forthcoming. First installment due 12/15/13.

2014 CLASS COLORS

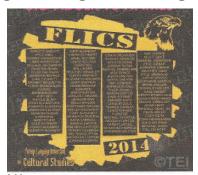
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# FUNDRAI\$ER\$ 2014 CLASS T- SHIRTS





FRONT

BACK

The above is the design selected by majority vote of 8th grade students. Each of the 41 students' name will appear on the back. Shirts will be sold as a fundraiser and cost **\$20 each.** Order forms coming soon!

### CITRUS FRUIT SALE

Orders Due December 2, 2013





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FL Navels Fall, CA Navels Spring

FL Red Grapefruit Fall & Spring

8th Grade is having a Citrus Fruit Sale Fundraiser. Sale information and order forms went home earlier this week. Fruit delivery is 2nd week of December.

#### Possible Upcoming Fundraisers

Katydids & Monthly Movie Nights

#### **Promotion Ceremony & Spirit Week**

The 8th Grade Promotion Ceremony will be held at Renaissance High School on Thursday, June 12, 2014 at 6p.m. This date was agreed upon in order to allow the students to receive their report cards and any certificates at the



Promotion Ceremony. In the past, students have to return to school in order to pick up these items. This date will avoid that extra step. There were several suggestions made regarding the ceremony: parent pinning their child; 8th graders "passing the torch" to 7th graders; and/or posters made by each parent with student's photos over the years to be displayed in RHS Atrium. Details for the promotion ceremony will be



made as we move closer to the date. Following the Promotion Ceremony, there are plans for an "Afterglow Reception" with hors d'oeuvres and cake. Currently, seeking caterers. It has also been suggested that the

last week of school will be Spirit Week for the 8th Graders. Activities to be decided.

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#### 8th Grade Parent Meeting Recaps

An Introductory 8th Grade Parent Meetings took place in September. The second meeting was held October 24, 2013 and there were six 8th grade parents present along with the teacher representatives—Mrs. Kuehneman and Mrs. Whitaker. Since then parents have opted to meet every Thursday at 3:30 p.m. to solidify plans for our students final year at FLICS. Please feel free to join us whenever you can for these meetings. Here is a summary of many of the items were discussed and/or decided upon:

## 1. Promotion Ceremony at Renaissance High School on June 12, 2014 at 6 p.m.

- 2. Dinner Dance at Karas House on May 16, 2014
- 3. Spirit Week Last week of school June 9, 2014
- 4. 8th Grade Trip & Field Trips
- 5. T-Shirt Design Selected by Student Vote
- 6. Budget TBD 8th Grade Dues & Fundraisers

#### **ANNUAL 8th Grade Trip**

8th Grade Trip- Least expensive/easiest/kids choice is Cedar Point/Toledo Zoo/Kalahari Package. Details to be announced. Projected cost is \$350 pp all inclusive if less than 50 people.

#### 8th Grade DINNER DANCE

Planning phase for 8th Grade Dinner Dance is ongoing. The Dinner Dance will take place at the Karas House Banquet Facility on May 16, 2014. Two parents have stepped forward and volunteered to do center-



pieces and cake for the event. Other possible anticipated costs include decorations, keepsakes, photo booth and DJ. Please get involved. You are needed!

# 2014 FLICS YEARBOOK

There are plans to do a year-book! Details are still in the works. In the meantime, encourage your kids to find old photos of themselves and friends during their time at FLICS! As well as to capture and submit photos of current events and activities



they participate in throughout their final year. Deadlines and costs will be determined!

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PLEASE JOIN US!!!!

