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McManus Messenger

Keene's Korner

Pick up time at McManus can often be a tricky situation to navigate. I am often outside asking people to please not park in the red zone in the front driveway. Not only is it a fire lane that we need to keep clear for an emergency situation, but Chico PD can issue parking tickets at any time. These tickets can be quite expensive. Double parking on North Ave. can also lead to frustration for parents and/or tickets. One way to help the clogged up traffic is to swing by between 2:20 and 2:25 to pick up your child. All students are supervised outside by teachers until 2:30. At 2:30, students are invited in to the cafeteria until their parent picks them up. We have been advised that as of Jan. 4, 2016, families will not be allowed to park in the mall lot next door to our school. Cars parked there would be subject to a parking citation. Please be advised of this as I hope to avoid any parking citations for our families. I truly appreciate all of our efforts to keep our pick-up time safe here at McManus.

Important dates coming up!

12/18, Kindergarten Songfest, 9am, MPR
 12/18, Minimum Day!
 12/19-1/3/2016: NO SCHOOL! Winter Break
 1/4/16 - School resumes!

NEW IMMUNIZATION REQUIREMENTS FOR 2016

Under a new law known as SB 277, beginning January 1, 2016 exemptions based on personal beliefs will no longer be an option for the vaccines that are currently required for entry into child care or school in California. Most families will not be affected by the new law because their children have received all required vaccinations. Personal beliefs exemptions on file for a child already attending child care or school will remain valid until the child reaches the next immunization checkpoint at kindergarten (including transitional kindergarten) or 7th grade. For more information about school immunization requirements and resources, please visit the California Dept. of Public Health's website at shotsforschool.org or contact your local health dept.



STUDENT DROP-OFF & PICK-UP

It can get a little hectic in the morning and afternoon for student drop-offs & pickups. Please remember that the handicapped spots are to be used only by those that display a handicap placard as we have students on campus with disabilities. Thank you for your attention to this important matter!

PARENTS...

OUR NEXT MINIMUM DAY IS FRIDAY, DECEMBER 18TH

Please refer to the schedule below and mark your calendar accordingly:

Minimum Day Schedule:

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| December 18, March 11, June 2 | |
| Grades TK - K | 8:10 - 11:30 |
| Grades 1 - 3 | 8:15 - 11:20 |
| Grades 4 - 6 | 8:15 - 11:35 |

Family Winter Fair

Hooker Oak School is hosting a fun-filled fair all ages will love. Grab a cookie & a craft and stay to enjoy one of Chico's favorite bands The Yule Logs! The Black Kettle Food Truck will be serving food for purchase. All ages welcome. Admission is free!

Monday, December 14
 4-7 pm

1238 Arbutus Ave., Chico



Jolly Holiday Jokes to share with family and friends!!!

Q. What do Santa's elves learn in school?

A. The Elfabet!

Q. What type of cars do elves drive?

A. Toy-otas!

Q. Where does the snowman hide his money?

A. In the Snow bank!

Q. What breakfast cereal does Frosty the Snowman eat?

A. Snowflakes!

Q. What does Santa like to do in the garden?

A. Hoe, hoe, Hoe!

Q. What do cats and dogs call Santa Clause?

A. Santa Paws!

Q. Why do mummies like the holidays?

A. Because of all the wrapping!

Q. Why does everybody like Frosty the Snowman?

A. Because he is so cool!!!

Q. What do you get from a cow at the North Pole?

A. Ice Cream!

Q. What did the sea say to Santa?

A. Nothing! It just waved!

Q. What says Oh Oh Oh?

A. Santa walking backwards!

