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Principal's Message

Welcome to Pine Hill School. We are off to great start to an exciting academic year with our new campus of kindergarten through third grade students. Although we do miss our upper graders, this new configuration has already benefitted our students by allowing teachers of each grade level to work more closely together for planning and instruction. We will be better able to support each student's academic growth and achievement, as well as focus in on their social and character development. Families are always welcome at school, whether volunteering in the classroom, helping teachers, participating in our PTO or our site council, or at one time events such as our carnival. Your support is invaluable to our students and much appreciated. Our first PTO meeting of the year will be at Pine Hill this Thursday, September 22 at 6pm. There is also a county-wide training for those who are interested in learning more about school site councils. The training will take place in October, as will Pine Hill School's first Site Council meeting of the year. More information is included on the next page. Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns. My staff and I are always open to your input. You may e-mail me at kdor@humboldt.k12.ca.us. I know we will have a great year.

BACK TO SCHOOL NIGHT!

**THIS WEDNESDAY, (TOMORROW) SEPTEMBER 21ST FROM 6:15 TO 7:30PM
(AFTER SCHOOL PARENTS TO MEET @ 6:00PM)**

We will meet together in the multi-purpose room first, then visit the classroom(s). The purpose of Back-to-School-Night is to meet your child's teacher and to learn about the routines, expectations, classroom procedures, curriculum and standards for your student's class this year. Back-to-School-Night is a general overview, but teachers would be glad to meet with you at a different date and time to discuss how your child is doing. Please come and join us at this always special event.

EVENT INCLUDES THE BOOK FAIR FROM 5:00 TO 7:30PM IN THE LIBRARY.



Notes From Our Superintendent

District Enrollment Increases 20%

Day of Service: United Way sponsored a county-wide volunteer day of service, followed by a barbeque at Sequoia Park, last Saturday the 17th. We were fortunate to be able to host some of the volunteers, students from HSU and their instructors, here at Pine Hill. They helped us with landscaping touch-ups, planting trees and ferns, and also cleaning and organizing our PE equipment shed. We hope to host similar events, but with parent volunteers, in the future. We have a beautiful campus and want to keep it so. We are continuing to make improvements and additions to make it a place that our students are proud of and enjoy. We will keep you posted on future events.

School Site Council: It is part of the California Education Code that each school has a School Site Council (SSC) made up of parents, community members, teachers, classified staff and administrator. The role of the SSC is to decide upon and monitor the Single Plan for Student Achievement, a plan that designates the priorities for spending funds at each site. More information about the SSC will be available at the SSC training on October 26th from 6pm to 7pm at the Humboldt County office of Education. Please see flyer/registration on our website or pick one up in our office if interested. Pine Hill's first SSC meeting of the year will be **Tuesday October 11th at 3:15pm**. With our new configuration, we will need new members since some of our parents are now at South Bay only. Please come if you can and find out more about this very important role. Everyone is welcome.

Upcoming Events

- Wednesday September 21 6:15pm: Back-to-School-Night at Pine Hill
- Wednesday September 21 5-7:30pm Book Fair-Pine Hill Library
- Thursday September 22 7:45-8:20am PH Cafeteria -Learn to Earn 1st Banking Day
- Thursday September 22 6pm: PTO Meeting at Pine Hill Library
- Friday September 30 Picture Day at Pine Hill
- Friday September 30 Midterm Reports
- Saturday October 8 Community Board Meeting at South Bay Gym
- Tuesday October 11 3:15pm School Site Council Meeting-Pine Hill Library
- Thursday October 13 7:00pm Board Meeting at South Bay Library
- Tuesday October 11&25 911 Emergency Call training for K-2nd grade students
- Thursday October 20 6:00pm PTO Meeting at South Bay Library
- Monday October 31 8:45am Halloween Parade Pine Hill Main Playground