



What's Happening at FMS

September 11, 2015

We had a very eventful week! The book fair was a huge success thanks to all of our parents who volunteered to make it happen! The profits from this event go directly to our library so we can continue to stock books students are interested in reading. We also had our first PTSA and Chinese Parents meetings. I am looking forward to working with both groups to bring exciting events to our students and to support our school.

Mr. Acker and I have entered the 21st century – follow us on Twitter! @benackerAUSD and @themsdillman will be using Twitter as another way to keep you informed of important events and to celebrate our school throughout the year.

Our first Common Core day is Thursday, October 17th. If you would like to pre-order a sack lunch, please visit the Foothills website and click the “Early Dismissal Sack Lunch Request” link to register. The deadline to order a sack lunch for Thursday is Monday at 3pm.

At Foothills, school supervision ends at 2:55 unless your child is attending a dance or on a team having practice or a game/performance. Please help remind your child to wait safely in front of the office for transportation and to not leave campus between the bell and the arrival of transportation. The bus and transit do not arrive at an exact time so students must not leave campus in order to reliably catch their ride each day.

Upcoming Meetings and Events

Wednesday, Sept 16 – Music Club Parent Orientation, 6:30 PM – 8PM, MPR

Saturday, Sept 19 – AEF “Bright Night” inaugural gala (see AEF below for more info)

School Procedures Reminders

Dropping off items at school

Items are not permitted to be dropped off for students during the school day. This includes lunch, homework, PE clothes, flowers, balloons, etc. If a student forgets lunch, they are always able to purchase lunch in the cafeteria with cash or by charging to the student account.

Absence letters

Students are required to bring an absent letter to the office when they return to school. Letters can be given to Miss Herrera in the front office.

Safety

AM Drop Off

Help keep our students safe! Please remind your children to cross only at crosswalks and to obey the crossing guard. For parent drivers, please obey the crossing guard and do not block the cross walk.

PM Pick Up

It is crucial that students only cross at the crosswalk! Remember that the parking lot is closed to parent drivers in the afternoon. Please arrange a safe place to park and have your child meet you at this location.

A Message from PTSA:

The easiest way to support the PTSA is to become a member – and it is not too late to join! If you meant to join, and haven't yet, please stop by the school office (\$7.00 for individual or \$21.00 for a family membership, checks made payable to "Foothills Middle School PTSA").

Thank you for supporting your child's education and Foothills!

Pamela Wang

2015-2016 FMS Membership Chair

A Message from AEF:

Throughout the years, Arcadia Education Foundation has provided students with innovative technology, classroom fundamentals, district communications, scrip benefits, teacher mini grants, annual summer school, and most recently, additional counseling services for transitioning students.

It is with great pride that AEF announces its 1st annual fundraiser on September 19th at the home of AUSD School Board President, Lori Phillipi, and her husband Steve. The event is entitled "Bright Night" and will illuminate the accomplishments and excellence of Arcadia's students; featuring special performances by AHS' renowned marching band and pep squad as well as their nationally honored speech and debate team. AEF will host prestigious members and parents of the community at an elegant backyard dinner and live auction event. Please consider supporting Foothills Middle School and all of the campuses in the Arcadia Unified School District by joining us at this community fundraising dinner. For more information and tickets, please visit: www.ArcadiaEdFoundation.org/BrightNight

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Thanks and have a great week!
Angie Dillman, Assistant Principal



PTSA Direct Donation Fund-Raiser

Parents: A One-Time Donation made directly to PTSA helps run critical programs throughout the year!

100% of your donation goes directly to funding programs such as:

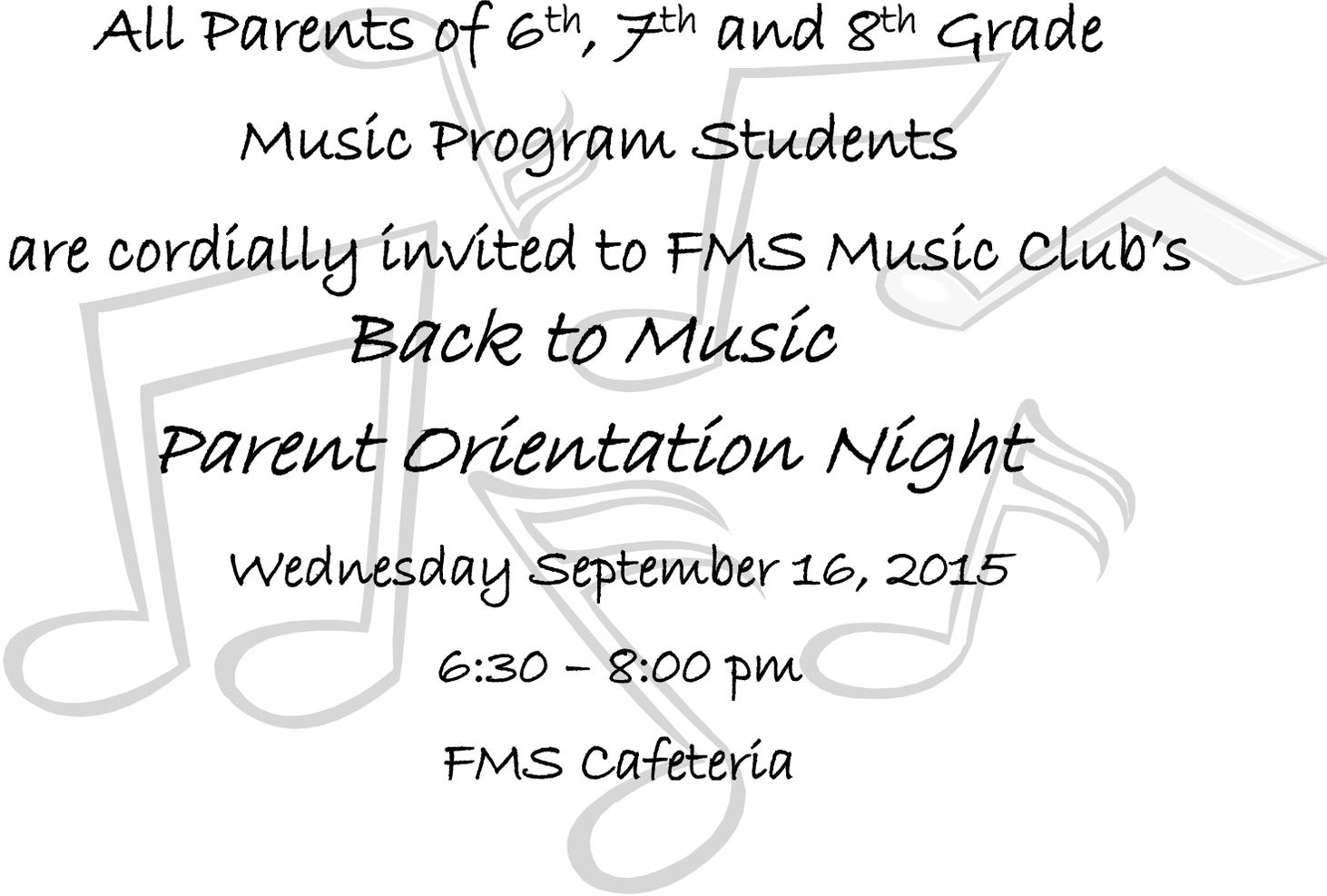
- Alumni Scholarships
- Eighth Grade Promotion Party
- Book Fair
- Talent Show
- Teacher Appreciation
- Teacher Treats
- Red Ribbon Week
- Library Funds for book purchase
- ASB funding for clubs/sports
- Reflections Program

PTSA graciously provides these programs for Foothills Middle School students and faculty. An important component to keeping Foothills ranked among the top outstanding schools in California is the continued relationship between parents, teachers and students.

Please support Foothills Middle School (FMS) by giving to this Direct Donation campaign (suggested amount \$10-\$100, whatever is comfortable for your family to give) so that we can continue to provide these valuable programs. You can make your donation on the PTSA Payment Plan included in this packet and make your check payable to Foothills Middle School PTSA.

Thank you very much for your support of the FMS PTSA and your student's education.

Sincerely, Lynda Conner, Vice-President Ways and Means



All Parents of 6th, 7th and 8th Grade
Music Program Students
are cordially invited to FMS Music Club's
Back to Music
Parent Orientation Night
Wednesday September 16, 2015
6:30 - 8:00 pm
FMS Cafeteria

Please join us to learn about the exciting events planned for FMS music students this school year. Mr. Morton will discuss key dates, band/orchestra uniforms, and other important program information. This is also the first Music Club meeting of the year! Light refreshments will be served.

This is a wonderful opportunity to get your questions answered, meet other parents of music students and our instructors, sign-up to participate at orchestra or band events, and get to know the current music club parent volunteers!

Looking forward to seeing you,
Karl Morton, *Music Director*
Margaret Aghili, *Music Club President*
Kathryn Camranond, *Orchestra Vice-President*
Mery Montgomery, *Band Vice-President*

FOOTHILLS MUSIC CLUB T-SHIRT ORDER

Please click on the link below
to order your child's
t-shirt for Music Club by
Monday September 14, 2015.

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/F98WZ8G>

This will replace the Scottie Days Order Form
that you may have turned in at Station 9.

Thank you in advance!

Mr. Morton