

Weekly Parent Newsletter



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Principal's Message

The entire staff joins me in extending well wishes to you and your family for the holidays and the New Year. During this special time we take time to remember and share good will, joy and happiness with others.

We hope that each moment of the holidays and the New Year will be filled with a deep appreciation for just how special those moments are. May we be able to:

CELEBRATE LIFE...think freely...practice patience...smile often...make new friends...rediscover old ones...tell those we love that we do...feel deeply...forget troubles...forgive an enemy...grow...count our blessings...observe miracles...take time for people...reach out...let someone in...trust life...comfort a friend...laugh heartily...cry when we need to...make time for ourselves...enjoy wonder...have good ideas...make some mistakes...learn from them...CELEBRATE EACH SPECIAL MOMENT!

-Mrs. Greene

Dates to Remember

KAO Winter Extravaganza

Friday, December 17, 2010 from 5:30PM-6:30PM in KAO Science Hall

Music, Dance, Fashion, and Food...don't miss out

Adults and Non-KIPPsters-\$2 and KIPPsters-\$1

All proceeds go towards EOY Field trips

Winter Break

Monday, December 20, 2010 through Friday, January 7, 2010

Classes will resume on Monday, January 10, 2010

Make-Up Picture Day

Thursday, January 13, 2011

Parent Training for KAO Website & PowerSchool Navigating

Tuesday, January 18, 2011 from 5:30PM - 7:00PM

KAO Mock Trial



Congratulations to the student members of the KAO Mock Trial who completed their mock trial in a Federal District Court in downtown Los Angeles on

Thursday, December 13th. Students spent months planning for their case, either representing the mock defendant in the case, Jessie Chandler, or the people of the state. Last week students presented their case to presiding judge who, after congratulating both sides on their strong presentations, acquitted the defendant of the charge of aggravated robbery. The defense won!

Thank you to all of the volunteers of O'Melveny & Meyeres LLP who volunteered their time every week to help make the trial such a success and to the parents who supported their children as they worked to get ready for this case."

Handbook Addendum In the KAO Team and Family Handbook, there is an error regarding the grading policy. Specifically, the handbook erroneously states that elective courses are marked as Excellent (E), Satisfactory (S), or Unsatisfactory (U). According to the KIPP LA Schools Grading Policy, all electives will receive an A-F letter grade that is calculated in your child's GPA. Since this was an error that I overlooked in the handbook, I have taken every measure to ensure that my error does not negatively impact any student's GPA. If you have any questions regarding any changes in your child's GPA please call Mrs. Lara in the front office. Please note that for the remaining quarters all electives will receive an A-F grade and will be counted towards your child's GPA.

-Mrs. Greene

Congratulations to the KAO 2010

5th grade representative:

Anthony Merriweather

6th grade representative:

Zahne Caines

7th grade representative:

Christopher Morales

8th grade representative:

Darius Henderson

Secretary:

Jasmine Foreman

Treasurer:

Treasure May

Vice President:

Janel Scott

Co-Presidents: Jacquelyn Smith &

Darius Henderson



PowerSchool Web Link

Parents can use PowerSchool to access their child's grades, attendance history, lunch balances, and school bulletin online at:

<https://kippla-ca.>

powerschool.com/public/home.html

Homework Web Link

The Homework Link contains the homework for each teacher from each grade level for the current week. Parents can access this link at:

<http://www.kippla.org/kao/for-parents/index.cfm>

Reminder The Parent Weekly Bulletin is available online at:

<http://www.kippla.org/kao/for-parents/index.cfm>