



~Alder Grove News~

September 2017

From The Director-

Greetings Alder Grove Families,

By the time you get this newsletter, you will have already met with your CTs, taken your Let's Go Learn assessments, established daily routines, completed schoolwork, and hopefully had time to enjoy some of this late-Summer sunshine!

The office staff continues to process orders as quickly as possible. We thank you for your patience as the school year gets rolling. Please check the processed-orders shelf if you're in the area to pick up your materials. And a huge thank you to Becca and Tatianna who have been working relentlessly to get orders to you!

Thank you SO MUCH for filling out the income questionnaires for this year. Our school's funding is based on the information you give us, so the more families who fill it out, the more high-quality educational opportunities we can offer Alder Grove students. If you have lost your form, please contact your CT to get another. And again, thank **you** for helping **your** school!

On-campus classes begin September 5th. We will continue to ask that 6-12th grade students who have breaks between classes spend that time at math lab, writing lab, or study hall to work on homework. High school students with parent permission can leave campus. Please encourage your students to utilize between-class break-time wisely by sending them with homework to work on. And a round of applause to Becky for organizing classes this year!

We have two new teachers who are gradually adding students. Please welcome **Tanya Tur** and **Jaime May** to our staff! We also would like to welcome our new School Psychologist Intern, **Crystal Collins**. And a hearty thank you goes out to Ruth, the first smiling face you see when you walk in the door, Lexi, who works with community vendors and scheduling for special education, and Jenifer, who works behind the scenes to maintain our data with accuracy and report it to the state on time. Without our dedicated office staff, Alder Grove Charter School would not run so smoothly!

Please join us for Back To School Night and Curriculum Share on Friday, September 29th from 5-7. If you have a curriculum you particularly like and want to show to other homeschool families at this event, talk to your CT. If you would like to see what other families are using, come ask questions and peruse the materials. And of course, come see what Alder Grove students have been working on during the first month of school! A big thank you to Randi Golat and Sunshine Lee for organizing everything.

Thank you for joining us on this exciting educational expedition!

Tim Warner, Director

Back To School Night and Curriculum Share!



Friday, September 29th
5:00PM - 7:00PM

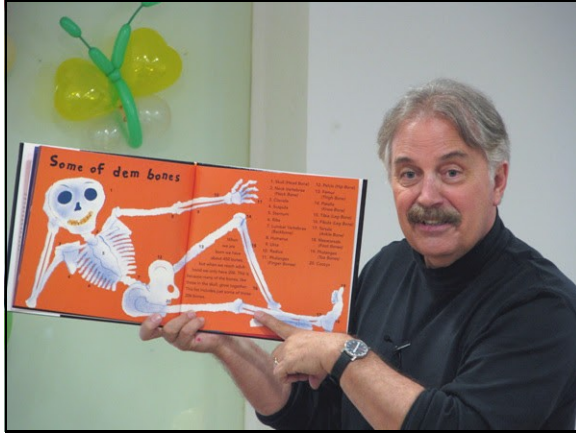
-Do It Yourself tie-dye t-shirts for younger grades

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Displays and info booths on the following:

- Poetry & Art*
- Writing Instruction*
- “Washed Ashore” recycling info.*
- Greek Mythology*
- “Maker’s Space” class display*
- Mathematics*
- and more!*

Upcoming Events - Mark Your Calendars!



Author Bob Barner has written:
Sea Bones,
Dinosaur Bones,
Dem Bones,
Bugs! Bugs! Bugs!,
The Day of the Dead,
Penguins, Penguins, Everywhere!,
Animal Bath,
Bug Safari,
Stars! Stars! Stars!

Also - we encourage you and your students to visit Morris Graves museum for the months of September and October where illustrations by Bob Barner and other illustrators will be on display.

Visiting Author,
Bob Barner
 Friday, October 20th, 2017
 10:00—Noon
 Platform area here at Alder Grove

Come and meet our visiting author and take part in one or both of his presentations (10 to 11, and 11 to noon). There will be a drawing to have a free lunch with Bob on October 20th at 12:30pm.



Students also have the chance to win an Author Festival t-shirt! Look for the above display on the office counter to enter the raffle. Fill out a free raffle ticket to be drawn on October 13th, and drop it in the raffle box! (Only 1 raffle ticket per student please). There are also raffle tickets you can buy for \$1 to win 25 autographed books, or 1 autographed book. If you are interested in purchasing a raffle ticket, email Randi at randi.golat@aldergrovecharter.org.

Please check out the bulletin board at school for more information!



Halloween Party !

Monday, October 30th

1:00 - 3:30PM

Here at Alder Grove

For grades K-6

Everyone in the family is invited. Parents and students can enjoy the festivities together, but parents must accompany children. Come in a costume and enjoy games and activities! Please arrive at the school by 1:00 so you can join the group for a costume parade around the neighborhood!

Student Artists? Are you out there?
 Contact ami.wruck@aldergrovecharter.org to have your artwork put up in our lobby!



- Spelling Bee for elementary grades 4-6 and junior high grades 7-9 on January 22nd.

- Geography Bee for grades 4-8 on January 24th



Field Trips!

Patrick's Point State Park - Tide Pools



Tuesday, September 12, 2017
11:00 AM
For Grades K-6th
45 people
Free

Sign up in the office. Meet at Palmer Point Trailhead, and we will walk to the tide pools!

Patrick's Point State Park - Wedding Rock



Tuesday, October 10, 2017
11:00 AM
For Grades K-6th
45 people
Free
Sign up at the front office.

Meet at Wedding Rock parking area. We will walk to Wedding Rock to watch for whales.

North Coast Co-Op's Pumpkin Patch Mad River Rd, Arcata Bottoms



Tuesday, October 3, 2017
11:00 AM
For Grades K-6th
50 people
Free
Sign up at the office.

Farm Etiquette:

Parking is limited. Students must carry their own pumpkin. Students are allowed to pick out a free pumpkin that they can comfortably carry all the way to the parking area (no rolling, please).

Directions: Turn off at Giuntoli Lane/Janes Rd exit. Head west. Turn on the 1st right on Heinden Rd. Left onto Miller Lane. Right onto Mad River Rd. Continue past the 90 degree turn in the road. The patch is the 1st driveway on the right.

Terri is organizing a September paddle board and an October ropes course field trip for grades 7-12.

We will post this at school, on the website, on Facebook, and send an email when the details have been confirmed...

SAVE THE DATE!!!

34th Annual

NORTH COAST COLLEGE AND CAREER EXPO

SEPTEMBER 21, 2017

For All High School Students & Parents
 AT EUREKA HIGH SCHOOL • 5:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

OVER 40 COLLEGE & CAREER REPRESENTATIVES TABLING!
10 WORKSHOPS TO CHOOSE FROM!

College overviews, financial aid, NCAA eligibility, career technical workshops and more! Visit decadeofdifference.org to plan your evening.

Northcoast Cal-SOAP

The Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) is now available every year on **October 1st**. This means you have the chance to complete the forms sooner than ever before. This will give you a better idea of what your financial aid package will look like so you can figure out how you are going to pay for college before it begins!

CSU Application Period starts October 1 - November 30.

Alder Grove has a great Community Connections Program!

We have partnered up with community members who have generously offered volunteer and job shadow opportunities for our students!

Participation is open to grades 6-12* and can not only help high school students earn CREDITS towards GRADUATION, but is also a great opportunity for students of all grades to gain insight into a wide variety of possible career paths from professionals in their fields! Volunteering is also a great way to build your resume and gain work experience and references while giving back to your community!

If your student would like to participate, or if your place of work would like to be included in this valuable program, please contact jen.burtram@aldergrovecharter.org or call 707-268-0854.

You can also complete an application on the **College and Career Website**. See the College & Careers link on the Alder Grove website: aldergrovecharter.org.

*Some opportunities have strict age requirements for participations.

Alder Grove's Student Council:

The Alder Grove Student Council is a volunteer-based, extra-curricular activity on campus available to students **grades 6-12**. The student council functions as a leadership group on campus, participating and assisting with school-wide events, hosting the snack bar at lunch and creating events such as last year's Glow Dance! Come by and check out what it's all about. The student council meets every-other week, on Thursday at 2:25 beginning the second week of classes. Check the newsletter calendar for future dates!

Student Council Meeting Dates:

All meetings will be on a Thursday, 2:25 to 3:25 in the Computer Lab.

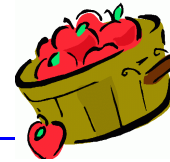
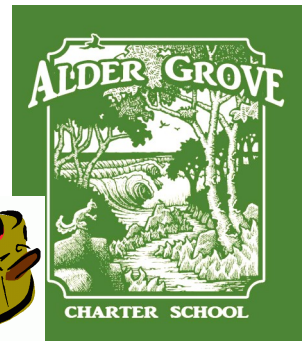
- Sept 14, Sept 28
- Oct 12th, Oct 26th
- Nov. 9th, Nov. 30th
- Dec 14th
- Jan. 11th, Jan 25th
- Feb 8th
- March 1st, March 15th, March 29th
- April 12th, April 26th
- May 10th

**Picture Day!!
with Lifetouch Photos**


**Tuesday, October 24th
9:00AM - 1:00PM**

This is your one and only opportunity to get photos taken, and Student ID cards ordered.
(There are no 'make-up' days)

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| 3 | 4 <i>Labor Day - No School</i> | 5 <i>First Day Of On-Campus Classes</i> | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 |
| 10 <i>Grandparent's Day!</i> | 11 | 12 <i>10:30A-Governance Council meeting</i> | 13 | 14 <i>2:25p-3:25p- Student Council Meeting.</i> | 15 | 16 |
| 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 <i>1st day of fall</i>  | 23 |
| 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 <i>2:23p-3:25p- Student Council Meeting.</i> | 29 <i>5:00-7:00 PM Back To School Night & Curriculum Share</i> | 30 |