JOSEPH KERR MIDDLE SCHOOL BULLETIN

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On this day in history...

1922 – Snow fell on Mauna Loa, Hawaii.

STUDENTS: This week's AVID tip is **Take plenty of notes in class.** Note-taking will keep you focused in the classroom, and will help you retain a large portion of the material that the instructor tells you. When you take notes, write down keywords to jog your memory later. Also listen to your teacher for verbal cues. If he/she says something like, "this is important," or "here's the main point," be sure to write down what the teacher says next. (Nelson 2/5-2/9)

8th graders: it is time to start thinking about high school registration. If you are interested in taking the AVID 9 Elective at Elk Grove High, pick up an application from either your current math teacher or Mrs. Blackwood in room C -8. Return completed applications to Mrs. Blackwood or your math teacher and we will forward them on to Elk Grove High for you. (Blackwood 2/5-2/9)

Hey, 8th graders! Are you interested in joining the Elk Grove High School Cheer Team next year? There will be a mandatory parent meeting on Tuesday, February 20th at 7pm in the Small Cafeteria at Elk Grove High School. Come out and get some information on clinics and try outs. Hope to see you there! (Woolstencroft 2/2-2/20)

Track and Field conditioning weeks for all 7th & 8th grade girls and boys will be starting Tuesday February 27th at 3:15. All athletes who wish to participate in a two week conditioning program before track begins are welcome join. Don't forget that all athletes must complete the permission packet before March 12th. Athletes must have a physical before they are allowed to compete. If you have already turned in a physical for a previous sport this year, please indicate on the physical form the previous sport you tried out for. Packets may be downloaded off the Athletics web page or picked up in the front office. Turn in your permission packets to Mr. Palmiere before March 12th. (Palmiere 1/22-3/12)

Candy Grams are on sale through today in the MP Room during lunch. Send to your favorite friend or staff member a Candy Gram with Teddy Bear for \$3.00 or \$2.00 for a Big Candy. Candy Grams will be delivered on February 14^{th} during your 6^{th} period class. (Perris 1/30-2/9)

Book Club Early lunch meets this Wednesday in the library! Get your lunch and come right over! (Breault 2/9-2/14)

Today is Crazy Sock Day so show your spirit by wearing the craziest socks you can find in your drawer. The 2nd period class with the most spirit will win a prize. Don't miss out! (Perris 2/8-2/9)

During the LTA today, we will be having a drawing for prizes for those who participated in the cookie dough sales. (Perris 2/8-2/9)

Congratulations to the winners of the poetry slam: Third place went to Thomas Valencia for his poem "Our Power", second place went to Jessica Meeker for her poem, "Misery", and First Place went to Eleanor Petrinovich for her poem, "I Am Me, Whether You Like It Or Not". Thank you to all of the performers! You were very brave and totally amazing! Let's do it again next year! (Breault 2/9)

You still have two weeks to participate in the Royal Reader Contest and win fabulous prizes like a yearbook, an HD Drone, a Kindle, a giant gummy bear, a giant teddy bear, t-shirts, posters, candy, books and more! The donut breakfast is Wednesday, February 28th! Don't miss out. Check out a book today! (Breault 2/9, 2/13 & 2/14)

Do you like PI? Start memorizing as many digits of Pi as you can. March 14th you can come in to the library, recite as many digits as you can and win a prize package and some pie! Everybody who participates gets a prize! (Breault 2/9-3/9)

The Olympics Games started in 776 B.C. with the Modern Olympics starting in 1896. On February 15th, Kerr will have an Olympic themed Renaissance Event. All Renaissance students who signed up during Renaissance sign-ups will be released during second period to go to the Multipurpose Room and be treated with food, music, and Olympic themed games. In order to get in remember to bring your I.D. card. (Perris 2/9-/2/15)

The winning class that showed the most spirit last Friday was Mr. McKinney's second period class. Like Totally! Take A Chill Pill! (Perris 2/9)

IMPORTANT DATES

2/6-2/20 AVID Fund Raiser - Jerky
 2/9 Spirit Day - Crazy Sock Day
 LTA
 AVID Guest Speaker/10:34-11:30 am (Library)
 Lego Robotics/3:30-4:30 pm (Rooms 54/55)
 2/9-2/20 Band Fund Raiser - See's Candies

Knights show...
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