

# Carrillo Chronicle

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## We asked...You shared...We listened...We answered.

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As you know, we solicit your input each year in our anonymous survey. The May 2011 survey was extremely positive and we thank everyone for your thoughtful input. Students and parents were overwhelmingly content with our curriculum delivery, positive school culture, encouraging and knowledgeable staff, Running Club, PTO activities and the general feeling of 'community' at Carrillo. Part of the School Site Council's job is to read every survey and create plans to address concerns voiced by Carrillo adults and children. There were 6 categories which received more than one comment so please read below for clarifications and explanations.

### Communication

Many of you have asked for better communication on what is happening at the school. We have increased our means of communication through various venues. Here are some ways in which you can receive information:

- **E-blast-** Sent from our PTO summarizing school events, fundraising, calendars and other important information. Each update includes direct links so you can just click on it to receive further information. If you wish to receive weekly emails and have not "opted-in," you will find instructions on how to do so on the school website.
- **PTO liaison-** Most classrooms have a volunteer PTO liaison who passes along upcoming events, calendars and classroom activities.
- **Phone calls-** Our principal gives updates via evening phone calls and emails. All messages are posted on the website if you happen to miss it.
- **Website-** Check out [www.carrilloelementary.org](http://www.carrilloelementary.org) for full details of school events. Included on the website are printable forms and Dependables.
- **Dependables-** This is the important information that in the past has been sent home throughout the year on bright colored paper. It required your signature and needed to be returned in order for your child to go to the end of year pool party. Now, to make it easier, they are lumped together and put on the website for an electronic signature and can easily be sent back to school at a press of a button.

## Calendar of Events

### February

- 3<sup>rd</sup> Parking Lot Raffle Tickets on sale
- 17<sup>th</sup> Lincoln's Birthday: No School
- 20<sup>th</sup> President's Day: No School
- 23<sup>rd</sup> Spelling Bee
- 24<sup>th</sup> PTO Meeting
- 24<sup>th</sup> Drawing for Parking Spot
- 27<sup>th</sup> Yearbook pre-sales and Lovelines on sale
- 29<sup>th</sup> Dine Out at Islands and Froots

### April

- 9<sup>th</sup>-13<sup>th</sup> Spring Break: No School
- Strawberry Sales begin
- 25<sup>th</sup> Dine Out at Sammy's Wood Fired Pizza
- 27<sup>th</sup> PTO Meeting
- 27<sup>th</sup> Wings of Wise Scholarship Applications Due
- 16<sup>th</sup>-30<sup>th</sup> Gift of Time

### March

- 15<sup>th</sup> Jog-A-Thon
- 16<sup>th</sup> Yearbook pre-sales and Loveliness due
- 21<sup>st</sup> Open House for Kindergarten and Grades 1 and 2. Art Fair
- 22<sup>nd</sup> Open house grades 3-5. Art Fair
- 30<sup>th</sup> PTO meeting
- 30<sup>th</sup> Spring Student Photos

### May

- Strawberry sales continue
- Star Testing
- 4<sup>th</sup> Mother/Son Kickball Event
- 6<sup>th</sup> Ladies Spring Tea
- 25<sup>th</sup> PTO meeting
- 25<sup>th</sup> Luau Lunch
- 28<sup>th</sup> Memorial Day: No School
- 29<sup>th</sup> Pool Parties for 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade (am) and 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> (pm)
- 31<sup>st</sup> Pool Parties for 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup>
- 30<sup>TH</sup> Dine Out Double Header Ruby's and Extreme Yogurt

## Site Council (con't)

We realize how busy everybody is in today's world and try to offer the most convenient ways to get our families key information. We thank you for doing your part in opening emails, checking websites and listening to phone calls.

### Flag Salutes

While some people felt more awards should be given, others felt we should cut back on student recognitions. The majority of students and parents suggest we continue to recognize student accomplishments however we shorten FLAG salutes by:

- putting certificates, etc. in teacher mailboxes
- calling the names of children who will simply stand in place, be recognized and then sit down.
- concentrate more on 'rallying' presentations at FLAG i.e. 7 Habits, Reading Incentive, songs or poems by grade levels, etc.
- having Birthday Books announced one time per trimester.
- Running Club awards have been adjusted and will be adjusted again next year.

### Social Skills

A few students reported having been bullied while at school. Some of these students felt that the issue had not been resolved. The administration and staff at Carrillo feel that this issue is of utmost importance. No child should have to come to school and feel unwelcome or unsafe. We have come up with some specific steps to take when bullying occurs and will be discussing it with the students. We hope you will reiterate these positive steps at home with your children.

- 1) Tell the other person in very clear language what they are doing, how it makes you feel and tell them to stop.
- 2) Encourage children to stand up for themselves and expect respect from others.
- 3) If bullying behaviors do not stop, walk away from the situation, choose another activity and/or report the situation.
- 4) If troubles continue, report situations to a supervisor, teacher or administrator immediately. Often times bullying is not reported and therefore impossible to address. It is also important to have some information about the bully (name, description, class they are in).
- 5) If you feel that the situation has not been taken care of, re-address concerns with an adult to resolve the situation.
- 6) Our Peace Patrol program has been revamped and is under the skilled guidance of Mrs. Foster and Mrs. Carlstrom. Peace Patrol trains numerous upper grade students in conflict resolution. These students are visible on campus during lunch and recess periods each day, to offer help, in any and all situations which may arise.
- 7) As you know we have also instituted the 7 Habits of Happy Kids program to strengthen our Responsibility Skills and Steps to Respect programs. Explicitly teaching children social skills is the cornerstone of this program which gives children tools to use in a variety of social situations.

While it is important to let your child learn how to handle a variety of situations that they may encounter as they move through the grades, they should feel that they can rely on the adults at the school when a situation is beyond their control. The Carrillo staff is fully committed to making every child feel welcome and safe!

## Parking Lot

Providing a safe, effective way for our students to arrive and leave school is always of utmost importance. City and district engineers continually review and analyze our lot from every angle imaginable. They've looked at relocating car lanes, adding a third lane to enter and exit, organizing the kids for pick-up in a new way. You name it; they looked at it. Based on the size, location, volume of traffic and the overarching need for safety...the result is what you see today.

What does this mean for us as parents? First, know that what can be done is being done. Patience, mutual respect and having ALL parents follow the parking lot rules, combined with the structure of our parking lot, will ensure a more positive flow for everyone. It is a great opportunity for us to model some of our 7 Habits to the children i.e. synergize and first things first. When it's raining outside, the bell is ringing and you are in the left turn lane on Poinsettia for longer than usual...remember that a child's life and safety come before any appointment or level of impatience you might have.

The Leo Carrillo Ranch allows us to use their parking lot for pick-up out of kindness, not obligation! Thank you. Thank you, too, for all of the families that walk and carpool to and from school.

## Cafeteria

Vast improvements have been made and are continuing to be made each month by Child Nutrition Services (CNS). Fresh fruit and vegetables are offered every day and the menu variety has increased markedly. Whole grains are now used in bread/buns and items are baked rather than fried. As part of the 3 daily choices there is also a vegetarian option.

Many Student Council members from Carrillo have participated in focus groups to offer suggestions regarding taste and packaging of newly introduced items. Check out this department on the district website for further information concerning improvements in our hot lunch program. If you choose to have your child purchase lunch you're in good hands however, you always have the option of packing a lunch from home should that be your preference.

## Kids on Campus (KOC)

KOC, as you know, is located on our campus and offers before-and-after school care for children. This program is directed through our San Marcos Unified School District. We received many favorable comments concerning the program and other parents voiced some concerns. For your convenience, we are including KOC contact information.

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**Once again thank you to all who took time to complete our survey!!!**

## English Learner Advisory Committee

At Carrillo we enjoy a vibrant **ELAC** parent committee which meets four times per year. Each time we gather with parents from La Costa Meadows (LCM) and cover a variety of interesting topics. Our first meeting was held at Carrillo in October and the second was held at LCM on January 19<sup>th</sup>.

The third meeting will be at Carrillo on Thursday, March 1<sup>st</sup> at 6:00pm. Our final meeting will be Thursday, April 26<sup>th</sup> at LCM at 6:00pm. All parents are welcome to attend!

## Food For Thought

### Let's Work Together to WATCH Our WORDS

By Leah Fisher

Well-meaning parents often make a very common mistake. Being pretty or smart is something your child has no control over. If you are telling them they are pretty or smart all of the time, they begin to align that with who they are and not what they can do.

How much more beneficial to say things like; "You are such a hard worker. You stick to a problem until it is solved." "Your eyes sparkle because you take such good care of your health." "You have such a happy attitude, you light up a room." These statements refer to something they can control and encourage positive behaviors.

All parents want their children to feel good about themselves. The best self-esteem comes from when they value their own efforts, set individual goals or overcome something that was personally challenging. Help them focus on their efforts by saying things like, "You were sad, but you just turned it around and made it a better day....wow you have a great attitude." "You could have been sad about your friend playing with someone else but instead you found someone else to play with....that was awesome!" "You were frustrated but you were able to calm down and think about how to handle this situation."

Another area of caution is unknowingly feeding into a child's fears or areas which may be a bit weak. For example, saying....." She is really shy," will open the opportunity for children to form a self-image of "Yes. That is who I am. I am shy." It can also possibly excuse other behaviors which should simply be corrected. Or saying, "I always struggled in math too" may be interpreted by a child may mean, don't bother it's just the way it is. This attitude doesn't allow the child to look beyond, be an individual and perhaps keep trying. It may also encourage children to internalize a self-image which may not necessarily remain constant as they mature. They may think, "That is who I am, therefore....."

Let's not forget kids pick up lots of cues from adults and what we say often determines their self-perception. Have confidence in your voice and be positive. They will hear and come to believe, "I can do this!"

## Library News

### Reading incentive: Follow the Yellow Book Road

Carrillo students are roaring up the road! The completed reading cards making up the road have reached three fourths of the way around the library. Mrs. Donato is excitedly waiting for the road to reach all the way into the computer lab and beyond. Watch for visitors at Flag Salute in the coming weeks.

### Book Fair is coming

Another Scholastic Book Fair is scheduled for the week of March 19<sup>th</sup>. Lots of new and exciting reading opportunities!

### California Young Reader Medal

This year's California Young Reader Medal nominees are: On Meadowview Street, Cole, H.; Let's Do Nothing, Fucile, T.; Odd Egg, Gravett, E.; Princess Hyacinth, Heide, F.; and I Need My Monster, Noll, A. Voting will take place mid- February and we should know who won by the end of May.

## A Note from the PTO President

Happy New Year to our entire Carrillo family! We hope you had a wonderful holiday season and enjoyed some well-deserved time off with your families!

The first trimester flew by so quickly! Thank you to all of the families who attended our family events, participated in our fundraisers, and helped to make each event successful. We are off to a great start towards making our fundraising goal for the year but we will need your continued support throughout the year to be able to fund all of the wonderful Carrillo programs that the students enjoy. These programs help our children to succeed and have become an important part of the Carrillo experience. We greatly appreciate your ongoing support and generosity!

We are continually inspired by the dedication and generosity of the Carrillo families and we are so fortunate to have so many of you share your time and talents on a regular basis. Carrillo is a unique and special place in which our children continue to thrive. We are so fortunate to be part of such an amazing community! We still have many upcoming PTO events and fundraisers, so please let us know if you are interested in joining a committee (hospitality, family events, fundraising, etc.). We are always happy to have the opportunity to work with new parents! We will also be looking for some new PTO Committee Chairs and Board members for next year, so please let us know if you are interested in getting involved. If you are interested in joining a committee or helping with an upcoming event, please email us at [CarrilloPTO@gmail.com](mailto:CarrilloPTO@gmail.com).

Thank you to our amazing teachers and staff for being a constant source of inspiration and for helping our children reach new goals and achieve new milestones on a daily basis!

We wish all of you the best of everything in the new year and hope that 2012 brings you good health, peace and prosperity!

Holly Ruderman  
PTO President

### PTO Meetings

Everyone is welcome at the monthly PTO meetings. They are held at 1:30 p.m. Locations to be announced. The meeting schedule is as follows: February 24<sup>th</sup>, March 30<sup>th</sup>, and April 27<sup>th</sup>, and May 25<sup>th</sup>.

## Treasurer's Report

As of January 12, 2012

### Income

Fundraising Events	\$76,789.10
Program Fundraising	\$ 3,698.63
<u>Other Income</u>	<u>\$ 3,447.56</u>
Total Income	\$83,935.29

### Expenses

Program Salaries	\$64,414.00
Program Supplies	\$ 7,028.32
School Supplies	\$ 7,324.44
Assemblies	\$ 1,865.00
PTO Expenses	\$ 2,452.50
<u>Other Expenses</u>	<u>\$ 265.48</u>
Total Expenses	\$83,349.74
Net Income	\$ 585.55

For this school year-to-date, we have spent the majority of the funds on our programs which include Music, Computer Lab, PE, Library, Peace Patrol and Reading Lab. Salaries for these programs are paid on a trimester basis. The amount paid-to-date includes first and second trimester salaries, in addition to, the reimbursement to the District for the balance of these salaries. Projected expenses for the remainder of the school year are \$37,075 including the third trimester program salaries in the amount of \$9,381. Projected income for the remainder of the year is \$36,490.

With the upcoming fundraising events (including Jog-A-Thon, Ladies Spring Tea, and Strawberry sales) plus the 3<sup>rd</sup> installment of the EZ pledges to be processed on February 16<sup>th</sup>, we anticipate reaching our projected income goal. With our conservative spending, the expenses are on or under budget. Any excess funds remaining at the end of the year will replenish reserves and/or be invested into additional technology upgrades for the classrooms.

Thank you for your continued support!

## Fundraising Programs Highlights

Congratulations to Mrs. Sugano's 5<sup>th</sup> grade classroom! They were the winners of the Box Tops for Education contest in November. They earned a smoothie party provided by Froots in Bressi Ranch. Honorable mentions go to Mrs. McClymmond's and Mrs. Whelan's classrooms. They came in second and third place, receiving juice bars. We'd also like to send a big thank you to Student Council for helping count Box Top sheets!! Carrillo's total for the first trimester was \$1,300. Keep collecting box tops because the next contest has already started. The deadline for second trimester submission is February 25<sup>th</sup>. Please go to the Carrillo website to download Box Top Sheets and turn in completed sheets with unexpired box tops to your classroom.

Thank you for participating in our Green Bag fundraiser. Carrillo earned approximately \$500. We will have another Spring fundraiser in March or April, so look for information coming soon. If you would like to take a look at the bags, go to [www.mixedbagdesigns.com](http://www.mixedbagdesigns.com).

## Fundraising Highlights (con't)

Spreebird.com is our newest fundraising partner. They have daily deals for you to purchase and they donate 10% of the proceeds with each purchase. During the month of December, a special promotion was given to Carrillo and to the families that registered with their website. We earned close to \$500 during this time. Go to [www.spreebird.com](http://www.spreebird.com) and register your email address. There will be a new promotion starting soon. Look for it in an upcoming Weekly Email Blast.

Thank you to Debbie Gentle for her ongoing commitment to our Ink Cartridge and Cell Phone recycling program. So far this year, we have earned almost \$100. Please continue to bring in your empty cartridges to the cafeteria and place them in the box on the far wall.

Our first Halloween Costume fundraiser was a big success. Carrillo earned almost \$300. We plan to bring this fundraiser back in the Fall. Thanks to all who purchased a costume and supported Carrillo!

Our Spring book fair will be during Open House. We are looking for a few volunteers to help out with the cash registers. There is no previous experience necessary. It is less than 5 minutes of training. It is fun and a great way to get involved with the school.

Contact either Susan or Kelly at [carrilofundraising@gmail.com](mailto:carrilofundraising@gmail.com) for any information or to volunteer.

## TEN SIMPLE WAYS PARENTS CAN GET MORE ART IN THEIR KIDS' LIVES

1. Enjoy the arts together. Sing, play music, read a book, dance, or draw with your child at home.
2. Turn off the TV and video games one night per week.
3. Encourage your child to participate in the arts and celebrate their participation in or out of school.
4. Explore your community's library and read "the classics" together—from Mother Goose to Walt Whitman. Books on tape are also a great resource.
5. Read your local newspaper to find out about attending local arts events like museum exhibits, local plays, festivals, or outdoor concerts.
6. Find out if your school has sufficient resources for arts education by talking with the classroom teacher. Volunteer to participate in the Art Docent program organized and financed by our PTO.
7. Contact your local arts organizations to inquire about the arts education programs they offer after school. Volunteer to donate time, supplies, or help with their advocacy efforts.
8. Explore your child's dream to sing, to dance, to draw, to act—and encourage them to become the best they can be through the arts.
9. Be an arts supporter! Contact your elected officials and ask them for more arts education funding from the local, state, and federal levels.
10. Sign up to become an activist on the Americans for the Arts website.

## FREE MONEY FOR CARRILLO AT NO COST TO YOU!!!

Here are some easy ways you can be involved and help Carrillo!

- 1. eScrip:** Go to [www.escrip.com](http://www.escrip.com) and register your Vons, debit and credit cards. Every time you swipe, selected merchants will donate up to 6% back to our school. Already registered? Take a moment to make sure your email address and all your cards are updated. School ID# is 4840778.
- 2. Box Tops for Education:** You can clip the 10 cent Box Tops coupons from hundreds of your favorite products. Register at [www.boxtops4education.com](http://www.boxtops4education.com) where you will also find many coupons and Carrillo earns \$1.00 for every new registrant. Box Tops collection sheets may be printed from the Carrillo website.
- 3. Growing Local Learning:** Box Tops for Education and Albertsons have joined together to create Growing Local Learning®, a program to help shoppers earn cash for their schools. Register at [www.growinglocallearning.com](http://www.growinglocallearning.com) and enter in codes from specially marked products or cash register coupons to earn money for Carrillo.
- 4. Target:** Did you know that you can earn money for Carrillo just by shopping at one of your favorite stores? Target offers a Debit or Credit Card option & they will give you 5% off of all of your purchases, plus they will give 1% back to Carrillo as well. This is a GREAT WAY to make extra money for Carrillo!! School ID# is 113835.
- 5. Spreebird.com:** A daily deals site that gives money back to Carrillo when a purchase is made. Choose Carrillo when you are checking out, and they will donate 10% of their proceeds every time you buy a deal. Go to [www.spreebird.com](http://www.spreebird.com) to register.
- 6. Green Bags:** Reduce your carbon footprint by ordering one of these trendy recycled, reusable bags! Just order through the school or enter Carrillo's special code during the Fall and Spring fundraisers when you check out and our school receives 50% of your purchase. [www.mixedbagdesigns.com](http://www.mixedbagdesigns.com), school ID code 53594.
- 7. Yogurt King:** Make a purchase at Yogurt King on a Friday, Saturday or Sunday and they will donate 20% of the purchase to Carrillo. Just mention Carrillo when you are making your purchase
- 8. Coke Rewards:** Did you know you can donate your My Coke Rewards points to Carrillo? All you do is enter codes from your favorite participating My Coke Rewards products, select your school from the list of eligible K-12 schools, and donate your points. Go to [www.mycokerewards.com](http://www.mycokerewards.com) to register.
- 9. Mamasource by Mamapedia:** Another daily deals site that gives money back to Carrillo when you make a purchase. Just select Carrillo Elementary when you check out and they will send us 5% of your purchases. Go to [www.mamasource.com](http://www.mamasource.com) to register.
- 10. Office Depot:** Every time you shop at Office Depot tell the cashier you are supporting Carrillo Elementary. We receive 5% of your purchase, every time! School ID# 70006493.
- 11. Ink Cartridge Recycling:** Drop off your empty ink cartridges in the drop box located in the Cafeteria. Carrillo receives money for the cartridges.

**Each of these programs is FREE, SIMPLE, AND SECURE! Don't forget to ask family, friends and neighbors to help support our school! They do not have to live locally to help as many of these programs are nationwide. Our Science, Art, Music, and Computer programs depend on this money.**

**Thank you for your support!**

Susan Pack and Kelly Willis, Co-VPs of Fundraising Programs  
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## ***INTERESTING QUOTE / SOUND FAMILIAR?***

*"I always wondered why somebody didn't do something about that. Then I realized I was somebody."* Lily Tomlin

*(You're in Charge-7 Habits by S. Covey)*

### **CKC~CARRILLO KIDS CARE~**

Thank you so much for your wonderful efforts for our Camp Pendleton Food Drive! We had record donations this year and had a wonderful time with the group from Camp Pendleton who came to collect our donations of food, toys, household items, and candy. The Marines were moved by our songs and tribute so much that they stayed for hours! They went with Santa Claus to go to each classroom and felt like rock stars when students asked them to sign autographs! Once again, Carrillo families shined with your generosity! Thank you!

Carrillo Kids Care about recycling! At Carrillo, we have recycling bins around the campus for students to deposit their used water bottles and cans. We use the money from our recycling efforts to sponsor our projects throughout the year. You can help us out in the following ways:

\*Encourage your child to recycle items at school

\*Help us with our recycling efforts by taking bottles and cans to a local recycling center to turn into cash and bring the proceeds to Ms. Danielson in room 8.

\*We need a parent or team of parents to help us find a better solution to our recycling needs by working with the Carrillo Staff and District personnel to establish a community link to recycling.

Please contact Ms. Danielson in room 8 or at 290-2900 x3908 for more information. Thank you for helping your child to be a Carrillo Kid who Cares!

## **Thank you**

We want to extend an enormous thank you to all our wonderful Carrillo families who made the Food Drive for the Camp Pendleton Marines an enormous success. We collected approximately 7,000 items plus toys, books, and clothing. The Marines were overwhelmed. They also enjoyed going to each classroom and seeing how responsive and appreciative all the students and teachers were. It truly made a difference in their lives. Carrillo is so blessed to have such generous, wonderful families who make our school so successful.

## Student Life

### Kindergarten New Year's Resolutions

#### Fisher...AM

1. Kiera...I will feed my pets.
2. John...I will always do whatever my mom says.
3. Jack....I will do my homework happily.
4. Katelyn...I will not fluff at the dinner table.
5. Nate...I will be nice to my brothers.

#### Estrada...PM

1. Ashlyn.. I will keep my school clean.
2. Sophia...I will take care of Bella.
3. Lyric....I will give my dog love.
4. Miana...I will follow drexins (directions)
5. Alex....I will eat my veggies.

#### Bejerano...AM

1. Mason....I will be polite.
2. Bella...I will take care of my mom.
3. Amanda...I will say good morning to my teacher.
4. Izzy...I will keep my things in order.
5. Kyla...I will visit my grandparents.

#### Schmeiser...AM

1. Tanner....I wish that I can do what I want.
2. Isabella...I will give people the best day!
3. Dominick....I will do good work.
4. Griffin....My wish is that it will snow.
5. Suzy....I wish that I could ride a dolphin.

#### Contreras.....PM

1. Manola....I will help my parents clean the house.
2. Jena.....I will listen to my mom and dad.
3. Chase.....I will wash the dishes.
4. Helena.....I will be nice to people.
5. Annalexi....I will clean my room everyday

## WANTED! WICKED WITCH! SUSPECT IN 4 MAJOR CRIMES!

1. KEEPING MUNCHKINS FROM READING!
2. TURNING CUTE LITTLE DOGS INTO STUFFED ANIMALS!
3. FRIGHTENING POOR INNOCENT CHILDREN!
4. REALLY BAD BREATH!

If you see the witch, please do NOT try to subdue her! Your best defense is *WITCHY REPELLANT!* *READ A BOOK AND WATCH HER DISAPPEAR!*

Then, have your teacher or other adult call the WWPU (Wicked Witchy Patrol Unit) or alert your nearest COLT TV News Reporter!

## Announcements/Events

### Spirit Wear

New orders are due by Friday, February 17. Stop by our kiosk before flag salutes on Fridays in front of school. We're selling sweatshirts, thermals, football jerseys and much more.

### Running Club

Thank you to our coordinators, Jennifer Black and Christine Lord, for continuing to make the running club a huge success. They have recruited 20 moms to insure running can take place before school and at recess, laps can be recorded and awards can be recognized during flag salutes. These moms are:

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|---------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. Jodi Aiello      | 10. Nancy Lowell    | 19. Bridgett Witt     |
| 2. Jeannie Chronis  | 11. De Martin       | 20. Melissa Zickwolff |
| 3. Vicki Dhunjishaw | 12. Stephanie Price |                       |
| 4. Lisa Diaz-Peters | 13. Denise Shaw     |                       |
| 5. Tara Ferrone     | 14. Jeanne Sims     |                       |
| 6. Kimi Gooding     | 15. Jodi Sloane     |                       |
| 7. Lauren Gregory   | 16. Annette Symon   |                       |
| 8. Cheryl Hanson    | 17. Julie Timmes    |                       |
| 9. Laura Knowles    | 18. Laurie Ward     |                       |

We appreciate their love and dedication to all the students and the success of the program.

### Parking Lot Raffle

It's that time of year again! Parking lot spaces will be up for silent bid and raffle starting 2/3-2/23. As we all know the parking lot is quite a headache, unless you are lucky enough to score one of these primo spots! To increase your chances of being the lucky one, make sure that you get your silent bid or raffle tickets into Kary or Mally by 2/23. We will draw the winners at flag salute on 2/24. Look for Kary Mack on Thursday and Friday mornings at the ticket booth in front of the school office this February. Good luck!!!

### 8th Annual Jog-a-thon – Thursday, March 15th

When an event is fun and successful at the same time we bring it back year after year. This is one of our favorite events and so much fun for the kids, teachers, staff, and parents. Details and sponsorship will be sent home on Wednesday, February 29th. The large number of volunteers for this event is what makes it so successful. We need helpers on the day of the event and with some of our planning. If you are available to help please email [carrillofundraising@gmail.com](mailto:carrillofundraising@gmail.com).

### 7th Annual Ladies Spring Tea and Silent Auction – Sunday, May 6th

Ladies, save the date! This is one event you don't want to miss. This year's event will be hosted at The Crossings at Carlsbad. Come wonder in the beauty and creativity of our Carrillo Table Hostesses/Artisans. For a snapshot of this event check out our pictures from last year at...<http://6thannualladiestea.shutterstock.com>

## Teachers' Annual Gift of Time

Once a year, the staff offers "Gift of Time" to help support our school programs. Get ready to team up with friends or on your own and place the winning bid for the "Gift of Time" the Teacher's and Staff have generously offered to share with you and maybe some of your friends. Silent Bidding will begin April 16<sup>th</sup> and all bids are due back by April 30<sup>th</sup>.

## Fulabula Fest

Thank you to Semisi Ma'u and Le Papagayo in Leucadia for hosting the Annual FulaBula Fest over Thanksgiving weekend and donating a percentage of the proceeds to Carrillo Elementary School's Music Department.

## New to Carrillo: *Carrillo Authors*

By Jodi Sloane

Just after our winter break Carrillo launched the *Carrillo Authors* webpage. This website is located on our school website, under our Programs tab. The goal of this site is to promote the sharing of student school work as well as more casual, fun writing outside of school. All genres of writing are accepted; everything from stories to personal narratives, jokes, poems, interviews, news articles, reviews on books, movies, and enrichment activities. Students may work independently or together on submissions. Students in every grade may submit work. We are encouraging students not only to submit work to the website, but also to read and support their friends who turn in writing projects. We want this to be a fun and collaborative site where we all come together to read and enjoy ourselves. We encourage students and parents alike to check out the site. We hope the casual feel draws you in and that the writing prompts and the work of others inspires you to pick up a pencil and start projects of your own!

Submitting classwork or new writing is simple! On your work, write: your full name (only your first name and last initial will be posted online), your teacher's name, and your grade level. Turn this in to the Carrillo Authors Box in the front office, the Carrillo Authors envelope in your classroom, or email it to [carrilloauthors@gmail.com](mailto:carrilloauthors@gmail.com).

## Carrillo Spelling Bee

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February 23<sup>rd</sup> Carrillo will host its first Spelling Bee! It will be an assembly during school hours. Voluntary sign-ups were held after winter break for students in grades three through five. All current information about the Bee, as well as study tools and study tips may be found on the Carrillo website, under the Programs tab.

Students who have signed up for this fun challenge are studying hard. We are excited to support them during the assembly. Our spelling bee is part of the Scripps National Spelling Bee. Although our winners will not be moving on to the finals in Washington D.C., one winner from each grade will be receiving a Scripps prize. We are looking forward to this event. Please follow our progress on the website as well as in the weekly PTO emails and on FaceBook!



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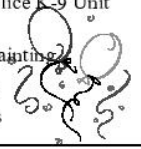


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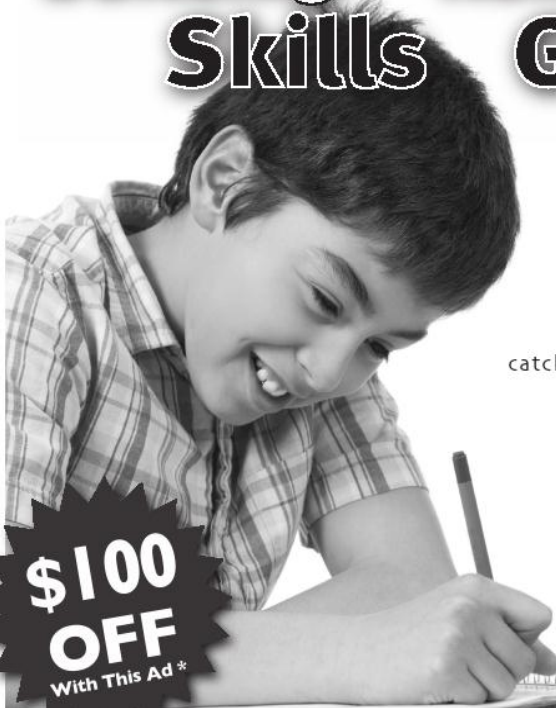
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