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Waste Free Wednesday Tip - Buy in Bulk and Save BIG!

Single serving food packaging may seem convenient, however the per-serving price is much higher than purchasing the same item in bulk. You'll save money by buying in bulk, natural resources by opting out of excessive packaging, and decrease waste generated by packed lunches:

- Instead of buying individually-wrapped granola bars, chips, cookies or cheeses, buy in bulk and pack in reusable bags and containers.
- Do the same for yogurt, pudding and applesauce - pack in reusable jars or bottles, rather than buying single-serve portions.
- Purchase (or make your own) large quantities of beverages and soups, then pack in reusable bottles and thermoses.
- Cut sandwiches into quarters to fit inside of any container.

Remember to pack a waste-free lunch on Wednesdays (or every day!).



Bingo Night for Excelsior and Maidu Families

Prizes, food and fun are in store for your family at our annual Family Bingo Night! We hope to see all of you on Thursday, February 25, 5:30 – 7:30 p.m. in the Maidu MPR. Reservations are due on Friday, February 19. Pizza & drinks are \$2 and Bingo Cards are \$1. Jamba Juice will be on-site selling smoothies, and they will donate 20% of their proceeds to PTC. For the safety of our families, **children must be supervised at all times!**

PTC Calendar

February

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| Mon | 15 | NO SCHOOL - President's Day |
| Tue | 16 | PTC General Meeting, 11 a.m.-1 p.m., Maidu F5 |
| Wed | 17 | Excelsior Spring Picture Day |
| Thur | 18 | Scrip orders due (delivery 2/26) |
| | 18 | Excelsior Roller Skating Party, 4-6 p.m., Roller King |
| Fri | 19 | ESF Art Auction, 5-8 p.m., Bayside Church |
| Mon | 22 | Excelsior Adjusted Day |
| Thur | 25 | Family Bingo Night, 5:30-7:30 p.m., Maidu MPR |

Family Science Night - SOLD OUT!

PTC's Family Science Night at the Discovery Museum has sold out. We are no longer taking reservations. If your form was received after the event was filled, it will be returned to you, along with your check. Your family can still enjoy the hands-on "Gee Whiz Geology" exhibit, Planetarium shows, and animal displays during public hours at the museum. Please check out the museum's website for museum and show hours, admission prices, and special weekend family craft activities:

The Sacramento Discovery Museum
<http://www.thediscovery.org/SSC/default.htm>



The Eureka Schools Foundation (ESF) Annual Giving Campaign is HERE!

- **Donate** at www.eurekaschoolsfoundation.org and be a part of the solution to sustain our school's library aides, music teachers, technology aides, Spanish program and athletics.
- **Volunteer for a CALL-A-THON** evening on Thursday, Feb 11th from 6-9pm courtesy of Coldwell Banker, 2270 Professional Drive near Douglas Blvd.
- **Participate with GIVE A DAY GET A DISNEY DAY** 1-FREE park ticket for contact team volunteers who participate in contacting classroom parents by email or phone call. Come to the Call-A-Thon night and get your free park ticket.
- **FREE Big Spoon Yogurt to classrooms who reach 80% participation! Weekly updates are posted in your child's classroom.**
- Questions? Please contact Shelli Teed-Bose, Chair, Annual Giving Campaign 2010 at 847-5800 or steedbose@surewest.net



Scrip Update

Paper scrip is available every other week from now until the end of the school year.

What can you do to make a difference in our classrooms?

Participate in the FREE scrip program! It's easy – you purchase retail cards and gift certificates for where you make your everyday purchases, the school gets a discount from the retailer and you get your full value to shop! **Ask us how!!**

The next paper scrip orders are due NO LATER than Thursday, February 18! Order online anytime at www.shopwithscrip.com or extra order forms are available online at meptc.org

Go to meptc.org/ptcscrip.html for links associated with the Scrip Program or email your questions to meptc_scrip@yahoo.com.



Excelsior 5th and 6th Grade Talent Show

The 5th and 6th Grade Talent Show is right around the corner! Auditions will begin soon so students should start preparing their acts. Excelsior students, listen for details during the morning announcements, and parents, flyers will be available in Wednesday folders.



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