

The Global Connection

A publication of the Global Education Program at Skyline School



UPCOMING COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECTS

Community service is an essential component of both Skyline and the Global Ed program. To support this focus, Global Ed. participates in several community service projects throughout the year. Two program-wide events will take place in November and December. In November, all children in the program will design a placemat to be used as part of the Thanksgiving dinners prepared through the Meals on Wheels program. In December, the Global Education classes will join together to participate in the Care and Share program to support local families during the holidays. for the holidays. In the past, the G.E. effort has ensured a very nice holiday for several local families. The G.E. staff will coordinate the gifts for the families.

IMPORTANT DATES FOR THOSE INTERESTED IN HELPING US ADOPT LOCAL FAMILIES FOR THE HOLIDAYS:

- **November 15: Gift tag requests due**
 - **November 22 : Gift tags emailed**
 - **December 13: Return new gifts with tags to school. Cash in an envelope labeled “grocery gift card” due.**
- Skyline School has also started a food drive from November 1-19 to benefit the Community Resource Center. Food items may be dropped at the table inside the front gate at Skyline.

IMPORTANT DATES

- **11/4: Drawbridge to life guard station and Solana Frosty**
- **11/5: Courtney to life guard station and Solana Frosty**
- **11/6: Erin to life guard station and Solana Frosty**
- **11/11: Veteran’s Day:NO SCHOOL**
- **11/15: GE 50’s Day (during school day) 50’s Dance, 6 PM in Skyline’s Theater**
- **11/18-11/22: Parent/Teacher Conference Week; early dismissal**
- **11/25-11/29: Fall break**
- **12/4-12/6: 6th grade camp**
- **12/7: Encinitas Holiday Parade**
- **12/13: GE Fashion Show**
- **12/20-1/3: Winter break**

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PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCE WEEK

November 18-22

(Half days; early dismissal at 12:15)

We are looking forward to meeting with every parent during conference week to discuss your child's progress. At this time, we will be discussing your child's academic progress and social growth and sharing our plans for the year. Make sure to set up an after-school plan with your child, especially if there is an alternate plan due to the early dismissal. CDC will be open to match the early dismissal time. Please help us by coming to your appointment at the scheduled time.

50's DAY IN GLOBAL ED.

50's DANCE

Friday, November 15

It's hard to believe that the original Skyline School was built in the 1950's back when Lomas Santa Fe Drive was Skyline Drive! We will celebrate the era when Skyline was built in our community with a "50's Day" on Friday, November 15. The kids are invited to wear clothing reminiscent of the 1950's to get into the spirit of the day. Teachers will be sharing the dances, games, and slang of the era and will help the kids learn about the evolution of the music of the 1950's from blues to rock and roll. Time to break out those poodle skirts and dust off those blue suede starting for the Global Ed 50's Dance. Join us starting at 6 pm in Skyline's Theater to dance to a DJ spinning tunes from the 50's. All families are invited to join in the fun!

PS Drinks will be sold for \$1 (CASH ONLY) at the dance as a fundraiser for the Sacramento trip.



THE GLOBAL ED POST OFFICE BEGINS

As part of our study of communities, Global Ed will look at how we communicate with one another. We will start the Global Ed Post Office the week the week of November 4. Each classroom will have a postal center stocked with letter writing materials and stamps. All the children will have multiple opportunities to write letters to others in the Global Ed program. The oldest kids in the program will be in charge of the day-to-day operations of our post office: collecting mail, processing and sorting mail, and delivering mail to the classrooms. This activity provides a fun way to connect across classrooms and to practice the lost art of letter writing.



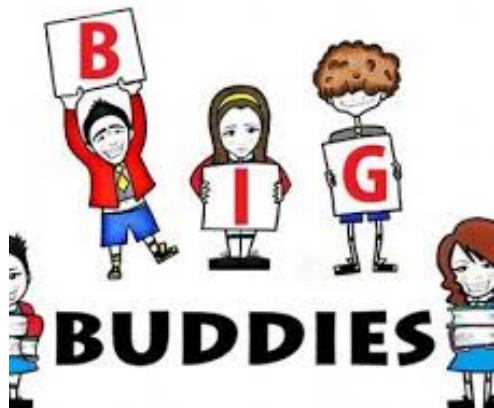
THE GLOBAL ED. FASHION SHOW, DECEMBER 13

The children in Global Ed. will soon begin to examine the role clothing plays in our community, from the clothing required in the different jobs in our community to the resources used in creating the clothing. As part of this focus, every child in Global Ed. will participate in a “fashion show”. Children will be placed in multiage groups along with their buddies to learn about the clothing from either a specific time period or the clothing worn for specific occupations. The children will prepare short pantomimes of scenarios highlighting their time period or occupation. These scenarios will comprise our fashion show that will be shown at 9:30 am on Friday, December 13 in the Theater. Parents are welcome to attend and watch their kids take a stroll down the catwalk. More information will be sent home in the near future in the Friday envelope with details about the type of clothing/costume your child will need for this special event.



DID YOU KNOW?

Each cycle of the Global Ed curriculum includes opportunities for cross age events. The events are often an experiential celebration of the focus of our curriculum. This year our shared curriculum follows the theme of building communities. The students from K-6th will explore how communities are established and maintained with a special focus on how the members of a community meet their need for shelter, food, clothing, and safety. This fall all of the children will have the opportunity to participate in two cross age events with this big buddy(ies): the Global Ed Fashion Show and the 50's Day. These events are chock full of hands on experiences and collaborative learning with groups comprised of kindergarten through sixth grade students. These events are not only a great deal of fun, they also provide rich opportunities for children to be leaders, teachers, and communicators. The older children have a chance to showcase their expertise of the curriculum while the younger children have the opportunity to learn from their peers. Cross age events are an essential component of the Global Ed program and underscore our belief in the power of a child-centered approach to learning.



Primary News

SHARING SCHEDULE

- 11/4: Memorize a Fall poem
- 11/12: Open sharing
- 11/18: Design a T-shirt
- 11/25 Fall break
- 12/2: Open sharing
- 12/9: Celebration artifacts
- 12/16: Open sharing
- 12/23-1/3: Winter break
- 1/6: Open sharing

MEMORIZE A FALL POEM

(11/4-11/8)



Your child will receive a packet of fall poems from his/her teacher prior to the topic sharing week. Your child is to choose a poem from the collection to memorize and share with the class. In addition to memorizing the poem, your child needs to practice “performing” the poem by reciting the poem fluently and with expression. Props are a welcome addition for this poem sharing.

DESIGN A T-SHIRT

(November 18- 22)

This sharing provides an opportunity for the fashion designer in your child to be expressed. Each child will create a design on a paper T-shirt form provided by the child’s teacher. The design should cover both the front and the back of the T-shirt. Any art materials may be used in the design from paint and crayons to sequins and feathers. Your child should be ready to talk about the thought process that went into the design.



CELEBRATION ARTIFACTS (December 9 -13)

We will be studying how communities around the world hold celebrations. Your child will have an opportunity to share the special traditions you observe in your house during the winter holidays. Your child is to select an artifact used in your celebration (ornament, cookie cutter, dreidel) and place it in a paper bag. Your child should come prepared to share three clues about the artifact to see if the audience can guess what it is in the bag.



EVERYONE NEEDS TO SHARE

Just a friendly reminder that all children are expected to have sharing prepared for their sharing day. This is considered homework and an important opportunity for the children to practice responsibility and speaking in front of the class. Please help support your child to prepare for his/her sharing day.