

THE HORNET



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April 30, 2012

Mark Your Calendars!

School Hours: Grades 1-6 8:30a.m. – 2:50p.m.

EVERY WEDNESDAY DISMISSAL TIME IS 1:00

GRADES 1-6

May	4	PTA Family Night Chuck E Cheese 3-9PM
May	7-18	STAR Testing – no absences
May	14-18	Staff Appreciation Week
May	22-25	6th Graders Science Camp
May	31	Talent Show 7PM
June	5	Open House
June	13	Last Day of School
Sep	5	First Day of School

Last Day of School Change

Please note that the last day of school is now Wednesday, June 13, 2012. Funding from the state has been reduced therefore we are having one furlough day.

Child Nutrition News

May 25th is the last day to pay lunches by check and to charge a lunch.

Parking Issues

If you park on Gatewood St. to drop your child off at school, PLEASE be considerate of the neighbors who live near the school. Many of them have their driveways blocked daily by parents who park across the driveway openings. I also hear reports of people pushing the neighborhood garbage cans onto the curb or out of the way with their cars. Please choose a parking spot that does not block people from accessing their own homes, even if it means you need to walk a little further to school. You might find more available space to park behind the school on Wixon. Thank you for helping us be considerate to our neighbors.

PTA Family Night

Take a night off from cooking and join other Harvey Green Families at Chuck E. Cheese's in Newark between 3pm and 9pm this Friday, May 4th. Please mention Green School to give the school credit for a donation from your purchase.

Fourth through Sixth Grade Health and Sex Education Curriculum

New curriculum for elementary health and sex education in grades 4-6 was adopted in December 2011. If you are interested in hearing about the curriculum, you are encouraged to attend your school's Parent Preview or a preview session at the District Office. Please note that the school session and District session are identical. Childcare will not be provided for any session. The District Office is located at 4210 Technology Drive, Fremont.

Fourth Grade:

May 1 at Green, room 9; 3:15-4:00

Fifth Grade:

May 2 at the District Office, Room 123; 4:15-5:00

May 1 at Green, room 11; 3:15-4:00

Green Chosen as Common Core Pilot School

Starting in the 2013-2014 school year, all schools in California will be transitioning from the California State Standards to the Common Core State Standards (CCSS). The CCSS are being adopted by most states across the nation, and the adoption follows the end of the No Child Left Behind act. Adoption of these standards will change the way we teach and test students.

Fremont Unified School District has chosen nine schools to pilot the standards before they are rolled out to the entire district, and Green is one of those. We are very excited about this opportunity to get a jump on the changes that will come. As part of the pilot, our staff is receiving extensive training and support from both the District and an outside consulting agency. You will be hearing more about this transition in the months to come.

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Children and Education Building a Foundation for Tomorrow

To Parents of English Learners:

Please join us for our final DELAC (District English Learner Advisory Committee) meeting of the school year. This is an opportunity to meet other parents of English learners, administrators and teachers to discuss relevant topics related to your child's education and English development. Your voice and input are greatly valued at these meetings.

Location: Brier Elementary School (MUR)
39201 Sundale Dr., Fremont, 94538

Date: Wednesday, May 30

Time: 6:30 p.m.

Estimados padresdefamilia:

Por favor vengan a la última reunión del año escolar de DELAC (Comité Asesor para los Estudiantes de Inglés del Distrito). Esta es una oportunidad para conocer a otros padres de estudiantes que están desarrollando el Inglés, administradores y maestros para discutir temas relacionados con la educación y el desarrollo del Inglés de su hijo/a. Su voz es muy valorada en estas reuniones.

Ubicación: Escuela Primaria Brier (cafetería)
39201 Sundale Dr., Fremont, 94538

Fecha: El miércoles, 30 de mayo

Hora: 6:30 p.m.

英語學習學生的家長們，

請來參加本學年最後一次的DELAC(學區英語學習諮詢委員會)會議。這是個認識其他英語學習生的家長，行政人員和教師們的好機會，並一同討論和您孩子的教育和英語學習相關的話題。您在會議中的發言對我們是很重要的。

地點: Brier 小學多功能教室 (MUR)
39201 Sundale Dr., Fremont, 94538

日期: 5月30日星期三

時間:晚上6點30分

Preparing for STAR Testing

It is time to set our sights on STAR Testing – May 7-18
What does that mean for parents?

- Put the dates on the calendar so your children will not miss any school time during the testing weeks.
- Plan to arrive early each day. Late students will have to wait in the office.
- Provide a stress free morning: no rushing, arguing, criticizing.
- Allow time for a healthy breakfast each day and pack a snack.
- Give lots of encouragement and positive attention to your children.
- Be firm of early bedtimes and plenty of sleep.

Kindergarten Jumps for Ipads

We are proud of our website for our fundraiser and wanted to share it with everyone. If you have a moment please check it out and spread the word. People can even make donations online. Thanks SO
much. <https://sites.google.com/site/ijumpforipads>

Intra District Transfers

Intra District Transfers are now available in the home school office starting May 1, 2012.

New Child Safety Laws

Changes to the California Vehicle Code effective January 1, 2012, require that a child who is under 8 years old must be secured in a rear seat in an appropriate child passenger restraint system, such as a car seat. If you transport children under 8, it is important that you make sure they are properly secured in the back seat.

New Student Registration for 2012-2013

Registration packets for new students are now in the school office. A child entering Kindergarten in the fall of 2012 must be 5 by November 1, 2012.

Cash For Class

IF you shop at the Fremont Hub you can help earn cash for our school. It's easy!...Every time you, your family and friends shop the Fremont Hub, just turn in your receipts to the school office. Last Day for receipts is May 16th.

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Lost and Found

Small lost and found items can be found in the school office. Jackets, lunch boxes, etc. are located in the MUR. They are also displayed afterschool at least one day a week.

Yearbooks for Sale

The cost for the yearbook is now \$25. This is an all color yearbook. Treat your child with a Harvey Green Yearbook as a gift that they might enjoy for years to come.

Program Improvement Update for School Newsletters:

At the beginning of this school year Fremont Unified was notified that we are a program improvement district. We were identified because we did not meet the Federal guidelines for student proficiency for four subgroups of students. We remain a high performing district based on our API score of 877. Our graduation rate is above the state requirement for school districts, and we continue to receive distinguished school honors for multiple schools each year, But not all students are achieving at this high level and we are required to look at our data to make changes so all students achieve proficiency.

When we received the official notification of Program Improvement we immediately notified all parents. We also began the process of discovering what we need to do differently for our struggling students. There are four tools or surveys we used to look at our programs. From these surveys and other data we are looking at making some changes. As a district we are committed to providing appropriate interventions for students requiring more instruction to master the standards. We will provide professional development for all teachers to support classroom instruction. We will make sure all students are provided with the necessary instruction to learn the standards for their grade level.

As parents we want your help also. We have committees and events that we use to get feedback from and work in partnership with parents to help their child and all children do better in school. Some of these committees and events are: School Site Council, English Language Advisory Council, District English Language Advisory Council, Title I Parent nights, Migrant Education Parent nights, Parent Representative Advisory Assembly, Special Education Community Advisory Committee, Instructional Equity Advisory

Commission, Literacy Nights and GATE advisory meetings. We need all parents to get involved in the events at your child's school or at the district office. Please work with us to assure high quality learning for all students in Fremont. Together we will move this district out of Program Improvement.



Staff Appreciation Week

The PTA wants to give thanks to all staff at Harvey Green School. If you would like to help with this event please leave your name and number with the school office or contact Kristin Ross.