



The Welby Way

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THE LATEST NEWS AT WELBY WAY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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READ ACROSS AMERICA DAY AT WELBY WAY



The annual *Read Across America Day at Welby Way* will be held Thursday, March 2nd from 7:00 PM to 8:00 PM. *This is a minimum school day, with dismissal at 12:35 PM.* Please plan on coming in with your child to their classroom for a fun-filled evening of reading. A dress code of pajamas and silly hats is encouraged, but not required. You may also attend dressed as a favorite character or author. You and your child may bring a favorite book, pillow and blanket, and be prepared to read aloud. We hope all of our Welby Way families will attend this fun event to celebrate Dr. Seuss' birthday and encourage literacy. (Some teachers may hold their *Read Across America* evening on an alternate night, so please be sure to check your child's homework sheet for detailed information)

OUR FOURTH ANNUAL EL CAMINO COMPLEX SPELLING BEE



Again this year, Welby Way, along with five other local elementary schools, will participate in the El Camino Complex Spelling Bee. On Thursday, February 23rd, classroom winners took part in Round 3 of the Welby Way Spelling Bee which was held to select our grade level winners. Congratulations and good luck to the students who will be representing Welby Way at the El Camino Complex Spelling Bee at Lockhurst Elementary School at 6:30 PM on Wednesday, March 8th:

THE WELBY WAY DINNER DANCE REPORT



The **Welby Way Mexican Fiesta Dinner Dance and Silent Auction** was a great success! Over 300 Welby Way parents and staff members attended, and hundreds of wonderful items were sold at the popular Silent Auction. ***WE WOULD LIKE TO THANK ALL OF THE DEDICATED VOLUNTEERS WHO WORKED SO HARD FOR SO LONG TO MAKE THIS EVENT MEMORABLE.*** Thanks also to Ms. Plaisance and our teachers for their entertaining original song and dance, which was enjoyed by everyone. We hope that all who attended had a wonderful time, and will continue to attend the Welby Way Dinner Dance events in years to come. Complete final revenues from the Dinner Dance are currently being assessed and the proceeds will soon be announced.

SPECIAL PROGRAM FOR PARENTS OF GIFTED STUDENTS

Dr. James Webb, an influential gifted education specialist, will be conducting a special program for parents of gifted students of all grades addressing social and emotional needs, motivation and underachievement. The program will take place at the Airtel Plaza Hotel (7277 Valjean in Van Nuys) on Tuesday, March 28, 2006 from 7:00 PM to 8:30 PM. There is no charge for attendance or parking, and snacks will be provided. Reservations are not required for attendance. *Please do not bring young children, as childcare will not be provided.* If you have any questions, you may contact Carol Knee, Gifted/SAS Program Liaison at (818) 654-3645.

YEARBOOK PHOTO ALERT



It's time to assemble the Welby Way 2005-2006 Yearbook and we need your help! We are looking for photos taken at the any of the Welby Way school events during this school year. Unfortunately, photos utilized *cannot* be returned. Photos that are not used will be returned if the student's name and room number is included on the back of the photo. If you have photos of any of the above events that you would like to donate, please label the back of the photos as to date and event, and send them to the office in an envelope in care of the *Yearbook Coordinator*. Digital photos can be emailed to jkornack@socal.rr.com.

THE WELBY WAY TRAFFIC SAFETY PROGRAM NEEDS YOU!

Our Traffic Safety program is in need of volunteers to assist our Welby Way students before and after school. *Please donate your time and help keep our students safe!* If you can volunteer 20 minutes at least one morning or afternoon per week, please leave your name and contact information at the school office, and Lisa Therien, our traffic safety coordinator, will contact you. *THANK YOU!*

SAVE THE DATE – MELODY OF WORDS IS COMING!

Please join the El Camino Real complex of schools for a magical evening with artists and authors! The “Melody of Words” event will take place on April 26, 2006 at 6:00 PM. Authors and artists will be present to discuss and present their work, and it will be a fun evening of arts and literature for all. **MARK YOUR CALENDARS!**



10TH ANNUAL PARENT SUMMIT

LAUSD will hold its 10th Annual Parent Summit on Saturday, April 1, 2006 from 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM at the LA Convention Center. Adults who wish to attend this important event must register with Nilla at the school office by March 20, 2006. Limited bus transportation may be available, and remember, adults only may attend.

CAREER DAY



Mark your calendars! Career Day is coming to Welby Way on Thursday, April 6, 2006 from 8:15 AM to 10:30 AM. Please consider being a speaker and sharing your career with your child and his/her friends. It is a memorable morning and an experience you should not miss. Sign-up flyers have gone out and additional copies are available at the school office. If you would like to participate, please fill out the sign up flyer tear-off and return as soon as possible. If you have any questions, please call Fran Jasper at 348-1975.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Minimum Day:* Thursday, March 2nd with dismissal at 12:35 PM
Read Across America Day at Welby Way: Thursday, March 2nd from 7:00 PM to 8:00 PM
Fourth Annual El Camino Complex Spelling Bee Final: Wednesday, March 8th at 6:30 PM (at Lockhurst Elementary School)
Spring Pictures and 5th Grade Panoramic Photo: Monday, March 27th
School Site Council Meeting: Tuesday, March 28th at 7:00 PM in the library
Honor Assembly: Friday, March 31st at 8:15 AM (weather permitting)