

# R Robinson Elementary School

A California Distinguished School  
Tuesday, April 1, 2008



**Congratulations to Mrs. Syverson!**  
Kendall Christine Syverson was born March 30<sup>th</sup>.  
She is 6lbs. and 3 oz. Mom & baby are doing great!

### Instrumental Music Mini Concerts – Please join us



On Tuesday, April 1<sup>st</sup>, our instrumental music students will be performing Mini Concerts throughout the morning.

Parents are invited to attend these informal concerts which showcase our strings, recorders, and band students.

- 8:20 a.m. 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Strings and Band
- 9:15 a.m. 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Recorders and Strings
- 10:20 a.m. 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Strings and Band

**Family Art Night** - Huge thanks to Nancy Cho for all her help in organizing and setting up our first Family Art Night. So many families came to enjoy and share their artistic talents! Special thanks to PTSA and the Meet the Masters program for making this possible.



**Our Young at Art Note Card Fundraiser is here!** Please sponsor YAA by ordering note cards made by YOUR child. Directions, order forms, and cards will come home with your child this week. Please check their backpacks! You may also get the order form and directions online. In need of extra cards?...the office has them! Questions? Call Kristy Isaak (310)374-7042

### After School Program

The winter session has come to an end, with the exception of Speed Stacking and Computer Keyboarding which each have one make up class left this Thursday, April 3. The spring session will begin April 28 for seven weeks, with the exception of High School Musical which will begin April 14. Look for registration packets to come home right after spring break. Any questions, please contact Nancy at 376-6115 or [nsrosenb@aol.com](mailto:nsrosenb@aol.com) (And don't forget to sign up for Camp VIP also. Great opportunities for kids of all grade levels.)

**School Supply Sale Coming Soon! April 15-May 16**

### ATTENTION INCOMING KINDERGARTEN, SECOND, AND THIRD GRADE PARENTS FOR FALL 2008!

The Robinson PTSA will again be running a school supply sale for the fall of 2008, during April 15-May 16. At the request of the teachers, school supplies for these grades (K,2,3) will be purchased in **bulk** by the PTSA. **The PTSA asks that the parents reimburse the PTSA for the cost of your child's supplies at the time of the sale.** It is especially important that we get reimbursed for these supplies due to the upcoming budget cuts. Our school will benefit from the 5% rebate offered by the company. Buying this way saves you from buying any supplies in the fall and teachers will have uniformity for each child!

### ATTENTION INCOMING FIRST, FOURTH, AND FIFTH GRADE PARENTS FOR FALL 2008!

The school supply sale for these grades (1,4,5) will be run as **individual** packs delivered to your child's classroom at the request of the teachers, during April 15<sup>th</sup>- May 16<sup>th</sup>. Incoming students for grades 1, 4, and 5 will **only** get supplies if the parents order them. The sale for these grades is being run like last year. If you don't order through the sale, a list of school supplies will be given in June for purchase over the summer. Remember though, for any supplies purchased through the sale, 5% comes back to the PTSA! Also, you won't have to drive around trying to find everything!!! Any questions: Rita Goldston at 310-994-9633 or [rmooman@earthlink.net](mailto:rmooman@earthlink.net)

### MBAF Parent Soccer Tournament

Save the Date: Sunday, April 27, 2008, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., at Mira Costa High School Stadium Field.



The Manhattan Beach Athletic Foundation (MBAF) announces its 4<sup>th</sup> annual Parent Soccer Tournament & Fund Raiser. Each of the Manhattan Beach schools will have a team. There will be prizes, raffles, and food & drinks for all ages. Our Robinson team is looking for players.

## Camp VIP

It's time to start planning for summer, and Camp VIP enrollment brochures are hot off the presses and were distributed to all families last week. Additional copies are in the office, and online enrollment is available at [mbathleticfoundation.org](http://mbathleticfoundation.org). Just click on Camp VIP. Also, parents may want to check the web site from time to time for updates, changes, or additional classes. (One correction to note is that the class **Lights, Camera, Action!** offered week 1 is described in the brochure under "Direct, Edit, and Act.")

In addition to new and exciting classes and activities this summer, Camp VIP has two new features to note: First, weeks two and three offer **VARIETY VIP** in the afternoon. Structured more like a traditional day camp, this three hour activity block does not specify single focus activities but will offer a variety of activities daily - from outdoor games, to art, technology, and much more. New surprises each day. A great way to spend the afternoon or extend the morning session to a full day.

Also, in response to parent requests past summers, **EXTENDED CARE** is available to parents on an as needed basis if you require supervision for your child at the end of the afternoon session. This way parents who are not able to pick up at 4:25, may arrange for our staff to supervise your child until 6:00 with fee to be determined. For all day enrollment, supervision between morning and afternoon sessions is provided as part of the session fee.) Camp VIP has provides so many unique opportunities, Don't miss out on this great summer opportunity to provide a fun/learning experience for your children. There is truly something for everyone!. As one parent wrote after last summer, "I wish it was year round." For questions, please contact Nancy Rosenberg, Program Director, 376-7115 or [nsrosenb@aol.com](mailto:nsrosenb@aol.com)

## Musical Theater Experience for the Whole Family!

"Be Our Guest, Be Our Guest..."

Get your worries off your chest...

It is with deepest pride and greatest pleasure that we invite you to relax" --

at the MCHS Drama Department's production of *Beauty and the Beast!*

COMMUNITY NIGHT! 4/25 at 7:30P! Autograph signing and photo ops with the cast after the show!

Additional performances: April 18, 19, 24, 26 at 7:30p.m., and 2p.m. matinees on April 19 and 26.

Presale tickets (\$12 adult, \$10 child) April 1 – April 17 at Robinson during Wednesday ice cream sales, Hillside Pharmacy, or online at [www.miraacostadramaboosters.org](http://www.miraacostadramaboosters.org). Tickets (\$15 adult, \$12 child) available at the door.

## Scrip News

**Staff Appreciation Week** is coming up April 28 – May 2. The Teacher/Staff Wish Lists are currently being updated and will be available with the next Tuesday envelope and on the website after spring break.

Do you have a **vehicle to donate**? eScrip has partnered with V-DAC to create the eScrip Vehicle Donation Program. When you donate your used vehicle, you get to take a tax write-off AND contribute to Robinson! Please visit [www.escrip.com](http://www.escrip.com) for more information.

**Online shopping** is the fastest growing retail segment. Now, escrip brings Robinson the latest technology and tools to earn money from every online purchase. See the escrip Online Mall flyer for more details.

The scrip table will be open this Wednesday from 1:15 - 2:00pm.

## Planet Pals Earth Tips

**Take a Step: Switch to Compact Fluorescent Lenses**  
Replacing just one frequently used conventional light bulb in your home with a compact fluorescent bulb can save you money on your utility bill and reduce the amount of carbon dioxide released into the atmosphere. If every household in the United States replaced one incandescent light bulb in their home with a compact fluorescent, this would be equal to taking 6.3 million cars off the road. Though compact fluorescent light bulbs are more expensive than conventional light bulbs, they last 10 times longer. One bulb can lower your energy bill by \$15 annually and reduce your carbon dioxide emissions by 150 lbs. **Take a step and switch out a light bulb.**

## Dates to Remember

### April

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| 1st   | Instrumental Mini concerts  |
| 2&3   | 4 <sup>th</sup> Grade GATE<br>Grade 2: Peter Pan at 7pm                                     |
| 7-13  | Spring Break – No School  |
| 16    | Kinder Field Trip to RB Performing Arts Center  |
| 16&17 | 5 <sup>th</sup> Grade GATE  |
| 19    | Earth Day Celebration at Polliwog Park 11-4   |
| 22    | Earth Day   |
| 23    | 5 <sup>th</sup> Grade Student Tour/Student Orientation at MBMS from 9:00 a.m. to 11:45 a.m. |
| 23    | Beautification Day – after school   |