

Principal's News:

Dear Ararat Charter School Families,

We would like to wish all of our families a Happy New Year. We hope that all you had a restful and enjoyable winter break. We also wanted to thank all of you for coming to our winter program to support our students with their winter performances. Our students were very excited to perform and had worked very hard so that all parents could enjoy the show.

We are very pleased to let you know that our World's Finest Chocolate sale was a big success with the support of you and your child. Our school was able to fundraise \$8,536 gross sales. We will be announcing our 1st, 2nd, 3rd prize winners this month. We want to extend our gratitude for all of the parents who participated in this fundraiser.

In an effort to be involved in your child's education at school, we encourage you to do the following:

- Meet with your child's teacher periodically in order to discuss your child's progress at school
- Ask your child what they learned each day as this helps your child reinforce what they learned each day
- Assist your child with their homework on a daily basis in order to identify your child's strengths and weaknesses

Parent Involvement Committee

We will be having a parent involvement committee meeting on Friday, January 27, 2017 at 8:00am at campus 1 (Sylmar). This is a great opportunity to find out ways that you can get involved at your child's school and make our school a better place for our students. Your input is greatly valued and appreciated and we look forward to seeing you on January 27.

Toy Drive

We also want to thank all of you who contributed a toy to our December toy drive. The toys were delivered on December 18 to the Los Angeles Children's hospital. We would like to continue to do this function annually so that we can teach our students the importance of giving back to others.

Parent Corner:

Fundraisers and Events for School:

- The next Parent Involvement Committee (PIC) meeting is scheduled for **Friday, January 27, 2017 @ 8:00am.** Please join us in our efforts of supporting our students.
- **November 21 – December 2, 2016** – Worlds' Famous Chocolate Fundraiser Gross Sales: \$8,536.00
- **January 27, 2017** – Skateland Fundraiser

On behalf of our students, Ararat Charter School Staff and the Parent Involvement Committee (PIC) we would like to extend our gratitude to every Ararat Charter School family and friends for all the help and support extended on behalf of our students.



January 2017



January 9, 2017	School Re-Opens
January 16, 2017	Bo School – Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday
January 21, 2017	Governing Board Meeting – Campus 1 – MPR
January 25, 2017	Award Assembly – Campus 1 & 2
January 27, 2017	PIC Meeting – Campus 1
January 27, 2017	Skateland – PIC Fundraiser

LAUSD Parent Trainings:

For more information call (800) 933-8133 or (213) 481-3350
 Go to: <http://achieve.lausd.net/Page/643> for LAUSD Parent Training Schedule.

Reminders:

SCHOOL HOURS

School begins at **7:50am** and ends at **3:00pm** sharp. Please make sure that students are at school on time as class instruction begins promptly. Late arrivals disrupt class instruction.

STUDENT LATE ARRIVAL

Parents must walk tardy children into the school’s office and sign them in.

DISMISSAL/VALET

The safety of our students is our first priority. Please adhere to the school speed limit and DO NOT block drive-ways. Traffic safety officers will be patrolling as a result of high number of violations.

SCHOOL UNIFORM

- Monday – Friday: Ararat white polo shirt (short/long sleeve) – Navy blue pants/shorts/skorts
- Fridays’ spirit wear - Ararat blue T-shirt (short/long sleeve) – Navy blue pants/shorts/skorts
- Navy blue Ararat Hoodie / Ararat Caps only
- Avoid sending students with short skorts. Skorts should be slightly above the knees

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