




WEEKLY NEWSLETTER,
December 14, 2018

<p>UPCOMING EVENTS</p> <p>December 24th-January 4th Winter Break No School</p> <p>Monday, January 7th Classes Resume</p> <p>Thursday, January 17th Family Education Night in Library Topic: Navigating Social Media 6:30</p> <p>Monday, January 21st Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday No School</p> <p>Thursday, February 7th Parent Council in Library Topic: Local Control and Accountability Plan 6:30</p> <p>February 18th-22nd Mid-winter Break No School</p> <p>Thursday, March 7th Parent Council in Library Topic: STEAM Lab and Maker Space 6:30</p> <p>Saturday, March 30th WCA Spring Gala and Auction Event at IDESSST Hall in Sausalito 5:00</p>	<p>A Message from Ms. Seekins</p> <p>Dear Willow Creek families,</p> <p>If you've attended our Morning Assembly over the past few weeks, you know that our first graders have been studying the topic of homelessness in our community. With their teachers, they have investigated the causes of homelessness and they have decided to take action by leading a donations drive. Most mornings, our first graders are on stage during Assembly encouraging students and families to donate non-perishable foods and toiletries. It is inspiring to see some of our youngest students taking a leadership role in our community!</p> <p>You can participate by bringing non-perishable foods and toiletries to the MPR stage, where we have crates and barrels from the San Francisco Marin Food Bank ready to collect donations. Many thanks to Meegan Devol and April Gregory for guiding their students toward authentic investigation and compassion action around this important social issue.</p> <p>Best,  Tara</p>
	<p>Attendance Report</p> <p>Average Daily Attendance this week: 94% Funds lost this week due to absences: \$4,896 Total funds lost this year due to absences (est.): \$52,701</p> <p>Please remember that you can request an Independent Study for your child for any planned absence of 3 or more days. Please visit Ms. Aleshia in the front office to complete an Independent Study form at least 7 days before the absence is scheduled to begin.</p> <p>News and Reminders</p> <p>Our Lost and Found is full (and overflowing) with lost sweaters and jackets on the MPR stage. Any unclaimed items will be donated over Winter Break.</p> <p>Chef Guillaume and his team would like to remind families to make sure their school meals program accounts are up-to-date. Our Conscious Kitchen program is off to a great start this year, and we need to make sure that we're collecting all of the payments due in order to keep it sustainable. Families can pay their accounts online by visiting mymealtime.com. Please contact Erin Baker with any questions about your account or about setting up online payments: ebaker@willowcreekacademy.org.</p>



Willow Creek Families,

Our 1st graders would like to invite you to participate in a

Holiday Food Drive

for homeless people in our community.



**Bring your donations to the MPR stage
by WEDNESDAY, Dec 19.**



**Please bring non-perishable food and toiletry items
(cans or boxes please, no glass!)**

- tuna + canned meat
- canned fruit + vegetables
- whole grain pasta, rice + oats
- travel-sized soaps, shampoos, etc.

- soups
- peanut butter
- beans
- toothbrushes

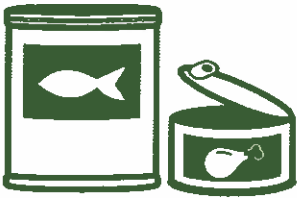
Thank you!





END HUNGER IN SAN FRANCISCO AND MARIN PLEASE DONATE

MOST NEEDED FOODS



TUNA, CHICKEN, SALMON
in pop-top cans or tear-open pouches



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NUT BUTTERS

We do NOT accept pet food, glass containers, or opened packages

#FoodForAll #EndHungerTogether



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MARIN CITY LIBRARY'S 3RD ANNUAL SNOWMAN SOCIAL



Join us for an afternoon of food, crafts, fun, and maybe a little bit of magical snowman science!

Saturday, December 15th, 1 pm to 3pm

Marin City Library

164 Donahue Street, Marin City

All Library events are free. Call 415.332.6158 or visit www.marinlibrary.org



Requests for accommodations may be made by calling (415) 473-3220 (voice/TTY) or 711 for the California Relay Service or Emailing library@marincounty.org at least **four work days** in advance of the event. Copies of documents are available in alternative formats, upon request.

Winter 2018

Activities at Marin City Library

Saturday, 12/15

1 pm to 3 pm

3rd Annual Snowman Social

Join us for an afternoon of food, crafts, fun, and maybe a little bit of magical snowman science!

Wednesday, 12/26

2 pm to 4 pm

Black Panther Movie Screening

Popcorn and drinks will be served courtesy of the Friends of the Marin City Library.

Thursday, 12/27

2 pm to 3 pm

Gumdrop Structure Challenge

Using 10 gumdrops and 20 toothpicks, design a structure than can hold the weight of a large book.

Friday, 12/28

2 pm to 3 pm

Light-Up Paper Bag Gingerbread House

Make a light-up gingerbread house village out of paper bags! These gingerbread house paper circuits are such a fun Christmas STEM activity for learning and to encourage creativity!

Saturday, 12/29

12 pm to 4 pm

Tween/Teen Video Game Day

For Tweens and Teens ages 10 and up.

Challenge library staff or your friends to Xbox and Wii games while you chow down on tasty pizza! Space is limited, and sign-ups are required. Sign-up sheets are at the front desk. Call 415.332.6158 for more details on this event.

Wednesday, 1/2

2 pm to 4 pm

Snowball Catapults

Use popsicle sticks and rubber bands to build your own catapults. Learn about simple machines and see who can launch their "snowballs" the farthest!

Thursday, 1/3

2 pm to 4 pm

Frozen Sing Along

Follow the bouncing snowflake to sing along with your favorite songs from Frozen during our screening of the ever-popular film. Popcorn and drinks will be served courtesy of the Friends of the Marin City Library.

Friday, 1/4

2 pm to 4 pm

Happy Feet

A penguin who cannot sing is born into the world of the Emperor Penguins, who find their soul mates through song. But he can tap dance something fierce! Popcorn and drinks will be served courtesy of the Friends of the Marin City Library.

Saturday, 1/5/19

2 pm to 3:30 pm

The Snowy Day by Ezra Jack Keats Storytime Video and Activities

We'll watch a storytime video featuring the classic children's book *The Snowy Day* by Ezra Jack Keats. Then we'll make our own Snowy Day shadow boxes!



Sausalito Library Children's Event

Winter Wonderland

Wednesday, December 19

3:30—4:30 p.m.

In the Main Library

Join us to make snowflakes, eat cookies, and enjoy the holiday spirit!

We'll provide lots of cookies, including homemade ones! Feel free to bring some homemade cookies of your own to share.

The Friends of the Library Bookstore will be open during the Winter Wonderland program. It's a wonderland of its own, filled with fantastic books for all ages.

420 Litho Street, Sausalito

Sponsored by the Friends of the Sausalito Library

**Sports
Basement**

Join Sports Basement for your Basementeer Holiday Shopping Spree



exclusively for:

We're inviting everyone at **Willow Creek Academy** (that's you!) to a very special shopping event, where you'll receive **20% off your entire purchase** all day long. (11% + Basementeer discount)

Be sure to sign up as a Basementeer and select **Willow Creek Academy** as your beneficiary so part of your purchase goes to support your school



Date: December 16 - 19, 2018

Time: All day long!

**Location: The NEW Novato store
& All 10 Sports Basement stores!**

Can't join us at the store? Join the celebration by shopping online!
Use the code 2050009478261 at checkout.

Shop Online Now!

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Some exclusions apply. See website for details.

Mark your calendars...!

A PARENT EDUCATION NIGHT

Hosted by your WCA Parent Council

A Parent's Guide to
Social Media

Thursday, January 17
6:30PM

Willow Creek Library

Presenter: Karen Hamilton

Karen is a Marin County Psychotherapist and Certified Addictions Specialist. She has been working with teens and families for over 15 years and writes and lectures on the topic of teens, technology and social media. Her work has been published on ikeepSAFE.org, the Marin Independent Journal and the San Francisco Chronicle.

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Little League



Play Baseball - Little League Registration Open NOW!!!

Register at www.smcll.com

\$25 discount if you register by Dec. 31st

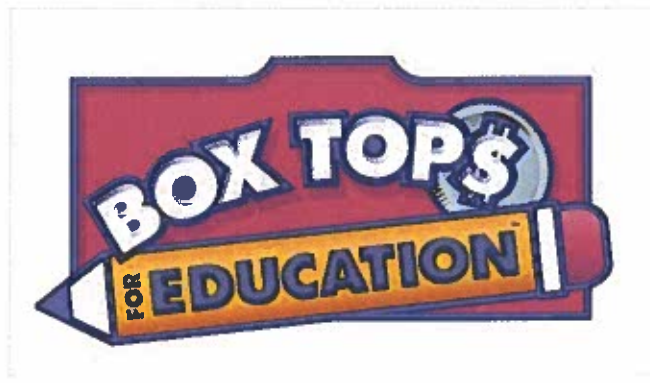
Ages 5-12

Scholarships available

smcleague@gmail.com for more info



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DON'T FORGET TO COLLECT BOX TOPS OVER THE HOLIDAYS!

Dear Parents and Kids,

So far we've earned \$58 for our school. I am so thankful to all of you who have clipped and turned in your box tops. Every bit helps! And I know that we are capable of earning so much more. It's simply a matter of getting into the habit of clipping and saving your box tops.

Look for them on any "Annie's" Products, "Ziploc" boxes, "Cheerios" boxes, etc. See the attached list below for all participating products. And then start saving! I've attached a collection sheet for your child to color (if they wish) and attach box tops to - a perfect activity to do over the holidays. Box tops can also be collected in an envelope or ziploc bag. When your collection sheet is full, turn into the school office with your child's name and grade on it.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me. I'm here to help make our school's Box Tops for Education™ program a success this year. Don't forget to ask grandparents or neighbors to help you collect!

Thanks for your help! ☐

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