

Fuente Nueva Charter School

1730 Janes Road, Arcata 95521

www.humboldt.k12.ca.us/fuentenueva

Telephone: 707-822-3348

A Note from the Director

Dear Parents and Guardians,

This time of year brings many opportunities for us to spend time with family and friends. It is also a time to feel the abundance of love and light in our lives and find ways to share with others. Here at Fuente Nueva we are so grateful for all that the staff, students and parents share to make this community special.

We are in our 15th year of instruction which means we are in the process of renewing our charter, the main governing document that enables us to be a school. As I work to rewrite the charter, I am amazed at the numerous ways that I can see the influence of our stakeholders to create our mission and vision.

Thank you for all you do to make us who we are today!

Directora Beth

bwylie@fuentenueva.org

Lost and found clothes waiting to come home

More and more clothes are gathering on our lost and found line located on the wall between the 1st grade classroom and the office. Some of the jackets have been blowing in the wind for quite a while now.

Please have a look to see if anything might belong to your student(s). Thank you!



Fechas

12/3 Ice skating field trip, 2nd-5th grades. 8:45am-1pm.

12/4 FNCC Meeting, 5:15pm.

12/19 Winter Concert in Leavey Hall, 6:15pm.

12/23-1/3 Winter break. Happy holidays and a happy new year!

1/6 Back to school!

Character Word

Each week we focus on a character trait which students are encouraged to practice throughout the week. On Friday mornings, teachers select a student who demonstrated the character word to earn an award at reunión. All students will earn this award at some point in the year.

Character Award Winners

11/4/19

Self-control/autocontrol

K: Ethan

1: Sarah

2: Miles

3: Gage

4: Ian

5: Merlyn

11/8/19

Gratitude/gratitude

K: Ian

1: Nikolai

2: Giovanni

3: Coral M

4: Roan

5: Odin



Some of the amazing artwork made by the Fuente Nueva students for the Canned Food Drive.

Join the Canned Food Drive!

The 2nd grade students are hosting a canned food drive to support a local organization that provides holiday baskets for over 100 families. This year, the school will be providing an equitable reward for *all* students. Join us in spreading holiday cheer by donating some canned and non-perishable goods. The drive ends on Friday December 13th. Thank you for participating in this event of joyful giving!

A word from Josué and the Aftercare Program

Homework club is Monday-Thursday 3pm-4pm and is optional and open to all grades. However, if you would like your child to be required to stay; please sign them up on the Homework Club sign up clipboard in Room 7. Bills can be found in the filing baskets in Room 7. Invoices will be put out at the beginning of the month and are due by the 15th.

The kids recently earned a party in aftercare for being great, respectful kids. We watched a movie and ate popcorn and frozen banana treats - and since we party for multiple days in aftercare, we had an electronics party the next day. Fun times at Fuente Nueva Aftercare!

Character Award Winners

11/15/19

Service for others/servicio para otros

- K: Théodore
- 1: Cedar
- 2: Fiona
- 3: Weston
- 4: Jade
- 5: Henri

11/22/19

Appreciation/aprecio

- K: Emmet
- 1: Zion
- 2: Sol
- 3: Bear
- 4: Jonah
- 5: Gaelen

Spanish Award

Each week a student from each class is given a Spanish award at our Monday assembly called reunión.

The purpose of the award is to motivate and encourage students while they learn to read, write, listen and speak in Spanish.

Spanish Award Winners

11/4/19

- K: Indiana
- 1: Billie
- 2: Delilah
- 3: Lucia
- 4: Sebastian
- 5: Tasman



Fifth graders helping out with Bibimpap, for Viajes Culinarios.

Leaves from the school garden turn into lunch

Thanks to the school's inspired atmosphere, we've enjoyed experimenting in the kitchen and getting feedback (as it were). There are always new ways to make old favorite recipes, and old ways to help guide new ones. Freshly made salsa (thanks to Steve) has been a favorite, and our "house ketchup" is a fun evolving challenge for when we need it. 'Tis the season to start eating more foods that put up well for the winter, like pickles and kraut, cabbages, squash and beets; just what kids love :)

The school garden is growing with arugula, whose nutty leaves and yellow flowers make colorful salad additions. It's always a pleasure to cook with the seasons, especially when you can share it with a great group of students.

The Kitchen Staff

Come enjoy Winter Concert/Noche celestial!

Join us on Thursday, December 19th for a very special version of our annual Winter Concert. We've been working diligently in the art, music and P.E. room to bring you a meaningful representation of what we've done this year.

Show starts at 6:15, we look forward to seeing you there!

Spanish Award Winners part 2

11/12/19

K: Zachary

1: Bailey

2: Allison

3: Coral Anne V

4: Avalon

5: Nina

11/18/19

K: Fionnuala

1: Stella

2: Gage

3: August

4: Ella

5: Samara

Would you like a hardcopy of the newsletter?

Every month the newsletter is sent out in digital form to all parents and guardians. Would you like to sign up to receive a hard copy of the newsletter as well? Contact

jingvarson@fuentenueva.org



Like us on
Facebook!

Y más noticias

Amigos de Fuente Nueva

Sport some Fuente Nueva SWAG this winter

Are you interested in Fuente Nueva SWAG? AFN has a limited stock of t-shirts and sweatshirts available for sale. Stop by the front office to see what is available and fill out an order form, please allow 2 weeks for turnaround time.

Do you have a leftover folder from the Coffee/Chico Bag drive cluttering your counters? If so you can bring it back to the front office and AFN will reuse them! Thank you for helping us minimize our waste.



Many ways to help with Fiesta Ball!

Mark your calendars, the Fiesta Ball and Auction is happening Saturday March 21, 2020 in Leavey Hall. This is our largest fundraiser of the year and there are many ways to help. We are looking for volunteers to help with planning, soliciting donations, and multiple tasks before, during, and after the event. AFN will be asking for auction and raffle items in the new year, so if you find yourself with items you're thinking about re-gifting, consider donating them to AFN, you never know what might spark joy for others! Keep an eye out for emails about meeting times, and what you can do to help.

Amigos de Fuente Nueva (AFN) – Parent Teacher Organization



The outdoor classroom is located behind the 2nd grade classroom.

Thank you AFN for our outdoor classroom!

Fuente Nueva are happy to present our brand new outdoor classroom/wildlife garden (aula de naturaleza/jardín de vida silvestre).

Thank you so much Amigos de Fuente Nueva and Josh at Samara Restoration, for making this come true. ¡Muchísimas gracias!

As one of our teachers put it: "It is fabulous! I can't wait to go out there to do some creative, outdoor-inspired writing!"

Ask a 4th or 5th grader about their Science Fair Projects!



Dr. Doris Niles.

Fourth and fifth graders have officially started their Doris Niles Science Fair Projects. If you see a 4th or 5th grader, ask them how it is going!

The science fair is a week-long event (March 16th - 20th) held at HSU, celebrating excellence in science for students in 4th grade through high school. This event honors the memory of Dr. Doris Niles, a beloved, Humboldt County teacher who helped further students' and teachers' science education.

Students participate within a variety of categories such as Physical Science, Life Science, or Math and Engineering. Over 100 volunteer judges review displays and conduct student interviews throughout the week, culminating in an awards ceremony where 125 medals and special recognition awards are presented. Fuente Nueva also celebrates their accomplishments by displaying all their projects on Science Night, on February 27th.

Students took a close look at Deep Seeded Farm

Deep Seeded Farm is only a few minutes' walk away from Fuente Nueva. On November 6th, our 2nd and 3rd graders all got to take a good look at plants and animals on the farm. Deep Seeded Farm offers Community Supported Agriculture memberships to the county. Thank you so much for providing our students with a memorable field trip experience!



Photo: María de Simón.

Lunch invoices will soon have a new layout

Coming in mid-December our Lunch invoice will have a new look.

It will also be an all-encompassing invoice that includes the entire year, starting with the first day of school. Future invoices will only include the prior balance and the current period, but since this is the first round, we have included the entire year, so that you can see all the lunches and all the payments recorded to date. If you have any questions regarding the invoice, please come by the office and we will be happy to go over it with you.

The latest from Fuente Nueva Charter Council

This month, the charter council will be receive updates from our various committees on the topic of the budget, comprehensive safety plan, LCAP development and exploration of options for Spanish learning in the middle school years. Meetings are always open to the public and are held in the staff lounge.

- The next FNCC meeting is happening on Wednesday December 4th. The meeting starts at 5:15pm.

Notification from the County Department of Agriculture

The County Department of Agriculture has informed the school about upcoming pesticide use on Sun Valley Farm, which is located close to Fuente Nueva. California regulations require a farmer to provide annual notification of the pesticides expected to be applied to agricultural crops within a quarter of a mile of a public K-12 school or a licensed childcare center (schoolsites). The pesticides are expected to be used during the July 1, 2019 - June 30, 2020 period.

The law provides strict guidelines to the farm on how and when they can apply the named pesticides. Directora Beth is in the process of meeting with the farmer and a representative from the County Department of Agriculture to further define how and when notification is provided. For further questions, contact bwylie@fuentenueva.org or County Agricultural Commisioner Jeff M. Dolf at JDolf@co.humboldt.ca.us

¡Día de los muertos fue fantastico!

Thanks to everyone who celebrated Día de los Muertos with us on November 8th in Leavey Hall! We all enjoyed making sugar skulls, skull pillows, eating delicious potluck food and remembering our loved ones who have passed - together with all of you!

A big thank you to everyone who contributed, including the talented dance group Eureka High School's Multicultural Club Baile Folklórico.



Fuente Nueva staff all gussied up for Día de los muertos.