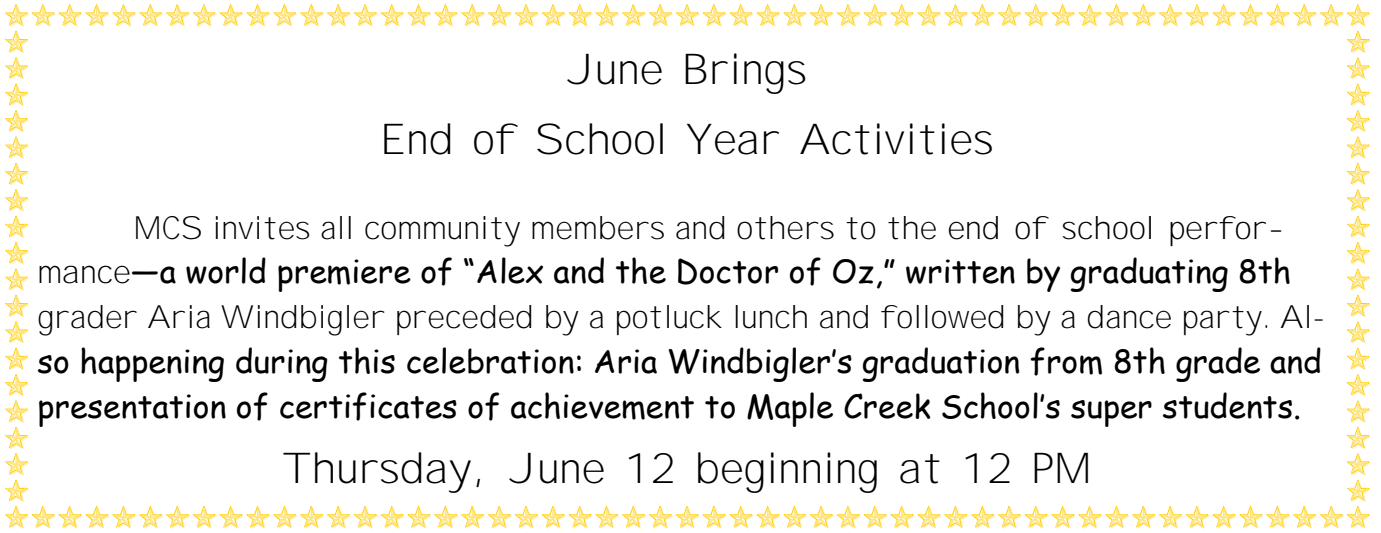




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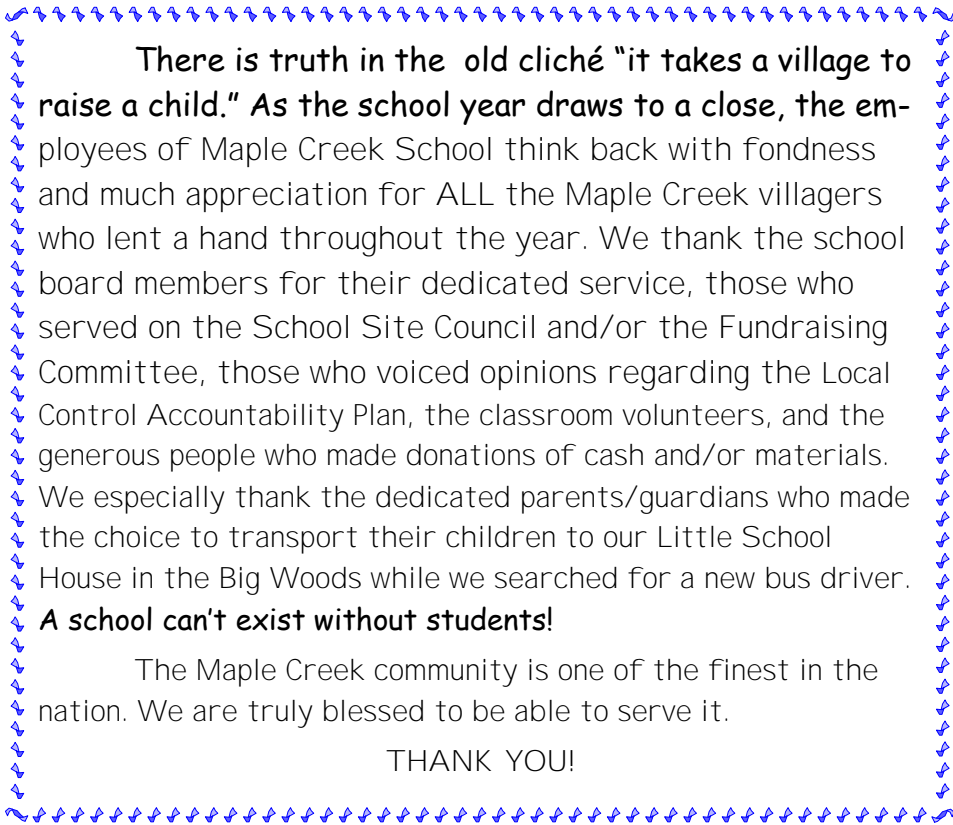
June 2014



June Brings End of School Year Activities

MCS invites all community members and others to the end of school performance—a world premiere of "Alex and the Doctor of Oz," written by graduating 8th grader Aria Windbigler preceded by a potluck lunch and followed by a dance party. Also happening during this celebration: Aria Windbigler's graduation from 8th grade and presentation of certificates of achievement to Maple Creek School's super students.

Thursday, June 12 beginning at 12 PM



There is truth in the old cliché "it takes a village to raise a child." As the school year draws to a close, the employees of Maple Creek School think back with fondness and much appreciation for ALL the Maple Creek villagers who lent a hand throughout the year. We thank the school board members for their dedicated service, those who served on the School Site Council and/or the Fundraising Committee, those who voiced opinions regarding the Local Control Accountability Plan, the classroom volunteers, and the generous people who made donations of cash and/or materials. We especially thank the dedicated parents/guardians who made the choice to transport their children to our Little School House in the Big Woods while we searched for a new bus driver. **A school can't exist without students!**

The Maple Creek community is one of the finest in the nation. We are truly blessed to be able to serve it.

THANK YOU!

Summer
By Aria W.

Summer begins,
School year ends,
Vacation has come,
Homework is done!
SUMMER!

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Why I LOVE Summer

Summer is totally AWESOME because you can sleep in or sleepover and eat icecream or suck ice and camp or cruise! You hangout whenever and visit family wherever.

In the summer, you don't have to get up on time for school. You can have a sleepover with your friends on what would have been a school night at your house for no reason!

Summer is the warmest season, so it's hot enough to eat icecreams or suck ice or swim.

You can take a crazy camping trip in the middle of the week in the mountains or ride a boat on the waves. Toast s'mores or go scuba diving!

Summer is a time for adventures and fun and road trips! It's the time opportunities open and freedom lives!

Winter's a nice time to stay in and cuddle, but put me in summer and I'll be a... **HAPPY PERSON!**

Aria W.

Daunting Day

By Aria W.

The daunting day,
When all you have to say,
Written in a speech,
All that you have seen
From start to end
In family and friend,
Time you've had in school
Graduation rules!

Summer Vacation

By Meadow K.

I am so excited to go on a trip down south, to L.A. this summer. I **am going to go to Avery and Maggi's house. They are my cousins. My** grandma and grandpa live close to my cousins, so we will get to see them, **too. These are my mom's side of the family.**

We will also go to Temecula to see my dad's family, including his mother and father and the aunts and uncles and cousins on his side.

I am so excited for the trip because I haven't gone there since last summer. When we come back, my mom's parents are going to come with us to help us move, and they might be able to bring one or more of my cousins. Then we would be able to see them two times!

I have a lot to look forward to this summer.

I am excited about ^{Emi}
the field trip on

June 13. We are
going to the move
theater.

This summer my family

and I are going swimming,
camping, fishing and to a
football game in San Francisco.
and I will ride my bike.
and play with water guns.
I will play tag, hide-and-seek
with my fourteen-year-old sister.
Summer is going to be
a great time for me.



Gianni O.

Summer

By Rachel M.

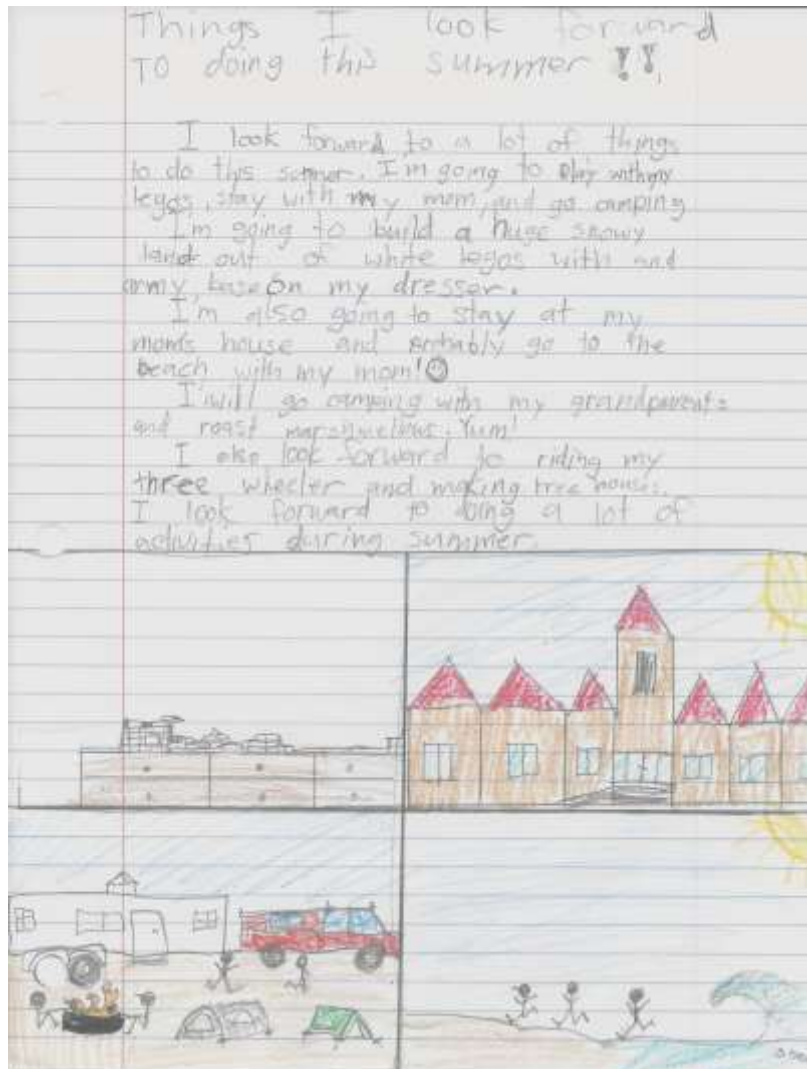
My family is going to a car race, camp, fish, and swim this summer. I can't wait!

We are going to a car race at Redwood Acres because Shyanna doesn't believe car races exist. I have watched car races on TV, but we have not gone to a real car race.

We are going camping with our grandma and grandpa for four days. We will go swimming in the lake and go fishing on the patio boat. We are going to sleep outside in a tent.

I forgot to say that in June, "Wipe Out" is on TV. It is my favorite show, and it is on every day. "Wipe Out" is a show in which people go on a course with objects that push people off into water, and it is all snowy.

I am feeling really happy about going to a whole bunch of places and staying home to watch my favorite show this summer.



Summer To School

By Shyanna G.

Summer is great, summer is cool,

I'll swim in the lake and the pool

Summer is hot, Winter is not.

The sun is hot, like a fire hot.

I'll lie on the cot under the sun;

I'll have fun until summer is done.

Then school will begin;

I'll wear a big grin

Cuz I'll see my school friends

Until the year ends—again.

My Summer

By Shyanna G.

This summer I'm planning to go to a building camp, probably with Jaylenne. I'm also going camping with my grandma and grandpa. We're going to go on a patio boat to fish and swim in Trinity Lake. After camping, I'm going to help out Aunt Stacy. We are probably going to set up the swimming pool and the slip 'n' slide (one at a time, of course). I will also go to my mom's house. Sometimes I might go to the beach with my mom, too. I also might go to Aria's house if she's not too busy. Kacey might have me come over and swim in the river and their pool, too. I am going to have an awesome summer!

Dear Aria,

I wish you could stay for at least one more year. I will miss your smile and graciousness. Your laugh lights up the whole school and all the birds and bunnies that fly, hop and bounce around it. Your fashion sense will be awesome for high school. Your artistic talents will be missed by everybody at Maple Creek School. I hope you have a wonderful experiences at high school.

Love you,
Shyanna



Summer

By Jaylenne H.

Summer is fun and amazing,
But all I do is keep dazing.

I sleep and read;

that's all I do.

I wish had friends over, too.

My friends go to the river

and have fun,

But I stay home

and have none.

I hope you have a better summer
than I do.

Oh, I am going to camp;

I'll see you soon!



SUMMER

By Beau

I am eager to talk
about the three months in my busy
summer.

June

On June 9th it is my Mom's birthday. Then
on June 11th it is my Sister's birthday
and also in June my dad might take me
camping. Then I will have a trip down
South to Grandpa to see my relatives.

July

On July 22nd it is my birthday. We
will go to Lake Tag. I also want to have
ice cream.

August

In August we will move to McKinleone,
but we will keep the house in Butter
Valley.

And that is my long, fun summer.

P O E W R

by Malia Windbigler

The Friend

She is smiling,
Eyes are twinkling,
We are dancing,
Gliding through the night,
Our hands hold tight.



P O E W R

by Malia Windbigler

Splash!

A sound of water moving,
Bouncing and splashing,
Fish are nibbling,
Camp is near,
And I'm playing
Day is fading,
Each step I take,
I'm smiling.



Madow

SUMMER

6/28/2014

I am so excited for summer!
The river will be not so cold,
The sun will be out,
We won't have to get up for school,
No homework, without a doubt,
berries on the bushes,
and vacations to see friends,
we get to stay up later,
the fun will never end!
camping on the beach,
playing games in the sun,
even though this year school was fun,
I am just so excited,
has summer begun?!

SUMMER!

my Fort.

One morning I thought of a good idea for a good Fort. There was no time to lose. I ran out of the door!

I collected two big boxes, PVC pipe, an old pump that still worked, and good pieces of glass. I collected branches and cut them in two. I used good nails to hammer it together. My dad was at work so I couldn't use his hammer. I had to use a good boulder.

I ran to a good sized tree. It was far away from the house but not too far. I built the fort high in the tree. The tree had barely any branches so I had to secure the fort on tightly.

I tied the PVC pipe around the tree and up to the pump. I attached them together so I had drinking water in my fort. After nine hours of hard work, I was finally finished. I was proud of my work.

Elisha Y.

Maple Creek School Acquired New Bus and Driver;
Bus Service Began on May 12, 2014!

The New Bus

The new bus is different than the old bus and can take us to new places.

The new bus has red and blue chains and seat buckles. It has a five point harness on the seat and a place where wheelchairs go. The new bus has lots of buttons and is automatic. The bus is bright yellow and has a huge sticker that says Maple Creek School on it.

The old bus did not have seat buckles or chains. It was not an automatic. The old bus is smaller than the new bus. The old bus took us to the swimming pool.

I want to go to Horse Mountain with the new bus and go sledding with my friends. we can drive in the snow with the new chains. I want to go to where the biggest tree was and measure it.

The new bus and the old bus are very different. I feel happy that the new bus can take us to fun places. where would you want to go?

By
Michael McGaughey



Finally, the students went to town, literally. The first field trip on the bus was to swim at Health Sport and to visit the animals at the Sequoia Park Zoo. The second field trip was to participate in Ocean Day. The last day of school will be spent celebrating Aria's 8th grade graduation with a movie, lunch and an energetic good time at Bounce-a-Palooza.

All staff, parents, guardians, and community members are asked to provide input as we develop our Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP).

Important Dates:

June 11, 2014 School Board Meeting starting at 2:00 PM *Preliminary meeting with public hearing for the LCAP and 2014-2015 budget—PLEASE ATTEND if possible.

June 17, 2014 Special School Board Meeting at 3:00 PM * Final approval for budget and LCAP

Whether or not you have already attended a meeting, or meetings, to discuss the LCAP, I encourage you come to one or more of the planning and review dates listed above. I encourage you to complete a staff or parent/guardian survey. You may also contact me at any time with questions.

As we prepare for the design of our LCAP, your feedback and thoughts are important. Our goal is to have open dialogue in an informal setting to better understand our collective perspectives on how we are doing as a district. Please join me as we work to provide the best educational experience possible for the students of Maple Creek Elementary School District.

Thank you,
Wendy Orlandi
Superintendent

Recycling at Maple Creek School

In an attempt to raise money for educational needs and environmental awareness in one project, we have set up recycling bins for your beverage containers. We request that you bring ONLY plastic and glass beverage containers and aluminum cans that have the CA CRV symbol for recycling. We can only handle these ones redeemable for cash.



Please bring your donations to the school on Tuesdays and Fridays. Bill Carlson will direct you to the recycling area where you will sort your items into the appropriate garbage cans:

- ◆ Aluminum
- ◆ Plastic #1 (water and soda bottles)
- ◆ Plastic #2-7 (these are less commonly accepted for redemption, but if you see the CA CRV symbol on the bottle, donate it!)
- ◆ Green glass
- ◆ Brown glass
- ◆ Clear glass

The MCS Fundraising Committee, students and staff thank you for your participation in this new program.



www.calrecycle.ca.gov

JUNE 2014

Schedule of Events

Happening in June

- ☺ June 4: SCC & MCFC 1:45 PM
- ☺ June 5: Ocean Day Field Trip
- ☺ June 11: SB Meeting 2 PM
- ☺ June 12: End-of-School Celebration 12 PM
- ☺ June 13: Last Day of School Field Trip
- ☺ June 17: School Board 3 PM

Looking Ahead:

- ☺ Aug. 25: 1st Day of 2014-2015 School Year
- ☺ Sept. 1: No School—Labor Day

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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Please attend the school board meeting on June 11 at 2 PM to hear the latest school news. There will be a special board meeting on June 17 at 3 PM to approve the budget and LCAP.



School Site Council Meeting
Please join the School Site Council as it discusses issues important to the smooth operation of MCS. The next meeting is June 4 at 2:15 PM.

The School Site Council needs YOU!
Please consider becoming a member of this VERY IMPORTANT committee for the 2014-2015 school year. To volunteer or for more information, contact Wendy or Gwen.

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Providing exemplary education that fosters
communication, trust, and respect.

Maple Creek School is a necessary small school with an approximate enrollment of 12 students (K-8). The school is nestled in the Maple Creek and Mad River Valleys east of Arcata, surrounded by pastureland, forest, and mountains. The area is sparsely settled and accessible from Blue Lake, about a 35-minute drive and from Eureka, about a 50-minute drive. The Maple Creek School teachers are a committed and dedicated staff that provides a quality instructional program for the students. The secretary, custodian and bus driver all take an active interest in the students, which adds to the close, personal relationships among the kids, school and the community.

