

Principal's Corner
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Friendship

The month of February is upon us. It is time to celebrate a new Lifeskill. For the short month of February we are going to celebrate the Lifeskill of FRIENDSHIP.

This celebration will give all of us a chance to act in a friendly way toward a classmate or a schoolmate. There are many things we can do to show friendship to others on the Springer Campus. We can include others in a game we are playing, we can talk with someone who we just might have ignored over the past few weeks, we can help someone with a really challenging school assignment, or at the least we can simply say hello to others. Wouldn't it be just super effort if each of us made a gesture of saying hello and thank you to celebrate the concept of friendship?

To expand our celebration, the student council and the Springer Staff challenge each Springer student to begin a campaign of Friendship for the next two weeks. Your teacher will record any act that shows friendship by writing your name and the small act of friendship on a heart. The heart will be hung on a clothesline that will run from the beginning pole of Wing #1 to the end pole of Wing #3. Do you think we can stretch enough hearts side by side to extend from wing #1 to wing #3?

We have just 10 days to meet the challenge.

Kids Wanted for Physical Education Challenge

Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger is calling upon all K-12 students to get fit, and improve their health by participating in the Governor's Challenge competition.

Organized by the governor's Council on Physical Fitness and Sports, the competition calls on students to engage in 30 - 60 minutes of physical activity a day at least three days a week for four weeks. in addition to physical education classes.

Students who complete the challenge will receive a council patch and official certificate

signed by the governor.

“I’m excited to see so many young people excited about fitness and being active, “ Schwarzenegger said. “ This challenge is perfect because encouraging Californians to adopt healthy, active lifestyles is a big part of my health care proposal. When we take personal responsibility for our health we can live longer, be healthier, reduce our medical costs, and improve academic achievement.”

Students can sign up at www.calgovcouncil.org and log their activity themselves. The deadline to complete the challenge is May 31.

First Lego League Teams at Springer

Three Springer Teams participated in FLL this year and all three teams won awards at the local tournament. Lego Lords won first Place in teamwork, Bionic Builders won First Place in Research Project, and Pokebots won Fourth Place in Research project.

this was a great accomplishment by these teams. The Bionic Builders also qualified for State Tournament, and won the Rookie Award at State for best new team. In the past seven years, only 4 of our area teams have won awards at state, so this was a big accomplishment.

You can read more at <http://www.LosAltosrobotics.org>

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