

Welcome to another great month here at Starting Gate School, remember “April showers bring May flowers.” Starting Gate School would like to thank you for your continued support and participation. Education works best when partnerships between home and school work together for better education.

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

We are planning a Garage sale for this upcoming June as a Summer Fundraiser. If you have any items you would like to donate please for this event please see our coordinators Teacher Diane or Teacher Joe. Please no big items such as sofas or non-working appliances.



All parents are encouraged to attend next month’s graduation events in support of your child’s education. Parents, on these days a pot luck dish will be needed. There will be no lunch orders taken on these days as it will be replaced by the reception following the ceremony. Students who wish to leave after this event may do so when a parent has officially notified the main office. The Graduation ceremony for the Preschool will be held on Wednesday, June 15, 2010. Preschoolers will then finish out the week until Friday June 17, 2011. Graduating preschoolers will be transferred to SGS Kindergarten the following Monday on June 20, 2011. They will begin enjoyable summer fun activities, allowing them to become acclimated to the Kindergarten program before school resumes in September, 2011. All orders for Preschool Cap and Gowns should be completed with Teacher Dorothy.



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### ANNOUNCEMENTS CONTINUED



Monday, May 31, 2011 Starting Gate School will be closed in observance of Memorial Day. Friday, April 8th, report cards will be issued to all current accounts. Parents may sign for their student’s report card in the main office.



An overcast morning did not stop the eager egg hunters and community parade as all can be seen having a fun time. Thank you to all who were in attendance.

### EVENTS



Saturday, May 14, 2011 Starting Gate School will be hosting a mental health speaker, Jackie Jones on the subject of Autism and related patterns of psychological development. Tickets are \$20.00 in advance, beginning at 9:00 a.m. to Noon, with a continental breakfast included. For more information please contact Thelma Welch, Program Coordinator at 707-644-6500, or the main office here at school 707-643-4283.

## EVENTS CONTINUED



Tuesday, May 31, 2011 Grade School Students will tour the Chabot Space and Science Center. Cost will be \$10.00 and require a bag lunch. Watch for coming details.



Wednesday, May 18, 2011 Grade School Students will be chauffeured to Team Chevrolet auto dealership courtesy of Kaga Fashanu, tour the facility, including the in-house gymnasium, mechanics and check out the latest safety features these millennium vehicles offer. Watch for upcoming details.



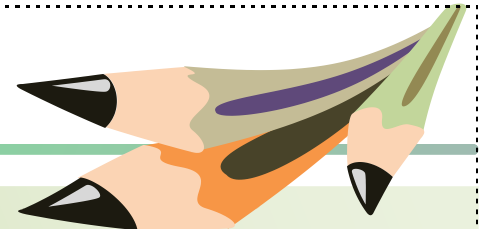
The Promotional ceremony for our Grade School Division of Starting Gate School will be held on Friday June 10, 2011. A Pot luck reception will follow, watch for more details to come.

## THANK YOU!



We wish to thank our families that are currently enrolled at SGS, and ask that you not postpone your decision to register for the Fall Semester, resulting in placement on our waiting list. An annual enrollment application can be downloaded from the school website:

[www.StartingGateSchool.com](http://www.StartingGateSchool.com) or the main office.



## PHOTO GALLERY



Starting Gate School 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> graders visit Nourot Glass Studio.



Mr. Hope's Students receive a private tour at Sonoma University's World Renown Green Music Center.



Kamen Nikolov, Associate Director for the Green Music Center performing for students of Starting Gate School; on the personally autographed piano of famed musician Herbie Hancock. Special thanks to all our parent chaperones that make our Bay Area field trips an enjoyable experience the students of Starting Gate School.





April 22, 2010 was celebrated as Earth Day. Last month the Student's of Starting Gate School Celebrated Earth Day with renewed efforts of recycling plastic water bottles and aluminum cans. Congratulations to Rigel Geraldizo in 1<sup>st</sup> grade for bring in the most recycled bottles last month. Help your child help their school and the Earth by dropping your recyclable bottles and cans off to Starting Gate School. Computer monitors and components printers and fax machine equipment, VCR's DVD's CD and MP3 players can be recycled at the Elks Club, 2850 Redwood Parkway, in Vallejo from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. this Saturday, May 7<sup>th</sup>. For more details please call 707-637-0509.

### PARENT REMINDERS



Summer Fun Program – All Grades including Preschool begins Monday, June 20, 2011. Enrichment Program/Summer School Begins Monday, 8:30 A.M. June 20, 2011 – 8:30 a.m. 12:00 a.m. Grade School and Middle School grades have limited openings available for the Summer School Program of 2011.



Starting Gate Preschool continues to grow. If you have been requesting to increase the number of days your preschooler attends, now is the time to speak with Teacher Dorothy. Projected enrollment for our 3 day program is close to capacity and is expected to be full by June 1, 2011. The 2, 3, and 4 Half Day Programs currently have waiting lists.



Chevy's Family night was a big success last month for all who attended. Watch for upcoming events where students, teachers, family, and friends get together for good food and fun times. Remember no homework on Chevy's family night, and kids eat free.



Annual Pony Day at Starting Gate School taken last month. Bills Pony pictures are expected to arrive and be ready for pick up by the first week of June. We hope you enjoy this photographic keepsake, and that your children had a great time!



Starting Gate School is proving to be a preferable alternative to overcrowding in Vallejo schools. Registration is open and Fall enrollment is filling up quickly in our Middle and High School divisions. Applicants are taken on a first come first served basis, and entrance exams are required for students entering grade school. Report cards for Grade School students were issued Friday, June 10, 2011. Reports are issued each quarter to all current accounts. Please stop by the Main Office if you did not receive your student's report card for the third quarter.