

# HAWKEYE



Dear Hacienda families,  
The month of December is always a busy time, with music performances, celebrations, and academic challenges

such as the winter writing performance assessment, taking place before we go to Winter Break. Our 5th graders are also heading off to science camp during the final week before the break.

Kindergarten students will be presenting their Holiday Chorus on Wednesday, December 13th, and our 3rd graders will be performing at Hicklebee's from 6-7:30 in the evening.

Our holiday singalong is scheduled for Friday, December 22nd.

Also on Friday, December 22nd, our first and second grade students will be performing. Each of these performances will take place in the cafeteria.

We ask that you enjoy these performances, and live in the moment. I know that Mrs. Ulrich and Mrs. Thompson will be sure to provide photo opportunities for each of you at the end of the performances, so that everyone has the ability to see their child perform.

Finally, I would like to wish each of you a joyous holiday season.

Warm regards,

CARMEN LOY

HACIENDA PRINCIPAL



## Musical Notes

BY MONICA ULRICH, MUSIC TEACHER

### Composition of the Month

In December, Hacienda students will be listening to "Clair de Lune" by Claude Debussy. Clair de Lune is the third movement of a larger four-movement suite for piano. The Suite bergamasque's best known part is the gentle third movement "Clair de Lune" meaning moonlight. It was named after Paul Verlaine's 1869 poem of the same name. Clair de Lune has been used in many commercials and movies.

### First & Second Grade Winter/Holiday Choruses

On Friday, December 22nd, the first grade and the second grade will each present their separate holiday chorus performances led by Mrs. Thompson. The students have already started learning some of the songs, and they will be working hard to finish preparing for their performances. First grade performs on Dec. 22nd at 9:05 A.M. Second grade will perform on Dec 22nd at 2:00 P.M. First and second grade students are excused from wearing uniforms that day and are encouraged to wear their "holiday best" for their performance. We hope that all family members will be able to attend the performances!

### Concert Etiquette?

The audience plays an important role in every performance. Please sit quietly and applaud after each performance is completed. Silence all devices and disable flash photos. Please refrain from blocking the view of others with your phone or video recorder. Better yet, move to the back of the room to record. Politely remind others so that we all can enjoy the performance. The following blog provides some helpful reminders: <http://momastery.com/blog/2014/05/23/kids-year-performance/>

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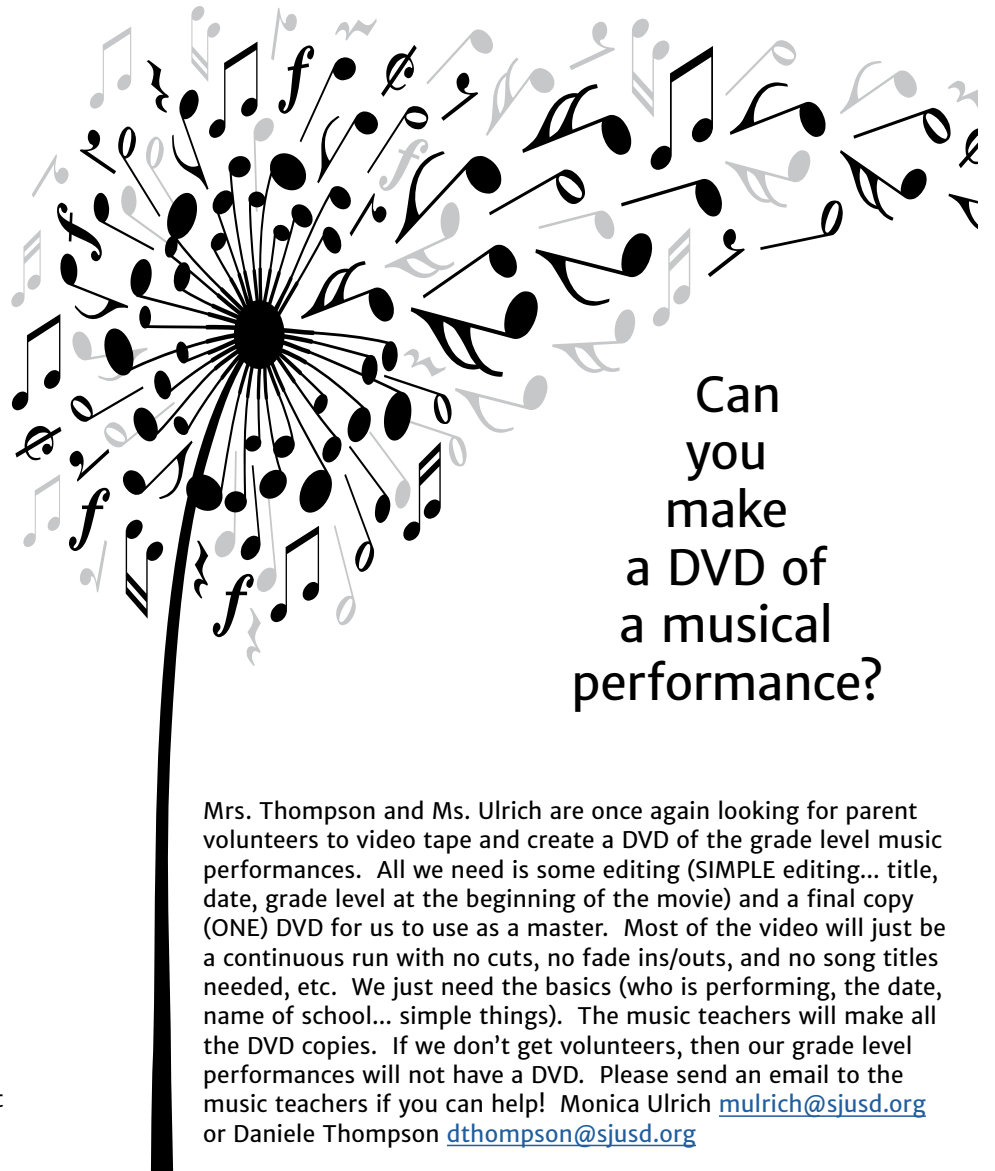
## Musical Notes

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### Third Grade Hicklebee's Chorus

On December 13th, many third grade students will be performing holiday songs led by Ms. Ulrich at Hicklebee's Bookstore in downtown Willow Glen. Participation is optional for all third grade students but many have signed up to perform that evening. Students from Mrs. Hoogerwerf, Ms. Miner/Lavin, Mrs. Selfridge and Mr. Seymour's classes will be divided into two performance times, one at 6:00 P.M. and one at 7:00 P.M. Come to Hicklebee's, listen to some holiday singing, and support Hacienda by doing some holiday shopping that night!



Mrs. Thompson and Ms. Ulrich are once again looking for parent volunteers to video tape and create a DVD of the grade level music performances. All we need is some editing (SIMPLE editing... title, date, grade level at the beginning of the movie) and a final copy (ONE) DVD for us to use as a master. Most of the video will just be a continuous run with no cuts, no fade ins/outs, and no song titles needed, etc. We just need the basics (who is performing, the date, name of school... simple things). The music teachers will make all the DVD copies. If we don't get volunteers, then our grade level performances will not have a DVD. Please send an email to the music teachers if you can help! Monica Ulrich [mulrich@sjsud.org](mailto:mulrich@sjsud.org) or Daniele Thompson [dthompson@sjsud.org](mailto:dthompson@sjsud.org)

## Save the Dates - Upcoming Music Events

- Winter/Holiday Sing Along (students only) - Friday, Dec. 22 in cafeteria
- 1st Grade Holiday Performance - Friday, Dec. 22 at 9:05 AM in cafeteria
- 2nd Grade Holiday Performance - Friday, Dec. 22 at 2:00 PM in cafeteria
- 3rd Grade Hicklebee's Chorus - Wednesday, Dec. 13 at 6-7:30 PM at Hicklebee's Bookstore
- 3rd Grade Chorus - Wednesday, Feb. 14 at 9:05 AM in cafeteria
- 4th Grade Recorder Concert - Wednesday, Feb. 14 at 2:15 PM in cafeteria
- 5th Grade Musical "Dig It!" - Friday, May 4 in cafeteria
- Kids in Motion (ALL SCHOOL Dance/Movement Performance) - Wednesday, May 30 at 9:30-10:30 AM on upper grade blacktop

# Mark Your Calendar

## DECEMBER

Branham Hills Girls Softball spring registration is now open - Ages 5-14

## DECEMBER 13

Kindergarden Holiday Performance "Songs of the Season"  
9:15 - 10:15 in the Cafeteria

## DECEMBER 9

2017 Membership Drive Gold and Platinum Donors are cordially invited to this Family Crayfishing Event. Please RSVP!

## DECEMBER 10

Outdoor Workday  
Strong adults needed to help cover our classroom from the rain! Must be willing to climb ladders. If ladders aren't your thing, there are plenty of jobs to be done on the ground. Anyone that works an hour or more gets to crayfish after lunch.  
9:30-12:30

## DECEMBER 12

SELAC Meeting: 9:00 a.m., faculty dining room.  
The School English Learner Advisory Committee (SELAC) include Hacienda parents and educators interested in improving the education of Hacienda students who are English language learners (EL) and advise school administrators/staff in the development of the school plan, and program development for EL's.



**WILLOW STREET**  
**WOOD-FIRED PIZZA**  
*A Passion for Pizza*

## DECEMBER 13

Dinner Night Out  
Willow Street Pizza in Willow Glen  
Lunch and Dinner  
20% will go back to the school  
(See Flier in Konstella)

## DECEMBER 13

3rd Grade Holiday Concert  
at Hickbees downtown Willow Glen  
6-7:30

## DECEMBER 18

Fun Buck Store open at Recess

## OPEN TIL JANUARY 7

Christmas in the Park,  
Visit Hacienda's Tree 331

## DECEMBER 18 - 24

5th Grade Science Camp

## DECEMBER 22

1st Grade Holiday Performance  
9:00-10:00  
Holiday Sing-a-Long (students only)  
2nd Grade Holiday Performance  
2:00-3:00

## DEC 26-JANUARY 8

NO SCHOOL - New Year Recess

## JANUARY 9

School Resumes (Tuesday)

## JANUARY 16

HIPS Meeting  
6:30p in Faculty dining room



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