

21 November 2008

Guiding Principle of the Week

Your commitment is to make others around you successful.

Important Correction!

In the November 8th edition of the Compass we mistakenly directed families and business owners to contact Rooh Stief - the mastermind behind this year's Aveson Directory - at the WRONG e-mail address. To purchase an ad for your business in this year's business pages, or to have your contact information removed from the directory, please contact Rooh at roohsteif@mac.com or at 213-200-7700 by November 25th. We apologize for any inconvenience.

A Feast of Thanks

On behalf of everyone in the kitchen I would like to take this opportunity to share our thanks. We want to give thanks for having the opportunity to work with and serve such a great group of people! From students to teachers, parents, volunteers, and the entire Aveson community, we are thankful for being able to share the dining experience with you. We have just completed our 6th week of service, and all is running smoothly (at least, pretty smoothly).

Many thanks,
Mr. B

Aveson Reaches Out

For our Aveson Families who may be struggling during these hard economic times, Aveson students and staff will be making Holiday Baskets. Please bring any canned or boxed food to include in these baskets. You can drop them off on Monday, Nov. 24th or on the morning of Nov. 25th. Please make sure the food you bring is non-refrigerated. Students will be waiting at each of the drop-off and pick-up areas with boxes to collect the food.

Thank you for joining with us to help make the lives of some of our Aveson families a little easier this holiday season. If we collect lots and lots of food, we will take extra donations to Union Station Homeless Services.

Let's Get Cooking

Happily, Culinary arts classes are going to start up for one initial round of classes prior to Winter break. This means that all Aveson students will have an opportunity to do some cooking before the end of the year. Hooray! Classes will begin upon return from Thanksgiving weekend.

\$508 and Counting!

Users of the Aveson Browser Toolbar have already raised \$508 for Aveson. Join in with a simple click of your mouse! To install your Aveson browser follow these easy steps:

1. Visit www.freelanthropy.com/aveson to Install the new Aveson browser toolbar onto your computers at home and/or work and conduct all of your Internet searches through it.
2. Then send an email to info@freelanthropy.com with "I Search for Aveson" in the subject line and include your child's name AND their advisor's name for a chance to win one week of free hot lunches. We'll announce the winners of the prizes at the December Celebration of Learning!

For more information visit www.freelanthropy.com or e-mail info@freelanthropy.com.

The Golden Ladle

The Golden Ladle award goes out this week to Michael Greiner, who once again demonstrated his ingenuity and genuine commitment to "living the difference" as he volunteered his time and effort to help the kitchen increase its refrigeration and freezer capacity, to allow us to better serve our community. Thanks Michael!

Holiday Family Portrait Fundraiser

Support our school when you have your family portrait taken by Van Dusen Photography on the Aveson Campus.

A professional "Mini Studio" with a burgundy background will be set up at the school as well as an outdoor garden setting for the lasting treasure of your family's portrait.

For only 50.00 you will receive ten professionally crafted images on a CD and 35% - \$17.50 per sitting - will go to Aveson.

Email keithvandusen@yahoo.com to secure your reservation for the following dates:

November 22nd and 23rd
December 6th and 7th

Please specify Studio or Outdoor setting preference

Smile-A-While Holiday Schedule

Though Wednesday November 26 marks the beginning of the Thanksgiving School Holiday, Smile-A-While will be offering day care all day. Please e-mail Rebecca at hekmat777@yahoo.com by noon on Monday if you would like to register your child.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

8 & 9 December

No School for 6-10th Graders