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#### Land Acknowledgement

As we gather here at Blue Oak School, we acknowledge that we are on the traditional land of the Maidu people. For many generations, the Maidu lived from the richness of the earth, raising families and shaping the land, and they continue to do so. We pay our respects to Maidu elders past and present, and recognize that this land was not given freely. Together, may we work toward a healthy culture and society that warmly welcomes all people and cares deeply for our Mother Earth.

**BLUE OAK SCHOOL** 

#### **Director's Message**

#### Oh be thankful -

For pie, for people, for the goodness in all. This month we focus on gratitude and thankfulness. We also take time to reflect on the Native American peoples, their diverse cultures, histories and contribution to our world.

Let us also take a moment to honor those of both Jewish and Muslim heritage. The Middle East struggles with conflict. This can be reflected in our local community with fear of anti-semetixm and Islamophobia. We can not give into fear and hate. No matter your belief or politics please remember to care for all and be grateful for our diversity.

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## **Important Upcoming Dates**

Nov 7 Parent Council Meeting 6-8
Nov 10 Veterans Day (No School)
Nov 14 Finance Committee Meeting 4:15-6:00
Nov 17 No School
Nov 20- Nov 24 Fall Break (No School)
Nov 28 Charter Council Regular Meeting 6-8
Dec 10 Walk into Winter Fair

# 2nd Grade Update

We have not yet been able to find a qualified candidate to take over second grade. We are still looking, but in the meantime Mr. Meier will be taking on some extra duties and become the teacher of record. He will cover the Main lesson daily. We are grateful for his willingness and all he does. We are also thankful to Mr. Madera for being a steadfast presence as a long term substitute.

## **Halloween Parade Photos**

We had so much fun at the Halloween Parade and loved seeing all the creativity!







# All School Skate Night Fundraiser- Wed Nov 15th

Funland Cal Skate 2465 Carmichael Dr.

\$8.50 Per person includes quad skate rental!





#### Nothing Bundt Cake Fundraiser

This fundraiser benefits 6th grade field trip fund for Shakespeare Festival! Wendi will be outside the front of the school after school 11/2-11/9 selling pre-orders for bundletts. They are \$6/Piece, this year their is more flavors including a gluten free option. You then

get a voucher on 11/16 to pick up your cake whenever you want! Here are the flavor options: Chocolate Chocolate Chip, Red Velvet, White Chocolate Raspberry, Lemon, Confetti, Classic Vanilla, Carrot, Snickerdoodle, Strawberries & Cream, Gluten Free Chocolate Chip Cookie

Hey were is that Acorn? Isn't it supposed to be out on Mondays?

Kelley Sexton and I are working on some changes for the Acorn. So far we have increased the calendar items so we can all plan further out. We have moved the Acorn delivery to the end of the week so you have the news before the weekend. This is also for planning. Stay tuned for more!

#### Winter Faire

Chilly air means it's almost time for our Winter Faire! Save the date of Sunday, December 10th from 2pm - 7pm to come celebrate winter with your Blue Oak Community. We will feature many vendor booths (from our own classes to community partners) that will be an amazing opportunity for some holiday shopping! The Parent Council will also host a refreshment bar, live music, a photo booth and lighted holiday walk. Stay tuned for more details coming soon!



Thank you to the volunteers on the Facilities Committee. We are looking seriously at three sites, that's down from nine. Check out the website under the Facilities Committee for more information.



## School Virtue Focus- Reverence and Courage

"Receive the children in reverence, educate them in love, and send them forth in freedom." - Rudolf Steiner

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