

The Coyote Call

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The next four weeks at Canyon Hills

May 4-7 Mini Book Fair
May 6 6th Grade Orientation (6:30 pm)
May 8 Dance (theme Carnival) (4-6 pm)
May 11 GATE Field trip (Riley's Farm)
May 15 Debate (2-8 pm)
May 15 Band Festival at Colony H.S.
May 19 Spring Concert (7 pm)
May 21 Math Meet
May 21 AVID Mtg. (6:45 am)
May 22 Minimum Day

May/June 2015

May 22 BMX Bike Fundraiser Incentive
May 22 Renaissance Rally
May 25 Memorial Day (No School)
May 27 AVID Banquet (6 pm)
May 28 Student Recognition Breakfast
June 5 Meet & Greet - Yearbook
June 8 8th Grade Knott's Trip (9:15 am - 8 pm)
June 10 Minimum Day for 7th Grade
June 10 8th Grade Promotion at Ayala H.S.

Art Showcase

The Chino Valley Unified School District held the 2015 Art Showcase at Magnolia Junior High on March 30th and 31st, and Canyon Hills was well represented with art ranging from clay miniatures, one and two point perspective works, and African masks. Thank you to the students that shared their art with us. Check out our examples inside and outside of the library.

AVID

In the AVID elective Friday's are spent doing group building activities that require collaboration, critical thinking, and problem solving. This past week the 7th grade AVID students worked in their tutorial groups to build go-carts out of one roll of lifesavers, ten straws, ten toothpicks, one sheet of paper and twelve inches of tape. The groups had thirty minutes to design and construct their go-carts. The gokarts were required to have two axels and four wheels. Students were told that a fan would be placed behind the cart to help propel it forward. Some groups took too much time and not enough time constructing. Some groups started constructing and realized their plans were too elaborate for the time allowed. When all three classes had finished their test, Christopher, Audrey, Kaiya, Sydney, Damon and Kaiya, a group in Ms Bromley's period four class was the winner.! Their cart traveled thirty nine inches.

Dance News

The last dance of the year is Friday, May 8th from 4:00PM to 6:00PM. The theme of the dance is Kickback Carnival. The tickets are \$5.00 and are available to purchase before school and at lunch.

Games, food, and dancing will be there, will you? Come join the fun!

East Coast Trip

Registration for the Canyon Hills East Coast Tour 2016 is now available. Students that will be in 8th grade for 2015-2016 may reserve a spot for traveling to Washington, D.C. and New York City over Spring Break 2016 with School Tours of America. Students will not want to miss this once-in-a-lifetime trip with friends as they experience our nation's history first-hand!

We will travel with Mrs. Nelson on this never-to-be-forgotten trip! Come to the information meeting on Thursday, June 4th at 6:30 PM in room 312. Her email is carol_nelson@chino.k12.ca.us. Don't miss out!

English Department

8th Grade Language Arts

During the month of May and the remainder of the year, the eighth grade students will have the opportunity to explore careers that interest them as well as those in which they have natural ability, through the use of an on-line survey. Through research, students will select a career and explore the steps that they would need to take in order to be on the right path to the career that have chosen. Students will research to find a detailed description of the career as well as statistical information on the career. A focus will be placed on the colleges and training necessary to get the student to their goal. After students have completed their exploration of their interests, they will synthesize and organize their results. Included in this unit will be several nonfiction based literature pieces from the textbook that can be viewed as examples of careers through the ages.

7th Grade Language Arts

The 7th grade classes just ended Unit 5 with the production and assessing of board games made by the students that centered on how the elements of the plot affect each other. We are also finished with the ELA section of the CAASP test (Whew!)

The final unit of study for the 7th grade is "Stereotypes." In this unit students will analyze the author's use of characterization for their characters and their actions based on the stereotypes assigned to them by themselves and others. Students will also assess the relevancy of the text. The novel selected will be The Outsiders by S.E. Hinton. In order to understand the characters' stereotypes, the students will first be looking at their own. The students will be keeping a dialectical journal throughout the book, analyzing the poem recited in the text, evaluating character choices and writing an argumentative paragraph, and will end the tasks with an argumentative essay questioning whether the novel is still relevant today. Most classes will end the unit by viewing the movie.

Math Department

- To finish off the year the Integrated Math 1 students will be studying polynomials, factoring, and quadratics. They will explore various applications of parabolas in the real world, such as in satellites and in a car's headlights.
- The 7th grade classes are finishing up volume and surface area of prisms and cylinders and will then move on to statistics and probability to finish up the school year. The current project involves students preparing circle graphs for the percentage of students who earned Gold, Silver, Bronze, Maroon, and Coyote cards for the 2nd Trimester. The last 2 projects will involve original designs using geometric shapes and tessellations.
- The next unit of study for Math 8 is on Data Analysis and Displays. They will learn about scatter plots and lines of fit. We will finish off this unit with a survey project. Students will survey their classmates and then show their knowledge of various types of data displays. We will end the year by learning about square roots and watching an inspirational movie called Stand and Deliver.
- Our last math meet of the year will be on Thursday, May 21st. The students will be working in groups to construct the highest tower possible from plastic straws and just a few other materials. Come watch our mathematicians at work!

Choir

Choir's May performances:

- Guest appearance at the Ayala Choirs' End-of-Year concert on Friday May 1 at 7 PM in the Ayala High School Multi-Purpose Room. Tickets will be sold at the door: students and seniors are \$5 and adults are \$7.
- Canyon Hills Spring Concert on Tuesday, May 19 at 7 PM in our Media Center. Bands and Choir will be performing. Admission is free, so come early for a good seat.
- Choir will be performing a fun, current song in the last Renaissance Rally of the school year on Friday, May 22 at 10:59 AM and 12:19 PM. Come celebrate with us in recognizing the academic accomplishments of so many of our wonderful students!

History Department

The History Department would like to thank all 7th and 8th Grade students and parents for a wonderful year. As we head into the remaining 6 weeks of school, we would like to encourage all students to keep up the hard work because there is still a lot of work to be done.

The 7th Grade history students are currently learning about the Renaissance and Reformation. Students will explore how the focus on thought led to the Scientific Revolution and the Age of Exploration. Students will take their knowledge of exploration and head to the Americas to learn about the Aztec, Inca, and Maya civilizations. Students will end the year with a study of the Age of Enlightenment which will be a perfect transition into their 8th Grade study of history.

The 8th Grade history students are currently focusing on the causes of the Civil War. They are exploring the myriad of reasons as to why our country went to war with itself. Next, they will transition to the study of the Civil War. Finally, students will end the year with a focus on Reconstruction and the aftermath of the Civil War.

P.E. Department

The Canyon Hills PE department has been teaching a track and field unit since the middle of April. Each PE class will rotate through a series of events: sprints, long-distance, long jump, discus, shot put, relays. The beginning of May will conclude our instruction, and our track meet will begin on May 7th. Each child will pick two events to participate in. This exposure to track and field should lead to many athletes wanting to participate in high school track and field and/or the cross country team.

Science Department

Seventh grade classes are wrapping up the year by learning about some of our body's organ systems. We will be studying a real (sheep's) heart, brain, and eye during our lab work.

Eighth graders are winding up their year with the famous Canyon Hills "Rube Goldberg Project." Ladies and gentlemen, launch time for your catapults is the end of May/first week of June!

Counselors Corner

Attention 8th graders! Promotion is just around the corner! Utilize the next 6 weeks wisely—ask your teachers for help, come after school for extra support, and learn to advocate for yourself and your success! Set goals for the 3rd trimester and take the proper steps to achieve those goals! We're looking forward to seeing ALL of our 8th graders participate in the promotion ceremony in June! And for all our 7th graders, make sure to set goals for yourself, keep your grades up, and have the proper study habits in place in order to have a successful 8th grade year! As always, you are more than welcome to talk with Mrs. Uhr anytime for extra support and guidance. Let's go out with a bang and finish the school year strong!



Box Top News

BoxTops update for Coyote Call.

We just received a check for about \$680 from the collection of Box Tops! Great job, Coyotes! Keep those Box Tops coming in. Collect from neighbors, friends, coworkers, etc. We are ending with a period 1 competition. Who will be the winning period 1 class? Whose class will be in the 100+ Club??

Thanks for your continued support!

Knotts Berry Farm Field Trip

Knott's Berry Farm Tickets for the 8th grade Promotion Field Trip will go on sale starting Monday, May 11th. The students should have received a letter on May 1st explaining all the details. Parents are encouraged to join us as a chaperone. If you have any questions, or are interested in chaperoning this wonderful trip, please contact Mrs. Wood at Terri_Wood@chino.k12.ca.us.

Technology Students

Hi Parents of Technology Students,

We are on our last 5 weeks of school and therefore we are working on our last projects that will be due in the upcoming weeks. These projects are amazing as the students use their creativity to design and sometimes re-design various activities.

As you know we use a lot of supplies and many of you have been very generous. Thank you for that. This class would not be half of what it is without your support.

I hope you get to see a few amazing pieces of art come home. They come in all shapes and sizes. The kids are very proud of their work and I am actually impressed with some of their projects as well. I liked the calendars, gumball machine, pencil /3x5 card holders and even the cell phone holder/charger/sound projection units. Your child had the opportunity to make some incredibly creative things.

We have had a great year and learned many invaluable skills, not only with computers in programming, but with tools and constructing many different types of projects. All the students are very grateful and do a marvelous job of helping maintain both the computer lab and the technology/woodshop. That alone has been a great skill for them to use indefinitely.

Thanks Again,
Mr. Hemsley

Have a Great Summer

Below are some great Summer Safety Tips
<http://www.nsc.org/act/events/Pages/safety-events-summer-safety.aspx>

• Beat the Heat

Whether you're working or playing outside in the summer, anybody not accustomed to the heat is at risk for a [heat-related illness](#). Take steps to protect yourself:

- ✓ Wear appropriate clothing, including a wide-brimmed hat
- ✓ Take frequent water breaks
- ✓ Apply sunscreen with an SPF of at least 15
- ✓ Never leave kids or pets unattended in a vehicle

• Water Safety

More than one in five drowning victims are children 14-years-old and younger, and most incidents happen when a child falls into a pool or is left alone in the bathtub. [Keep your kids safe in the water:](#)

- ✓ Enroll children over the age of three in swimming lessons
- ✓ Don't rely on lifeguards to watch over your children
- ✓ Never leave your child unattended

• Practice Firework Safety

- Fourth of July is one of the biggest events of the summer—but it can bring an increase in injuries. In 2010, fireworks caused an estimated 15,500 reported fires, including 1,100 structure fires.
- [Celebrate safely this summer.](#)

• Beware of the 100 Deadliest Days

The period between Memorial Day and Labor Day is the deadliest time for teen crashes on our roadways. Parents can play a role to help keep their new teen drivers safe.

• Have Fun Safely

Outdoor activities are a great way to be active and stay in shape. Make sure you don't put an end to the fun because of an injury.