

## Announcements 2/8

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### **ATTENTION 8th Graders:**

**Pine Middle School the state mandated 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Writing Proficiency Exam continue. These mandated tests will be given to students through the week of February 6, 2012 (THIS WEEK) and make-ups and selected groups will be tested next week. It is imperative that students be at school for their assigned test date. Your English teachers have notified you of your assigned testing day. Remember to get a good night's rest, eat a healthy breakfast, and do your best.**

The Valentine's dance is this Friday. Wristbands will be on sale during lunch. The cost of this dance is \$4.00 with the extra money we make going to help Gabby Gouldsmith in her fight against Aplastic Anemia. Have a heart this Valentine's Day and show up for the dance. Free dress for everyone who buys a dance wristband is promised as long as we keep our lunch rooms clean and our uniform dress our best.

8<sup>th</sup> graders who may be hoping to attend High School at AACT, Signature Schools, or IB need to get applications turned in by certain deadline dates.

AACT's deadline has been extended to Feb 10.

Signature Academies' deadline is Feb. 10.

IB deadline for applying is March 1.

See Mrs. Olson for the application or other information that needs to be sent in with the application.

**VOLLEYBALL, SOCCER, AND WRESTLING: Tryouts for volleyball, wrestling, and soccer are coming up very soon. If you are interested in trying out, you need to stop by Room 225 to see if you have turned in your athletic forms.**

Are you competitive? Do you like to play cards? The Pine Bridge Club will begin this Thursday, February 9, from 2:15 to 3:30pm in Room 215. Even if you didn't come to the information meeting last week, please join Mrs. Walsh to learn how to play the most popular game in the world!

All Science Symposium projects were due at school this week. Formal judging of the best qualified projects will happen during a closed session on Wednesday February 15<sup>th</sup> with the winning projects announced the following morning. Students and their families are invited to visit the Science Symposium Open House on Thursday, February 16 from 4 to 7 pm. That same night, Chili's is teaming up to help raise money for the Science Department. From 4 to 10 pm show your fundraiser flyer and 15% of your dinner bill will be donated to our mini laptop fund. Join us for a fun and educational family night, Thursday February 16th.

It's that time again for all art students to travel to San Francisco for an overnight trip to visit the art and science museums, go to A San Francisco Giants game, Chinatown, and Pier 39. The cost is approximately \$200.00 with a \$50.00 deposit due February 23, 2012 which is deducted from the \$200.00. If you are interested in attending this fun and educational field trip and have taken an art class, been to Art club, or are presently in an art class see Mrs. Damon for a permission/informational letter. We have room for only 45 people so students need to get their money and form into Mrs. Damon by Feb. 23rd when deposits are due

The Class Rotation for today will be: 0,6,2,4  
Please stand for the pledge... Now for a moment of silence.

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**BOYS' BASKETBALL: Congratulations to the boys' basketball team. All four teams won their games against Vaughn.**

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Word of the Day: from the Social Studies Dept. - Frontier: undeveloped area

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**BOYS' BASKETBALL:** Today, the boys' basketball team will play Vaughn. The 8<sup>th</sup> grade team will go to Vaughn, and the 7<sup>th</sup> grade team will play here. The first game starts at 5:00, with the A Team playing first.

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Word of the Day: from the Science Dept. - Data: Facts, figures, and other evidence gather through observations