



August 1, 2009

Dear Mirman Parents,

We hope that you and your family are having an enjoyable summer and that you are looking forward to the 2009-2010 school year. This the Parents' Service League's big summer mailing with all manner of news you can use as you prepare for a successful school year ahead. Our future communications will be delivered predominately by email given our environmental and cost savings priorities, but this one is complex enough – multiple subjects, boxes to tic and forms to return – to merit an old fashioned, high touch delivery.

Please Join In We welcome every Mirman parent, as a member of the Mirman School Parents' Service League (PSL), to attend monthly parents' meetings held – new dates! -at 8:00 AM immediately following breakfast in the Leonard M. Ross auditorium on the third Thursday of the month. (No meeting in December.) We invite all our families to enhance their child's education by volunteering their time in support the many PSL activities. To help familiarize you with the PSL and its committees, we are enclosing a Committee List with contact information and a Volunteer Checklist. Please choose one committee, or several, and indicate your interest(s) on the enclosed Volunteer Checklist form. Please return the Volunteer Checklist in the envelope provided as soon as possible, but no later than Friday, August 21. We will try our best to match your interests and the PSL's needs, but if we cannot for some reason, we will be happy to discuss alternatives. Please feel free to contact any Committee Chairpersons with any questions. The Mirman School and the PSL truly appreciate any time you can devote.

Thursday Morning Breakfast A Mirman tradition for 18 years continues as Dr. B's Breakfast Club serves up a delightful, nutritious buffet breakfast at school for your family. It's a great reason to arrive a little earlier on Thursday mornings and enjoy breakfast with your children and their friends. This year, Chef Missy Fine will be in the kitchen leading an outstanding group of parent volunteers. The first breakfast of the school year will be Thursday September 3rd. This is a great social event, which gives our families the chance to meet and mingle on a weekly basis. To sign up, please fill out the enclosed form and return to the school by August 27th.

Lunch Program California Fresh Foods will continue to offer a rotation of menu alternatives for our children five days a week. Please sign up in advance for the lunch program, so we can guarantee that enough food is provided for the children. The improved and expanded menu and order form are enclosed. Please return your lunch order to California Fresh by August 15th. The lunch program would not be possible without the dedication of the lunch program liaisons, chairpersons, and the volunteer parents and grandparents who join in the fun of serving delicious lunches to our children.

School Picnic Bring the family on Saturday, September 12th from 4-7! It's the Welcome Back to School Western Style Picnic & Chili Cook-Off right here at the Mirman Ranch. It's free and lots of relaxed fun for all ages. Come dancing!

Spring Fair We have enclosed a Save-the-Date for the 2010 Spring Fair. This year, the Spring Fair will take place on **May 1st**, and the theme is "Mirman Rocks!" Sign up now to help plan and participate in the best Spring Fair ever. Please return the enclosed Spring Fair Flyer in the envelope provided as soon as possible, but no later than Friday, August 21.

Party Book The PSL now offers a year-round opportunity to make new friendships and strengthen old ones while having a wide variety of adventures tailored to individual interests sponsored by and for Mirman families. Please start thinking about parties you would be interested in hosting!

Promotions We've enclosed information regarding fund raising promotions that require very little effort in terms of participation and reaps large awards for the Mirman School. Remember, simply signing up earns money for Mirman.

Mirman Intercultural Mentors System The PSL has developed a family-to-family support system serving the parents of our culturally diverse, international student body. Please take a look at the enclosed letter explaining MIMS, and contact us if you are interested in participating.

On behalf of the PSL Board and Committee Chairpersons, I want to say how much we look forward to working with you and your family during the upcoming school year. It is this spirit of community that helps to ensure a supportive environment in which our students learn and grow. We hope to see you at our PSL meetings. Enjoy the rest of the summer and see you in September!

Kind Regards,

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