**Welcome back everyone!**

I am really looking forward to this coming year; I have planned many fun activities. Below I have tried to give you dates and times for the activities that I have confirmation on so far. This way you can mark your calendars and know what we have planned ahead of time. Parents are always welcome to join us on our Community Based Learning field trips.

**Employability Skills** – This is the coffee cart which is now a class and students will be earning credit for their time and effort. Students will need to be at school during Access on **Wednesday morning and on Tuesday after school from 2:30 to 4:00.** We will be making a variety of food to sell during coffee cart, inventory, invoices, bagging and labeling bagels, etc. If this is a problem, please let me know.

**Craft Club** – Craft club will be on **Wednesday after school and will go from 2:30 to 4:00.** We will be selling items we will be making in craft club at the Conifer Holiday Boutique in November.

 **Friday November 1st** – Stay after school for dinner, then go to Conifer High School to set up for the sale on Saturday.

 **Saturday November 2nd** - Meet at Conifer High School at 8:30 and stay all day or we will work out a shift schedule as November gets closer. The craft fair goes from 9:00 to 4:30.

**Community Garden** – Unified Science class (Mrs. Skipp’s 7th period science) will be going to the Community Garden on Thursdays from 1:00 until 2:00 until it gets too cold. Currently, we are watering a transplanted evergreen on the property. We will be weeding and working with compost as well. We will be learning more about healthy eating and growing organic foods.

 **Thursday August 29th** – Community garden meeting, 6:00 pm at the garden. There will be food, drink and a presentation about the pavilion that is being planned. Unfortunately, I will not be able to stay with the kids after school until 6:00 pm that evening, but I will be at the garden at 6:00 pm. If you are able to bring your kids that would be great, if this is not possible, I certainly understand. All students are welcome to attend, parents are always welcome

**Mineral, Fossil & Gem Show** – Thursday September 12th

 Leave school at 9:15 and return by 2:15

 7th period Unified Science class/Craft club students are welcome with OK from your other teachers, but not mandatory

**Homecoming Activities** – Homecoming carnival/Dinner out/Football game

 **Friday September 27th**

1. Employability skills class will be selling drinks and homemade treats during the carnival (everyone will have time to enjoy the carnival as well).
2. This will be our third year to go out to dinner as a group before the Homecoming game. We will decide as a group where to go to dinner as the date gets closer.
3. Homecoming game 7:00 pm – We will all go back to the school as a group, sit together and cheer on the Cougars after dinner.

**Brown Palace Historic Ghost Tour**

 A hotel that has hosted countless people since its 1892 opening is bound to have a few lingering guests who never really “checked out.” This popular tour highlights tales of unexplained phenomena and spirits who appear to have chosen to spend eternity with us.

To date, this is a tentative field trip. I have requested a private tour on Wednesday October 30th at 4:00 pm. My 1st period Communications class (English) will be reading the play “Frankenstein” throughout October. I thought it would be fun to go to the Brown Palace and hear some ghost stories right before Halloween. After the Brown Palace we will go to the Cheesecake factory for dinner. Coffee Cart will pay for the tour, but dinner will be the responsibility of each person going. Let me know if money is a problem.

If this tour date and time changes, I will let you know asap!

**It’s A Wonderful Life** – Phamaly Theatre Company (formerly known as The Physically Handicapped Actors & Musical Artists League) produces professional scale plays and musicals year-round throughout the Denver Metro region, cast entirely of performers with disabilities across the spectrum (physical, cognitive, emotional, blindness, deafness…etc.).

 **December 6th**  - 7:30 -10:00 pm at the Aurora Fox Arts Center, 9900 E. Colfax Ave, Aurora, CO 80040

1st period Communications Instruction (English class)

Right after school we will go out to dinner at a location to be announced and then go to the theater. We will celebrate the season by seeing Phamaly’s first ever holiday play. We will be back in Evergreen around 11:00 to 11:30 pm. Let’s hope for great weather!

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