



January 13, 2010

weekly announcements

**COMING UP ...**

**...ALL SCHOOL**

- ◆ AFFORDABLE TUITION APPLICATIONS DUE FOR 2010-2011  
Thu Jan 14, 2010
- ◆ APPLICATIONS DUE FOR NEW STUDENTS FOR  
NURSERY, GRADE SCHOOL AND HIGH SCHOOL  
Thu Jan 14, 2010
- ◆ MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. DAY - NO SCHOOL  
Mon Jan 18, 2010
- ◆ STRATEGIC PLANNING MEETINGS  
Mon Jan 25, 6:30pm

**...FOR THE HIGH SCHOOL**

- ◆ HS PARENT COUNCIL MTG.  
Wed Jan 13, 6:30pm
- ◆ MAIN LESSON ONLY / STUDENT SERVICE DAY  
Fri Jan 15, 8:15am
- ◆ BLACK & WHITE WINTER FORMAL  
Fri Jan 15, 7:30pm - 11:30pm  
Dance rules from the Student Handbook apply
- ◆ SAT PREP CLASS FOR JUNIORS BEGINS  
(6 Tuesday evenings on campus,  
5 Saturday mornings off campus)  
Tue Jan 19, 6pm Contact Lauren Rudsten for more  
info. - lrudsten@sfwaldorf.org
- ◆ 9TH & 10TH GRADE PARENT EVENING  
Tue Jan 19, 7pm
- ◆ 11TH & 12TH GRADE PARENT EVENING  
Wed Jan 20, 7pm

**...FOR THE GRADE SCHOOL**

- ◆ FUTURE FIRST GRADE ( ORIENTATION MEETINGS PART 2)  
Wed Jan 13, 7:30pm
- ◆ 3RD GRADE PARENT EVENING  
Tue Jan 19, 7pm
- ◆ 5TH GRADE PARENT EVENING  
Wed Jan 20, 7pm
- ◆ 2ND GRADE PARENT EVENING  
Thu Jan 21, 7pm
- ◆ KINDERGARTEN PARENT EVENING  
Tue Jan 26, 7pm
- ◆ 6TH GRADE MOTHERS OF DAUGHTERS MEETING  
Tue Jan 26, 7:15pm
- ◆ 4TH GRADE PARENT EVENING  
Tue Feb 2, 7pm

Visit the calendar pages at [www.sfwaldorf.org](http://www.sfwaldorf.org) and  
[www.sfwaldorfhighschool.org](http://www.sfwaldorfhighschool.org) for more.

The San Francisco Waldorf High School Lecture Series Presents

**DANIEL PINK IN CONVERSATION WITH MICHAEL KRASNY**  
**21ST CENTURY EDUCATION:**  
**MOTIVATION, CREATIVITY AND ACHIEVEMENT**



Daniel Pink  
photo: Jerry Bauer

**This Saturday, January 16, 2010, 2pm**

Kanbar Hall, Jewish Community Center  
Suggested donation of \$5 at the door.

**This event is close to capacity!**  
**Please make sure you have RSVP'd**  
**and arrive early to assure seating.**  
**Event starts promptly at 2pm.**  
**NO LATE SEATING!**

For registration and information please e-mail  
hslectures@sfwaldorf.org  
or phone (415) 213-6194.



San Francisco Waldorf High School presents

*The Crucible*

BY ARTHUR MILLER

**Friday, January 22, 7pm**

**Saturday, January 23, 7pm**

**Sunday, January 24, 1pm & 6pm**

*Performed at the grade school Main Hall*

Tickets \$8 in advance through [brownpapertickets.com](http://brownpapertickets.com)  
or at the high school office. \$10 at the door.

**Parental advisory:** *The Crucible* explores adult themes and may  
not be appropriate for children under 12. More on page 2...



The San Francisco Youth Eurythmy Troupe presents

*Wings*

**Friday, February 12, 8pm**

**Saturday, February 13, 2pm**

at the Cowell Theater

Tickets (\$22/\$15) available at the Cowell Theater Box Office -  
415-345-7575 or [www.fortmason.org/boxoffice](http://www.fortmason.org/boxoffice),  
San Francisco Waldorf High School front desk, or at the door.

# ALL SCHOOL NEWS

## ◆ Re-enrollment for 2010-2011 Coming Up!

Contracts for the next school year will once again be due in early March in order that we may plan for the next year in terms of how many spaces are available for new applicants as well as adjusting budgets to match enrollment. For your own planning purposes, please review the schedule below and contact our business office if you have any questions.

- **Thursday, January 14** - Affordable Tuition Applications for new applicants and returning families
- **Saturday, February 6** - Board meets to set tuition for 2010-2011
- **Monday, February 15** - Contracts and Tuition Assistance Grants mailed
- **Thursday, March 4** - Deadline for returning families to return contracts with deposits\*
- **March 17 (HS), March 18 (GS)\*\*** - Decision letters and Affordable Tuition Grants for new applicants mailed
- **Monday, May 31** - Final day to withdraw from contract without penalty (except for the non-refundable deposit)
- **July (date varies)** - First tuition payment due for 2010-2011

\* Please note that due to the requirement for a non-refundable re-enrollment deposit in March, if you have a tuition payment for 2009-2010 due in March it will be deferred until later. Details will be forthcoming from the business office.

\*\* These dates are dictated by agreement with other San Francisco Independent Schools.

Jim Finn, Assistant Director of Finance / [jfinn@sfwaldorf.org](mailto:jfinn@sfwaldorf.org) / 415-931-2244

## Annual Fund Update

Thank you to all who have contributed to the Annual Fund this school year. We would like to congratulate K1, K2 and 1st grade for achieving 100% participation! Additionally, we are happy to report that the average gift this year has increased to \$850, which is a testament to the dedication, commitment and gratitude of our community.

We would like to offer a very special thanks to our Development Liaisons who have been working hard at raising awareness and understanding of the Annual Fund. Our Liaisons volunteer significant time and effort every year to shepherd each class to the ultimate goal - 100% participation. Full participation is rewarding to the class achieving the goal, but more importantly it signals to potential outside donors that the community is committed and worthy of support. The gap in funding between tuition and costs this year is \$2500, but we receive a wide variety of gifts ranging from \$10 to \$25000 every year.

We can always use more assistance and are especially interested in getting more help for those classes that have only one Liaison. If you are interested in Development or simply want to understand the purpose, we encourage you to volunteer with us. Please contact Development Coordinator Mitch Mitchell ([mmitchell@sfwaldorf.org](mailto:mmitchell@sfwaldorf.org)) if you would like more details.

To help focus Annual Fund efforts this year, we are in a final push to reach 100% participation in every class by the end of this month. Your class Liaison may be calling, emailing or sending you a letter in the next couple of weeks to encourage you to give. We will publish class percentages next week. Please help them out by responding to their efforts with a gift or pledge by January 31!

Mitch Mirchell, Development Coordinator

### 2009-2010 Development Liaisons

- N - Jeni Vullings
- K1 - Kari Marble
- K2 - Hugh Molesworth
- K3 - Lynn Murphy
- 1 - Cynthia Foss
- 2 - Michael Nemetz and Bridget Quinn
- 3 - Vicki Chaban, Cynthia Foss and Tad Kinney
- 4 - John Frolely and Tad Kinney
- 5 - Bridget Quinn and Michael Nemetz
- 6 - Ethel Tang-Quan and John Frolely
- 7 - Paul Hurley and Nora Dwyer
- 8 - Norman Fargo and Nora Dwyer
- 9 - Jodi Casey
- 10 - Paul Hurley and Charlene Davis
- 11 - Paige Hart
- 12 - Lala Mejia

## ATHLETICS

### ◆ HS Boys' Basketball

Thu Jan 14	5:30pm	V @ Leadership - 555 Portola Dr
Tue Jan 19	4pm	V HOME vs. Contra Costa Christian
	6pm	JV @ Lick Wilmerding - 755 Ocean Ave
Wed Jan 20	5:30pm	V HOME vs. Pescadero
Fri Jan 22	4:30pm	JV HOME vs. International
	7pm	V @ International - 150 Oak St

### ◆ HS Girls' Basketball

Thu Jan 14	4pm	@ Leadership - 555 Portola Drive
Wed Jan 20	4pm	HOME vs. Pescadero
Fri Jan 22	5:30pm	@ International - 150 Oak St
Tue Jan 26	4:30pm	HOME vs. San Domenico

### ◆ GS Boys Basketball

<b>6th Grade</b>		
Fri Jan 22	8pm	vs Stuart Hall - 699 Serramonte Blvd
Sat Jan 23	11am	vs. Holy Name - 40th & Lawton Ave
<b>7th/8th Grade</b>		
Fri Jan 15	7pm	[RED] vs. Epiphany - 255 Jules Ave
	8pm	[WHITE] vs. OLV - 255 Jules Ave
Sun Jan 17	3pm	[WHITE] vs. Mission Dolores - 151 Oak
	5:15pm	[RED] vs. NDV - 41st Ave and Ulloa
Sat Jan 23	2pm	[RED] Game vs. Good Shepherd

\*HS home basketball games are at the Annunciation Cathedral Gym, 245 Valencia St.

## HIGH SCHOOL NEWS

### ◆ Parents Council Meeting Tonight!

Light refreshments at 6:00pm, and the meeting begins at 6:30pm in Herbst Hall. The agenda should be a lively discussion, as we will cover:

- 1) Parent Council goals achieved this year and proposed future goals
- 2) Parent Council income/expenses and discussion of the budget process
- 3) Feedback on Holiday Lunch and future planning
- 4) Report on proposed study skills program
- 5) Planning for parent social opportunities

This is an opportunity for you to learn more about the PC budget and where Hot Lunch money goes and provide some input into this process!

*Ellen Stephens,  
for the Parent Council Executive Committee*

### ◆ Civil Rights Activist and Author Melba Pattillo Beals at High School

*This presentation has been rescheduled.*

For more information, please contact Mary Anne McGill, HS librarian at [mmcgill@sfwaldorf.org](mailto:mmcgill@sfwaldorf.org) or 415-213-6122.

### ◆ High School Presents Arthur Miller's *The Crucible*

In 1953 Arthur Miller wrote what is now an American classic, *The Crucible*. Set in Massachusetts during the late 17th century, the play is based on the Salem witch trials. While Miller certainly took dramatic license when necessary, he kept the fate of his characters the exact same as those whose name they share from this historical event. This play was written in response to Miller's interactions with the House of Representatives Committee on Un-American Activities during the McCarthy era. In 1956 Arthur Miller was found guilty of having "communist beliefs" and also convicted of "contempt of Congress" for refusing to give the names of people he had seen at meetings. His protagonist, John Proctor, faces a similar fate, ultimately choosing truth and integrity over his life. The play won a Tony award for Best Play in 1953.

*The Crucible explores adult themes and may not be appropriate for children under 12.*



*Photo for poster art for "The Crucible"  
James Watt, Class of 2010*

## GRADE SCHOOL NEWS

### ◆ Re-enrollment for the Fall 2010 Nursery Coming Up!

In order to plan the number of spaces available to new applicants for our fall 2010 nursery program, re-enrollment forms for current families continuing in the nursery will be sent out soon and due back in late February. To help you plan, please review the schedule below and contact our business office if you have any questions.

\* Feb. 1, 2010 Re-enrollment forms sent to nursery families

\* Feb. 22, 2010 Re-enrollment forms and deposit due

In addition, payment for the Spring 2010 session is due on February 15.

### ◆ Sign Up Now for *ART WITH CHILDREN* with Elena Forrer

A wonderful opportunity for parents to experience the approach to teaching art in the Waldorf school! This class is for all those parents who would have liked to attend a Waldorf school, and who want to learn more about how to bring art to their children in the home. Elena Forrer is a passionate teacher and artist.

Three Mondays, 9 - 11am, January 25, February 1 and 8.

Class fee: \$ 90, includes supplies.

*This program is part of our Family Life Series.  
Register online at <http://www.sfwaldorf.org/news/>  
Limited childcare available for children ages 2 to 4 1/2.*

*For more information on this or other Family Life Series classes,  
contact Lalla Carini at 415-931-2750, ext 212.*

*For registration assistance, contact Cory Powers 415-931-2750*

### ◆ Math Circle Resumes February 1

Math Circle is a city-wide program sponsored by San Francisco State University designed to give students an opportunity to stretch and grow their mathematical skills with puzzles and other challenges, and the teachers are graduate students at SFSU who have passionate energy for their subject. The Math Circle meets on Monday afternoons from 4:30-5:30 pm for seventh and eighth graders, and transportation is provided. Please call me if you are interested in further details.

*Susan Cook, 6-8 grade math teacher*

### ◆ Pizza Update - No Pizza on the 19th New Session starts on the 26th

There is no pizza lunch on January 19th. The next cycle will start on Tuesday, January 26. The sign-up form is available now online at <http://www.sfwaldorf.org/news/>

### ◆ List of 8th Grade Baby-sitters

You can pick up a copy of the list of 8th grade students available for baby-sitting in the office or via email (Melinda at [mprice@sfwaldorf.org](mailto:mprice@sfwaldorf.org)). Funds raised through baby-sitting will be used for their end-of-year class trip.  
*Thank you, the 8th Grade*

## THRIVING THROUGH ILLNESS Supporting Children and Adults through Home Health Care

An Anthroposophic Approach to Illness  
with Trish McPhee, MSN, FNP-c

**Register now!**

**Saturday, January 30 from 10am to 4pm**

At the grade school campus

A "hands-on" experience for participants.

Cost \$ 105 (includes all supplies).

Fever, coughs, nasal congestion, head colds, ear infections and belly upsets are our body's efforts at maintaining equilibrium. Join us for an exploration into the essential power of illness and the appropriate convalescence. Understand why this is crucial and what can happen when it is inappropriately managed.

Learn practical applications and gain confidence in how to manage common ailments. Participation in application of wraps, compresses, inhalations and baths will take place. You will gain confidence in caring for the sick at home while also learning when to seek help. Upon completion of this day, you will take away the physical and practical tools and the necessary understanding of how to manage common illnesses with confidence knowing a renewed strength will follow. You will go home with supplies to start your own home care kit.

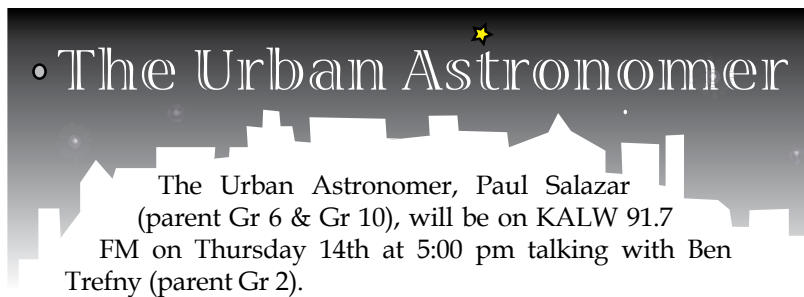
Topics include:

- Creating a healing environment using the Four Elements
- Topical applications of wraps, compresses, inhalations and bath demonstrations as well as the indications for use
- Managing the essential convalescence
- Creating your own Home Care Kit

*Trish McPhee is a Registered Nurse and Nurse Practitioner. She has three Waldorf-educated children (two grown). She has been working out of Anthroposophy for 13 years, has taught at Rudolf Steiner College and worked at Raphael House in Fair Oaks. She resides in Nevada City, California, where she works as an Emergency RN and is a private practice NP.*



Pre-register online at  
<http://www.sfwaldorf.org/news/> for this event  
or by phone: 415-931-2750  
or by e-mail: [cpowers@sfwaldorf.org](mailto:cpowers@sfwaldorf.org)



The Urban Astronomer, Paul Salazar  
(parent Gr 6 & Gr 10), will be on KALW 91.7  
FM on Thursday 14th at 5:00 pm talking with Ben  
Trefny (parent Gr 2).

Visit <http://urbanastronomer.blogspot.com/> to read Paul's recent posts include a piece about Mars arriving in the evening sky and a review of some really fun astronomy applications for the iPhone. Don't miss the upcoming post on triple conjunction of Neptune and Jupiter in 2009.

### ◆ DVD's of High School Winter Concert Available for Purchase Online

Families can now purchase a DVD of this year's High School Winter Concert online. The DVD's cost \$10 and with shipping the total will be about \$15. Please visit the News page on the high school website for details:

<http://www.sfwaldorfhighschool.org/newsandevents/news.asp#winterconcert2009>

We would like to express our thanks to Tim Evans (parent, Gr 7) for shooting the footage and producing this for us.

*Arian Solberg, IT Coordinator*



### OF INTEREST

#### ◆ 8th Grade Student in Lamplighter's Production of *Patience*

8th grader Elizabeth Levinson will be performing in Lamplighters Music Theatre's production of Gilbert and Sullivan's *Patience* starting next weekend at the Novellus Theater at Yerba Buena Center. Elizabeth is one of the chorus of "Lovesick Maidens." Congratulations to Elizabeth, who at 13 is by far the youngest member of the chorus! Tickets range \$12-\$48. Visit [www.lamplighters.org](http://www.lamplighters.org) for more info.

#### ◆ Singing, a Pathway to One's Self A lecture by Christiaan Boele.

Come and hear this inspiring speaker on February 4th at 7pm, at the Marin Waldorf School, 755 Idylberry Way, San Rafael, CA. Presented by the Bay Area Center for Waldorf Teacher Training. Donations welcome. More details at <http://www.bacwtt.org/curriculum-classes/community-enrichment/spring>.