



# Quail Run Explorer Treks

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This Week at Quail Run			
Day - Week "A"	Event	Time	Location
Mon./Dec. 1	Welcome back!		
Tues./Dec. 2			
Wed./Dec. 3	Breakfast Book Club Site Council Meeting Multicultural Volunteer Meeting Superintendent, Steve Enoch	7:15 a.m. 3:00 p.m. 6:45 - 7:45 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	MPR Conference Room MPR DVHS
Thurs./Dec. 4	Bishop Ranch Tree Lighting	6:00 p.m.	6111 Bollinger Canyon Rd.
Fri./Dec. 5	Soul Shoppe QR Learning Fund	8:00 - 2:30 p.m. 8:10 a.m.	Library Conference Room

## Parent Reminders

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**Please Note:**  
**November 24 - 28    Thanksgiving Break    No School**

**December 12 - Multicultural Night**

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### **Come Hear Superintendent Steve Enoch Speak-Dec. 3**

Superintendent Steve Enoch will be speaking to the Dougherty Valley community on Dec. 3 at 7:00 p.m. at Dougherty Valley High School. Come hear him discuss what he sees as our major challenges as a school district, as well as his vision for educating our students for the 21st century. This is an evening not to be missed. [Click here](#) for more information.

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### **Bishop Ranch Holiday Tree Lighting**

Thursday, December 4th, our Quail Run Choir will perform at the Bishop Ranch Holiday Tree Lighting

Ceremony. Plan on attending. The address is 6111 Bollinger Canyon Road. Festivities include the lighting of the beautiful 65 - foot holiday tree, live music, sleigh rides, entertainment, a variety of vendors selling refreshments and, of course, Santa. [Click Here.](#)

Choir Members - Please arrive at 6:00 pm. Wear your Quail Run Green Spiritwear Sweatshirt. Performance will be at approximately 6:30 pm.

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### **The Season of Sharing -**

**"Children Helping Children"** - Quail Run students will be joining the students at Coyote Creek in participating in a Holiday Gift Drive to support the students at Nystrom Elementary in Richmond. Drop the gifts off in the office. The gift drive will be held from December 1st - 16th. We collect new, wrapped gifts that include a small toy or stuffed animal, a book, a box of crayons or pens and a healthy treat (granola bar, snack crackers, etc). Thank you for thinking of those in need.

### **"Fill a Belly - Fill a Heart" -**

Our Quail Run Student Council will be sponsoring a canned food drive to support the Contra Costa County Food Bank. This food drive will run from December 1st to December 16th. Did you know 43% of donated food goes to children? Let's do our best to fill the barrels. Requested food items include:

Canned Meat, Fish & Soups

Canned Ready to Eat Meals

Canned Vegetables & Tomato Products

Peanut Butter (plastic container)  
Iron Rich Cereal (45% or more of daily value)  
100% Fruit Juice (48 oz. or less plastic bottles)  
Canned Fruit (in juice)  
Dry Beans (any type)  
Enriched Rice or Pasta  
Powdered Milk

Everyone's generosity is greatly appreciated!

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**PARENT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED - Are you interested in supporting a child in need? We are looking for volunteers to read with students 1/2 hour each day. We are flexible and will work within your schedule. Parent readers will be trained. If you are interested, please call Mrs. Loflin at 560-4001 or e-mail her at [cloflin@srvusd.net](mailto:cloflin@srvusd.net) This is a great way to make a difference!**

**We are also looking for parent volunteers to help us coordinate some after school sports activities. This is a short term, fun, after school opportunity to share your talents. If you have questions or are interested in helping us get this started, please contact Mrs. Loflin at 560-4001 or e-mail her at [cloflin@srvusd.net](mailto:cloflin@srvusd.net)**

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**Will your child be missing school?  
Please call our attendance line at 560-4058.**

Is your child going to miss more than 5 days. Please call the office to find out about the Independent Study Contract that might be available for your child.

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**Kindergarten Registration for School Year 2009/2010 -**

**If your child will be 4 by December 2, 2008, you may pick up your Kindergarten Enrollment packet in the school office. To pick up the packet you must provide required proof-of-residency documentation: Proof of residence must be verified by one item from each category below:**

- › Current picture ID of parent/guardian: Driver's license, CA issued ID, passport, military ID, **and**
- › Current mortgage statement, Escrow papers that show close of sale no later than 7 calendar days after the student's first day of school, grant deed, property tax bill, lease/rental agreement including property address, names of occupants, signatures of both parties with 2 months of canceled checks or bank transfer records within the school year **and**
- › Current PG&E or water bill with name and address listed (within 45 days for new home purchases/rentals).

Additional documentation may be required for further verification. Documentation may include but is not limited to:

- › Income tax records reflecting the child's district residency address
- › Court documents including custodial responsibilities
- › Billing statement
- › Vehicle registration
- › Payroll check stub with name and address

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**Has your child lost a jacket , sweater or sweatshirt?**

Many items have been turned in. Remind your child to check the lost and found in the lunch room (MPR) for any clothing items they may have lost. Please remember to label your children's outerwear so that if lost, the items may be returned.

**December Menus** - Our school lunch menu is available to print from two areas. If you go to our web page, then under Resources, click on Parent Resources, you will see the December Menu posted there. You can also go further down on this page to Events, then to "Take a look at these flyers", and you can then click on December Menu.

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### **2009 Student Art Contest**

The Dublin/San Ramon Women's Club is sponsoring the 17th Annual Art & Photography Contest. The contest entries must be in the school office by February 4th, 2009. You have plenty of time to get your entry ready. [Click here](#) for more information.

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### **Time to clean out your closets -**

The San Ramon Valley Rotary Club is holding its 13th Annual "One Warm Coat" collection. Don't know what to do with that gently used coat, sweater, or jacket that doesn't fit anymore? Have an extra blanket or two that you have no need for? To support this great effort, our Quail Run Office is a drop off location for any of these items. Please tell your friends and neighbors about this collection so that they may participate. Cold weather is quickly approaching and many are in need. Please take time to look through your closets to see if you have any of these items that are no longer needed by your family. Our office will be accepting these items until Friday, December 12th. Let's show our support. Yes, we will also accept new items.

### **3rd Grade Classes -**

The San Ramon Valley Rotary paid a visit to our school this past week. Our 3rd grade students all received a dictionary from the Rotary. How fortunate we are that the Rotary has this program of providing dictionaries. We know all our 3rd

graders were very thankful. Thank you Rotary, we really appreciate your kindness.

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## Events

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**Take a look at these flyers -**

**December Menu - [Click Here](#)**

**Multicultural Event - [Click Here](#)**

**Divine Performing Arts - [Click Here](#)**

**Winter Baseball Camp 2009 - [Click Here](#)**

**Cheerleading Party - Check out the attached flyer for more information. [Click Here.](#)**

**Collect Box Tops and Earn Money for our School - [Click Here](#)**

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### **Quail Run Learning Fund**

Are you interested in getting involved in the Quail Run community? If you are interested, please contact Dorothy Reyes at [Dorothy@Bentomusic.com](mailto:Dorothy@Bentomusic.com)

Next Meeting - December 5th at 8:15 a.m.

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### **Helpful hints on getting your children to school on time -**

With rainy season hopefully approaching, it will take a little longer to get to school. To avoid having your child tardy, please plan on leaving a few minutes earlier. Some suggestions from our parents: have your children pick out their clothes the night before, make sure both shoes are by the door, parents put your car keys in the same place every time, and have lunches ready to go. Children like to be on time and not interrupt the classroom by being late. Please make sure you bring your child to school on time each day.

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## Upcoming Events

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### **Update -**

If your child is wishing to perform at the Multicultural Night please be sure to contact Ms. Chandra Viswanathan at [chandivis@yahoo.com](mailto:chandivis@yahoo.com) . The last day to register for performing is November 21st.

### **4th Annual Multicultural Night -**

December 12th from 6:30 - 8:30 is a night you will not want to miss. This family event brings together many cultures. Families are asked to bring a favorite food that represents their culture (enough to serve 12) and to dress in traditional attire. Many activities will take place. Some of the events will include art projects, and performances representing different cultures. Please take a look at these flyers. We need a lot of volunteers to make this evening a success. Please sign up to help. [Click Here](#) to see the dates scheduled for the committee meetings. [Click Here](#) to RSVP for this great event.

### **Upcoming PTA Special Needs Committee Events -**

Plan on attending one or all of the events which help to serve special needs children and their families.

[Click Here](#).

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### **Gift Wrap Fundraiser**

[Click here](#) to continue supporting the students at Quail Run by selecting items through our fundraiser. Easy to do online. The Holiday Fundraiser is still available throughout the 2008-2009 school year via online to those individuals who would like to continue to support our school. **Thanks again for your support!**

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### **Reminders to Parents -**

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**Date Change - Instrumental Music/Choir previously scheduled for January has been moved to December 17th.**

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