

9-12 News
Swannanoa Valley Montessori School
September 18, 2009

Thank You's

- **To Aubrin, for laminating, cutting, and coloring.**
- **To Rick, for dealing with more computer issues.**
- **To Carol, for keeping the e-mail lists.**
- **To Whitney, for doing the Melaleuca orders.**
- **To Carlton, for spending a recent Friday afternoon doing a bunch of stuff.**
- **To Kevin, for moving the pencil sharpener, attaching wall hanging file, etc.**
- **To Jennifer J-M, for getting us all kinds of supplies for our kitchen.**
- **To Jimmy, for bringing all the supplies in.**

Upcoming Events (Added events in *purple italics*)

- *Sept. 24 @5-8pm. SVMS Potluck @ Camp Rockmont*
- *Sept. 25 Picture Day*
- Sept. 25 Cooking Day with Aubrin
- *Sept. 29 (tentative) Visit Community Garden*
- Oct. 1-3. **CAMPOUT**
- *Oct 9 Teacher Work Day (No school.)*
- *Oct 21 Open House 5:30-6:30*

Next Friday, 9/25: Picture Day/Cooking Day

How did we manage to put these two together?!? The cooking day was already scheduled; recently we learned it would also be picture day. **We recommend sending two outfits that day: a nice one for pictures; an-OK-to-get-messy-outfit for cooking.** (We'll send word on which to wear to school – not sure what time pictures we'll be yet. Also, we'll be cooking our lunch that day: Lasagna, Homemade Bread, Salad, and Salad Dressing. **Your child does not need to bring a lunch that day, if s/he likes the above menu items. Oh, and if anyone has any extra aprons they would let us have/borrow, that would be great!**

Campout

It's coming up! Please send in your camping form soon to let us know if you'd like to be a chaperone, and what family members are coming Fri. night.

Vital Functions of Animals

We've begun our study of Nutrition: Ingestion, Digestion, Absorption, etc. Which animals have a food tube, and which do not? How does a particular animal digest its food – does it grind it; chomp/chew it; or digest its food solely chemically?

Planets

And – we're doing planet research. Did you know that Neptune is minus 353 degrees Fahrenheit at the top of its cloud layer, but its core is hotter than the surface of the Sun??? This incredible heat accounts for it having the most violent weather of any planet in our solar system, with winds of over 1200 miles per hour.