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FAMILY NEWSLETTER – January 2010

Event	Day	Date
E-Waste Collection	Saturday	January 9, 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
Holiday	Monday	January 18
Holiday	Monday	February 8 and February 15

E-WASTE COLLECTION. Our PTA is hosting an e-waste collection event at Sutterville Elementary on Saturday, January 9, from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Please bring the following items and dispose of them for free: Televisions, monitors, computers and components, fax machines, copiers, toner/inkjet cartridges, video game consoles, cameras, camcorders, keyboards, mice, VCR's/DVD's, cell phones and telephone equipment.

The PTA will earn money for any recyclable components of these items.

"Box Tops for Education" – Easy Fundraising for Sutterville. Sutterville PTA uses money earned from "Box Tops for Education" to fund art and music programs as well as field trips. Here's how you can help:

1. Register at www.boxtops4education.com. Log in regularly to enter contests to benefit our school. You might even find an online classroom supply wish list from your child's teacher there soon!

2. Do you enjoy online shopping? Retailers you likely already patronize have programs through Box Tops that will contribute a percentage of your purchases to our school. There are over 100 retailers at the Box Tops Marketplace, including Shutterfly, Target, and Barnes & Noble. Finish your online holiday shopping through the Box Tops Marketplace and your holiday gifts are greater!

3. Clip and save the Box Tops when you find them on participating products, then turn your Box Tops in to your teacher each month. The class that collects the most Box Tops will win a pizza party sponsored by the Pizza Guys! This contest ends February 17, but Box Tops can be collected year round. (Don't forget to ask your neighbors, friends and family to save their Box Tops, too!)

If you would like to help with this program or need more information, please email sarakennedy@ comcast.net.

CITY SPORTS NEWS. The Sutterville students enrolled in the City of Sacramento's cheerleading class recently won first place in the City. The boys' football team was the 1009 South Area Champion. Go, Stingrays!

CHARITABLE STUDENTS. The students in Room 6 used the December 16 craft fair to raise funds for others. They sold ornaments and raised $166.30, which was donated to the Mustard Seed School for homeless children.

PARENT INVOLVEMENT. Most teachers assign homework on a regular basis because practice is needed before children fully understand new skills or concepts. Homework also increases the amount of learning time available and allows students to do more in-depth learning. Here are some general guidelines from the California Parent Center at San Diego State University's Research Foundation for helping your children with homework:

- Reward progress; use lots of praise; display good work.
- Find out how much and what type of homework is assigned in each class, how students are expected to prepare it and turn it in, and what students can do when they don't understand something; help your child manage the workload by dividing it into small doses.
- Help your child develop a homework schedule that he or she can stick to.
- Talk to your child each day about homework assignments; go over work; see if it's complete; ask questions about it. But don't do your child's homework yourself.
- Provide a suitable place for study (if possible, make it quiet and away from the distractions of TV, phone, and loud music).
- Avoid making homework a punishment.

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WEEKLY PESTICIDE REMINDER. The District Grass Crew works at Sutterville every Tuesday. If the crew plans to spray pesticides or herbicides, they will post a notice on the front and side doors of the office, 72 hours before spraying. If you have any questions, please call our office at 277-6693.