



## Upcoming Events

Friday, February 12th– No school in observance of Lincoln's Birthday

Monday, February 15th- No school in observance of Washington's Birthday

Sunday, February 14th- Valentine's Day

Monday, March 8th at 6PM– Mira Mesa Cluster Schools Meeting at MMHS

The Hage Way of Character Traits:

Civility-Kindness-Fairness-Respect-Honesty-Responsibility-Caring-Perseverance-Courage

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### A Message From Mr. T and Mrs. Sandoval:

As we move into this month of February, we wanted to take some time to highlight some of the events that have happened for Hage. Before we do this, we would like to thank all of the parents who come in to support the daily activities at the school. On a daily basis we see parents reading to students as "Everyone A Reader" volunteers, art lessons being taught by "Art Corps" volunteers and many other parents helping out with a variety of things. Without this support from parents and our PTA members, we would not be able to do the great things for the students at Hage. You are greatly appreciated.

#### January Review

In the month of January our 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> graders had the opportunity to visit Balboa Park and Old Town for the entire week as part of the school district's OCILE program. Fourth graders visited Old Town and had a week connecting to California history with real experiences. Our fifth graders were at Balboa Park visiting all the museums and the San Diego Zoo. The goal of the OCILE program is to use their resources to help students see the value of cultural integration. We are happy to say that both principals sent a message to us stating how wonderful and well behaved the students of Hage Elementary were the entire week. This made us very proud. We always want the Hage students to demonstrate our focus on character traits with their actions no matter where they go.

Another exciting event that happened in January was our 3<sup>rd</sup> grade Science Night. This fun event was scheduled with the Reuben H. Fleet Science Center. Two workers from the Science Center came to the school to show parent volunteers how to run hands-on science stations for students. We had about 10 to 12 stations with science tasks for students to visit. The turnout was great and all the parents agree we definitely need to do more events like this for parents and students to participate in. A huge thanks goes out to the third grade team, our school secretary (Charlene) and all the parents who took the time to be volunteers. Without this support, this event could not have been a success.

#### Everyone A Reader Update

It is wonderful observing our parent readers working one on one with students around their reading comprehension. The goal for this program is to have readers for every classroom. If you are interested in becoming a volunteer for the Everyone A Reader program at Hage, please contact our school office and leave your contact info.

#### Hage ASB

Our Hage ASB will be focusing on two fundraisers. They will be selling pencilgrams for Valentine's Day after school and they have a pancake breakfast coming up on Saturday, March 6 from 8:00 to 11:00am at Applebee's. Please put the March 6 date on your calendar. A flyer will be coming home the last week of February.

#### Mira Mesa Council

Thanks to the drive from Erik Basil, parent at Hage, we have established a Mira Mesa Council to help unite all the Mira Mesa schools from elementary to high school and all the Mira Mesa parents and community members. We meet on the second Monday of each month at 6:00pm at the Mira Mesa High School Media Center. All parents and community members are welcomed.

#### School Safety

Parents please help our traffic system by doing the following things:

- Use our drop off and pickup area on the dirt lot and avoid dropping students off in front of the school office
- Reduce your speed in the parking lot and especially when driving on the dirt lot
- Respect our traffic volunteers who are trying to keep the students and parents safe
- Please do not enter in the gate by Westview Parkway. This is only an exit gate.

We thank you for helping to maintain a safe traffic system for the students and parents of Hage.





### A Message from our PTA President:

Hello Hage Families!

We have just passed the halfway mark of the 2009-10 school year and we have many fun and exciting things coming up in the next several months! Hopefully you all had a wonderful break as we celebrated the winter holidays. We often look at the New Year as a time to make changes and new commitments to reach out and make the new year better than the last. One way to do

this is through volunteering and giving some of your time and energy to helping out at Hage. Hage PTA is always looking for extra support and no experience is needed!

It has come to my attention that there are three classrooms that have no volunteers for the Art Corps program. The Art Corps program is a program sponsored by the Hage PTA to help our children gain valuable art lessons through hands on experiences. It saddens me that the students in these classrooms are not receiving these experiences that they truly deserve. If you are able to jump in and help out in these classrooms please contact Chasity Liew. ([chasityliew@yahoo.com](mailto:chasityliew@yahoo.com))

The 2010-11 school year is around the corner. If you are interested in joining the Hage PTA Board, this is the time to let it be known! E-mail me at [teacherjessica@san.rr.com](mailto:teacherjessica@san.rr.com) and I will make sure that your name is given to the nominating committee.

I would like to thank each and every member of the PTA Board for their hard work and dedication to Hage these last 90 school days and for the next 90 school days to come - you are all truly wonderful!

Jessica Peterson

#### 2009-2010 Hage PTA BOARD

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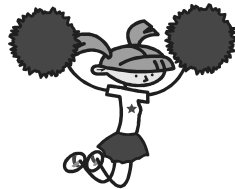
Lillian Liberto, Fall Festival

Eric Takeshita, Principal



#### ART CORPS VOLUNTEERS WANTED!!

We are still in desperate need of Art Corps volunteers!!! Parent volunteers are trained in workshops held at Hage and teach or assist in hands-on art lessons. This is a great way to get involved in your child's classroom and the success of this program depends upon parent volunteers! No experience is necessary to teach or help with the art lessons—just bring your enthusiasm! To sign up, please contact your child's teacher or Chasity Liew at (858)380-9937 or [chasityliew@yahoo.com](mailto:chasityliew@yahoo.com). Please sign up!!!



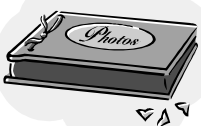
**S-P-I-R-I-T W-E-A-R!!!** We've got it! How 'bout you? Get yours today and show your Hage Spirit!! Hage spirit wear on Fridays gets you front of the line privileges at lunch! Wearing your Hage Spirit Wear on field trips is a great idea, and stylish too!

Order your spirit wear by downloading and printing the order form from [www.hagepta.com](http://www.hagepta.com) and turn it in to the office. Be HAGE PROUD and wear your spirit wear!! Questions? Email Erin Bejarano at [bejaranos@hotmail.com](mailto:bejaranos@hotmail.com).

#### COMING SOON!

The Hage PTA has several events planned for the rest of the year. Keep posted for family nights, Jog-A-Thon in the spring, Restaurant fundraisers, and a school Family Dance on April 23rd. Information for various activities will be sent home and check out [www.hagepta.com](http://www.hagepta.com) for the latest!

Our school nurse Lynda is requesting donations of shirts and particularly pants. Please bring clean and washed donations to the nurse's office or the school office. Thank you!



Preserve your child's memories at Hage and order your yearbook today! This year's 68 page fullcolor yearbook is \$20 (\$25 with personalized cover). No extra yearbooks will be available at the end of the year, so order them today to ensure your copy! If you are interested in helping out with the yearbook by taking and submitting photos or have any questions about the yearbook, please contact Amy Goldstein through the link located on the yearbook page on the Hage PTA website.