

The Kino Connection

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Thank you to everyone who attended the Book Breakfast last Saturday. We have many, many wonderful new books, which are already being enjoyed. Extra special thanks to the teachers who cooked and the musicians who entertained us. It was a fun morning!



The Kino band followed their morning with a concert at Bookman's. They played for two hours to an appreciative audience. Their next concert will be on October 24, at the Fall Festival.



Be sure to pick up the latest issue of the Tucson Green Times. (It's a free newspaper and can be found many places around town.) There's a front page article about Ethan and his wind generator.

Spotted on the white board in the Blue Room:

The potato project

1. Measure your potato
2. Name your potato
3. Find the volume of your potato
4. Poke holes in your potato
5. Bring your holey potato back to class

Celebrating Our Stewardship of Children's Memorial Park

Last year, thanks to Anna's initiative, we adopted Children's Memorial Park through the Tucson Adopt-a-Park program. Because we've done so well, the city has put up a sign recognizing our commitment.

On September 30, there will be an official ceremony with a representative from Tucson Parks and Recreation at 11:15 at the park. We'll be organizing a field trip from school so lots of students can attend and celebrate with a picnic. Parents are welcome to join us.

Helping Your Child Get the Most Out of Kino - Sept, 29, 7 pm-8 pm

Help your kids get the most out of their years here -- and help yourself understand that there is indeed quite a bit of method in what sometimes appears to be madness. Jack is presenting a series of evening discussion groups to explain progressive education, the research behind it, and parents' roles in their child's education here at Kino.

The first discussion group met last Tuesday. We all talked about what brought us to Kino, Jack naded out a reading by Alfie Kohn about how children make choices.

We'll continue to meet every Tuesday from 7 pm until 8 pm. Next Tuesday Jack plans to discuss the purposes of education.

Hooray For Aiden!

Because he has repaired the basketball hoop for us. He rewelded it and added reinforcing corners, so it should be much stronger than before.

Even though it is stronger, if you see anyone hanging on it, tell them to cut it out!

Coming Up at a Glance

Sept. 26	Library work day 9 am
Sept. 28	Yom Kippur - Gamar Chatimah Tovah
Sept. 29	Help Your Child Get the Most Out of Kino 7 - 8 pm
Sept. 30	11:15 Celebration and picnic at Childrens' Memorial Park
Oct. 15 -16	Parent / Teacher / Student conferences -- No School

Garden Party!

The best days often seem to be those when everyone gets together for a school-wide project. On Wednesday, we called off all the regular activities and everyone spent the morning gardening.



We planted artichokes, strawberries, flowers, and all kinds of vegetable seeds, in the greenhouse and out.



We started the worm farm.



We dug a deep hole through hard caliche



and planted the peach tree.



We discovered the fun you can have with some bouncy boards



We painted the greenhouse door and pruned palo verde.

Even our boom box was green -- powered by Ethan's wind generator.

