



# Fulton Falcons

*Our mission is to promote academic excellence and establish a lifelong foundation for success in a safe learning environment that is focused on the unique needs of the middle school learner as they transition from elementary school and move toward the challenges of high school.*

Chris Christensen, Principal

<http://fultonms.fvsd.ca.schoolloop.com>

May 2010

## **PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE,** *Mr. Christensen*

**C**ongratulations to Paula Halstead, the newest recipient of the District's Outstanding Service Award. Paula's ongoing service to the District includes 10 years as FVEF Director, 8 years as FVEF 2nd VP - Membership, and serving on several Foundation committees. Paula will be recognized at the May 6 board meeting, at the District Office, 7:00 p.m.

## **FULTON'S RED CROSS CLUB,** *by Tyana Bui*

On March 29 – April 2 Fulton Middle School's Red Cross Club held its 1<sup>st</sup> annual canned food drive benefiting the Southwest Community Center in Santa Ana. Dedicated club members contributed time and effort in the morning, during recess and after school by yelling, shouting, and cheering in order to persuade students to bring in anything to benefit the community. The club, which includes various 8<sup>th</sup> graders throughout the school, was the brainchild of Tyanna Bui and Ann Bui who felt the need to help within the community at large. The girls started the club because they wanted others to be involved in helping the community and recognized a need at the school. "There were really no clubs at our school that were like this, so all in all, it was just the best idea to go on with it" Said Tyanna. After the successful drive, which included eighteen boxes of canned and dry goods, the girls are excited to carry on the tradition as they enter into high school. They both hope to be involved in groups that serve the community in order to further the cause and tradition they helped to foster. They are both also excited for the legacy, which for years to come, will leave a mark on the school only adding to the spirit of goodwill and philanthropy that that Fulton holds so dear.



**PLANNING AHEAD....**

***2010 STAR TESTING***



As required by California law, the Fountain Valley School District will be participating in California's Standardized Testing and Reporting (STAR) Program.

The California Standards Tests are multiple-choice (bubble-in) tests that measure student academic achievement in reading, written language, mathematics, spelling, science (8<sup>th</sup> grade only), and social studies (8<sup>th</sup> grade only).

Parents and guardians will receive individual test results for their children in August. The California State Board of Education is scheduled to release

school, school district, and state average scores on the internet by mid August 2010 at the following web site: [www.cde.ca.gov](http://www.cde.ca.gov).

Students are scheduled to take the STAR test from May 11 to May 20, 2010. There are things that you can do to help your child do his or her best on the STAR test.

- 1. Have your child get plenty of rest the nights before testing.**
- 2. Make sure your child eats a good breakfast the days of testing.**
- 3. Encourage your child to do their best while taking the test.**

We look forward to seeing the fabulous results of our students and thank you for your continued support and assistance with making your child academically successful.

**CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

**MAY**

- 3 5th gr. Orientation, 6:30 p.m.
- 5 8th gr. Panoramic Pictures
- 11 STAR Testing Begins  
Island's Dinner (PTA) Fundraiser
- 24 Spring Music Concert, 7:00 p.m.
- 25 6th-8th Writing Assessment
- 28 Lunch on the Lawn, 12:10—12:50 p.m.
- 30 Memorial Day Holiday—No School

**JUNE**

- 1 Modified Day—FVEA Contractual Obligation  
Pep Rally
- 2 Track & Field Event @ Fulton, 9—12:30 p.m.
- 4 8th gr. 100 Service Points Deadline
- 8 8th gr. Awards Night (by invitation), 7:00 p.m.
- 10 Talent Show
- 11 Promotion Dance, 6:30—9:30 p.m.
- 15 Modified Day
- 16 Modified Day  
8th gr. Disney Trip
- 17 Modified Day—Last Day of School  
Promotion Ceremony, 9:00 a.m.  
6/7 Boomers Field Trip

**PTA NEWS, Mrs. Salamon**

The following people were elected to the 2010-2011 PTA Executive Board:

- President:** Annette Gilbert
- 1st VP - Volunteers:** Melinda Lynch
- 2nd VP - Student Store:** Patricia Hoyt
- 3rd VP - Magazine Sales:** Marlene Weinberger
- Secretary:** Carolyn Wang
- Treasurer:** Patricia Falzon
- Financial Secretary:** Open
- Historian:** Kristin Davis
- Auditor:** Mark Tonti
- Parliamentarian:** Open



**YEARBOOK SALES** :Last day to purchase yearbooks online is **May 15**. The cost is \$55.