



# HAYNES HIGHLIGHTS



Where powerful learning for the 21<sup>st</sup> century is celebrated daily!

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## September, 2011

Welcome Back to School! We especially welcome all the new kindergarten families and those who are coming to Haynes for the first time this year. We are beginning the fourteenth year since Haynes re-opened, and we are looking forward to another great year. We started off the year with great news, Haynes' API went up 11 points to **910!** We are very proud of our teachers, students and staff! Our traditional Ice Cream Social was well attended, and our teachers and staff were so elated to meet all the parents and students. We look forward to another meeting with parents at Back to School Night, October 6th. This is a very special night for adults only to learn about their child's Standards Based Instructional program, homework, projects, trips and other special grade level activities. Have a **wonderful year!**

### EARLY DISMISSAL SCHEDULE FOR 2011 -2012

Beginning Tuesday, September 13th and every Tuesday through June, students in grades K-5 will be dismissed at 1:30pm. Your child does **NOT** lose any instructional time as required by the State of California. The purpose of the early release days is for teachers' Professional Development. We hope you enjoy your afternoon with your child.

### EMERGENCY CARD

*Please complete your child's emergency card and return it to school. Especially new Students to Haynes.*

### September Dates

29 unassigned day-no school

### LOOKING FORWARD TO OCTOBER

- 6 Dismissal @ 1:55, Back to School Night
- 28 Halloween Dance
- 31 Halloween Parade Shortened Day 1:55

### Ice Cream Sales, After School

Students can buy ice cream after school Wednesdays and Fridays. Enjoy a refreshing snack while supporting your school and 5<sup>th</sup> grade activities!

### Roses to You!

Our Movie Night was a exciting evening! It was great to see so many students and parents having fun and socializing. Thanks to our Haynes PTO and our supportive community.

### KUDOS!!!

Kudos to Saul Robles for staying on top of our School's marquee, you are amazing!

### SPECIAL THANKS!

Thank you to Jason Hallock for replacing our Haynes Streets', School for Advanced Studies banner, it looks Terrific!

### Check it Out!

Be sure to check out our new school web-site @ [www.Haynesstreetschool.com](http://www.Haynesstreetschool.com). It's awesome, thanks to Steve Malm!

### District 1's FOCUS

District 1's focus this year is on improving test scores, school attendance, character education, language arts and school safety! There are six pillars of Character Education that we will emphasize this year. They are Trustworthiness, Respect, Responsibility, Fairness, Caring and Citizenship. We will have

monthly assemblies to recognize students who exhibit good character.

### Haynes PTO

Yes, Haynes has an official (PTO) Parent/Teacher organization, which is very active. The new board met this summer to begin planning and thinking how each parent can help with programs for the children. WE NEED EVERY FAMILY TO SUPPORT THE SPONSORSHIP DRIVE AND OTHER EVENTS SPONSORED BY OUR PTO!

### School Safety

As always we are very concerned about the safety of our children. We're especially concerned about traffic before and after school. Please be careful! Caution your child to cross ONLY in the CROSSWALK. Do not encourage your child to "jaywalk". The Faculty parking lot is NOT to be used to drop off students. Please do not double park or park illegally - this is a safety hazard and you may get a video ticket! Do not block or park in our neighbor's driveways. We have received calls from them complaining that they cannot leave or get into their driveways! Please do your part to keep ALL the children SAFE!

### After School Playground

We are pleased that Youth Services After School Playground will be open every day until 6:00pm. Students must be picked up by 6:00. We need your cooperation regarding after school playground pick up.