



LIGHTHOUSE
CHARTER SCHOOL

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West Sac All Charities Raffle

Our school was able to raise \$10,870! Thank you to everyone who helped sell these tickets. We couldn't have done it without you. Congratulations to TK class (Ms. Holdermann) and Kinder class (Ms. Yateem) for selling the most tickets!



I was born in Ukraine and moved to America when I was young. I grew up in Sacramento speaking both Russian and English. Growing up, I had the opportunity to travel to different countries and work with children around the world, that is where my passion for teaching sparked. In college, I studied child development and liberal studies. In 2016, I received my bachelors degree from Azusa Pacific University in Southern California and then moved back to Sacramento for my credential at CSUS. Outside of schooling, I love anything outdoors and good conversations with friends by the fire.

What can you cook to perfection? Are you willing to share the recipe?

It is tradition in my family that for every family gathering we have to have "blinchiki" (Russian crepes). They are filled with sweet cottage cheese filling made from scratch and then baked. Once they are finished baking you eat it with strawberry sauce and sour cream. They are always a hit with all the kids and adults. Growing up eating them, my grandma and mom taught me how to make them, and now its my turn to carry on this tradition.

What is one of your hidden talents?

Hula hooping. In Elementary school my P.E. teacher started a hula hooping team at school and it stuck with me through out the years. Its always fun to teach kids hula hoop tricks out on the black top and their reactions are always priceless.

Alina Poberezhnik | 1st Grade

UPCOMING EVENTS

NOVEMBER

- 12 Veteran's Day
- 12-Dec 19 Adopt a family YCCA
- 13 PTC General Meeting, 6:30-7:30 @ LCS Campus, Room 26
* Free Childcare, Room 21
- 13-16 LCS Book Fair
- 14 Chat w/ Principal Freeland, 7:45-8:30 a.m.
- 19-23 Thanksgiving Break
- 30 Kinder thru 2nd Grade Tree Lighting Performance at City Hall

DECEMBER

- TBA 1st & 2nd Grade Musical Program



Principal Chat w/ Mr. Freeland!

PTC is hosting our next chat with the Principal on Wednesday, **November 14th** from 7:45-8:30 a.m. on the Lighthouse Charter School Campus. Take this opportunity to ask questions or bring up any concerns while enjoying a cup of coffee and pastries. We look forward to seeing you there!



My name is Seth Fujii and I was born and raised in Sacramento. I love camping, watching movies, and listening to great music the best of which is Queen. I know every word to Bohemian Rhapsody and would gladly sing it for anyone that asks. I am married to my amazing wife Angelica and it has been the best three years of my life, although I do not know how she handles living with me.

This is my first year teaching so I do not have much of a history with the profession. I graduated from Sacramento State University last summer and did my student teaching at Delta Elementary Charter School. After spending a year there I knew that any school I worked for would have to have the same values and culture, so I am thrilled that I found my way to Lighthouse. The teachers and staff here have accepted me as family so quickly and truly inspire me with all the hard work they put in to everything they do. They strive to make a better community and it is apparent when you watch them work how much passion they have for what they do.

This year has been a whirlwind so far and I mean that in the best possible way. There has been so much excitement and energy from everyone on campus. I may have just started teaching, but I know that I am where I am supposed to be. I love everything about teaching the 6th grade from the curriculum to the students. The only thing that would make it better would be taking the students on a field trip to the ancient civilizations that we will be studying to explore the rich history and culture that these nations provide.

SETH FUJII | 6TH Grade

This is my first-year teaching and I'm super excited to be the 5th grade teacher here at Lighthouse. I'm originally from Placer County where I grew up in the small town of Penryn. I graduated from high school in Loomis before moving to Germany as a Rotary Youth Scholar for a year. I returned to the California a year later to attend UC Berkeley, where I was an active member in the marching band while I was there. After graduation I moved to South Korea to become an ESL teacher. What was planned to only be a year-long adventure, turned into three as I spent first two years in South Korea and then an additional year in Brazil. It was during this time that I discovered my love of teaching and made the decision to pursue a career in education. My experiences internationally have created a desire in me to introduce my students to the very diverse world that we are a part of.

If you won the lottery and decided to give up teaching, what would you do instead? I would travel around the world learning all of the languages that I possibly could!

If you could take the students on a field trip to anywhere in the world, where would you take them? I would take all of my students to Washington DC and spend a couple days exploring all of the Smithsonian museums together!

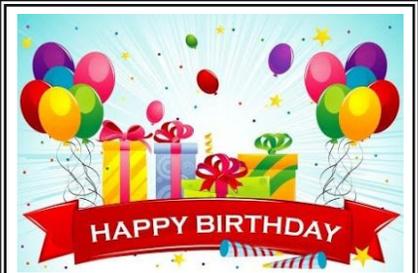
How long would you survive a zombie apocalypse? Why? My friends and I already have a very extensive zombie apocalypse plan, so I feel like we would do pretty well and be one of the last people alive. We have a secluded cabin in the woods in northern California picked out for our living destination. The cabin is close to water and food sources, up on a hill, and far away from major areas of civilization. As long as we could make it there, we would be set for a while!



FREELAND'S CORNER



Did you know that there are only 30 school days between Halloween and New Year's? This time of year is full of fun family celebrations, traditions, and travel. It's also a great time to catch up on reading with your student. Developing a love of reading at a young age is important in so many ways. Reading just 20 minutes a day can help your child significantly increase their vocabulary and help them do up to 40% better on standardized tests!! The most important reason though...it's just fun! If you haven't looked at some of the great books out there for young readers, check out the Book Fair coming November 13th – 16th, just in time for gift giving!



NOVEMBER

- 10 Seth Fujii (6th Grade)
- 18 Dina Johnson (Art & Music)

Lighthouse Charter PTC needs your help!!!

We are in constant need of volunteers who are interested and willing to help. Please email Lighthouse-charterPTC@gmail.com. Thank you!