

**September 2009**

# Host Nation News

## **VOLKSMARCH GRAFENWOEHR**

### **Where are your hiking boots?**

You may want to start looking for them in the next few days, because on **8 October 2009** we are going on the **Grafenwoehr Volksmarch**. All students 2-5 will be participating - and we hope that many parents will be joining us, as well.

**Volksmarching is free - if you want that trophy, a Bavarian Lion in traditional outfit, however, you'll need to send EUR 3.80 to your child's teacher. Both money for all trophies and permission slips need to be at school**

**NLT 6 October 2009.**

**Please, do NOT send any Dollars - only EUR's will be accepted !!**

**All students 2-5 and MA will be hiking 10/or 5 km downtown Grafenwoehr**

**K and 1 will be walking to Dickhaeuter Lake on post**

K students will leave the building at 10.00 and walk to Dickhaeuter Lake on post. After sack lunch and

games at the lake, they will come back to school. At the gym, they will pick up their trophies.

**Grade 1** will leave the school building at 9.00 hrs and walk to Dickhaeuter Lake. After lunch and some games at the lake, they will come back to school. There, they will pick up their trophies in the gym and will also be able to purchase German food sold by the Grafenwoehr hiking club (see the list at the end of the letter).

**Grade 2** will leave the school building at 8.45 hrs. They will be going down to the German Youth Center, which is their starting point and their finish.

**Grades 3- 4** will leave the building at 9.15 hrs heading for the Youth Center, which is also their starting point and finish.

**Grade 5** will be in class until 9.30 hrs and then get on their trail.

Our **MA class** will be leaving the building at 9.45 and then start their 5 km walk off post.

**All students will be back in school by 14.30 hrs at the latest. Off post students will then be bused home on regular routes and walkers will walk home.**

Students who do not participate will stay back in school with teacher supervision.

### **What to bring - What not to bring !!**

**Bring:** sack lunch and drinks, rainwear, tissues, backpack, EUR 5,- (optional) in pouch/wallet for a German sandwich, Bratwurst, and/or

drink at the Youth Center,  
comfortable shoes,  
sweats/jeans, sweat shirt, T-  
shirt

**Pack extra snacks. Last year  
some of the smaller children  
could have used extra  
snacks.**

**DON'T bring:** toys, games, walkmen,  
gum, books

**DRESS IN LAYERS AND BE  
PREPARED FOR WET WEATHER.  
THE WEATHER IN GERMANY IS  
VERY UNPREDICTABLE.  
CHILDREN MAY WANT TO WEAR  
A HAT AND BRING A PAIR OF  
GLOVES/ MITTENS.**

**Chaperoning parents need to be in  
their children's classrooms at :**

Kindergarten	9.45 hrs
Grades 1	8.45 hrs
Grade 2	8.30 hrs
Grades 3/4 -	9.00 hrs
Grade 5 -	9.15 hrs

We appreciate parent volunteers. We look forward to as many of you as possible joining us for a great day. **However, we cannot take siblings (younger or older) or pets.**



The time you donate towards this study trip contributes to a great learning experience for all children and teaches them many new aspects of their Host Nation country.

*Vielen Dank !!*

**Just in: Prices for snacks at the Youth Center will be**

Sodas EUR 1.20

Sandwich EUR 1.20

Bratwurst in Broetchen EUR 1.80

Mineral water EUR 1.00, cake EUR 0.50



For questions and concerns feel free to call me at 475-7133. If I'm in class, I'll be happy to call you back.

For the principal  
Elfriede Kean

Each student will have to return a **permission slip** signed by a parent **otherwise the student will not be able to participate.** Please send along the trophy money (if you choose to buy a trophy for your child) to your child's teacher.