



WEDNESDAY WAVE

The Daves Avenue Elementary School Weekly Newsletter

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Important Dates

November

- 3 **H&SC Meeting**, 7:00 PM, MU
- 8 **Bookmobile Visit**
- 11 **Veteran's Day - NO SCHOOL**
- 14 **LGUSD Board Meeting**, 6:30 PM, District Office
- 14-18 **Parent/Teacher Conference Week - MINIMUM DAYS**
- 14-18 **Book Fair** 8:00 AM-6:00 PM
- 21-25 **Thanksgiving Break - NO SCHOOL**

December

- 2 **H&SC Meeting**, 8:30 AM, MU
- 6 **ABC Reader Meeting**, 8:20 AM, RM B
- 6 **Bookmobile Visit**
- 12 **LGUSD Board Meeting**, 6:00 PM, District Office
- 21 **Staff Appreciation Luncheon**, 12:30 PM, Breakroom
- 23-31 **Winter Break - NO SCHOOL**

January

- 1-6 **Winter Break - NO SCHOOL**

MU = Daves Multi-Use Room

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Daves Avenue:

It's hard to believe, but we're wrapping-up the first trimester and Parent/Teacher Conferences are just around the corner. They will be held the week of November 14th – 18th. Restructured days have been calendared for that week with students in grades 1-5 being dismissed at 12:10. The kindergarten classes will follow the AM kindergarten schedule Monday through Friday and be released at 11:30. All teachers sent home scheduling information. Please be sure to respond and schedule your conference as soon as possible.

Parent/Teacher Conferences provide an opportunity for parents and teachers to share information that will promote social/emotional development and academic achievement. Both parties bring their own expertise to the meeting. As parents, you are extremely knowledgeable about your child. You understand what motivates them: their strengths, challenges, and dreams. Teachers bring important information about learning styles, age appropriate skills, developmental milestones, peer relationships, and an understanding of where your child is on their educational journey.

In order to maximize the value of the home/school connection for student learning, consider these tips for a successful conference:

1. Prior to the meeting, ask your child questions, such as, "What is your favorite subject?" "In which subject would you like to improve?" "In what subject have you learned the most so far this year?" Also, ask your child if he or she has any concerns they want you to discuss with the teacher.
2. Look over recent assignments and test grades so that you know how your child is progressing.
3. At the conference, ask the teacher questions to better understand your child's progress and needs. "What is my child particularly good at doing?" "Are there things my child is reluctant to try right now?" "Are there things that he or she does that surprise you?"
4. Be open to suggestions from the teacher. Check to see if there are things you can do at home to help your child be more prepared for school.

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5. Share positive comments about your child and their experiences at school.
6. Expect to hear about something your child will be challenged to improve.
7. Share any concerns so the teacher can understand your child, along with any relevant information that may point to a solution.
8. Since conferences are tightly scheduled, please arrive promptly.

As a parent, you are your child's first and most important teacher. Upon conclusion of the conference, be sure to share with your child what you learned and discuss how you will continue to help with learning at home. Also, ask for his or her suggestions.

Thank you for taking the time to thoughtfully prepare and actively participate in your child's *Parent/Teacher Conference*. We are whole-heartedly committed to building a strong home/school partnership to ensure your child's ongoing growth and success.

Warm regards,

Iqbal Chadda

Principal, Daves Avenue Elementary

HOME & SCHOOL CLUB MEETING

The Daves Avenue Home & School Club hopes you can come to the November meeting TOMORROW NIGHT, Thursday 11/3 at 7pm in the MU. With special guests second grade teacher Rebecca Setziol and Superintendent Diana Abbati. All are welcome!

BOOK FAIR



**November 14th - 18th, 2015 8AM to 6PM in the Daves Library
With Sneak Peek (and shopping!) Thursday, Nov 10th**

The Daves Avenue Book Fair happens during conference week twice a year. Buying books at the Fair supports our Library, as part of the proceeds come back to us! Think about those favorites your child and family likes to re-read as these make great holiday gifts! And if your child's favorite is not at the Fair, we can order it (it usually comes in a week or less!)*.

A few tips:

- Shop during school and surprise your child with a new book!
- **25% of the proceeds** of the books sold at the fair go back to Daves Avenue Library! - It is an amazing source of funding!
- If your child is enjoying a book their teacher is reading aloud in class, note that these books are targeted at the class' *listening level*, so be ready to have this book be a family read aloud.
- **Cash, Check and Credit Card** are accepted!
- Right after school is typically the busiest time, but now we have two registers!

* To order books, make a wish list with your child and either email our lovely librarian, **Amy Goldsmith**, or drop by the library and Mrs. G will process your order.

See you at the Fair!



Calling all ONE and DONE Benefactors!

As a Thank You for your continued and exceedingly generous support of Daves Avenue, the Home & School Club would like to invite all **ONE and DONE** Benefactors to our annual Benefactor Luncheon on November 10th!

Please join us for a "behind the scenes" tour to see your dollars in action, followed by lunch with Principal Chadda.

If you haven't yet contributed, but would still like to be a **ONE and DONE** Benefactor, you can do so by clicking [here](#)! To be a part of this special event you need to donate before November 5th!



If you have questions about **ONE and DONE** or our Benefactor Luncheon please contact **Danielle Rooney**.

Earn money for our H&SC while saving energy!

DAVES FAMILIES, FREE MONEY FOR DAVES IS A LIGHT SWITCH AWAY!!!

In a free-to-me partnership with OhmConnect, Daves Avenue has created a "team" through which the school can earn free money just by families reducing electricity consumption at home when alerted during peak energy hours.

Visit this link: <https://ohm.co/bf59a9> for the Daves Avenue team page. Have your PG&E online account username and password ready to use in the registration process. This allows OhmConnect to access ONLY the Smart Meter on the side of your house, to measure your energy consumption against their prediction for your house.

Right now Ohm Connect is offering a **\$40 sign-up bonus for our school for all new registered users**, PLUS each family earns \$150 per year on average. That means Daves could earn nearly \$10,000 if we get a whole bunch of families to sign up!

Do it now so we can earn more money! We already got a check for \$500 just based on 7 families signed up since March 2016 - lets make it great!!!

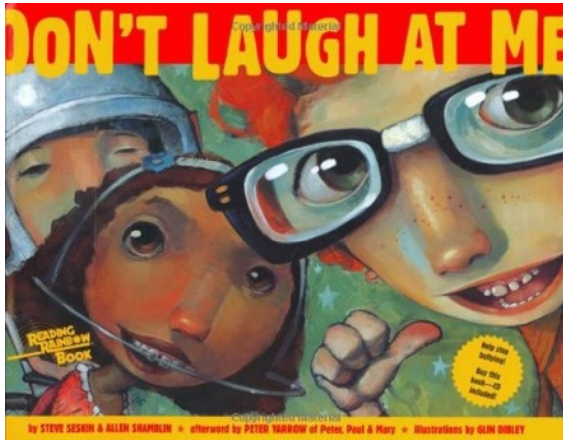
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CORNERSTONE CORNER



Don't Laugh at Me started as a song written by Allen Shamblin and Steve Seskin. The inspiration for this song was Allen Shamblin's daughter. She came home from school one day to share that she had been teased because she has freckles. This month, ABC Readers will be sharing and discussing the book of the same title, comprised of Shamblin and Seskin's lyrics along with the illustrations of Glin Dibley.

Don't Laugh at Me, promotes acceptance and understanding of individual differences. There are opportunities to talk about how to be an UPstander for oneself and others, express tolerance for others, reach out to others with intentional acts of caring, or learn about peaceful conflict resolution.

Kid Conversation Starter: Talk with your child about their ideas for how to show family, friends and neighbors that they care (intentional acts of caring). Choose one or two to do together.

Tip: When you "catch" kids modeling positive behavior...Notice it, Name it, and Celebrate it!

For more information about Project Cornerstone, contact **Michele Grancell** or **Kristen Kinczel**

SUPPORT DAVES WHILE HOLIDAY SHOPPING



There are quite a few ways to support Daves Avenue this holiday season! Here are two small things you can do that will make a big difference!

1. **Enroll in amazonsmile!** Just go to smile.amazon.com and enter "Daves Avenue Home and School Club" as the charity you are supporting. From then on, just remember to shop at smile.amazon.com and a percentage of your purchase will always come back to Daves!
2. **Enroll in escrip!** Escrip (escrip.com) is another great way to support Daves while shopping for everyday things. Register a credit, debit, or rewards card and then use that card while shopping at Lunardis, Safeway, and other participating local stores. A percentage of your total purchase will come back to Daves.
3. Don't want to register a card? Not to worry! Just go to [escrip Mall](http://escrip.com) and purchase items off the links there. Each time you go to a store website through the [escrip mall](http://escrip.com) link and make a purchase, you are sending money back to Daves! They have a ton of online stores to choose from (Apple, Anthropologie, J.Crew, FTD Flowers, Crate&Barrel, jetblue and many, many more!)

When you sign up for [escrip](http://escrip.com), remember to enter our **Daves Avenue Group ID: 139887055**

For more detailed information on these two programs and many more like them, please visit <http://davesavehsc.org/free2me>

Thanks for all your support!

THANK YOU! - 14th ANNUAL DAVES AVENUE FUN WALK



The Fun Walk was a huge success and we are busy tallying up all the pledges. If you forgot to turn your pledge envelopes in please do so this week to the Fun Walk box in the office!

Thank you again to our sponsor:



Grades of Green Club at Daves Avenue!

The Grades of Green Club is an after school club for students who want to keep our planet clean and healthy!

Who: All students in grades 3-5 (their younger siblings who attend Daves may also join them)

What: Activities will include student-led idea generation for trash sorting, environmental contests on campus, planning for an upcoming Campus Beautification Day, making signs and promotions for our Trash-Free Tuesdays, and more!! STUDENTS WILL BE THE DRIVING FORCE OF OUR ENVIRONMENTAL AWARENESS!!

When: Fall session - Thursdays 2:45-3:30pm for 8 weeks starting October 13th (no meeting 11/16, 11/23)

Where: Lunch tables on the playground

Please email **Lisa Hanson** to register and ask any questions you may have. This is a Home & School Club sanctioned club, and the fee is \$50 per semester per child. If this is a hardship, please email **Lisa Hanson**. Please bring a check payable to Daves Avenue Home & School Club for \$50 per student participating.

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Grades of Green Team**



Educating the Whole Child

Our children deserve a high-quality education.

A high quality education goes beyond standard academics. But Los Gatos schools lack required funding when compared to similar districts. LGEF helps “fill the gap” with 2016-2017 programs for art, music, counseling and science that educate the whole child.



LGEF Mission

Los Gatos Education Foundation raises essential funds that ensure our children receive high quality programs and resources vital to their education.

Please Support LGEF

There is NO REASON Los Gatos should lag behind.

Donate to LGEF today and your children will benefit all year long.



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Where Will Your Feet Take You

We've made it to Chicago, IL, the birthplace of Walt Disney and the home of the Cubs. LGUSD and the Los Gatos community has stepped over 5 million steps and traveled close to 2200 miles. Turn in your step count logs for October this week. Keep walking and rolling along in November. We are almost to Washington, D.C. Need a new log? Find one at www.lgusd.org.



Parent's Night Out Childcare

Friday, November 4th

6:15pm-10:00pm * \$20 per child (2 years and older)

Drop off your kids and go have fun while the kids enjoy some games and crafts at Clubhouse! Everyone is welcome! Parents Night Out is welcome to all students and siblings that are potty trained. Games (flashlight game, indoor crafts), Dinner, and movie will be provided. Go on to LGS Recreation website. Under the YOUTH tab is special events and activities. Then you will click Special Events and Holidays. Here is also a direct link to the Parent's Night Out. <http://www.lgsrecreation.org/youth/specialevents/> We are no longer taking paper forms. We need 12 students minimum to have it held. Thank you and hope to see more kids attend our fun Parent's Night Out! Questions? Please contact Daves Avenue Clubhouse at 408-335-2223



Are you a H&SC Committee Chair, Daves Teacher or Administrator, or Community representative? Do you have school-related news or events you want the Daves community to know about? Submit your item by **Friday at noon** to the Wednesday Wave editors at wednesdaywave@gmail.com. Items should be in text (email, Word, Pages, etc.) format, not in PDF or other image file type.

The Wednesday Wave is approved by the H&SC Board and Principal Iqbal Chadda for posting to the Daves Avenue and H&SC web sites on Wednesday, with an email link sent to parents the same day.

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