The Wednesday Wave

Daves Avenue Elementary School Newsletter

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The Mission of Daves Avenue Elementary School, as the premier school site of leaders, learners and teachers, is to create a community of life-long learners and productive contributors to an ever changing society.

Click here to access this week's information from our School, District and Community partners!

Click here to make your H&SC One and Done donation!

Important Dates

January

28 **School Site Council Meeting** Daves Library, 3-4pm

29-31 **Peter Panic Performances,** Blossom Hill School

February

1 **Kinder registration packets available**

2 **ABC Reader Training** 8:15am, Room B

4 **H&SC Meeting,** 8:30am, MU

4-6 **Peter Panic Performances,** Blossom Hill School

8 **Kindergarten Registration Opens**

8 **Author's Day Book Sales** (to Feb 25th)

8 **LGEF Board Meeting,** 7pm, Fisher Library

9 **Bingo Night,** 6pm - 8pm, MU

15-19 **February Recess - NO SCHOOL**

22 **District Board Meeting,** 6:30pm, District Office

25 **School Site Council Meeting** Daves Library, 3-4pm

29 - March 4 **Conference Week** Minimum Days all Week

March

1 **ABC Reader Training**, 8:15am, Room B

3 **H&SC Meeting**, 8:30am, MU

7 **District Board Meeting**, 6:30pm, District Office

10-11 **Science Fair**, MU

14 **LGEF Board Meeting**, 7pm, District Office

19 **Cool Cat Auction Event** 6:30pm, Testarossa Winery

24 **Author's Day**

Principal's Message

Dear Daves Avenue Families,

Please join me in celebrating the entire Daves Avenue community! On Thursday of last week, we were honored to host the Silicon Valley Math Initiative's Open House. We were asked to host as a result of our hard work in the area of math instruction through the Lesson Study process. Lesson study is a form of professional development in which teachers immerse themselves in a cycle of instructional improvement focused on planning, observing, and revising "research lessons." The Silicon Valley Mathematics Initiative supports a number of teams of teachers to use the lesson study model. Teams of teachers collaborate with a math coach to research, plan, teach and/or observe, and analyze mathematics lessons.

To date, four of our six teams have undergone this process in a short year and a half window of time. We were proud to have our own **Elisabeth Brown** and **Billy Martin** teach a lesson to students in front of 60 educators from multiple districts throughout Santa Clara and San Mateo counties. We received positive feedback from not only from representatives of the Initiative but from all teachers in attendance.

Student achievement is always positively affected when teachers engage in cycles of continuous improvement. Just like the students, our learning is never done!

Warmly,

Kit Bragg
Principal, Daves Avenue School
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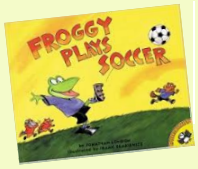
SCHOOL NEWS

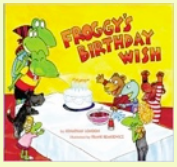
Author's Day is Coming!
March 24th

We are excited to announce that **Jonathan London** and **Tony Abbott** will be coming to Daves Avenue. Jonathan London of the Froggy series will be visiting kindergarten through second grades, and Tony Abbott of The Secrets of Droon series will be hanging out with our third to fifth graders on Thursday, **March 24th.**

The book sale will start **Feb. 8th** and run until **Feb. 25th.** The online order form will be ready soon.

If you have any questions, please contact **Vivian Gabel** - vivianlgabel@gmail.com





This event is generously sponsored by:

Blossom Hill and Daves Avenue Schools Proudly Present

Peter Panic

A Musical Comedy that reminds us to follow our dreams is here!! Peter Panic is a fun, whimsical musical presented by our very own Blossom Hill and Daves Avenue students. This refreshingly clever and fun homage to the original classic is full of heart and will remind both the young and the young-at-heart to always follow their dreams!

Tickets Now on Sale!
Purchase tickets online at:

Jolly Roger	Neverland	London
Fri. 1/29, 7pm	Sat. 1/30, 3pm	Sat. 1/30, 7pm
Thu. 2/4, 6pm	Sun. 1/31, 2pm	Fri. 2/5, 7pm
Sat. 2/6, 11am	Sat. 2/6, 7pm	Sat. 2/6, 3pm

www.seatyourself.biz/blossomhill
Cast list and other play information available at: **Peter Panic**

Questions? Please contact **Kim Simon or Elizabeth Adams**, Daves Avenue Producers at **dabhplay@gmail.com**.

FAMILY BINGO NIGHT!

Tuesday, February 9th, 2016
Doors open at 6pm for dinner
Bingo starts at 6:30pm
in the Daves Avenue Multi-Use Room

Adult and Fisher Student Volunteers and Donations are needed

Please sign up here to donate prizes or baked goods, or to volunteer.

Pre-order your pizzas and salads now! **Click Here**

Questions? Contact **Isabel Guerra**, Bingo Night Chair

SCHOOL NEWS

Important Dates for Kinder Registration for the 2016-2017 School Year!

Kindergarten and Transitional Kindergarten Registration Packets Distributed:
2/1/2016 (school offices and online)

Kindergarten Eligible	DOB on or before 9/1/2011
Transitional Kindergarten Eligible:	DOB from 9/2/2011 - 12/2/2011
Begin accepting TK and Kinder packets:	**2/8/16 at 8am, School Offices**
TK and Kinder Parent Orientation:	5/11/16
First Day of 2016 - 2017 school year:	8/18/16

Enrollment packets for 1st - 5th grade will be available at the district office or online on February 1st.
Completed Enrollment packets for 1st - 5th grade can be turned in to the District Office on February 8th.

Daves Avenue Inaugural Science Fair

Get your science on!
Meet us at 2:30pm at the Flag Pole this Friday to sign up!

Science Fair programs are awesome and can generate all sorts of amazing results from inspiring and engaging projects. This year's **Daves Avenue Science Fair will be held on March 10th and 11th** and is open to all Daves Avenue students. Be on the lookout for information packets being sent home with registration forms, resources to help your child choose an appropriate topic, and additional information regarding this year's fair.

Please be an advocate for scientific exploration and encourage your child to sign up! **Registration will be open until February 11th**.

For more information, or to answer any questions you may have, please look for tables in front of the school at pickup this Friday.

Need Gently Used Clothing

Our school nurse is in need of new or gently used boys and girls clothing to keep in the office for children who need an emergency change of clothes. We are in search of underwear, pants, shorts, shirts, sweatshirts, and socks.

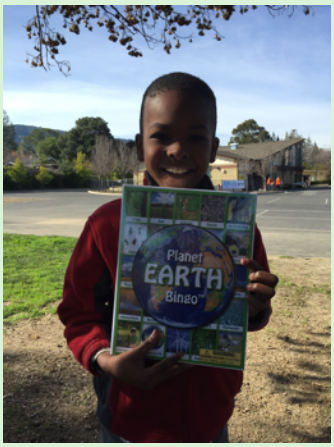
Please bring in any donations to the office. Any and all donations are appreciated!

The Daves Avenue Green Team is proud to announce this week's

Trash Free Tuesday Winners!

Congratulations to our two Trash Free Tuesday (TFT) raffle winners:

- **Xavier** (3rd Grade, Larkin)
- **Nick** (4th Grade McCullough)



To learn about TFT and how to pack a trash free lunch visit: www.davesavehsc.org.

Way to save the environment!

daves avenue GREEN team

Cool Cat Auction Presents:

Tuscan Nights

March 19th, 2016 at Testarossa Winery (make sure you are saving that date!)

Formerly known as the Circus, this is the annual fundraiser for our Home & School Club. If you have never been to our annual fundraiser, this is the one to go to.

Invitations will be going out next week for online sign-up. There is a minimal fee per person, which includes food, dancing, and wine service for the first three hours of the event. We are very excited about some of our features this year.

- Online Auction System (see all of the potential items in advance)
- Live and Silent Auction (Some great donations have already come in)
- Party Sign-Up's (Same Great Parties, Some New Great Parties)
- Wine Pull (Feeling Lucky?)
- Barrel of Fun (We can't say anymore about this)
- And more!!!!!!

We are still looking for some people to help us on our committee. I'm looking for individuals to:
1) Help manage our check-in/out system
2) Help with some immediate graphic design needs (photoshop literate)
3) Help secure auction items
4) Develop a Fund the Need video

Intrigued? Contact **Jeff Milde**, Cool Cat Auction Chair or give him a shout at 408-656-3112.

DONATIONS:

At the Cool Cat Auction there will be a variety of auction items to bid on and we need your help to make it a success.

- **Would you be able to donate something from your business?**
- **Do you have a timeshare to donate?**

Any goods or services will be considered! Your donation is tax deductible and goes a long way to improving our children's education. 100% of your contribution will directly benefit the students. Contact **Jeff**!

LGEF: Serving Blossom Hill, Daves Avenue, Lexington, Van Meter, and RJ Fisher schools since 1982.

LGEF Education Update

January 27, 2016

SCIENCE
MUSIC
ART
SOCIAL EMOTIONAL LEARNING

The latest news on LGEF and the programs your donations make possible.

$225,000 TO GO - WE NEED YOUR SUPPORT TODAY

JANUARY 29th Deadline Only Two Days Away!

Dear Parents and Guardians,

I appealed to you last week to help LGEF raise $300,000 by Jan. 29. We thank those who responded for their generosity.

As of the writing of this article, we have $225,000 to go. If you have not yet donated, it is urgent that you do so today.

LGEF programs support your child's science, music, art and social-emotional learning programs. Since all students benefit from these programs, we ask all families for their support.

With 100% parent participation, LGEF can reach its goal.

We appreciate your support, and look forward to thanking donors in a **special Thank You issue of LGEF Education Update** in February.

Don't delay. Donate today!

All The Best,

Nick Goddard, President of LGEF
president@lgef.org

LET'S BE GREAT! TOGETHER, WE EDUCATE.

LGEF
Los Gatos Education Foundation

Visit lgef.org or find us on Facebook and Twitter. For general questions, e-mail us at

DISTRICT NEWS

Los Gatos - Monte Sereno
Safe Routes to School

An Information Night:
VisionZero and
Student and Traffic Safety in Los Gatos

Thursday, February 11, 2016
7:00 - 8:30pm
Blossom Hill Elementary School Multi Purpose Room
16400 Blossom Hill Road

Vision Zero (www.visionzeroinitiative.com) is a multi-national road safety project that aims to achieve a highway system with no fatalities or serious injuries in road traffic to drivers, passengers, bicyclists or pedestrians. Come here Colin Heyen of the Silicon Valley Bicycle Coalition talk about this project and learn what is being done in Los Gatos and the surrounding communities. This event is held in collaboration with the School District, Town of Los Gatos, the Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Commission, the Los Gatos-Monte Sereno Police Department, the Los Gatos-Monte Sereno Safe Routes to School and the Transportation and Parking Commission.

For further information, contact **Karen Briones** kbriones@lgusk.k12.ca.us

Art of Love Luncheon
Tuesday, February 2nd, 2016
11:30 am
at Nick's Next Door
11 College Avenue, Los Gatos
for tickets: **www.artdocents.com**

Art Docents of Los Gatos, Inc.

Mark your calendars for our Valentine Lunch Fundraiser at the fabulous **Nick's Next Door on February 2nd**. What a great way to show your love to someone special and support art in the schools at the same time. $30 from your ticket will go to the Art Docents of Los Gatos. Gift baskets will also be available for purchase.

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Daves Avenue Home & School Club

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 Kit Bragg for posting to the Daves Avenue and H&SC web sites on Wednesday, with an email link sent to parents the same day.

The Wednesday Wave Newsletter is written exclusively to provide the Daves Avenue community with school information. Articles, information, calendars, etc. may not be duplicated or re-printed in any manner without the permission of the Home and School Club or the Daves Avenue school administration.

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