

# **WEDNESDAY WAVE**

The Daves Avenue Elementary School Weekly Newsletter

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## **Important Dates**

#### May

31 Picnic & Pops, FisherMiddle School Large Gym

#### June

- 5th Grade Party, Saratoga Springs
- 2 Amazing Race, 2nd/3rd Grade
- 5 **Amazing Race,** 4th/5th Grade
- 3 Laser Tag & Lemon Drops(Auction Sign-up Party)
- 7 **School Wide Dance**, 8:15am
- 7 Disco Dance Party(Auction Sign-up Party)
- 8 Last Day of School! MINIMUM DAY
- 14 School Office Closed for Summer Will re-open on August 7th.

## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

#### Dear Parents/Guardians:

As the year comes to a close, and we are sending your families off to enjoy the summer, I would like to take the time to thank each of you for sharing your children with us this year. I have been honored to have joined the Daves community this year. It has been an experience filled with events that have brought us closer together as a community. I would also like to thank you for your ongoing support throughout the year. Daves could not offer such a rich education to our students without the continuing effort and support that you all give.

The entire community appreciates the dedication of the Home and School Club members led by Carolyn Harnish this past year. Her genuine interest in every child's education was evident throughout the year and the students benefitted from her leadership. We appreciate and thank all our volunteers for the countless hours involved in so many of the behind the scenes activities to support our school.

I would like to thank the staff for their dedication and commitment to providing an academically challenging experience for your children. The teachers have provided rich learning activities in caring classroom environments. Also, thank you to our wonderful support staff. You have consistently demonstrated a high degree of dedication and handled the incredible demands (and interruptions) with kindness, skill, and efficiency. We are indeed fortunate to have such caring people work with our children each day.

I would especially like to thank the students for their hard work, enthusiasm, and creativity they brought with them to school each day. It seems like it was yesterday when we were welcoming them to the new year.

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Students learned to work together, read, took on new challenges to solve problems, explored scientific principles, performed in plays, invented new games, and grappled with understanding new mathematical concepts. They were busy! We were busy! They had fun! We had fun! We can't believe it is time to bring the year to a close.

Sadly, it brings us to the time of the year to say farewell to some of our families. Our Fifth graders and their parents will head into Fisher, and some families are moving to take on new challenges in other parts of the world. We would like to take this opportunity to wish those students and families leaving us this year all the best in their new schools and homes. For those of you returning to us next year, school will begin bright and early on August 17<sup>th</sup>. The staff and I will be ready to welcome your children back with the enthusiasm each new year brings.

I wish you and your family a safe and enjoyable summer filled with rest, relaxation, and great adventures. Sincerely,

#### Iqbal Chadda

Principal, Daves Avenue Elementary

## **OhmConnect - Save Energy & Get Paid!**

### Daves Avenue! Help the environment and raise BIG MONEY for the school FOR FREE.

Daves partners with OhmConnect to get cash for Daves by having our school families conserve electricity at home during high-use energy times, with alerts called "Ohm Hours". You simply load your smart devices into their system OR manually turn them off for 1 hour when alerted - they tell you a day ahead of time when the Ohm Hour will be. We raised nearly \$1,000 this year from 12 families, and now we are up to 22 families - if you register then we will possibly generate thousands of dollars over the summer (by turning off your AC or car charger or pool pump for 1 little tiny hour).

It is super easy. You don't need to do all of them, there are 2-4 per week it seems. You'll need your online user ID for PG&E when you register. OhmConnect can only see the activity on the smart meter on your home, it cannot see your banking information or other personal details. Use OhmConnect's energy service to "Save Energy & Get Paid" Click here to get started: <a href="https://ohm.co/davesav1">ohm.co/davesav1</a>

Brought to you by the Daves Avenue Green Team! Contact <u>Lisa Hanson</u> for help!



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#### Mrs. Ellis' Farewell PE notice!

Dear Parents,

This past two weeks I handed out the K-3 Mileage Club awards. Mileage Club is offered weekly, for grades 1-3, during Friday lunch. For each mile the kids run (4 laps), they earn a 'foot token' to go on a chain. Kindergarten have a structured Mileage Club during PE whilst everyone else either chooses to run, for fun, or their teachers tally the miles they run during their classroom breaks. Different award tokens are given for the mile, for a marathon and for filling up their running tally card (32 miles). The main categories are; the most miles run in their grade; the most miles run by a student in all the participating grades and finally the most miles run by a class as a whole. Here are the results for the 2016/17 year.

#### **CONGRATULATIONS EVERYONE**

#### First Grade

Most miles run: 13 miles each! Catalina, Arshan and Chloe all in Ms. Pescatore's class. Jack in Ms. LeMenager's class.

#### **Second Grade**

Most miles run: 32 miles!

#### **Third Grade**

Most miles run: 79 miles, including 3 Marathons! Cyrus in Mrs. Larkin's class.

### Most miles run by a student in grades 1-3

Cyrus is Mrs. Larkin's class for 79 miles!

#### Most miles run as a class

Congratulations Mrs. Larkin's classroom for running a total of 899 miles throughout the school year!

We've had some pretty rough weather this year for PE, but the kids were adaptable at the many last second decisions made and we created multiple new games dependent upon weather and room conditions.

If any of you have a batting cage or just like to play baseball, please send your kids to see me as I have collected a record number of baseballs from our field this year! Please send them with a labelled bag which they will fill, and leave in the front office until the end of the school day.

Finally, I would like to announce that this will be my final year teaching your wonderful

children. It was not an easy decision but the stars seemed to line up and tell me it was time. I've been lucky enough to complete two, five year 'terms' as the Daves Ave PE coach and it been my joy and pleasure to do so. I know I will see many of the students around town as I still do with my first Daves students who are now turning 28 years old!

I wish you all a happy summer.

Yours in health, Sally Ellis PE



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#### **Back to School Coffee**

#### Thursday, August 17th at 8:15am

#### in the Multi-Purpose Room

Join the Home & School Club for our annual Back to School Coffee! Parents, this is your opportunity to learn more about the activities available to your student, about the programs H&SC supports, and how you can help the Daves Avenue students and staff. Sign up for volunteer opportunities during this fun event. Younger siblings are welcome.

Questions?
Please contact Heather Regoli,
Back to School Coffee Chair

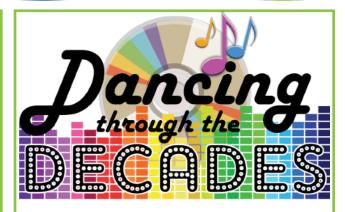


Early August you will receive a mailing from the **Home & School Club** with important information

about the upcoming school year and links to the forms and details you'll need to start the year off right!



Don't forget that there is NO NEED to buy school supplies this summer, as the H&SC will be coordinating with teachers to provide the necessary supplies for all students! A Summer version of the **Wednesday Wave** will also come out around that time with additional details to get you ready for a great 2017/18 school year.



#### **NEXTWEDNESDAY!**

Get Ready to Dance! Your kids can join teachers, Mrs. Setziol, Mrs. Spencer, Mrs. Mahoney, Ms. Young and Mrs. LeMenager for an afternoon of dancing. They will learn three dances from different decades and are welcome to dress the part – 50s poodle skirt, 60s hippie or 80s rocker!

The cost is \$25 per child and includes pizza lunch, drinks and dessert. Students in **1st through 5th grades** are welcome to attend. Younger Daves Ave siblings can sign-up as well.

LAST CHANCE: Don't miss out on the opportunity for your child to "Dance Through the Decades" - sign-up today!

#### **SIGN-UP HERE!**

Your entire admission price comes directly back to our kids at Daves Avenue! Thank you for your support!

## **FunVisor's "Daves Amazing Race"**

It is time for Daves Ave "Amazing Race" which will be held on June 2nd (2nd/3rd grades) and June 5th (1st grade and 4th/5th) during lunch. The kids had an absolute blast doing this last year, we are excited to bring it back this year, but we need your help!!

Please sign up to volunteer at

http://signup.com/go/ELyHPE or email Lani Harr.



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## **Picnic and Pops**

A fun evening of popular music played by our LGUSD students.

Wednesday, May 31 4:30-8:00pm

#### Schedule of events

All performances in Large Gym

4:30-5:00 Fifth Grade Honor Ensembles

5:10-5:30 Open Band & Women's Choir

5:40-6:10 Open Strings & Open Choir

6:20-7:00 Concert Band & Intermediate Orchestra & Percussion Ensemble

7:10-7:30 Advanced Orchestra & Mixed Choir

7:40-8:00 Symphonic Band & "Sing" A Cappella Choir

#### Pizza My Heart Meal Options

\$10 choose one:

One slice, small salad, one drink

Two slices, one drink

\$1 baked goods

\$1 chips

\$1 drinks

All proceeds support the Fisher music programs

### **Memory Book Distribution & Sales**



Memory books will be distributed on **Monday June 5th** 

If you forgot to order a book, don't worry, we have ordered a number of extra copies and will be selling books at the end of the school year.

Books sales will be held **after school**:

\*Monday June 5<sup>th</sup> Outside of office

\*Wednesday June 7th Kindergarten area

Books are \$20, cash or check.

Not sure if your student will be getting a book or wondering if you ordered one? Please contact **Laura Walker**.

# 2017/2018 OPEN CHAIR POSITIONS



One of the many reasons our Daves Avenue community is such a special place is because of our dedicated parent volunteers! We are still looking for a few people to help Chair or Co-Chair events or programs next year.

Please have a look at the open positions...

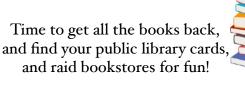
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FUNVISOR CHAIR
GREEN TEAM CO-CHAIR
PARENTING CONTINUUM
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Spread the word...

## **WE NEED YOUR HELP!**

If you are interested in getting involved and would like more information about any of these positions, please contact <u>Danielle Rooney!</u>

## A Message from Ms. G It's that time of year...



Books were due last week, please return any remaining books, immediately.

## School Wide Dance!



Daves Avenue's Annual school-wide dance will happen **Wednesday, June 7 at 8:15 a.m.** on the blacktop... Check out the videos on our Facebook page for past years' dances... this is a MUST SEE event!

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## 2016-2017

**Fundraising Campaign** 

## Avnet Donates \$10,000 to LGEF



Kristin Owens, Director of Strategic Marketing at Avnet (and current LGEF President) hands the check to LGEF Executive Director Deborah Weinstein.

The LGEF Business Partner program is delighted to announce that Avnet, Inc. has donated \$10,000 to LGEF.

Avnet, a Fortune 500 company, helps thousands of design engineers, entrepreneurs, start-ups and OEMS around the world navigate the product innovation and technology lifecycle.

And now Avnet is helping support the education of the children of Los Gatos. Thank you Avnet!



#### LGEF Business Outreach

The LGEF Business Partner Program is actively reaching out to the business community to encourage them to assist local education. If you know a company that would like to support LGEF (and get some visibility for their business) please encourage them to contact Deborah Weinstein at director@lgef.org.

Support LGEF!

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## Daves Avenue Home & School Club Thanks



## for Being a Community Level Sponsor

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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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