

# WEDNESDAY WAVE

The Daves Avenue Elementary School Weekly Newsletter

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(See pages 3-4 for more information)

#### **Important Dates**

#### **August**

- 7 School Office Opens, 8am
- 16 Grades 1-5 New Parent Orientation, 5pm, Library
- 16 Ice Cream Social & Class Lists Post,6pm, Daves Blacktop
- 17 First Day of School
- 17 Back-to-School Coffee, 8:30am, MU
- 24 Back-to-School Night MINIMUM DAY 6pm, Classrooms and MU
- 26 Men's Poker Night Fundraiser, 8pm
- 31 Room Parent Meeting, 8:30am, MU

MU = Daves Multi-Use Room

Get your Walk & Roll Suggested Routes to School Map HERE!







# Check your Mailbox for your Summer Mailer!

You will receive a mailing with important information about the upcoming school year and links to the forms and details you'll need to start the year off right!

#### **PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE**

Dear Daves Avenue,

I am honored and privileged to be working with you again this year as the principal of Daves Avenue School. I hope you all had a fantastic summer! Whether you are excited for the end of summer vacation and the start of school, or mourning the loss of more carefree summer days, the annual ritual of the start of a new school year provides everyone with a chance to set new goals, learn new routines, make new friends, and take on new learning experiences. I'm grateful to work in a profession that provides that sense of renewal and fresh start on an annual basis.

We have a number of events scheduled to help kick off the school year. I am so excited to see parents at our **New Parent Orientation on Wednesday, August 16th at 5:00pm** in the school library and for our annual **Ice Cream Social at 6:00pm on the the 16th** as well. Students will have an opportunity to enjoy a sweet treat and find out their teacher for the school year.

Our first day of school is on **Thursday, August 17th**, and I would like to cordially invite everyone to join me at our **Back-to-School Coffee at 8:30am** in our Multi-Use Room on the 17th as well. Last, but certainly not least, we will be having our **Back-to-School Night on Thursday, August 24th** for an opportunity for you to formally meet your child's teacher and learn about our academic program here at Daves Avenue. These are all great events to find out how to get involved in our Home and School Club as a parent volunteer.

The 2017-2018 school year also celebrates the addition of a couple of new staff members to the Daves Avenue family. Please join me in welcoming **Meghan Weisler**, our new Resource Specialist and **Dylan Igoe** who will be our new P.E. Specialist. I know these educators will fit in seamlessly with our amazing team of professionals.

Enjoy your last few days of summer. See you on Thursday the 17th!

#### **Igbal Chadda**

Principal, Daves Avenue Elementary

### **Important Dates**

#### <u>September</u>

- 1 Project Cornerstone: ABC Reader & FunVisor Kick-off Meeting, 8:30am, MU
- 4 Labor Day NO SCHOOL
- 7 Tap it Back Soul Cycle Fundraiser Ride for Daves, 7:30pm, Soul Cycle
- 8 H&SC Meeting, 8:30am, MU
- 8 **HS&C Chairperson Meeting,** 9:30am, MU
- 11-15 Walk & Roll Week
- 12 4th Grade Bike Rodeo
- 15 Family Fun Night, 5:30pm, Daves Field
- 19 Chat with the Principal, 8:30am, MU
- 23 Mama Mia! Fundraiser, 6pm

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### **Daily Bell Schedule**

#### Kindergarten:

8:10 - 11:30am (Morning/AM), 11:10am - 2:30pm (Afternoon/PM) Wednesday/Minimum Days: 8:10 - 11:30am (All Kinders)

#### Grades 1-3:

8:15am - 2:33pm Wednesday/Minimum Days: 8:15am - 12:10pm

#### Grades 4-5:

8:15am - 2:38pm Wednesday/Minimum Days: 8:15am - 12:15pm



#### **Ice Cream Social & Class List Postings**



#### Wednesday, August 16th 6 - 7 pm Daves Blacktop

The new school year is ready to begin and it's time to celebrate! Meet your friends, share your summer experiences, and **check out this year's class lists...** Come for an enjoyable evening of ice cream and laughter!

Questions? Please contact Coco Li, Ice Cream Social Chair

THANK YOU to Giordano Wealth

Management Group for sponsoring the
Ice Cream Social!



# Welcome to Daves Avenue! NEW PARENT ORIENTATION For Families of 1st - 5th Graders

#### Wednesday, August 16th at 5pm - Library

We are so happy to welcome new families into the Daves Avenue School community! We want you to find Daves Avenue a warm and engaging place to be and we are here to help ease the transition in anyway we can. We would also like to invite ALL NEW FAMILIES of 1st thru 5th Grades (kids welcome!) to the New Parent Orientation. This meeting will help new families get acquainted with Daves Avenue and learn a little about the community, its culture and traditions. It is also a great opportunity to meet other families new to the area or school!

Please email **Jyoti Kelly** or **Shelley Sullivan** with any questions. H&SC New Family Liaisons

#### **Back-to-School Coffee!**

#### Thursday, August 17th at 8:30am - MU

Join Principal Iqbal Chadda and 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(s), 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** 

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DOLLARS FOR DAVES is our newly-named fundraising campaign. It was formerly known as ONE and DONE. We know you typically write more than one check during the school year so we wanted to make the change.

The money we raise goes directly back to **DAVES AVENUE** for a number of special programs and services. Check out the next page and

DOLLARS FOR DAVES to see where your money goes.

The Daves Avenue H&SC Board would like to thank incoming kindergarten parent **Kate Harris** for creating our new, awesome **DOLLARS FOR DAVES** logo. We are grateful for her exceptional work during the summer hours. Kate is the creative director at <u>SIREN</u>, an award-winning design studio in San Francisco that specializes in branding, website & app design, and editorial design.

Thank you Kate!

#### **JOIN THE DAVES AVENUE H&SC!**

We need your help to continue to support our valued programs and services, enrich our children's experiences, and keep Daves Avenue the great school it is!

#### **H&SC MEETINGS**

All meetings will take place in the Daves Multi-Use Room at 8:30am

#### **Fridays**

September 8 November 3 January 12 March 2

October 13 December 1 February 2 May 4

### **Thursday**

May 31



### So much information! 2 easy ways to keep up with everything Daves:

Bookmark the <u>H&SC WEBSITE</u> for the latest news, events, links and more Follow Daves Avenue on <u>Facebook</u> for key reminders on events and upcoming to-dos



As a result of your **DOLLARS FOR DAVES** contributions, we are able to continue to support these incredible programs and services at Daves Avenue.

ACADEMICS: Literacy Specialists, Physical Education, Professional Development

<u>TECHNOLOGY</u>: A Ratio of I:I computers for our  $3^{rd}$ ,  $4^{th}$  &  $5^{th}$  grade classrooms, iPads for our  $1^{st}$  &  $2^{nd}$  grade classrooms, smart boards for kindergarten classrooms and more

<u>STUDENT ENRICHMENT</u>: Back to School Supplies, Assemblies, Classroom Supplies, Project Cornerstone, FunVisors, Safe Routes to School, Math Olympiad, Science Fair, Green Team, Authors' Day, CASA, Clay Projects, and more

<u>COMMUNITY BUILDING</u>: Ice Cream Social, Family Fun Night, Mom's Night Out, Carnival, Bingo Night, 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Party, and more

The H&SC plans to spend over \$500 per student this coming school year in 2017-2018. Please help us support our school. A contribution of any size helps make a meaningful difference. **Every dollar counts!** There are 3 levels of memberships:

#### Benefactor

(\$800+ per child)

Benefits include:

- Supporter & Contributor Level
- Benefactor Luncheon
- Preferred Parking at H&SC events

### Supporter

(\$450-\$799 per child)

Benefits include:

- Contributor Level
- Memory Book
- Adult Wine & Cheese Event\*\*

#### Contributor

(up to \$449 per child) Benefits include:

- H&SC Membership
- H&SC Magnet
- Classroom Student Supplies
- Emergency Kits
- \*\* = Become a Benefactor or Supporter by October 27th & join us for a fun-filled evening with fellow Daves parents!

You can donate <u>DOLLARS FOR DAVES</u> online or you can use the envelope you receive in the summer mailer and return it to the Daves Office. If you have questions, please email <u>Jennifer Lambert</u>, VP, Daves Ave H&SC. **Thank you** in advance!



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#### **H&SC PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

Hello to all of our Wonderful Daves Families!

The Daves Avenue Home & School Club would like to welcome you back for another Fabulous year! I hope that your Summer was filled with marvelous memories and tons of relaxation!

With the school year fast approaching...I wanted to take a quick moment to introduce myself. My name is Danielle Rooney (most people call my Dani) and I am delighted to be part of the Home & School Club. I'm a proud mom to three incredible boys; Gavin who's entering his last year at Daves, Heath who will be in 3rd grade, and Asher who will be in 2nd grade. Every year we have been blessed with inspiring teachers and administrators. I feel so fortunate that my guys get to be part of a community as active, welcoming, and nurturing as ours!

This outstanding community wouldn't be possible without the team of parent volunteers that support us! Whether you are an ABC Reader or Chairing an event like the Fun Walk...your time is invaluable. Please join us for our **Back-to-School Coffee** and find out about the many ways you can get involved. Also, mark your calendars for our monthly H&SC meetings...**all are welcome** and we would love your input!

Another way in which our community is enriched is by your generous donations. When you give to **DOLLARS FOR DAVES**... YOU are providing an amazing literacy specialist for your young reader; YOU are offering a well rounded education and experience for your student by supporting events like our annual Carnival, Authors Day, and Science Fair; and through programs like Project Cornerstone and FunVisors, YOU are creating an environment where your children feel valued, respected and known! For more information on how to contribute to **DOLLARS FOR DAVES** please click **HERE**.

Whether you are giving of your time or money...please know that Daves wouldn't be the same with out YOU and we are forever grateful!

Last, but certainly not least I would like to introduce you to the amazing women with which I have the privilege of working! The 2017/2018 Daves Avenue H&SC Board of Directors:

Vice President: Jennifer Lambert

Co-Treasurers: Loly Stacey and Beth Jackson

Secretary: **Heather Regoli** 

Communications Officer: Kylie Heintz
Parliamentarian: Carolyn Harnish

Thank you for all you do to make Daves such a special place! If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out....we are all here to help!

All my best,

**Danielle Rooney** 

President, Daves Avenue H&SC



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#### **Fall Party Sign-ups!**

What a great way to start the year...

gathering with some of your fellow Daves Ave moms and dads while supporting our school!

Men's Poker Night - Saturday, August 26 Tap it Back - SoulCycle Ride for Daves - Thursday, September 7 Mama Mia - Saturday, September 23 Oktoberfest - Saturday, October 14 (Sold Out!)

Click **HERE** to sign-up for our amazing fall parties. We only have a few spots left - don't delay, sign-up today!

#### **MEN'S POKER NIGHT**



Saturday, August 26th, 8pm - 10pm

Join other Daves dads for a fun night of poker, dinner, drinks and socializing at the beautiful home of the Del Grande family in Monte Sereno. Kick off the school year catching up with the guys in a fun and relaxed setting. Even if you don't play poker, come for the food, drinks and conversation for \$100/ticket.

#### **TAP IT BACK - SOUL CYCLE RIDE FOR DAVES**



Thursday, September 7th @ 7:30pm

Join your hosts, Karie Bobzin, Marisa D'Amico, Anne Cristofano and Leasa Joos and "Tap it back" on the Soul Cycle bike with other Daves parents for a private ride at the new GATOS location in downtown Los Gatos. Experience this amazing workout as you ride to killer beats on this private ride! Book your bike now for \$40 - space is limited!

#### **MAMA MIA**

Saturday, September 23rd @ 6pm

Calling ALL Marvelous Mamas! Please join us for our annual 'Moms Only' white party, jam-packed with incredible fellow Daves Avenue Mamas, gourmet food, spectacular drinks and dancing under the stars. Enjoy this night to remember for \$150/ticket



#### **OKTOBERFEST AT ZIMMER HAUS - Sold Out!**

Saturday, October 14th @ 6pm

Join other Daves friends in a German beer garden for the evening! Grab your lederhosen and get ready to dine on German fare, drink and enjoy German music.



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#### **School Supplies**

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!



#### **Back-to-School Night**

#### Thursday, August 24th at 6 - 8pm

Back-to-School night is your chance to hear from your child's teacher about his/her plan for this school year. It's also an opportunity for you to hear directly from the school leadership, the H&SC, and LGEF on how these groups come together to support the growth and academic success of our children.

To accommodate families with children in multiple grades, the evening's schedule will be as follows:

6:00-6:45 p.m. Grades K-2 Classrooms Open

**6:45-7:15** p.m. Principal, H&SC, LGEF Presentations in the MU.

7:15-8:00 p.m. Grades 3-5 Classrooms Open



**Children should not be in attendance.** Childcare may be available at Clubhouse. Stay tuned for more information!

Thursday, August 24th will be a minimum day in order to allow teachers to prepare their presentations and their classrooms.



**REMEMBER!** Bring totally trash-free lunches and snacks every Tuesday because Daves Ave has TFT (Trash Free Tuesdays) EVERY week!







Click **HERE** to learn more about the Grades of Green program at Daves, and see how your child can join the **GRADES OF GREEN TEAM**.



# ABC - Asset Building Champions



## READ A BOOK - CHANGE A LIFE Become an ABC Reader...

By volunteering 3 hours per month, Daves Avenue Asset Building Champions build relationships with our student community by reading selected books and leading classroom activities and discussions with a focus on respect, tolerance, peaceful conflict resolution, caring and friendship. Children learn what to do if they encounter bully behaviors and how to become an UPstander.

We invite you to stop by the Project Cornerstone table at the **Back-to-School Coffee** for more information or contact us via email.

Our ABC Reader Orientation and first book training will be held Friday, Sep. 1st @ 8:30am.

#### Michele Grancell & Jyoti Kelly

Daves Avenue Project Cornerstone Leadership Team **LGUSE** 

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#### **Daves Avenue Declares**

## **Orange is the Official Color of Fun!**

Join the FunVisors and you can be fun and orange too!



Hello! My name is **Neha Gambhir**, and together with **Naeri Kim and Kerry Tranduc**, we will be coordinating the FunVisor Program this year at Daves.

FunVisor is a lunchtime program that is open to ALL kids. We offer a variety of activities such as scooters, jump rope, ball games, clay days, scavenger hunts, painting, arts and crafts, legos and MORE! The purpose of the FunVisor program is that ALL kids have an activity to enjoy during lunch! We are a part of Project Cornerstone and will have activities that bring the ABC lessons from the classroom to the playground.

Kids really enjoy the FunVisor program, and to begin the year off strong and offer these activities starting on the first day of school, we need YOU!

If you can dedicate some of your time and help us enhance the caring environment at school, please join the FunVisor team.

FunVisor program is offered Everyday except Wednesday.

Volunteer time: 11:45am - 1pm

**Volunteer schedule: Super flexible**. You can participate as much or as little as you'd like. You can volunteer on the playground weekly, share an alternative schedule, participate on special event days, help out on rainy days...whatever fits your schedule best.

Younger siblings are welcome!

You will spend the lunch hour with the kids at Daves, playing and leading activities like turning a jump rope, playing jacks, building lego cars and MORE!

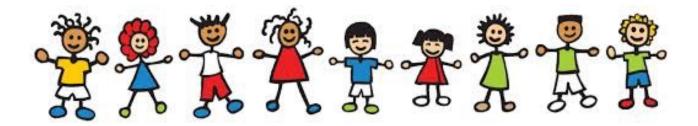
Please email any of us if you would like to volunteer or would like more information about the program. We will also be at the **Back-to-School Coffee on Thursday, August 17<sup>th</sup>**. Just look for the stylish **orange** vests!

Your time makes a meaningful impact on the positive culture of our school and the development, safety and happiness of our children!

Neha Gambhir Naeri Kim Kerry Tranduc

**FunVisor Co-Chairs** 

**Orange** = Fun at FunVisors!





# Get Your Walk & Roll Suggested ROUTES MAP HERE

Less Cars = Less exhaust = Better air quality for all!

SAVE THE DATE: Walk and Roll to School Week is scheduled for the week of September 11th-15th. Daves Avenue annual 4th grade Bike Rodeo is scheduled for September 12th. Lots of volunteers are needed!

Sign-up sheets will be posted during Back-to-School Coffee on August 17th.

Questions about Safe Routes to School?

Contact **Donna Leu** for more information.



#### **Calling All Local Businesses**

Are you looking for a great way to promote your business to the Daves Ave community? Look no further than our

## ANNUAL COMMUNITY SPONSORSHIP PROGRAM!

With this program, you donate ONCE, and receive sponsorship recognition throughout the 2017-18 school year at Home and School Club sponsored events. Not only that, but your contribution is *fully tax deductible*, and will *support and enhance programs and materials at Daves Ave*. With four different levels to choose from - there is a little something for everyone! **The deadline for enrollment is September 1st** to ensure your company is included on the Fun Walk T-shirts.

For more information, click here, or contact Nicole Reginelli and Carolyn Harnish, ACSP Chairs.

THANKS to those who have already contributed for the 2017-18 school year; we greatly appreciate your support and generosity!

#### IN THE COMMUNITY

#### Excited about the solar eclipse on August 21st?

The Los Gatos Library will present:

### Total Solar Eclipse Talk

David Lawson of the East Bay Astronomical Society will talk about eclipses and the importance of the total solar eclipse happening on o8/21/17. Free Eclipse viewing glasses while supplies last. All ages welcome.



Click **HERE** to visit the webpage.



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# Save the Date 2017 Family Fun Movie Night!

Friday, September 15th



#### Concessions, fun, and face painting starting at 5:30pm, Movie at 7:30pm

Pizza from OAK & RYE, *Quick Dog* hot dogs, popcorn, ice cream and Kona Shaved Ice! Or - - pack your own picnic, bring blankets and chairs and enjoy this family fun-filled night under the stars.\*\*\*\*

#### NEEDED: ADULT AND FISHER MIDDLE SCHOOL VOLUNTEERS FOR THIS EVENT—

**Middle School students get community service hours!** Sign-up on the first day of school and Volunteer Link in the next edition of the Wednesday Wave.

For questions, contact Marisa D'Amico





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 <a href="wednesdaywave@gmail.com">wednesdaywave@gmail.com</a>. 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.

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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