

WEDNESDAY WAVE

The Daves Avenue Elementary School Weekly Newsletter

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Important Dates

MARCH

20 Family Math Night, 6:00pm, MPR

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- 20 Parenting Continuum Screening of "Angst", 7pm, Fisher MPR
- 22 Mom's Night Out, TBD
- 29 Authors' Day
- 29 School Site Council Meeting

APRIL

- 6 H&SC Meeting, 8:30am, MPR
- 9-13 Spring Break NO SCHOOL
- 16-20 Earth Week
- 16-20 Take it to the Streets Week
- 23 **District Board Meeting**, 6:30pm, District Office
- 25 School Admin Appreciation Day
- 26 School Site Council Meeting
- 28 Cool Cat Auction, 6pm, Jack Rose
 - **★** Buy Your Tickets for the Cool Cat Auction on Page 2! ★

SUPERINTENDENT SEARCH

The LGUSD online survey for staff, parents, and the community can be accessed at the following link:

https://ecrasurvey.com/losgatosunionsd.

The survey will be available until March 22.

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Daves Avenue Families:

I want to remind you that we have our **Family Math Night** next Tuesday, March 20 from 6:00 – 8:00PM in the MPR. I hope you will join us for math games, pizza, and most importantly, FUN! Also, I wanted to update all of you on our state wide testing that is coming up quickly after our Spring Break.

Statewide Testing Notification

California students take several mandated statewide tests. These tests provide parents/guardians, teachers, and educators with information about how well students are learning and becoming college and career ready. The test results may be used for local, state, and federal accountability purposes.

California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress

- Smarter Balanced Assessment Consortium Assessments
 The California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress
 (CAASPP) computer adaptive assessments are aligned with the
 Common Core State Standards (CCSS). English language arts/literacy
 (ELA) and mathematics tests are administered in grades three through
 eight and grade eleven to measure whether students are on track to
 college and career readiness. In grade eleven, results from the ELA and
 math assessments can be used as an indicator of college readiness.
- · California Science Tests (CAST)

The new, computer-based CAST measures student acquisition of the California Next Generation Science Standards. It is administered in grades five and eight, and once in high school. The new computer-based CAST replaces the California Standards Tests (CST) for Science.

· California Alternate Assessments (CAA)

The computer-based CAA for ELA and CAA for mathematics is administered to students with the most significant cognitive disabilities in grades three through eight and grade eleven. Test items are aligned with the CCSS and are based on the Core Content Connectors. The instructionally embedded CAA for Science is administered in grades five and eight, and once in high school.

 Standards-based Tests in Spanish (STS) for Reading/Language Arts

California offers the optional STS for Reading/Language Arts, which are multiple-choice tests that allow Spanish-speaking English learners to demonstrate their knowledge of the California content standards. The California Spanish Assessment (CSA) will replace the optional STS. The CSA will be a computer-based assessment that is aligned with the California CCSS en Español.

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...Principal's Message Continued

*Pursuant to California *Education Code* Section 60615, parents/guardians may annually submit to the school a written request to excuse their child from any or all of the CAASPP assessments.*

English Language Proficiency Assessments for California

California will transition from the California English Language Development Test (CELDT) to the English Language Proficiency Assessments for California (ELPAC) in 2017–18. The ELPAC is aligned with the 2012 California English Language Development Standards. It consists of two separate English Language Proficiency (ELP) assessments: one for the initial identification of students as English learners and the other for the annual summative assessment to identify students' English language proficiency level and to measure their progress in learning English.

Physical Fitness Test

The physical fitness test (PFT) for students in California schools is the FitnessGram[®]. The main goal of the test is to help students in starting lifelong habits of regular physical activity. Students in grades five, seven, and nine take the fitness test.

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Principal, Daves Avenue Elementary



The Daves Avenue Home and School Club presents:

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BUY YOUR TICKETS TODAY!

There's still time to get discounted tickets by contributing to **DOLLARS** for **DAVES**.

WHISKEY (AND WINE) A GO GO

Looking for a super easy way to be a Rock Star? Consider donating wine and/or whiskey for our wine & whiskey pull events. If you have a bottle or two, please donate them. These should be special bottles that you would give as a gift. (\$30+ per bottle.) Email **Liz Olson** to coordinate.

ROCKIN' STYLE

Dress as your favorite rock icon or come in Grammy-ready attire.

As long as it's got some edge, you'll be ready to rock.

Don't miss out on a great night Rockin' the Rose. You get to party like a Rock Star and enjoy delicious Jack Rose food, two drinks, dessert, dancing, lots of surprises, and a guaranteed fun night!

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Daves Avenue Memory Book

ONLINE SALES ARE OPEN! Memory Books are on sale for \$20.00, now through March 25th.

If you are a **DOLLARS FOR DAVES** Supporter or Benefactor (contributed \$450.00 or more per child), you will automatically receive a Memory Book - so, no action needed on your part.

If you have NOT made a **DOLLARS FOR DAVES** contribution at a Supporter level or above, but would like a Memory Book, please follow these simple instructions to order online:

Step 1: Visit the Memory Book WEBSITE

Step 2: Enter pay code 86476 and click next

Step 3: Buy a Memory Book for \$20.00

WE ARE ONLY TAKING ONLINE ORDERS (NO check or cash orders).

We will have some additional books for sale at the end of the school year but don't wait guarantee your Memory Book by ordering TODAY!

Questions? Contact Laura Cereceres-Walker



☆ DAVES GOT TALENT!

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The Daves Avenue Talent Show is coming Friday, May 11th!

Calling all dancers, singers, musicians, and other amazing acts! All talented students are encouraged to register.

Registration/Parent Authorization forms are now available in the front office. Or click **HERE** to access the

form. All forms are due in the front office by Friday, April 27th.

Please contact **Karie Bobzin** with any questions about the show and/or registration.



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FAMILY MATH NIGHT

Tuesday, March 20, 2018 6:00 – 8:00pm

Daves Multi-Purpose Room

Please sign-up at: http://signup.com/go/SQRXtiO (requested by Mar. 15th)

For more information, email sherry95030@gmail.com

- Join this **FREE** event for fun math games and giveaways for the entire family.
- Prizes for all students!
- Free pizza will be provided
- Math games are tailored for TK/K through 5th graders
- Parents are encouraged to participate; this is not a drop-off event

Sponsored by Mathnasium of Campbell-Los Gatos (408)374-MATH(6284) and Daves Avenue Home & School Club





Teacher Wish Lists

bid you know that some of our teachers have a wish list for needed classroom items? You can access their lists either on their individual staff directory pages or the Teacher's Wish List page on our Home & School Club website.

Thanks so much for supporting our teachers!



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Cornerstone Corner



HOUSE OF HOPE FOOD DRIVE

Way to go Cool Cats! We filled the House of Hope Pantry Shelves!

The Daves Avenue food drive stocked the House of Hope pantry shelves for another couple of weeks! This means the 50 local families that rely on groceries from the House of Hope will receive the food they need.

Special thanks to:

- Mrs. Bonner for matching each tin of fruit brought by her 3rd graders.
- Mrs. Ludeman, Miss Pescatore and Mrs. Splaine and all the first graders, who wrote positive notes of encouragement, to insert into the grocery bags picked up by families in need.
- The Grancell, Kelly, Harnish and Tripier families, who brought the groceries to, and stocked the shelves at, the House of Hope.

Nicole Tripier, 4th grade, wrote the following about her experience helping at the House of Hope:

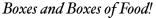
"The House of Hope is for people that don't have very much food. They go to the House of Hope for food and shop for food to last them the week, but they don't have to pay anything. The House of Hope is doing a homeless fair to help people who are homeless. Thank you Daves Avenue for donating to the House of Hope!"

Thank you, Cool Cats, for your compassion and generosity!

Developmental Asset #9: Service to Others

Community service, volunteering, and service learning do more than allow youth to help the community—these activities also provide youth with the positive experiences, relationships, and connections that help them thrive.







Stocking the Shelves at House of Hope.

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MARCH MADNESS PARTY

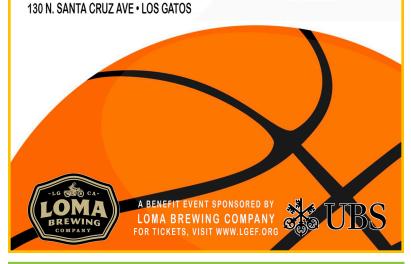
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UNLIMITED FOOD, BEER & WINE
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COME AS YOUR FAVORITE BASKETBALL
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Join the H&SC Nominating Committee!

We are looking for volunteers for some limited help. The Nominating Committee is responsible for proposing the slate of officers for the Home & School Club. The Committee will be putting the proposed slate together for the 2018-2019 school year. The Committee will function mostly by email and a couple of phone calls at convenient times for everyone.

Open Positions:

Vice President Co-Treasurers Communications

Please let **Carolyn Harnish** know if you are interested in participating on this committee. Individuals participating on the Nominating Committee are not excluded from being considered on the Board of Directors.

Mom's Night Out is Next Week!

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The Daves Avenue Mom's Night out will take place on

Thursday, March 22!

Please visit

https://davesmomsnightout.com

for more information.

Special thanks to Sanco Pipelines for their support!





Documentary Screening



Tuesday, March 20, 2018 Time: 7pm - 8:30pm

Fisher Middle School Multipurpose Room (MPR) For Parents and Children, 10 and older

> RSVP: bit.ly/AngstScreening Admission is Free!

OVERVIEW Angst is a 56-minute film that explores anxiety: its causes, effects and what we can do about it. Angst features candid interviews with kids and young adults who suffer, or have suffered, from anxiety and what they've learned about it. The film includes discussions with mental health experts about the causes of anxiety and its sociological effects, as well as help, resources and tools. The filmmakers' goal is to have a global conversation and raise awareness around anxiety.

THE PARENTING CONTINUUM is a community alliance empowering parents to nurture the whole child and the whole family; focusing on providing parent education and resources to parents of children in grades K-12. We are a group of volunteer parents who care and who want to bring awareness, support, and resources to support the navigation of our parenting journeys.

www.parentingcontinuum.org www.facebook.com/parentingcontinuum parentingcontinuum@gmail.com **LGUSE**

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MULCH MADNESS!

It's that time of year again to beautify your home. Support the Art Docents of Los Gatos and purchase your mulch during MULCH MADNESS! High quality mulch can be delivered to your home at an excellent price. See below for details and click on the flyer to order. Order any time through June.



MULCH MADNESS

ART DOCENTS OF LOS GATOS SPRING FUNDRAISER * SUPPORT YOUR LOCAL LOS GATOS UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT ART PROGRAMS



Beautify your home this spring with high quality, premium mulch and/or compost while also supporting your local LGUSD schools. Visit artdocents.com to purchase product and to schedule delivery. For all orders with compost AND mulch: Please email Sue Ward (suward12@yahoo.com) prior to placing your order.

ORGANIC COMPOST

"Vision Comp" is certified organic compost. We use only clean green materials and do not use manures in our products. Our compost is created under ideal conditions in rows that are only 4 feet high. This allows us to manage temperatures much more closely than compost created in larger rows. Vision Comp is OMRI listed and has the US Composting Council's Seal of Testing Assurance. Make your selection from the options below and visit <u>www.artdocents.com</u> to complete your order.

Deliveries fulfilled by Vision Recycling and do not include installation. Minimum order necessary.

With each order 25-30% of the proceeds benefit the Art Programs at our Los Gatos Union Schools

The Art Docents of Los Gatos was founded in 1973 and is a 501(c)(3) non-profit, volunteer organization. It is funded by membership dues, community grants and individual contributions by parents and community members. We serve over 3000 students in the Los Gatos Union School District. Our membership is drawn from the community including working artists, former teachers and art lovers.



GOLDEN BLEND

Golden Blend is a larger wood chip made from recycled lumber. Great for pathways, sitting areas and planted landscapes. \$20.00 per yard

PREMIUM WOOD CHIP

PWC is a high quality wood chip. Made from recycled redwood, this is a long lasting wood chip that adds a soft texture to landscapes.

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Wonder Mulch is made up of mixed green materials and yard trimmings ground to 2". Gives landscapes a natural appearance and ideal for hillsides cover.

\$20.00 per yard

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Interested in getting more involved?

Check out these positions that are still open.

Questions or to learn more, email vp@davesavehsc.org.



H&SC Positions Descriptions

Green Team Co-Chair - The Green Team is a group of students who take a leadership role in identifying and implementing solutions to make Daves a "greener" school. They encourage awareness in students regarding choices they make and how they may impact the environment. You will help lead the kids in this program. In addition, you will assist with planning events, projects, and/or activities that will encourage awareness in regard to Earth Day/Week.

Cool Cat Auction Chair - Our annual spring fundraiser for adults only. Starting in late fall with a kick-off meeting, it will really ramp up right after the holiday break. With a solid team of volunteers (and this one usually isn't hard to recruit for), you can make this fundraiser a huge success! This involves all aspects of a big event - marketing, auction solicitation and management, volunteer recruitment, venue procurement, food selection, decorating...Lots of time involved on this one - but a very fun event to plan!

Champions of Math Co-Chair - This program is designed to stimulate enthusiasm for mathematics by teaching different problem-solving skills and using a creative approach to finding solutions. The chairs are responsible for all aspects of the class which include preparing the materials for each week's class introducing a new problem solving skill, teaching the class, administering monthly tests, updating the website, and communicating with parents. The classes meet weekly after school; the class begins in the Fall and runs until the Spring.

FREE2ME Co-Chair - This position promotes and works with a variety of companies and programs (including eScrip and AmazonSmile) to help raise money for Daves. This is a flexible, important position that can be done on your own time. If you want to help raise FREE money for Daves, this is the job for you.

Memory Book Co-Chair - This chair is in charge of our school yearbook! You will plan, design, and implement our hardbound, full-color yearbook. You will work with parents and teachers to take the book from concept to reality. This creative job involves attending meetings, working with the on-line memory book program, taking photos, designing the cover pages and helping the memory book class representatives produce their pages as needed.

CASA Co-Chair - As a representative of CASA for the elementary school level, you will help promote healthy lifestyle choices. The big event is Red Ribbon Week in October. This includes coordinating with Student Council to get the word out at the Wednesday Wave, the newsletter, and in the classrooms. The CASA Chair should attend CASA meetings and understand the importance of making healthy, important choices.

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.





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 5pm** 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.

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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