



WEDNESDAY WAVE

The Daves Avenue Elementary School Weekly Newsletter

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Important Dates

NOVEMBER

- 2 **ABC Reader Training**, 8:30am,
Conference Room B
- 3 **H&SC Meeting**, 8:30am, MPR
- 9-17 **Book Fair**, Library
- 10 **Veterans Day - NO SCHOOL**
- 13 **District Board Meeting**, 6:30pm,
District Office
- 13-17 **Conference Week - Minimum Days**
- 17 **Picture Day Retakes**
- 20-24 **Thanksgiving Recess - NO SCHOOL**

DECEMBER

- 1 **H&SC Meeting**, 8:30am, MPR
- 5 **ABC Reader Training**, 8:30am,
Conference Room B
- 11 **District Board Meeting**, 6:30pm,
District Office
- 20 **Staff Appreciation Lunch**, 6pm
- 22- Jan 7 **Winter Break – NO SCHOOL**

MPR = Daves Multi-Purpose Room

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Daves Families,

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 13th-17th. Restructured days have been calendared for that week with students in grades 1-3 being dismissed at 12:10 and grades 4-5 at 12:15. The kindergarten classes will follow the AM kindergarten schedule Monday through Friday and be released at 11:30. All teachers have sent home scheduling information. Please be sure to respond and schedule your conference with your child's teacher 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, dreams, and qualms. 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.

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 so that you know how your child is progressing.

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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 their 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.
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.
9. Please do not leave your child unattended anywhere on campus, inside or outside, during the conference. If you need childcare, Club House allows drop-in visits (four hour minimum). You may call them at (408) 335-2223 for more information. Space is limited.

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.

In addition, you may want to review the *Standards Based Report Card Parent Handbook* for your student's grade level by clicking [HERE](#).

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.

Iqbal Chadda

Principal, Daves Avenue Elementary

Halloween Scavenger Hunt Winners

Congratulations! Here are the 1st place winners of 2017 Halloween Scavenger Hunt.

1st grade: Cade Hanson, Reef Rahimi, Jaan Kelly, Colton Kalin, Louis Chen, Lucas

2nd/3rd grade: Maddie Nestor, Lily Tran, Nora Paradiso, Kira Vodomerova, Riley Skorupka

4th/5th grade: Sasha Handyside, Mia Halsey, Kaden Defilippofry, Dena Berstein, Marcella Horwath

Special thanks to all the volunteers who made the event a blast!



DAVES AVENUE BOOK FAIR

NOVEMBER 13th-17th, 8AM-6PM, DAVES LIBRARY

SNEAK PEEK ON THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 9TH!

The Daves Avenue Book Fair happens during Conference Week, twice a year. **Buying books at the Fair supports our Library, as 25% 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!)*.

- Shop during school and surprise your child with a new book! (Right after school is usually the busiest time.)
- 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!



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

Say "Donate" and Earn Funds for LGEF!



From now until January 14, say "Donate" when you use your reusable bags at Whole Foods and LGEF will earn 5 cents for each bag!

Also, look for an LGEF bag coming home with your student. Donated by BrandVia, it's LGEF orange and doubles for trick-or-treating! Whole Foods accepts any reusable bag for the program, but using your orange bag shows your support for LGEF and our Los Gatos students!

Thank you to BrandVia for their generous donation of the reusable bags, and Whole Foods for selecting LGEF for the Nickels for Non-Profits Program.



Supporting elementary and middle school students at our five Los Gatos schools
Learn more and donate at www.lgef.org

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

Bookmark the **H&SC WEBSITE** for the latest news, events, links and more!
Follow Daves Avenue on **Facebook** for key reminders on events and upcoming to-dos.

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! All meetings take place in the Daves MPR at 8:30am.

2017: November 3, December 1

2018: January 12, February 2, March 2, May 4, May 31

MEETING THIS FRIDAY!

Our next H&SC meeting is **Friday, November 3rd at 8:30am** in the MPR. One of the agenda items will be a review of proposed changes to the H&SC's Bylaws, available for review [here](#).

Please join us for further information and to discuss any questions or comments you have!

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Help support our school!

We need your help to support our valued programs and services.
Every dollar counts!
Thank you!!



- ★ Technology
- ★ Assemblies
- ★ Community Events
- ★ Student Enrichment
- ★ Professional Development
- ★ Classroom & Grade Level Grants
- ★ Student Materials & Supplies

<https://davesavehsc.org/dollars-for-daves.html>

Donations to LGEF are essential as well and can be made at www.LGEF.org.

Join the Los Gatos Holiday Parade

Dear Students and Parents,

We would like to invite you to participate in the **Los Gatos Children's Holiday Parade on Saturday December 2nd**. This year, the Los Gatos Education Foundation would like to showcase some of our wonderful music students. We need fourth and fifth grade students to play recorder and third grade students to play percussion instruments to help represent the **Los Gatos Education Foundation (LGEF)** in the parade.

If you are interested, please let us know via email by Friday November 10th. You will need to be able to play the attached music, attend all rehearsals, and attend the parade. You will receive a shirt and Santa hat to wear for the parade.

Rehearsals at Daves Avenue School:

Tuesday 11/14 at Daves Ave room 3

from 3:15-3:45pm

Friday 12/1 at Daves Ave room 3

from 3:15-3:45pm

Parade

Saturday December 2nd downtown Los Gatos – parade starts at 11, but parade participants arrive earlier (please plan to be available 9 am-1:30/2 pm)

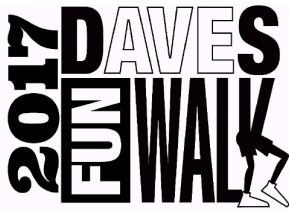
Please let us know if you have any questions.

Thanks,

Alyson Ancheta (Daves & Van Meter)

Ana George (Blossom Hill & Lexington)





Pledges were due last Friday, October 27th.

If you still haven't had a chance to turn in pledges please do so this week! The race is close for the grade level with the most pledges. Every dollar counts!

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If you have any questions please contact

Emelia Cellura or Ali Olivo
Fun Walk Chairs

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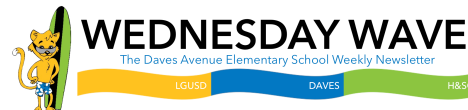
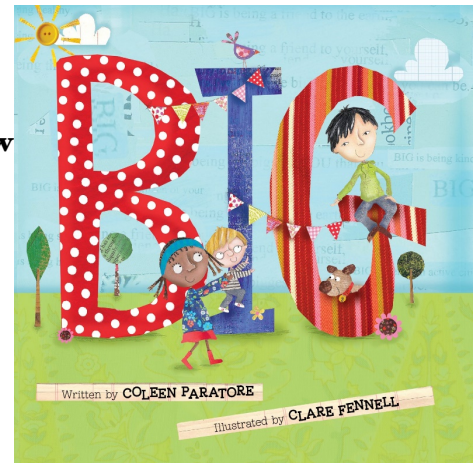
November's Book: *BIG* by Coleen Paratore

This month, our ABC Readers will be reading the book *BIG* by Coleen Paratore. In this book *BIG* is not defined as large or tall, but a person who thinks *BIG* about the world and their place in it. The author defines people who are *BIG* as being bright and imaginative, health conscious, kind and helpful, friendly, and good citizens.

Being *BIG* could be:

- Being *BIG* and Healthy
- Being a kind and good friend in a *BIG* way
- Being the *BIG*ger person and learning from mistakes
- Being a *BIG* friend to the planet
- Being *BIG* in our communities by being an active citizen
- Being a *BIG* help to others
- Being *BIG* in Imagination

Each day we have a choice on how to be *BIG* towards our planet, communities, family, friends, and ourselves. How will you be *BIG* today?



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.

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