



# WEDNESDAY WAVE

The Daves Avenue Elementary School Weekly Newsletter

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### Important Dates

#### OCTOBER

- 3 ABC Reader Training, 8:30am,  
Conference Room B
- 4 Fun Walk
- 6 Picture Day
- 9 Columbus Day - NO SCHOOL
- 13 H&SC Meeting, 8:30am, MPR
- 14 Oktoberfest Fundraiser, 6pm
- 16 District Board Meeting, District Office
- 17-20 5th Grade Science Camp
- 19 Parenting Continuum: Raising  
Financially Aware Kids
- 23-27 LGUSD Red Ribbon Week
- 31 Halloween Parade

#### NOVEMBER

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

MPR = Daves Multi-Purpose Room

### PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Hello Daves Avenue Families,

As many of you have noticed, we have a new Honor Board proudly displayed in our office. I wanted to take a moment to explain the history behind the Board as well as thank a few of the key members behind it. The Honor Board Project started 9 months ago. Lots of stops and starts, but we persevered. And now it is up on the wall. We have 14 Honorees to begin with and space for 28 more. Each plaque gives the name and dates of service for each honoree, along with the title, Teacher.

We went clear back to 1953 and the beginning of the Daves Avenue legend. These are the people who began the well-deserved Daves Avenue reputation for excellence as well as teachers who followed that first group and continued the Daves Avenue tradition. On this Honor Board are some of the giants of our profession. They deserve the recognition, and their memories should be preserved. Truly they touched the lives of our children...and will continue to do so. This is a fitting tribute to a very special group of people. They have earned the title - Daves Avenue Teacher - the best of the best in our profession.

At the top of the Honor Board, there are 4 name tags. These are people who helped make the Honor Board a reality. **Denny Taylor** is our board builder and an exceptional craftsman. **Amy Goldsmith**, Daves Avenue Librarian, delved back into the Daves Avenue archives to give us a great start on the Honoree list. **Jana Amin**, District HR Person, plowed through the dusty archives in the even dustier warehouse to fill out the Honoree list and the dates of service. And the **Daves Avenue Home and School Club**, which provided the funding and the moral support for the Project. Thanks to you for your support.

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**PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE CONTINUED.....**

Finally, a special thanks goes to **Cheryl Werth** and **Maury Nelson**. Cheryl, an honoree, went way above and beyond the call of duty. She had the vision to turn what so many had just talked about for a long, long time into what you see on the office wall. Maury Nelson, former Principal Emeritus of Daves Avenue, worked tirelessly as the man behind the scenes making sure that the board came to fruition. The Daves Avenue staff, past, present, and future thanks you, Cheryl and Maury. You two are truly examples of the best of our profession!

**Iqbal Chadda**

Principal, Daves Avenue Elementary

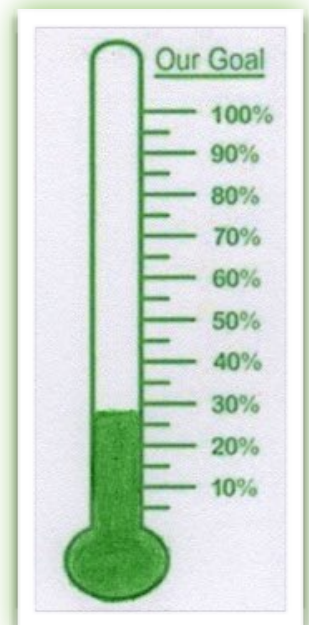


**DOLLARS FOR DAVES**



Hi wonderful Daves families! We are currently at **29%** participation for our **DOLLARS FOR DAVES** campaign. **We need your help** to continue to raise money for the programs that we support. Please click **HERE** to learn how your money helps our school.

**THANK YOU** to all the families who have donated so far. **We are so thankful!**



# Picture Day



**SMILE!** School Portraits will be taken at Daves Avenue Elementary on **Friday, October 6th.**



Click [HERE](#) to direct order your child's portraits.

## fourleaf...IS HERE!

The Home & School Club (H&SC) and the Los Gatos Education Foundation (LGEF) are pleased to announce that FourLeaf, our online school directory, is up and running for the current school year! Accessing the online school directory is an easy **3-step process**:

**1) Register:** For most of you, this was done automatically based on your approval when you originally registered your child at Daves. If you did not provide this approval, you will need to **REGISTER**.

**2) Activate:** If you are a **new family** and said "YES" during the registration process, you will receive an activation email from "FourLeaf" at some point today, Wednesday, September 27th. Follow the email instructions to activate your account and set up a password. You can also review and modify your personal contact data and choose what you want published. If you are a **returning family** and activated your FourLeaf account last year, no further action is required on your part, however you may want to make sure your information is up to date. Log onto [www.fourleaf.net/daves](http://www.fourleaf.net/daves), click on the green "Daves Avenue Elementary School 2016-2017" button on the side of the screen, and choose the "Change Year" option, then "2017-2018". Note that searches in the side bar on the right part of the screen will turn up results from all directories you have access to, including past years (which is why you may see siblings who have already graduated from Daves in your search results).

**3) Access:** Access to listings in the directory other than your own will only be available to families that have donated to the H&SC through the **DOLLARS FOR DAVES** program. Donate **HERE** today! After you have activated your account and completed your **DOLLARS FOR DAVES** donation, you will receive an email confirming your access. Note that, if you had full access to last year's directory but have not yet completed your **DOLLARS FOR DAVES** donation for this current year, you will lose access even to last year's directory until you make the new donation.

### **Features:**

- It is **SAFE**: All information is password-protected and encrypted.
- It is **DYNAMIC**: Information can be changed, deleted and added at any time.
- It has YOUR privacy settings: **YOU** manage your family data.
- It is **ACCESSIBLE** via your phone, tablet or computer. An iPhone app is available (search for "FourLeaf Networks" in the App store).

Questions or concerns? Contact **Heather Regoli**



*Presenting this year's play...*



**Calling all 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Graders!**

**Applications due Wed. Oct. 4<sup>th</sup>**

**Auditions Oct. 10<sup>th</sup>-14<sup>th</sup>**

See [hsc.blossomhill.org/the-play](http://hsc.blossomhill.org/the-play) for details

## SIDEWALK BIKE SAFETY

Parents and Students! Here are some **tips for riding bikes safely on sidewalks:**

- In Los Gatos/Monte Sereno, juveniles under the age of 10, exercising due care, are allowed to ride on the sidewalk in residential areas.
- All bikes must be equipped with a bell, as well as front and rear reflectors.
- Anyone under the age of 18 must be wearing a bike helmet in compliance with the California State Law while riding their bike, scooters, skateboards, in-line skates or roller skates.
- Watch for vehicles coming out of or turning into driveways.
- Stop at corners of sidewalks and streets to look for cars and to make sure the drivers see you before crossing.
- Enter a street at a corner and not between parked cars.
- Alert pedestrians that you are near by saying, "Excuse me," or, "Passing on your left," or use a bell or horn.

**WALK & ROLL**  
safe routes to school in santa clara county

## ATTENTION SOCCER LOVERS!

**Liverpool Football Club (LFC) Bay Area**, a Daves Avenue Sponsor, is a 45-team youth soccer academy in Los Gatos. The club will be holding a 6-week after school training program on Wednesdays at Daves!

The program will run **9/27-11/01** and is open to players of all levels and abilities. Sessions will last one hour and will include technical and skill development, as well as scrimmages. All players will also receive a LFC jersey. This program is offered through

Los Gatos-Saratoga Recreation and is not part of Afterschool Enrichment or Clubhouse. To learn more about the program and to register, please click **HERE**.

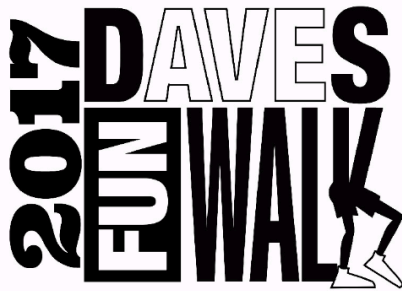
LFC will also soon be offering free lunch-time soccer at Daves through LGS Recreation!



**International  
Academy**

Bay Area

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS!**



**15th ANNUAL DAVES AVENUE FUN WALK  
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 4th**

The Fun Walk has always been one of the most anticipated and fun events at Daves Avenue. It will be held on **Wednesday, October 4th at 10 am** on the school field. The Fun Walk is an important fundraising event for Daves Avenue Home & School Club (H&SC) and raises money to support critical programs such as PE, technology, teacher grants, and literacy support.\*\*

Look for the pledge forms coming home with your student this week. Friends and family can also pledge online this year! Here is the link to pledge online: [davesavehsc.org/fun-walk-2017](http://davesavehsc.org/fun-walk-2017)

Children are encouraged to ask neighbors, family members and friends to sponsor them in their efforts in the Fun Walk. This is a great opportunity for the children to “give back” to their own school.

The grade level who collects the most pledges this year wins a Kona Ice party

**This event will need lots of volunteers!  
Please click [HERE](#) to sign up for this fun event!**

**For more information please contact  
Emelia Cellura or Ali Olivo, Fun Walk Chairs**

**Thank you, BrandVia,  
for sponsoring this year’s Fun Walk!**



**LGEF funds essential teachers and staff at Daves Avenue.**

- ✓ Support your child
- ✓ Support your school
- ✓ Donate to LGEF



Learn more and donate at [www.lgef.org](http://www.lgef.org)

**\*\*CORRECTION:** It was stated in both our Fun Walk flyer and Wave article that a portion of Fun Walk proceeds will pay for a math specialist or math support. Although we have in years past, this year Daves does not have a math specialist and the H&SC is not raising funds to pay for one. We are very sorry for any confusion that this oversight may have caused. We hope you will accept our sincerest apology. Please feel free to contact [Danielle Rooney](#) if you have any questions.



**WELCOME NEW VOLUNTEERS!**

New Art Docents Volunteers had their first training class last Thursday. Thank you for your interest in becoming a volunteer! Your support will allow us to better serve all the students in the district and continue bringing visual arts curriculum (prints presentations, creative workshops, student art show, etc...) in the Los Gatos elementary schools.

*It's not too late...*

We will be open to accept more trainees until end of September! So if you miss the first lesson, do not worry, you can still participate!

Please contact us at [artdocents@me.com](mailto:artdocents@me.com) or go to [www.artdocents.com](http://www.artdocents.com) for more information.

**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 are usually on a Friday (unless noted below) and will take place in the Daves Multi-Purpose Room at 8:30am.

**2017**

October 13th

November 3rd

December 1st

**2018**

January 12th

February 2nd

March 2nd

May 4th

May 31st (Thursday)

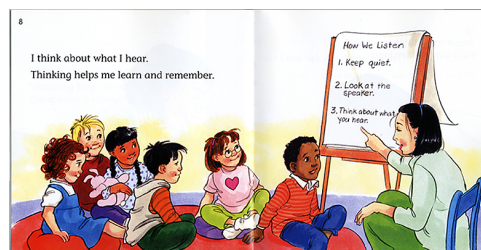
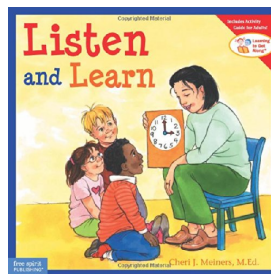
**Cornerstone Corner**

**September's Book for Kindergartners:  
"Listen and Learn" by Cheri J. Meiners**

Starting school is a BIG milestone, and effective learning begins with effective listening. This month our Kindergarten Project Cornerstone theme is "Listen and Learn".

Our awesome ABC Reader team will visit Kinder classrooms and discuss listening skills. We will practice how to use our body, eyes, and ears to listen in the classroom, at home, and when playing with friends. We will encourage kids to be active listeners....asking questions if they don't understand, and answering questions and sharing ideas.

For more information about Kindergarten Project Cornerstone, contact **Lan Jiang**.



**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.

# TOWN OF LOS GATOS PLEDGE LEADER

- ⇒ We are recruiting students on behalf of the **Mayor** for an exciting opportunity to lead the Pledge of Allegiance at an upcoming Town Council meeting. The **grade level is K-12** and the students must live in Los Gatos
- ⇒ The Mayor invites a student to lead the pledge at each council meeting to give them an opportunity to be introduced to "Democracy in Action." The time commitment required is from 6:45 p.m. to 7:15 p.m. The pledge is at the beginning of the meeting, and there is no need to stay for the entire meeting.
- ⇒ The Mayor introduces the students at the meeting with information about their academics, leadership, community service, sports, favorite subjects and other interesting facts. Attached is a form students and/ or parents need to fill out with their information and return to me prior to the meeting.
- ⇒ The students can watch themselves after the meeting on KCAT and also on the Town's website, which most youth find very interesting!
- ⇒ If your student is interested or you know of a Los Gatos youth resident who would enjoy this opportunity, please contact me. We would be delighted for them to experience this **unique opportunity**.

## SIGN UP NOW! SPOTS GO FAST!

- ⇒ Send an email to [SLombardo@losgatosca.gov](mailto:SLombardo@losgatosca.gov) with "Pledge Leader" in the subject line.
- ⇒ When you receive the application fill it out and return it with your date preference

### Upcoming **Available Dates**:

- ⇒ 2017: October 17—November 7—November 21—December 5—December 19
- ⇒ 2018: January 16—February 6—February 20—March 6—March 20
- ⇒ Additional 2018 dates available after March as well



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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 5pm** to the Wednesday Wave editors at [wednesdaywave@gmail.com](mailto: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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