



THE WEDNESDAY WAVE

Daves Avenue Elementary School Newsletter

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The Mission of Daves Avenue Elementary School, as the premier school site of leaders, learners and teachers, is to create a community of life-long learners and productive contributors to an ever changing society.

[Click here](#) to access this week's information from our School, District and Community partners!

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Important Dates

October

- 21 **Daves Avenue Fun Walk**
- 26-30 **30th Annual CASA Red Ribbon Week**
- 26th and 27th - **Funvisor Halloween Scavenger Hunt**
- 26 **Special District Board Meeting**
6:30pm, District Office
- 30 **Halloween Parade** 8:30am, Blacktop

November

- 2-6 **Conference Week - Minimum Days**
- 2 **LGEF Board Meeting** 7pm, District Office
- 3 **ABC Reader Training** 8:15am, Room B
- 5 **Evening H&SC Meeting**, 7pm, MU
- 10 **LGEF Maker Workshop**, 6-8pm, MU
- 10-13 **5th Grade Science Camp**
- 11 **Veterans' Day - NO SCHOOL**
- 25-27 **Thanksgiving Break - NO SCHOOL**

December

- 3 **H&SC Meeting**, 8:30am, MU
 - 7 **District Board Meeting**
6:30pm, District Office
 - 10 **School Site Council Meeting**
3-4pm, Daves Library
- MU = Daves Multi-Use Room

Principal's Message

Dear Daves Avenue Families,

I want to thank the entire community for a phenomenal fun walk. Under the leadership of FunWalk chairs, **Laura Walker** and **Jackie Childers** and with the support of many parent volunteers, we enjoyed one of our best events yet! Congratulations to all the children on demonstrating great cooperation and noncompetitive enthusiasm. It was also incredible to see all staff and hundreds of parents lining the cones cheering students on! I continue to be amazed by the community and spirit that is Daves Avenue Elementary School.

Warmly,

Kit Bragg

Principal, Daves Avenue Elementary

Evening H&SC Meeting Special Presentations

Our next H&SC meeting will be held on **Thursday, November 5th** at 7pm in the **MU**, and will feature special presentations on **Math Study** and the **Digital Initiative**. Check Page 4 for the exciting details.

The Clubhouse will also be open to accommodate families who will need childcare during the meeting.

We hope to see you there!

SCHOOL NEWS

If it's Conference Week, it Must be the Book Fair!

8am - 4pm,
November 2nd - 6th, 2015 in the Daves Library

With Sneak Peak Friday (Oct 30th)

The Daves Avenue Book Fair happens during conference week twice a year. Buying books at the Fair supports our Library, as part 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!)*.

A few tips:

- Shop during school and surprise your child with a new book!
- Right after school is typically the busiest time, so eat lunch first and then come visit for more leisurely browsing.
- **25% of the proceeds** of the books sold at the fair go back to Daves Avenue Library! - It is an amazing source of funding!
- 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 lovely librarian, [Amy Goldsmith](#), or drop by the library and Mrs. G will process your order.

Note that a pre-order form for **Diary of a Wimpy Kid #10**, will be coming out shortly. All pre-orders received by **3pm on November 2nd** will be delivered on November 3rd!

See you at the Fair!



Scavengers Unite!

The FunVisors are pleased to announce the 3rd Annual Halloween Scavenger Hunt!

1st Grade: Tuesday, Oct 27th
2nd/3rd Grade: Monday, Oct 26th
4th/5th Grade: Tuesday, Oct 27th



Immediately following lunch, the FunVisors will host a 'harrowing' Halloween-themed scavenger hunt throughout the school playground.

Children are invited to pre-register at the FunVisor table **October 19th through 23rd**. They can form their own 'terrific' team (maximum of six members) or they can come as a 'ghostly floater' and we will place them in a group.

Although there are prizes for top finishers in each grade grouping, all guise and ghouls receive a spooktacular surprise for participating.

Adult volunteers are also needed to help with the event (costumes are strongly encouraged!). To volunteer, sign up at VolunteerSpot: <http://vols.pt/TmjuN3>.

Any questions, contact [Loly Stacey](#) or [Lianne Verheyden](#), FunVisor Chairs

The FunVisors are Pleased to Announce: Estimation Jar Winners!

Grades 1st - 5th

Actual #: 137 bouncy balls
Winner - Milo in Ms Rosenbaum's class
Estimation: 132 bouncy balls

Kinder

Actual#: 28 rubber duckies
Winners:
Kylie in Mrs Dariano's class
Sabrina in Mrs Dariano's class
Estimation: 28

Congratulations winners!

[Loly Stacey](#) FunVisor Chair

What's your guess?



SCHOOL NEWS

13th Annual Daves Avenue Fun Walk

Thank you!



The 13th Annual Daves Avenue Fun Walk was held this morning! Thank you to all the volunteers, teachers and staff that came out and helped make this event so much fun for all!

Be sure to ask your kids how they did today and congratulate them on their accomplishment. It is now time to collect the pledges! Pledge forms are due **Friday, October 30th** to either your teacher or the Fun Walk slot in the office. In an effort to create some excitement for the students, the grade level that collects the most pledges will be awarded with an ice cream party.

A big THANK YOU to our generous Lead Sponsor **Brandvia** (Childers Family) for designing and donating the Fun Walk t-shirts! THANK YOU to all the room parents for creating the classroom banners, helping with the t-shirts, etc. A very special Thank You to **Barb Vais, Dan Snyder, Susan Mortzheim, Jose Cardona, Rebecca Setziol, Sally Ellis, Kit Bragg, Amy Garza** and **Sue Esquivel** for helping behind the scenes and also to the volunteers that helped set-up the cones for the track.

[Laura Walker](#) & [Jackie Childers](#), Fun Walk Chairs

Sponsors' Spotlight Thank You BrandVia! Daves Fun Walk Sponsor



BrandVia, located in the heart of the Silicon Valley, is a full service promotional branding agency that caters to the procurement of a wide array of promotional merchandise, corporate incentives, and other marketing solutions that companies require to promote their image, achieve marketing objectives, and build strong brand awareness. We offer marketing solutions designed to enhance the power of your image and brand.

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SR2S Safety Tips FAQ of the Week: **Green Bike Lanes**



Photograph by George Sakkestad

Are cars allowed to drive on or over green bike lanes?

The Green Bike Lanes in Los Gatos are intended to provide notice to drivers and bicyclists of areas where the two may come in conflict. The white traffic paint bordering the bike lane is the enforceable traffic marking. When the white line is solid, cars may not cross, except to enter a driveway. When it is dashed, cars may enter or cross the bike lane when safe to do so.

How do I make a right turn in a car when there is a green bike lane?

Once the white line that accompanies the green bike lane becomes dashed, using your turn signal, identify your intent. When safe to do so, move over towards the curb on top of the green bike lane. This will alert bicyclists to your intent and keep them from passing on the right. Bicyclists should queue in line with vehicles. If a bicyclist is stopped and intends to go straight at the intersection, the vehicle should wait a safe distance behind the bicyclist.

For more Green Bike Lane FAQs, please visit the Town of Los Gatos website by [clicking here](#).

[Donna Leu](#) , Safe Routes to School

SCHOOL NEWS

Red Ribbon Week

October 26th - 30th, 2015



Red Ribbon Week is a CASA-sponsored, national campaign that promotes healthy lifestyle choices in youth. Show your support for Red Ribbon Week by dressing up each day, from Monday, October 26th, to Friday, October 30th:

- **Monday, 10/26/15 – “Healthy Choices”**
Make healthy choices all week. Kick off the week by wearing the color **RED**. **Each student will be given a red wristband for discounts at participating merchant stores (see list of merchants at right)**
- **Tuesday, 10/27/15 – “Healthy Eating”**
Dress in Rainbow colors like healthy fruit and vegetables.
- **Wednesday, 10/28/15 – “Healthy Body”**
Promote exercise and teamwork by wearing your favorite team jersey.
- **Thursday, 10/29/15 – “Healthy Mind”**
Maintain a healthy body with a good night’s sleep. Wear pajamas and follow your dreams (must meet dress code).
- **Friday, 10/30/15 – “Healthy Halloween”**
Wear your favorite costume and remember to make healthy choices on Halloween (pledge not to eat too much candy and be careful crossing streets when Trick-or- Treating).

Volunteers will be handing out special Red Ribbon Character Cards all week to any student caught making healthy choices (biking, scooting or walking to school, or eating fresh fruit or vegetables at lunchtime). Let’s fill our bucket in the MPR with healthy choices!

For more information about CASA and its programs please visit www.casalg.org.

[Claire Nippres](#), CASA Chair

Red Ribbon Week Participating Merchants

Students WEAR your RED WRISTBAND to receive free stuff and discounts at the Los Gatos businesses listed below!

All Week: Hi-Tech Burrito, Kids eat free with each adult purchase; **Le Boulanger**, \$6 sandwiches; **Super Duper Burger**, 10% off (just opened next to Philz Coffee)

Monday: Jamba Juice. \$1 off any drink menu item

Tuesday: Whole Foods, RRW Celebration! FREE Reusable water bottles (limited number) plus a healthy after school snack and other give-aways from 2-7pm. Plus a friendly visit from LGMS Police 3-4pm

Wednesday: Pizza My Heart FREE slice of cheese or pepperoni pizza, all day

Thursday: Noah’s Bagels 10% off all day from 6am-5pm

Thursday: Yogurt in Love 20% off all sales from 11am-9pm

Friday & Saturday: The Posh Bagel Buy 1 mini bagel, get 1 free from 6am-3pm

Evening H&SC Meeting SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS!

Thursday, November 5th at 7pm ~ Multi-Use Room

MATH LESSON STUDY

Daves Avenue **Math Coach Jana Morse** and several of the Daves Avenue teachers have been working together to adopt a collaborative planning model for improving mathematical instruction and student outcomes - Lesson Study. What does that mean, you might ask? This presentation will help you understand the critical shifts in the necessary elements of a balanced math program aligned to Common Core, which promotes critical thinking, collaborative problem solving and conceptual understanding, and the design and critique of mathematical models, alongside a strong foundation in skills and math facts.

FISHER MIDDLE SCHOOL DIGITAL INITIATIVE

Lisa Fraser, Fisher Middle School's principal, will be presenting about the digital initiative Fisher is rolling out next year to the incoming 6th graders. This is not to be missed, especially if you have a 5th grader. Come and find out all the details and get your questions answered!

Clubhouse will be open that evening for child care. Please [click here](#) for a registration form and to reserve your child(ren's) spot. Please join us for this special Home & School Club meeting. Thank you!

Cornerstone Corner

Developmental Assets That Influence Healthy Lifestyle Choices

Next week (Oct 26th - Oct 30th) is CASA's Red Ribbon Week. CASA's mission is to encourage and support young people in developing healthy lifestyle habits, to prevent or minimize depression, anxiety, and alcohol and drug abuse in their teenage years and later in life. Many of the 41 Developmental Assets – especially those related to family, friends, and self-worth – help provide the foundation for such a healthy lifestyle, for example:

Asset #1: **FAMILY SUPPORT**

Family life provides high levels of love and support.

Asset #2: **POSITIVE FAMILY COMMUNICATION**

Young person and her or his parent(s) communicate positively, and young person is willing to seek advice and counsel from parent(s).

Asset #11: **FAMILY BOUNDARIES**

Family has clear rules and consequences and monitors the young person's whereabouts.

Asset #15: **POSITIVE PEER INFLUENCE**

Young person's best friends-model responsible behavior.

Asset #31: **HEALTHY LIFESTYLE**

Parent(s) tell the child it is important to have good health habits.

Asset #35: **RESISTANCE SKILLS**

Young person can resist negative peer pressure and dangerous situations.

Asset #37: **PERSONAL POWER**

Young person feels he or she has control over "things that happen to me."

Asset #38: **SELF-ESTEEM**

Young person has a high self-esteem.

Asset #39: **SENSE OF PURPOSE**

Young person feels that "my life has a purpose."

Asset #40: **POSITIVE VIEW OF PERSONAL FUTURE**

Young person is optimistic about her/his personal future.

Many of the above assets are developed during elementary school. Does your child have enough assets for healthy development?

Claire Nippres, **Andrea Anderson** and **Heather Wright** for Project Cornerstone

DISTRICT NEWS

LGEF: Serving Blossom Hill, Daves Avenue, Lexington, Van Meter, and RJ Fisher schools since 1982.

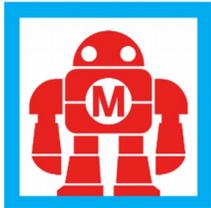
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Education Update

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The latest news on LGEF and the programs your donations make possible.



Maker Workshop Nights in November for all students: Calling all kids to flex inventor muscles

A night for your kids to be creative, have fun and let inner innovators flourish -- LGEF Maker Workshop nights Nov. 9, 10, 18 or 19th. Visit [LGEF's Maker Workshop](#) page today for your free tickets at lgef.org.

Volunteers Needed for Maker Workshops

- **Maker Workshops** Nov. 9, 10, 18, 19. Support kid makers, their creativity and imaginations. Sign up at: <http://www.jooners.com/guest?l=c38a601c-d42d-406a-bb16-11c7394396db>

It's Not Junk, It's Innovation Material!

Donate Reusables MONDAY, October 26th 8:15 AM -2 PM

Maker Workshop kid creations make great use of reusable items. Please drop off any of these on Monday, October 26th from 8:15 AM – 2 PM at the District Office parking lot at 17010 Roberts Road:

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| -Cardboard boxes all sizes | -Paper, envelopes, newspaper, craft paper |
| -Yarn, string, thread, ribbon, rope | -Paper towel and toilet paper tubes |
| -Scrap fabric | -Foam |
| -Plastic bottles with caps | -Duck-tape |
| -Plastic silverware, paper plates , plastic tablecloths | -Old mechanical toys (anything that makes noise or moves) |
| -Play dough | -Popsicle sticks and clothes pins |
| -Small pieces of scrap wood | -Plastic containers and lids |
| -Tennis balls/bouncy balls | -Small toys with wheels |
| -Sewing tools (needle, thread, scissors) | -Staple gun |

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DISTRICT NEWS

Mrs. Martin's Art Lessons

Please visit Mrs. Martin's Art blog at:

<http://www.mrsmartinartclass.blogspot.com/>

for updates on what is happening in your students art classroom, student artwork from across the district and parent child activities that connect to each lesson!

LGUSD Elementary Art Program is funded by LGEF



Helmet Giveaway!



Does your child need a helmet?

The **Safe Routes to School Program** is giving away helmets to students who need a helmet and can't easily get one.

You can apply to get a free helmet for your child by filling out an application located in the office. Please submit all applications to the office **by October 28th**. Please contact [Jen Lambert](#) if you have any questions.



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 Kit Bragg 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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