

WEDNESDAY WAVE

The Daves Avenue Elementary School Weekly Newsletter

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Important Dates

<u>October</u>

24-28 **CASA Week**

25-28 5th Grade Science Camp

27 Halloween Scavenger Hunt for 2nd/3rd graders

31 Halloween Parade 8:15 AM, Blacktop

31 Fun Walk Pledges Due

November

- 1 **ABC Reader Meeting,** 8:20 AM, RM B
- 3 **H&SC Meeting,** 7:00 PM, MU
- 8 Bookmobile Visit
- 11 Veteran's Day NO SCHOOL
- 14 **LGUSD Board Meeting,** 6:30 PM, District Office
- 14-18 Parent/Teacher Conference Week MINIMUM DAYS
- 21-25 Thanksgiving Break NO SCHOOL

<u>December</u>

- 2 **H&SC Meeting,** 8:30 AM, MU
- 6 **ABC Reader Meeting,** 8:20 AM, RM B
- 6 **Bookmobile Visit**
- 12 **LGUSD Board Meeting,** 6:30 PM, District Office
- 21 **Staff Appreciation Luncheon,** 12:30 PM, Breakroom

MU = Daves Multi-Use Room

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Hello Daves Avenue,

This week I have two main pieces to share regarding our procedures for our upcoming Halloween parade on Monday and our updated Homework Policy.

HALLOWEEN

To make this another healthy and safe Halloween at Daves Avenue, here are some guidelines we ask that you follow if your child decides to dress up in costume:

- Avoid scary costumes that would frighten young children
- No weapons, blood, or masks
- No hair dye or spray
- Encourage school and age appropriate costumes
- Unattached parts of costumes can get lost easily at school, so you may want to leave them at home

If your child decides to dress up (it's optional!), have them come to school in costume. Children must bring a change of clothes, so that at recess they can take off their costumes. Kindergarten students stay in costume.

The annual parade around the school will begin at approximately 8:25. We invite families to enjoy the event! PLEASE help us keep the parade safe for everyone and respect the boundaries that are set on the Parade Map (at end of newsletter).

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DAVES AVENUE HOMEWORK POLICY

Current as of October 2016

Overarching theme and essential question: Is the homework we are assigning purposeful and meaningful?

- I. Teachers may assign homework up to four days per week.
- 2. Nightly time maximums for homework (includes reading time):
 - K- optional with parent
 - 1st-up to 10 minutes
 - 2nd- up to 20 minutes
 - 3rd- up to 30 minutes
 - 4th- up to 40 minutes
 - 5th- up to 50 minutes
- 3. Children are required to read at home daily. Teachers will assign other opportunities as they deem appropriate per class.
- 4. Homework is:
 - Age appropriate and independently completed
 - Not tied to academic/content grades
 - A continuation or review of what is started in class
- 5. Teachers will teach students specific organizational management techniques that support:
 - · meeting deadlines
 - · developing good study habits
 - using their time wisely
- 6. Teachers will provide any necessary materials/tools for homework completion. Technology tools/programs will not be required but can be used as an enrichment opportunity; accessibility will be considered.
- 7. Parents should be involved in their child's homework to the extent of:
 - Providing a suitable environment where students can work independently.
 - Supporting homework routines.
 - Stopping homework when the student meets the maximum work time for their grade level or reaches a frustration level.
 - Communicating with the teacher their observations of homework completion at home.
- 8. Parents will be informed of homework through newsletters, web pages, student planners, and/or email.

Warm regards,

Iqbal Chadda

Principal, Daves Avenue Elementary

Come hear Rebecca Setziol talk about her journey to Japan with Megan Mahoney and other teachers to observe Math research lessons and the new insights gained from this amazing experience at our **November H&SC** evening meeting! Read more on page 3!

What: H&SC Meeting Where: Daves Ave Multi-Use Room

When: Thursday, November 3rd @7pm Who: All are welcome

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MATH LESSON STUDY @ DAVES

This summer two Daves Avenue second grade teachers, **Rebecca Setziol** and **Megan Mahoney**, traveled to Japan along with 32 others from around the world to join an International Math-teacher Professionalization Using Lesson Study (IMPULS) Immersion Program.

During this program, they visited secondary and elementary schools in Tokyo and Yamanashi to observe seven research lessons and their post lesson discussions with simultaneous English translation.

"I have had 2 years experience with math lesson study and teaching through problem solving. I have also attended the lesson study alliance conference in Chicago twice. These experiences pale in comparison to the insights and



knowledge gained through the IMPULS program," said Rebecca Setziol. "I found it very inspiring that an overarching theme among the numerous schools we visited was "nurturing students through mathematics.""

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Red Ribbon Week at Daves

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 24th, to Friday, October 28th.

Wednesday, 10/26 - "Healthy Body"

Promote exercise and teamwork by wearing your favorite team jersey.



Thursday, 10/27 - "Healthy Mind"

Maintain a healthy body with a good night's sleep. Wear pajamas and follow your dreams (must meet dress code).



Friday, 10/28 - "Friends Help Friends Make Healthy Choices"

Show you're a good friend by dressing like your friend (twin day).

Volunteers will be handing out special Red Ribbon Character Cards all week to any student caught making healthy choices (participating in mileage club - biking, scooting or walking to school - eating fresh fruit or vegetables for snack/lunch).

For more information about CASA and its programs please visit **www.casalg.org** or contact **Claire Nippress.**

Red Ribbon Week at Daves Participating Merchants

Just show your child's red wristband and any of the following merchants for the following give-aways:

Wednesday: Pizza My Heart FREE slice of cheese or pepperoni pizza, All Day

Thursday: Whole Foods from 2-4pm

- Free fresh orange juice from our machine and/ or fresh cut fruits
- Free reusable water bottles for the first 200 kids
- Library Book Mobile, prize wheel and library books give-away (In partnership with the Los Gatos Library)
- Free 365 Frozen fruit bars coupon give away for parents
- Check out a Police Car! (In Partnership with the Los Gatos-Monte Sereno Police Department)

H&SC



Calling all ONE and DONE

Benefactors!

As a Thank You for your continued and exceedingly generous support of Daves Avenue, the Home & School Club would like to invite all ONE and DONE Benefactors to our annual Benefactor Luncheon on November 10th!

Please join us for a "behind the scenes" tour to see your dollars in action, followed by lunch with Principal Chadda.

If you haven't yet contributed, but would still like to be a ONE and DONE Benefactor, you can do so by clicking <u>here!</u> To be a part of this special event you need to donate before November 5th!



If you have questions about ONE and DONE or our Benefactor Luncheon please contact Danielle Rooney.



Earn money for our H&SC while saving energy!

DAVES FAMILIES, FREE MONEY FOR DAVES IS A LIGHT SWITCH AWAY!!!

In a free-to-me partnership with OhmConnect, Daves Avenue has created a "team" through which the school can earn free money just by families reducing electricity consumption at home when alerted during peak energy hours.

Visit this link: https://ohm.co/bf59a9 for the Daves Avenue team page. Have your PG&E online account username and password ready to use in the registration process. This allows OhmConnect to access ONLY the Smart Meter on the side of your house, to measure your energy consumption against their prediction for your house.

Right now Ohm Connect is offering a \$40 sign-up bonus for our school for all new registered users, PLUS each family earns \$150 per year on average. That means Daves could earn nearly \$10,000 if we get a whole bunch of families to sign up!

Do it now so we can earn more money! We already got a check for \$500 just based on 7 families signed up since March 2016 - lets make it great!!!

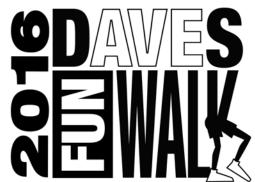
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Brought to you by the Daves Avenue Grades of Green Team & OhmConnect.

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THANK YOU! - 14th ANNUAL DAVES AVENUE FUN WALK



Thank you again to all the volunteers, teachers, and staff that came out and helped make the Fun Walk so much fun for all!

DON'T FORGET TO TURN IN THE PLEDGES! **Pledges are due Monday, October 31st** 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.

Again, 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 the ongoing help. Thank

you to Sanco Pipelines for letting us borrow the cones for the event!

If you have any questions please contact <u>Lauren</u> Roseman or Emelia Cellura.



Grades of Green Club at Daves Avenue!

The Grades of Green Club is an after school club for students who want to keep our planet clean and healthy!

Who: All students in grades 3-5 (their younger siblings who attend Daves may also join them)

What: Activities will include student-led idea generation for trash sorting, environmental contests on campus, planning for an upcoming Campus Beautification Day, making signs and promotions for our Trash-Free Tuesdays, and more!! STUDENTS WILL BE THE DRIVING FORCE OF OUR ENVIRONMENTAL AWARENESS!!

When: Fall session - Thursdays 2:45-3:30pm for 8 weeks starting October 13th (no meeting 11/16, 11/23)

Where: Lunch tables on the playground

Please email **Lisa Hanson** to register and ask any questions you may have. This is a Home & School Club sanctioned club, and the fee is \$50 per semester per child. If this is a hardship, please email **Lisa Hanson**. Please bring a check payable to Daves Avenue Home & School Club for \$50 per student participating.

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Grades of Green Team

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Educating the Whole Child

Our children deserve a high-quality education.

A high quality education goes beyond standard academics. But Los Gatos schools lack required funding when compared to similar districts. LGEF helps "fill the gap" with 2016-2017 programs for art, music, counseling and science that educate the whole child.



LGEF Mission

Los Gatos Education Foundation raises essential funds that ensure our children receive high quality programs and resources vital to their education.

Please Support LGEF

There is NO REASON Los Gatos should lag behind.

Donate to LGEF today and your children will benefit all year long.



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TRANSLATORS NEEDED

Hindi, Danish, Finnish, Vietnamese

Adult volunteer translators are needed to help administer primary language assessments to English language learners in the district. The language testing begins in October and takes about 15 minutes per student. There are 1-3 students per language. Students identify pictures of people, animals, shapes, numbers, colors, and vehicles in their home language. The volunteer translator and English language tutor administer the assessment individually to each student. If you can help, please contact Gail Bennett, English Language Tutor via email or 408-335-2116.

Calling all 3rd, 4th, and 5th graders!

Join your music teachers in the **LOS GATOS HOLIDAY PARADE**

We invite you to join us in the Los Gatos Children's Holiday Parade on Saturday December 3rd. This vear, the Los Gatos Education Foundation (LGEF) will showcase some of our wonderful music students. We need 3rd grade students to play percussion instruments in a jingle squad and 4th and 5th grade students to play the recorder.

Children will need to be able to attend both rehearsals and the parade. We will provide the instruments. Each participant will receive a shirt and Santa hat to wear for the parade.

Rehearsals

Tuesday 11/10 at Van Meter room 14 from 3:15-3:45pm Thursday 12/3 at

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Parade

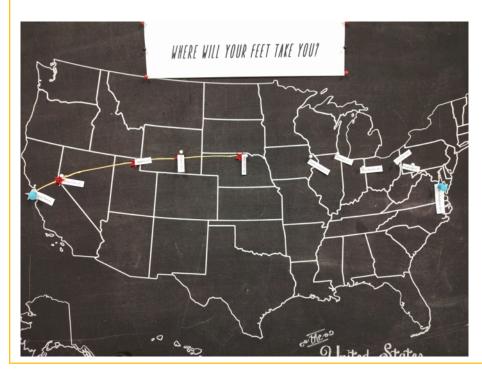
Saturday, December 3rd in downtown Los Gatos 9:00am-1:30pm

If you are interested, please email **Alyson Ancheta or Ana George** by Friday, October 28th.



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WHERE WILL YOUR FEET TAKE YOU?



Welcome to Carson City, NV! The capital of Nevada and named for mountain man Kit Carson.
LGUSD has collected over 700,000 steps and traveled more than 300 miles. Keep on collecting steps through October. There is still time to get to Washington, D.C before November 8th. Turn in completed step count logs for September to the your school office to have your steps counted.

Need a new log? Find one at www.lgusd.org.

Parent's Night Out Childcare

Friday, November 4th

6:15pm-10:00pm * \$20 per child (2 years and older)

Drop off your kids and go have fun while the kids enjoy some games and crafts at Clubhouse! Everyone is welcome! Parents Night Out is welcome to all students and siblings that are potty trained. Games (flashlight game, indoor crafts), Dinner, and movie will be provided. Go on to LGS Recreation website. Under the YOUTH tab is special events and activities. Then you will click Special Events and Holidays. Here is also a direct link to the Parent's Night Out. http://www.lgsrecreation.org/youth/specialevents/ We are no longer taking paper forms. We need 12 students minimum to have it held. Thank you and hope to see more kids attend our fun Parent's Night Out! Questions? Please contact Daves Avenue Clubhouse at 408-335-2223





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 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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