



WEDNESDAY WAVE

The Daves Avenue Elementary School Weekly Newsletter

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Important Dates

August

- 8 **School Office Opens**, 8am
- 17 **New Parent Orientation**,
4pm, Library
- 17 **Ice Cream Social & Class Lists Post**,
5pm, In front of the School
- 18 **First Day of School**
- 18 **Back-to-School Coffee**, 8:15am, MU
- 25 **Back-to-School Night - MINIMUM DAY**
6pm, Classrooms and MU
- 27 **Dad's Night Out Fundraiser**, 8pm
- 30 **Room Parent Meeting**, 8:30am, MU
MU = Daves Multi-Use Room

Principal's Message

Dear Daves Avenue,

I am honored and privileged to be working with you this year as the new principal of Daves Avenue School. I hope you all had a fantastic summer! Whether you are excited for the end of summer vacation and the start of school (parents?), or mourning the loss of more carefree summer days (students?), the annual ritual of the start of a new school year provides everyone with a chance to set new goals, learn new routines, make new friends, and take on new learning experiences. I'm grateful to work in a profession that provides that sense of renewal and fresh start on an annual basis.

Let me take a brief minute to introduce myself. I come to you with a sixteen-year career in education as a teacher and administrator. I have been lucky to serve students as both an elementary and middle school teacher. Most recently, I served as principal of Shirakawa School in Franklin McKinley School District.

These experiences have given me unique insight into shaping a school vision and developing an excellent educational program.

We have a number of events scheduled to help kick off the school year. I am so excited to see everyone on our first day of school on **Thursday, August 18th**, and I would like to cordially invite everyone to join me at our **Back-to-School Coffee at 8:15 AM** in our Multi-Use Room on the 18th as well. In addition, please plan on

joining us for our annual **Ice Cream Social on Wednesday, August 17th at 5:00 PM** in front of the school. Last, but certainly not least, we will be having our **Back-to-School Night on Thursday, August 25th** for an opportunity for you to formally meet your child's teacher and learn about our academic program here at Daves Avenue. These are also great events to find out how to get involved in our Home and School Club as a parent volunteer.

The 2016-2017 school year also celebrates the addition of several additions to the Daves Avenue family. Please join me in welcoming **Ian White** who will be joining our 4th grade team, **Jessica Baker** who will be joining our 5th grade team, and **Gigi Harrell** who will be our new Health Clerk. I know these educators will fit in seamlessly with our amazing team of professionals.

Enjoy your last few days of summer. See you on Thursday the 18th!

[Iqbal Chadda](#)

Principal, Daves Avenue Elementary School

Check your Mailbox for your Summer Mailer!

You will receive a mailing with important information about the upcoming school year and links to the forms and details you'll need to start the year off right!

Important Dates

September

- 1 **H&SC Meeting**, 8:30am, MU
- 5 **Labor Day - NO SCHOOL**
- 6 **ABC Reader Orientation**,
8:20am-12pm
- 8 **Moms' Night Out**, 6pm
- 12-16 **Walk & Roll Week**
- 13 **4th Grade Bike Rodeo**
- 15 **Picture Day**
- 16 **Family Fun Night**, 6pm,
Daves Ave Field
- 18 **Mind & Body Morning Retreat
Fundraiser**, 9am
- 20 **Chat with the Principal**, 8:30am, MU
- 23 **Resource Council Meeting**, 9am, MU
- 24 **Mama Mia! Fundraiser**, 6pm
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Daily Bell Schedule

Kindergarten:

8:10 - 11:30am (Morning/AM),
11:10am - 2:30pm (Afternoon/PM)
Wednesday/Minimum Days:
8:10 - 11:30am (All Kinders)

Grades 1-3:

8:15am - 2:33pm
Wednesday/Minimum Days:
8:15am - 12:10pm

Grades 4-5:

8:15am - 2:38pm
Wednesday/Minimum Days:
8:15am - 12:15pm

Welcome to Daves Avenue! NEW PARENT ORIENTATION

Wednesday, August 17th at 4pm - Library

We are so happy to welcome new families into the Daves Avenue School community! We want you to find Daves Avenue a warm and engaging place to be and we are here to help ease the transition in anyway we can. We would also like to invite ALL NEW FAMILIES (kids welcome!) to the New Parent Orientation. This meeting will help new families get acquainted with Daves Avenue and learn a little about the community, its culture and traditions. It is also a great opportunity to meet other families new to the area or school!

Please email [Jyoti Kelly](#) or [Barbara Black](#) with any questions.
H&SC New Family Liaison

Back-to-School Night

Thursday, August 25th at 6 - 8pm

Back-to-School night is your chance to hear from your child's teacher about his/her plan for this school year. It's also an opportunity for you to hear directly from the school leadership, the H&SC, and LGEF on how these groups come together to support the growth and academic success of our children.

To accommodate families with children in multiple grades, the evening's schedule will be as follows:



6:00-6:45 p.m. Grades 3-5 Classrooms Open

6:45-7:15 p.m. Principal, H&SC, LGEF Presentations in the MU.

7:15-8:00 p.m. Grades K-2 Classrooms Open

Thursday, August 25th will be a minimum day in order to allow teachers to prepare their presentations and their classrooms.

Children should not be in attendance. (See below)

Back-to-School Night Childcare

Daves Ave Clubhouse will provide childcare for Daves Ave Students and their (potty trained) siblings during Back-to-School night.

Time: 5:55pm - 8:05pm Clubhouse will close promptly at 8:10pm.

Look for registration forms in the front office or at the clubhouse.

Questions? Please contact Daves Avenue Clubhouse at **408-335-2223** or davesch@lgsrecreation.org.

School Supplies

Don't forget that there is NO NEED to buy school supplies this summer, as the H&SC will be coordinating with teachers to provide the necessary supplies for all students!



H&SC President's Message

Dear Daves Avenue Families,

Wow! I can't believe the school year is upon us. I hope that you have had an amazing summer and are ready for a FABULOUS year at Daves Ave. My name is Carolyn Harnish, and I am very excited to be part of the Daves Avenue Home & School Club (H&SC) and have the opportunity to work with our wonderful children, staff, parents and community.

As my son starts his last year at Daves, my oldest daughter is entering 3rd and my youngest daughter is starting 1st, I am reminded of how fast time goes and how fortunate we are to be part of such a unbelievable community.

One of the reasons our school is so successful is the commitment and generosity of our parents and community. The Daves Avenue Home & School Club purpose is ***“working to educate the whole child through programs that enhance the core curriculum, expand the arts, integrate technology in the classroom, promote physical fitness, and build a positive school-learning environment.”***

We have been able to fulfill this purpose through the many different programs and events that are all imagined, planned, organized, manned and supported by our amazing parent community. From volunteering as a FunVisor or chairing the FunWalk to donating baked goods for the Carnival Cake-Walk or being a ONE and DONE benefactor - each and everyone makes Daves Avenue the wonderful school and community that it is.

Your continued commitment to the Daves Ave H&SC will help us to continue to support our amazing school. Please contribute to our ONE and DONE campaign, join us at our Back-to-School Coffee to learn more about volunteer opportunities and mark your calendars for our H&SC meetings. We can't do this without YOU!

And lastly, I would like to introduce you to our awesome 2016-2017 H&SC Board of Directors and thank them for their continued support and dedication to the Daves Avenue Community:

Vice President: **Danielle Rooney**

Co-Treasurers: **Kim Simon** and **Beth Jackson**

Secretary: **Heather Regoli**

Communications Officer: **Kylie Heintz**

Parliamentarian: **Nicole Reginelli**

Thank you all for being a part of the Daves Ave Community. Please don't hesitate to reach out to me or anyone on the H&SC Board if you have any questions. We are here to help!

All the best,

Carolyn Harnish

President, Daves Ave H&SC

H&SC MEETINGS

All meetings will take place in the MU.

Thursdays

September 1 @ 8:30am

October 6 @ 8:30 am

🕒 **November 3 @ 7pm**

December 8 @ 8:30am

January 12 @ 8:30am

February 2 @ 8:30am

🕒 **March 2 @ 7pm**

March 30 @ 8:30am

May 4 @ 8:30am

June 1 @ 8:30am

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🕒 **Evening H&SC Meetings (7pm)**

Principal Chadda

will be our guest speaker at our **first H&SC meeting on Sept 1st**. Come get to know your fellow Daves parents, learn all the great things ahead this year and hear a little more about our new principal. We look forward to seeing you there!





AS A RESULT OF YOUR ONE and DONE CONTRIBUTIONS, THE HOME & SCHOOL CLUB IS ABLE TO SUPPORT THE FOLLOWING PROGRAMS, ACTIVITIES, AND EVENTS AT DAVES AVENUE:

- **ACADEMICS** - ACCESS TO TOP NOTCH LITERACY and MATH SPECIALISTS - PHYSICAL EDUCATION - PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT
- **TECHNOLOGY** - RATIO OF 1:1 COMPUTERS FOR OUR 3RD, 4TH & 5TH GRADE CLASSROOMS - iPADS FOR OUR 1ST & 2ND GRADE CLASSROOMS - SMART BOARDS FOR OUR KINDERGARTENERS
- **STUDENT ENRICHMENT** - BACK-TO-SCHOOL SUPPLIES - PROJECT CORNERSTONE - ASSEMBLIES - FUNVISORS - SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL - MATH OLYMPIAD - SCIENCE FAIR - GREEN TEAM - AUTHORS DAY - CASA - CLAY PROGRAM - HEALTH CLERK - MEMORY BOOK - ART SUPPLIES
- **COMMUNITY BUILDING** - FAMILY FUN NIGHT - CARNIVAL - BINGO NIGHT - 5TH GRADE PARTY - ICE CREAM SOCIAL - MOMS NIGHT OUT

The ask is \$400...but our Daves Avenue Home & School Club actually plans to spend OVER \$500 on every student this coming 2016/2017 school year. We need each and every one of YOU to help us ensure that we continue to support the many valued programs and services backing our teachers, enriching our children, and making Daves Avenue the outstanding school it is today!

PLEASE SELECT ONE OF THE THREE FOLLOWING CONTRIBUTION LEVELS:

SUPPORTER- \$400 PER CHILD

YOUR DONATION COVERS:

- 75% OF ALL H&SC FUNDED PROGRAMS
- CLASSROOM STUDENT SUPPLIES
- EMERGENCY KIT PURCHASE AND MAINTENANCE

YOUR SUPPORTER LEVEL MEMBERSHIP INCLUDES:

- DAVES AVENUE H&SC CAR MAGNET
- H&SC MEMBERSHIP
- DIGITAL STUDENT DIRECTORY (REPLACING THE BUZZ BOOK)
- 1 MEMORY BOOK PER CHILD

BENEFACTOR- \$750 PER CHILD

YOUR DONATION COVERS:

- 100% OF ALL H&SC FUNDED PROGRAMS
- CLASSROOM STUDENT SUPPLIES
- EMERGENCY KIT PURCHASE AND MAINTENANCE

YOUR BENEFACTOR LEVEL MEMBERSHIP INCLUDES:

- SUPPORTER LEVEL MEMBERSHIP **PLUS**
- PREFERRED PARKING AT FAMILY FUN NIGHT AND THE CARNIVAL
- SPECIAL LUNCHEON WITH PRINCIPAL CHADDA
- RECOGNITION IN THE WAVE

CONTRIBUTOR- \$75 PER CHILD

YOUR DONATION COVERS:

- CLASSROOM STUDENT SUPPLIES
- EMERGENCY KIT PURCHASE AND MAINTENANCE

YOUR CONTRIBUTOR LEVEL MEMBERSHIP INCLUDES:

- H&SC MEMBERSHIP
- DIGITAL STUDENT DIRECTORY (REPLACING THE BUZZ BOOK)

CONTRIBUTING IS EASY! YOUR DONATION **OF ANY SIZE** IS GREATLY APPRECIATED AND CAN BE MADE [HERE](#) OR AT MANY SCHOOL EVENTS.

Questions regarding the ONE and DONE campaign?
Please contact [Danielle Rooney](#), H&SC Vice President

THANK YOU IN ADVANCE FOR YOUR GENEROUS DONATION. YOUR DOLLARS SUPPORT CRITICAL PROGRAMS AT DAVES AVENUE AND ENHANCE OUR CHILDREN'S LEARNING EXPERIENCE!



Ice Cream Social**Wednesday, August 17 at 5pm
In front of the school**

All students and families are invited to join us. Catch up with friends and see who will be in your class! Enjoy ice cream, music, games and fun!

Questions? Please contact **Nicole Reginelli**, Ice Cream Social Chair



THANK YOU
to Erik Swanson Orthodontics
for sponsoring the
Ice Cream Social!

Moms' Night Out**Save the Date:****Thursday, September 8th**
Stay tuned for more details!**Save the Date
Family Fun Movie Night!****Friday, September 16th - On the Daves field
FINDING NEMO**

Join Daves Families for a **FUN MOVIE NIGHT**
Concessions, fun, and face painting starting at 6 p.m., Movie at dark! (about 7 p.m.)



Pizza from OAK & RYE, hot dog stand and Kona Ice! Or pack your own picnic! Bring a blanket and a chair and enjoy this fun and family filled night under the stars....

Back-to-School Coffee!**Thursday, August 18th at 8:15am - MU**

Join Principal Iqbal Chadda and the Home & School Club for our annual Back-to-School Coffee. Parents, this is your opportunity to learn more about the activities available to your student(s), the programs H&SC supports, and how you can help the Daves Avenue students and staff.

Sign up for volunteer opportunities during this fun event. Younger siblings are welcome.

Questions? Please contact **Heather Regoli**

**Calling All Local
Business Owners**

Are you looking for a way to receive YEAR ROUND robust advertising, WHILE enriching program and materials at Daves Ave Elementary? Well, look no further as we have you covered with our

**ANNUAL COMMUNITY
SPONSORSHIP PROGRAM!**

With this program at Daves, you donate ONCE, and receive advertising throughout the school year at Home and School Club events. Not only that, but your contribution is fully tax deductible, and will enhance educational opportunities at Daves. With four different levels to choose from - there is a little something for everyone!

We are currently looking for participants in our 2015-16 Annual Community Sponsorship Program (ACSP).

The deadline for enrollment is September 16th to ensure advertising on Fun Walk T-shirts.

For more information, click [here](#), or contact **Nicole Reginelli** or **Bryce Wend**, ACSP Chairs.

THANKS to those who have already contributed for the 2016-17 school year; we appreciate your support and generosity!

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



New Walk & Roll Suggested ROUTES MAP

New Bike Racks Were Installed Over the Summer!

Through the Bay Area Air Quality Management District (BAAQMD) - Bicycle Rack Voucher Program (BRVP), Daves Avenue Elementary School has now received additional bike racks. Less Cars = Less exhaust = Better air quality for all!

Check out their new locations on our new Walk & Roll to School Suggested [Routes Map](#)



SAVE THE DATE: Walk and Roll to School Week is scheduled for the week of September 12th-16th. Daves Avenue annual 4th grade Bike Rodeo is scheduled for September 13th. Lots of volunteers are needed!

Sign-up sheets will be posted during Back-to-School Coffee on August 18th.

ABC - Asset Building Champions



READ A BOOK - CHANGE A LIFE Become an ABC Reader...

By volunteering 3 hours per month, Daves Avenue Asset Building Champions build relationships with our student community by reading selected books and leading classroom activities and discussions with a focus on respect, tolerance, peaceful conflict resolution, caring and friendship. Children learn what to do if they encounter bully behaviors and how to become an UPstander.

We invite you to stop by the Project Cornerstone table at the **Back-to-School Coffee** for more information or contact us via email.

Our ABC Reader Orientation and first book training will be held Tuesday, Sep. 6 @ 8:20am.

Michele Grancell & Kristen Kinczel

Daves Avenue Project Cornerstone Leadership Team

Daves Avenue Declares

Orange is the Official Color of Fun!

Join the **FunVisors** and you can be fun and orange too!

Hello! My name is **Loly Stacey**, and **Lani Harr** and I will be coordinating the FunVisor Program this year. This is a lunchtime program that is open to ALL kids. We offer a variety of activities such as scooters, jump rope, ball games, clay days, scavenger hunts, painting, arts and crafts, legos and MORE! The purpose of the FunVisor program is that ALL kids have an activity to enjoy during lunch!

As the kids really enjoy the FunVisor program, we would love to start the year off strong and offer these activities starting on the first day of school. In order to do that, we need YOU!

If you love to have fun and have a bit of time, please join the FunVisor team. The volunteer schedule is super flexible and you can participate as much or as little as you'd like. You can volunteer on the playground weekly, share an alternative schedule, participate on special event days, drop-in or on rainy day basis...whatever fits your schedule best. The volunteer time is from 11:45am - 1:00 pm and we offer the program every day except Wednesday. If you have a younger child, you are welcome to bring them with you or if you'd like to share a day with a friend, that's great too! You will spend the lunch hour with the kids at Daves, turning a jump rope, playing jacks, building lego cars and MORE!

Please email Lani or I if you would like to volunteer or would like more information about the program. We will also be at the Back-to-School Coffee on **Thursday, August 18th**. Just look for the stylish orange vests!

Your time makes a meaningful impact on the positive culture of our school and the development, safety and happiness of our children!

Loly Stacey

Lani Harr

FunVisor Co-Chairs



Orange = Fun at FunVisors!

Fall Party Sign-ups!

What a great way to start the year...

gathering with some of your fellow Daves Ave moms and dads while supporting our school!

Dad's Night Out - Saturday, August 27
Mind & Body Morning Retreat - Sunday, September 18
Mama Mia - Saturday, September 24

Click [here](#) to sign-up for one of our amazing fall parties. We only have a few spots left - don't delay, sign-up today!

DADS NIGHT OUT

Saturday, August 27th @ 6pm

CALLING ALL MEN!! Sign up to have a great time with friends, familiar and new.

The night will include a professionally run poker tournament with great prizes, a taco truck for grub, a fully stocked bar, horseshoes, and bourbon tasting. Price of admission is \$150, and 100% of all proceeds go right back to Daves Avenue to help enrich our children's education. The perfect excuse to get all your friends to sign up with you and have a night out with the guys...

MIND & BODY MORNING RETREAT

Sunday, September 18th @ 9am

Ladies, take a morning to focus on YOU. Once school starts up this year, summer vacation will seem a distant memory. On a Sunday morning in September, 20 women will gather at Carolyn Harnish's home for a restorative, fun and educational experience.

Yoga and Pilates are complimentary practices that bring balance through a series of poses. To start our morning, Christina Enneking will take half the group and lead them through a yoga practice while the other half joins Samantha Wellman for a pilates mat session. Then we will switch.



After our yoga and pilates sessions, you'll sample a delicious variety of "green" juices and raw foods. We'll even show you the kid friendly versions with recipes to take home for the family. As you enjoy your juice and healthy snacks (and maybe a mimosa or two — balance is the key!), Aelita Leto will discuss Feng Shui and how to bring balance and harmony to your home.



MAMA MIA

Saturday, September 24th @ 6pm

Calling ALL Marvelous Mamas! Please join us for our annual 'Moms Only' white party, jam-packed with incredible fellow Daves Avenue Mamas, gourmet food, spectacular drinks and dancing under the stars. enjoy this night to remember for \$150.00/ticket

The proceeds from all parties go directly to Daves!



2016-2017 Fundraising Drive

Ensure your child gets a High Quality education.

A high quality education goes beyond standard academics to educate the whole child. Unfortunately, Los Gatos schools lack funding compared to similar districts. Los Gatos Education Foundation (LGEF) helps “fill the gap” with over \$500,000 in district-wide education programs that benefit over 3,300 Elementary and Middle School students.

LGEF Program Priorities for 2016-2017



Art Teachers and Art Docents, K-8

Music Teachers, K-8

Hands-on-science (Maker Workshops)

Counseling & Student Support Services, K-8

Together, we educate.

It Takes 2!

It takes **two great organizations** to ensure a great education. LGEF funds programs at the district level while the Home & School club focuses on school-specific activities. Donations to both organizations ensure your child gets a high quality education.

Donate today.

Goal is 100% participation by all families.

We suggest a donation of \$50/month or \$600 per child.

Other, similar districts ask for \$1,000 per child or more.

Consider giving at a higher level if practical.

Impact more and be recognized as a major contributor.

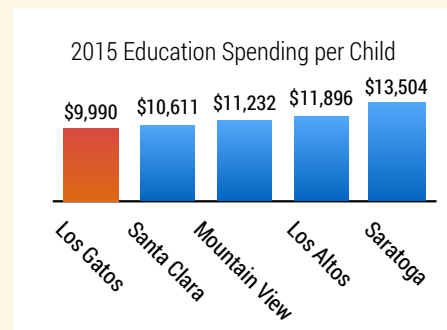
We welcome and encourage gifts of all levels.

Each family should give what is meaningful to them.

Every donation makes a difference and is appreciated.

DONATE at www.lgef.org

What's WRONG with this picture?



Source: www.Ed-Data.org

Los Gatos Schools have LESS than other, similar Districts. You have the power to change this with your donation.

Los Gatos-Monte Sereno Safe Routes to School



THE JOURNEY BEGINS AUGUST 18, 2016, FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL

AT BLOSSOM HILL, DAVES AVE., VAN METER AND FISHER

8:00AM

- ❖ Please join members of the Los Gatos Town Council, Los Gatos Union School District Board of Trustees, and LG-MS SR2S Coalition as we kick off the new school year.
- ❖ This school year, let your feet take you to school either by walking, biking, skating or scooting.
- ❖ To help you with your journey LGUSD, LG-MS SR2S and the Town of Los Gatos partnered to provide students with a pedometer and Walk and Roll Map.

*A collaborative event organized by the Los Gatos Union School District, Los Gatos-Monte Sereno Safe Routes to School Coalition, Town of Los Gatos, and Los Gatos-Monte Sereno Police Department.
Contact Karen Briones, LGUSD SR2S Coordinator at kbriones@lgusd.org*

The Town of Los Gatos & Billy Jones Wildcat Railroad Present...

Screen on the Green

A Free Family Movie Night in Oak Meadow Park

Inside Out

Date: Friday, September 30, 2016

Children's Activities • 6:30 p.m.

Showtime • 7:30 p.m.



About the Event

Please join us at Oak Meadow Park for an evening of family fun. Our featured film will be shown on a 25' inflatable movie screen. Children's activities will begin at 6:30 p.m., and showtime is 7:30 p.m. For your enjoyment during the film, bring flashlights, blankets and low back chairs.

Children's Activities 6:30 p.m.

Prior to the showing join us for activities, games, face painting and more! Billy Jones will be offering train and carousel rides for \$2 per person, children under 2 are free with a paying adult. For more information on the Billy Jones Wildcat Railroad or the William E. "Bill" Mason Carousel, visit <http://www.bjwrr.org>.

Concessions

The Billy Jones Wildcat Railroad snack bar will be open from 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. selling delicious snacks, beverages and BBQ favorites ranging from \$1 - \$4.

For More Information

Contact the Town of Los Gatos at 408.399.5770

Event Sponsors

Town of Los Gatos • Billy Jones Wildcat Railroad

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<http://www.town.los-gatos.ca.us/342/Screen-on-the-Green>



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.

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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