



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 flyers and information from our School, District and Community partners!

[Click here](#) to make your H&SC One and Done donation!

Important Dates

December

- 18 **Staff Appreciation Luncheon**
- 18 **Last day to donate to Second Harvest and New Red Shoes on campus**
- 20-Jan 3rd **Winter Break**

January

- 6 **School Resumes!**
- 8 **EVENING H&SC Meeting**
7:00pm, MPR
- 15 **5th Grade Math Night**
6:30pm - 7:30pm, MPR
- 17 **Spirit Day: Pajama Day**
- 20 **No School - MLK Day**
- 27 **LGEF Board Meeting**
8:00pm - 9:30pm, District Office
- 30 **School Site Council Meeting**
3:00pm - 4:00pm, Library

MPR = Multi-Purpose Room

Principal's Message

Dear Daves Avenue Families,

The holidays are indeed a time of gratitude. I am blessed with an incredible family who remind me of the tender and sweet nature of life. I am lucky enough to lead an incredible community of learners. Working with young people on a daily basis has a special way of keeping you grounded. I try to see life from their perspective. I often kneel down to their level when I talk to them just to get a little closer to the simplicity and awe with which they see the world.

I am fortunate to work with a talented staff, supportive and nurturing parents, and students who love to learn. I am excited to rest over the next few weeks, but am already anticipating our return in January. We have much to celebrate in the last year and a half, but we have so much left to accomplish in the new year. I am excited to continue to seek out and develop programs in the areas of curriculum, instruction, technology integration, and social/emotional learning so that we may truly make our school great!

Please note your calendar prior to leaving for the break and plan to attend our first ever evening Home and School Club. The board and I wanted to open the meeting to parents that would otherwise not be able to attend mornings. We hope to add another if January's meeting is well attended. Plan to join us at **7:00pm in the MPR on January 8th**. Also note we have partnered with **Clubhouse to provide evening child care from 6:45 to 8:30pm** so you may attend without seeking out a babysitter.

Wishing you the very best this holiday season,

Kit Bragg

Principal, Daves Avenue Elementary

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<https://www.facebook.com/davesaveelementaryschool>



Amy Says

It's The Last Day to Check the Lost and Found!

All unclaimed items will be donated tomorrow!

SCHOOL NEWS

Does Your Student Need a Bicycle Helmet?

Safe Routes to School and the Traffic Safe Communities Network are offering new bicycle helmets to those students who need a helmet and cannot easily get one. [CLICK HERE](#) to download the Helmet application form or pick up a copy in the school office.

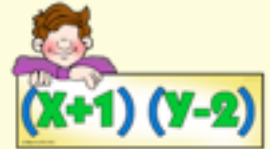
Please submit your completed application form to the school office by **January 31st**. Helmets will be distributed in February, after a helmet fitting.



Questions? Contact [Donna Leu](#), SR@S Chair

Grade 5 Math Night Celebrates ALGEBRA!

Wednesday, January 15, 2014
6:30-7:30 p.m.



Fifth Grade families (and siblings), please join us in the Multi-Purpose Room to explore patterns and solve problems designed to develop your child's algebraic reasoning while having fun!



5th Grade Students will have the opportunity to make an estimate and a winner will be announced!

For further information, contact [Jana Morse](#), Math Specialist

Girls on the Run Registration Now Open!



Program registration for Daves Ave 3rd through 5th grade girls opens at **8:00 am on SATURDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2013** and is available **online only**. Space is limited and girls

will be registered on a first-come, first-served basis. Once a program is full, please sign up for the waiting list as spots may open. Scholarships are available.

Fundraiser Benefiting Daves Avenue School



What: Willow Glen Bicycles will donate 10% of proceeds from bikes sold to Daves Avenue Friends & Family

How: At your time of purchase let your Willow Glen Bicycle employee know you are part of the Daves Avenue Fundraiser

When: October 1 - December 31, 2013

Where: **Willow Glen Bicycles**, 1016 Lincoln Avenue, San Jose



REMINDER Evening H&SC Meeting

Wednesday, January 8th, 2014
7:00pm - 8:00pm

Multi-Purpose Room

Want to attend the H&SC Meeting but don't have a sitter?

Why not drop your child/children off at the Daves Avenue Clubhouse? We will have lots of fun activities to keep everyone entertained!

The details are below and [CLICK HERE](#) to download a registration form which must be returned to the Club House by January 6th.

Daves Ave Clubhouse H&SC Night

Wednesday, Jan 8th, 2014
6:45-8:30 pm
Cost: \$10 per child
Deadline to Register: January 6th

We will accept all Daves Ave students and siblings 3 years of age and over who are potty trained.

Nasrin Kazemi Daves Ave Clubhouse Director
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LGS RECREATION

FREE WAYS TO SHOP FOR THE HOLIDAYS AND SUPPORT DAVES AVENUE!



Here's a great FREE way to shop and earn money for Daves at the same time. Simply download eScrip's new browser app, AutoEARN, into your favorite browser and the hundreds of merchants that support eScrip through the online mall will automatically make a donation to our school.

You can also shop from Amazon by using the link below for Amazon instead of your regular link. Amazon will contribute a portion of your purchase back to Daves. Super easy!



Quick & Easy installation.

1. Log into www.escrip.com
2. Click on the "Online Mall" tab
3. Click on the AutoEARN tab at the top of the screen
4. Download the App
5. Restart your browser
6. Don't forget to register your Safeway, credit and debit cards if you haven't already done so!!!

Enter the Amazon Store [here](#).

1. Go to:
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2. Amazon will automatically contribute to our school.

COMMUNITY



A Holiday Message

The Board of Directors of the Los Gatos Education Foundation would like to thank our donors for your generosity, and all parents, teachers, staff, and administrators in the district for your time, your efforts and your expertise in providing an education for our children that goes beyond the basics and educates the whole child.

We wish you all the best for the upcoming holidays and a very happy New Year.

The LGEF Board of Directors

EXPLORE THE NEW ART DOCENT WEBSITE

It's that time of year - you're busy preparing your holiday feast and your children suddenly declare they are bored. The redesigned [Art Docent website](#) is here to the rescue! Your children can play an interactive art game and learn about Cézanne in the process – all from our new site! The [Art Exploration & Activities page](#) offers a variety of interactive games straight from the world's finest art museums.



Perhaps you wish for an inspirational break. Feast your eyes and explore great works of art like the Mona Lisa in depth. Various interactive museum guides are accessible from the same Art Exploration & Activities page.

Before you finally take those gingerbread men out of the oven, discover what your children are learning in the Art Docent program and drop by our

[Curriculum page](#). Sound like a lot of fun? It is! Find out how to be part of it all and [Join Us](#).

We hope you and your family enjoy surfing www.artdocents.com.

Happy Holidays!



Are you a H&SC Committee Chair, Daves Teacher or Administrator, or Community representative? Do you have something 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.

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.

If you have a soft copy flyer which contains a form or further information on an event or article that you want included on the 'Wednesday Wave' web page, email a PDF document to Amy Torres atorres@lgusd.k12.ca.us by **Friday at noon**. These are reviewed by the district prior to being included on the Wednesday Wave web page.

Questions or concerns?

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