

Leonardo da Vinci eK-8 School

Award-Winning Band Students at LdV!

Congratulations to the many LdV Band students who recently participated in the Golden Empire Music Festival held at CSUS on March 8th 2014! Our students represented LdV and our District at this Music Festival, which is open to students in Yolo, Amador, Placer, El Dorado and Sacramento Counties! Students had the opportunity to earn a gold (1st place), silver (2nd place) or bronze (3rd place) medal ranking on their performance, and EVERY one of our musicians received a medal ranking! We also had more students compete than any other school in our District! Please help us celebrate our students' successes and congratulate them if you see them in the hallways - they worked hard and we're proud of all of them! J Here are our results:

- Leilani Hernandez & Eva Anders - Saxophone Duet - Silver Medal
- Nathan Habtemariam - Timpani Solo - Gold Medal
- Gabriel Girardi & Nathan Habtemariam - Saxophone Duet - Gold Medal
- Molly Grattidge, Moseley Morrison & Billy T. Hernandez - Snare Drum Trio - Gold Medal
- Matteo Wharton, Matthew Allin & Ben Vanderklay - Brass Trio - Silver Medal
- Starlight Vang, Joseline Nolasco & Billy T. Hernandez - Clarinet Trio - Silver Medal
- Starlight Vang & Joseline Nolasco - Clarinet Duet - Bronze Medal
- Sarah Cerda & Mary Her - Clarinet Duet - Bronze Medal
- Leilani Hernandez - Saxophone Solo - Silver Medal
- Kaylee Kazee - French Horn Solo - Silver Medal
- Matthew Allin - Saxophone Solo - Gold Medal
- Gabriel Girardi - Flute Solo - Silver Medal
- Reagan Mar - Clarinet Solo - Silver Medal
- David Richards - Trumpet Solo - Gold Medal
- Ciara Reed - Snare Drum Solo - Silver Medal
- Billy T. Hernandez - Trumpet Solo - Silver Medal
- Paul Salzburg - Piano Solo - Gold Medal
- Jonathan James - Clarinet Solo - Bronze Medal
- Thea Krause, Mae Krause & Karina Elliott - Woodwind/Brass Trio - Bronze Medal

2014 Author Day: Dashka Slater

It's getting close to Author Day! On Friday, March 28, we will welcome visiting novelist, journalist, and children's author Dashka Slater. The day's activities will include two assemblies, a writer's workshop, a lunch with any interested LdV community members, and a book signing.

Dashka Slater's four picture books have won widespread praise for their inventive language and vivid imagery. Her first book, *Baby Shoes*, was named one of the best children's books of 2006 by both Booklist and Nick Jr. magazines and was chosen for the Texas 2x2 list of best books for children age 2 to grade 2. Her third book, *The Sea Serpent and Me*, was a Junior Library Guild Selection and a finalist for the Cybil and Chickadee Awards, as well as being named to the 2008 Librarians' Choices List of the best books for children and young adults. A recipient of a Creative Writing Fellowship from the National Endowment for the Arts, Slater is also an award-winning journalist whose articles have appeared in such publications as Newsweek, Salon, The New York Times Magazine and Mother Jones. She is the Going Green columnist for Fit Pregnancy magazine and the author of a novel, *The Wishing Box*, which the Los Angeles Times named to its list of the year's best fiction in 2000.

If you have preordered books, they will be signed and delivered to your child that day. There will also be an opportunity for the author to sign any late orders; please see the order form in this newsletter

ARTLinks Open Studio Tuesday and Thursday, March 25 & 27 in Room 33b from 3:15-4:15pm

Open Studio is a free after school Art Studio opportunity available to every child at LdV. Students will create artwork for an LdV ART Links or community service project. Parents, please plan to stay during all Open Studio visits. We need you as volunteers for the students and it facilitates end of project timing. Yes, you can bring a friends child to the open studio but please make sure each parent has had a conversation about attendance and pick-up to keep the Open Studio session light and fun for each child. PLEASE Remind your student artists that they are attending Open Studio to make artwork and that this time is an extension of their learning day. They are to remain in Room 33b throughout the duration of the project. Open Studio is made possible by the LdV PTC. Please email UnChu Littlefield tateskitchen@gmail.com with questions

Sew?

We are looking for a volunteer with time and a capable machine to sew upholstery fabric, to sew hanging pieces for this year's Renaissance Faire. Please contact UnChu at tateskitchen@gmail.com.

Shop?

Could you do a little shopping for Renaissance Faire? Places such as Michael's Costco/SAMS Club, and Hobby Lobby are a few of the stops. All receipts will be reimbursed. Please contact UnChu at tateskitchen@gmail.com.

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Dates to Remember

- March 17**
Soccer @ LAS
girls @ 3:30 • boys @ 4:45
- March 19**
Soccer @ MLK
boys @ 3:30 • girls @ 4:45
- March 20**
RIF grades eK-3
- March 25**
Open Studio 3:15-4:15 pm
- March 27**
Open Studio 3:15-4:15 pm
- March 28**
Author Day

Dolphin!
Dolphin art by LdV 8th
grader Eleri K.

Your school-related event
could be featured here!

This newsletter is distributed every Monday of the school year. The submission deadline is 8:45 am on the last, non-holiday Thursday preceding distribution. Please email your articles to: dsandsons@sbcglobal.net. Events and services advertised in this newsletter are not necessarily endorsed by LdV PTC or SCUSD.

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From the SCL (School Community Liaison)

Tally Sheets: Please turn sheets into your child's class or to the Volunteer Office at the end of the month.

TB test results and Sex Offender Background check clearances: Must be on file before working in the classroom. Fingerprinting must be cleared before driving on or chaperoning fieldtrips.

Feel free to stop by the garage door Mon-Fri 7am-3:30pm or email me at diane-soule@scusd.edu, or leave a message at 277-7034.

Driving on a Field Trip?

The district requirements for insurance (when driving kids on field trips) are as follows: minimum of liability \$50,000/\$100,000 and property is minimum \$25,000.

About the Newsletter

This newsletter is provided by the LdV PTC in conjunction with the LdV School Community Liaison. Please read it weekly in order to keep up with what is happening in our community. This is where you can get ideas about where and how to participate. This is also where you can announce any school related activities by submitting a short article about the event. Please be sure to include the date, time, and a contact name and number.

Neighbor Concerns

Our main office has received a number of calls from neighborhood residents. Specifically, the general concerns are: driveways being blocked, cars parked the wrong way on the streets, **SPEEDING**, driving over/through leaf piles and children running out into the street. Could we make an effort to be good neighbors?

Parking Lot Closed

Due to traffic congestion and for the safety of our children, the front parking lot will be CLOSED from 8:30-9:15 am and 2:30-3:15 pm. Please park politely in the neighborhood or use the drop off/pick up route. Please be safe and patient in the drop off/pick up zones. We are all anxious to be on our way.

Check Your Child's Schedule

The lunch and recess schedules for all grade levels are readily available on the school website (leonardodavincischool.org). If you are picking your child up for an appointment, or bringing a lunch they left behind, it is easier and quicker to find them in class than on the playground. Please consider timing your trip around your child's schedule. Thank you.

Your Family Pet Belongs at Home

LdV is a pet free campus. For the safety (and cleanliness) of our community please leave any size pets at home (unless okayed by teacher for sharing). Thank you.

Déja Vu?

If you read the newsletter weekly, some of the content may see familiar. Many parents choose to read the newsletter sporadically, and articles are run repeatedly so they can catch up. It may be frustrating for you (and me) but read carefully since pages might seem the same but rest assured no two issues are exactly alike!

From the Office

Bring a Doctor's Note & Leave a Reason

If your child misses school for a visit to the Doctor or Dentist, please bring a school excuse note for their attendance. It does make a difference on a student's attendance report.

The attendance code for a Doctor's visit is "M" which is unlimited and without the doctor's note it is an "A". All students get 10 health absences "A" for the year, after that a doctor's note is required.

Many parents call the absence line and state that their child will be absent, but do not state the "REASON" please remember to so.

Please Bring Your ID

If you are taking your child for early dismissal or are sending someone from your emergency card list, please note ID will be required. It is school policy to show proper ID before a student is released. It is for the safety of your child, please do not grouse at the staff who are keeping our children safe!

Attendance News Now you can simply dial 557-0389 and leave your child's absence information.

Wondering about attendance codes? P = Personal absence - Education Code section 46014 is for: student's court appearance (requires verification), funeral services (one day, in state...three days, out of state; need verification such as a funeral program or name and address of the funeral home), parent's employment conference (requires prior principal approval), student is the custodial parent of a child who is ill or has a medical appointment during school hours. Observance of a religious holiday or ceremony (recommend 3 days advance notice to school).

Did You Know...When your child has chicken pox, a skin rash, lice or other infectious health challenges you need to follow up with the main office when your child returns to campus. A doctor's note that the child has been treated and is okay to be back among our other students after a rash or chicken pox is required by SCUSD health services.

Fingerprinting Requirements: Yes, you do need to be fingerprinted to go on a field trip... whether you are driving children or not. The District requires any adult who is not fingerprinted to be in sight of a certificated person at all times, but it is vital that teachers be free to watch their students, not the grown ups who are there to help. So fingerprint please!

What Time Does Your Child Get to School? School begins at 9 am. Unless your child attends a before school class or breakfast, our campus is not open until 8:30 am. Please do not leave children without adult supervision before 8:30 am.

Where Do You Drop Off? If you are dropping off in the back parking lot, are you stopping at the gate openings with your car and blocking the entrance for others (children and parents) who are walking into school? Please pay attention to where you stop, and especially as you pull away. Lots of humans use the parking lot and appreciate your full attention!

Please do not allow your children to walk through our parking lots! Small unaccompanied children are hard to see.

How Do You Get Here? If you are driving your children to school and come in from Freeport Blvd, do you know you are supposed to take a quick right and come to the school on Shielah Way, enter through the back gate and then drive away on Stacia Way. This keeps the traffic flowing and is easier on our neighbors. Thank you for going with the flow!

Notice of Pesticide/Herbicide Use: LdV is scheduled for service by SCUSD's Small Grass Crew weekly. The crew may or may not spray every Wednesday. If they do spray, they will post notice in the front lower window of the front door. A copy of SCUSD's Pest Management Program listing all chemicals applied to all sites is available in the front office.

Attendance: Students are allowed 10 excused (illness with a parent's excuse, death in immediate family, child's appearance in court) absences per the year. Each additional absence from illness must have a doctor's note to be cleared.

Call In Sick and Tardy: Please phone in your students' absences and tardies by calling 557-0389 and leave the child's name, room number, date of absence and reason for being out of school (i.e.: illness, doctor appointment, religious, out of town, death in family). Absence verification must be made daily.

You may also send your notification by email to sally-uhlig@scusd.edu. Unverified absences will result in truancies.

Llamada para avisar de enfermedad o retraso: Favor de llamar a 557-0389 para avisar que su hijo/a va a estar ausente o va a llegar tarde. Deje su nombre, el nombre de su hijo/a, el número del salón, el día de ausencia o retraso, y la razón ("está enfermo/a", "tiene una cita con el doctor", "tiene un funeral familiar", etcetera es suficiente). Le pedimos que llame antes de las 10:00 de la mañana para evitar una ausencia sin excusa.

Late to School? Students who are over 30 minutes tardy must be accompanied to the main office by their parent or guardian to obtain a tardy slip. All tardies over 30 minutes must have a parent signature or an official doctors note. Three tardies over 30 minutes without such documentation will result in a truancy notice.

Badges: Every parent on campus must sign in to the main office. If you are working anywhere on campus get a "Volunteer" badge and sign in the Volunteer book. If you are visiting a classroom, please sign in the book under Mona Lisa and wear a "Visitor" badge. Please sign out in the appropriate book before leaving. These precautions are for the safety of everyone on campus.

Allergy Alert For the safety and consideration of our students with severe nut allergies we are striving to become a "nut free campus." Thank you for your support of our efforts.

Thank YOU!

LdV staff so appreciates the parents who brought in the goodies for staff the morning after class meetings: Colleen McGee - fruit, Crystal Jennings - lemon pound cake, and Adrienne Chan - chex mix, blueberry corn bread.

Yes, You Do Need to Help

There are some LdV events on the horizon that cannot happen without a lot of volunteers. Please consider stepping up.

March 28 - Authors Day help - Patricia at patricia.heinicke@sbcglobal.net

April 4th - Volunteers are needed to help check in Science Fair projects in the morning before school 8-9:30am, and to help judge the projects that evening from 6-9pm. Celia Rosecrans at cz.rosecrans@gmail.com.

April 10, 3-5pm and **April 11**, 6 am-4pm - Renaissance Faire - UnChu at tateskitchen@gmail.com

New Days! Dolphin Store Open Monday & Thursday PM

The LdV Dolphin Store is open after school on Mondays and Thursdays (until 3:15 pm). The store has schools supplies and healthy snacks for students.

Tri-Fold Boards are Here!

Need a board for the upcoming Wax Museum and/or Science Fair? Pick them up at the Dolphin Store on Mondays and Thursdays after school. \$5 for white or \$7 for color. What a deal!

LdV on the Web & Facebook

The weekly newsletter can be found on the **NEW LdV web site: leonardodavincischool.org**. You may also download Tally Sheets in either Word or Excel. The files can be completed and emailed to diane-soule@scusd.edu. When you email a tally you will receive a reply. If you do not receive a reply it means your email was not received.

Like Us on Facebook and stay up to date on LdV events! <https://www.facebook.com/LeonardodaVinciK8>

Please Remember the FB page is purely informational and to support our school and it's culture. Please "like" us if you would like news about LdV, meeting reminders, and event updates.

LdV Soccer Update - Week #2

The boys have started their 2014 campaign 3 and 0. The girls had a very physical match on Wednesday resulting in a 0 to 0 draw. They have 2 wins and 1 draw.

Girls:

Monday #2:	LdV 10	Still 0
Wednesday #3:	LdV 0	MLK 0
Goals:	Trinity Dunbar	4 (quads)
	Victoria Bustos	2 (brace)
	Alexis Cano	1
	Alexis Dunbar	1
	Justine Jackson	1
	Sienna Carrillo	1

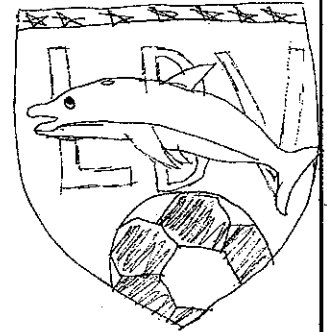
Boys:

Monday #2:	LdV 5	Still 2
Wednesday #3:	LdV 7	MLK 1
#2 Goals:	JoJo Mamola	2 (brace)
	Luis Magana	2 (brace)
	Jesus Andrade	1
#3 Goals:	JoJo Mamola	4 (quads)
	Luis Magana	3 (hat-trick)

Next Week:

Mon March 17th LdV vs LAS @ Fruitridge Elem. - 3:30g & 4:45b
Wed March 19th LdV vs Didion @ Renfree - 3:30b & 4:45g

**Watching the soccer matches counts as volunteer time!



dolphin art: Sienna C.

from the District

Changes to Fingerprint Counter Days and Times of Operation - Fingerprint hours and days of operation are: 8-11am and 1-5 pm on Mon, Wed, Fri.

Common Core Workshops - Contact Dr Iris Taylor at iris-taylor@scusd.edu or 643-9120 for more information.

Free TB Testing - Tests taken this year will be "good" until 2018. Testing is done by the District at the Serna Center every other week from 3:30 to 5 pm. It's a two step process: given on Tuesday and read on Thursday. The schedule is on the website.

Examen de tuberculosis (TB) gratis en la Serna Center - Los exámenes hechos este año están válidos hasta el 2017. El distrito ofrece los exámenes cada otro martes entre las 3:30 y las 5:00 de tarde en el Serna Center (5735 47th Ave - al este de la autopista 99). Hay dos partes del examen - dan las inyecciones los martes y leen los resultados los jueves. Las fechas particulares de los exámenes están disponibles en nuestra oficina.

Citizenship Classes - at Jones Skills and Education Center 5451 Lemon Hill Ave. Classes every Tuesday from 3:30-6:30 pm.

Zangle News

SCUSD is replacing its outdated student information program Zangle with Infinite Campus, a state-of-the-art data management system used by more than 2,000 school districts across the country. Infinite Campus rolls out on April 21. The switch to Infinite Campus is necessary because Zangle's parent company is no longer in business. Right now, SCUSD is operating Zangle without service support, maintenance or new upgrades.

Fortunately, Infinite Campus is very easy to use, can be accessed from anywhere and has a mobile app so parents can check attendance and grades with their phones.

Funding for Infinite Campus is coming from Measure Q, a bond measure passed by voters in November 2012.

Under SCUSD's implementation timeline, Zangle will be available for use until 5 p.m. on April 11. Neither Infinite Campus nor Zangle will be available April 12-20 (Spring Break) for the transition to the new system.



SAVE THE DATE:

Mother & Son "Decades of Dance"

We're excited to announce the Mother & Son Dance will be taking place again this year! Guys, be prepared to take a step back in time with your mom (or other favorite lady in your life, aunt, grandmother, etc.) at this special event where we'll visit past decades starting with the 1950s and work our way back up to 2014!

When & Where: Friday, May 16th • 7pm - 9:30pm • LDV Auditorium

Highlights Include: Live DJ • Dancing • Sweet Treats • Fun Shop • Cool Prizes • Photo Shoot

PLUS...Come represent your favorite decade by dressing up for a chance to win a prize awarded to the "Best Dressed Mom/Son(s)"

Parents interested in helping can contact: Alexis Wasilchin at alexisbartine@sbcglobal.net or Christie Garcia at christieg75@gmail.com



Looking for Something to Do?

You Could Light Up Our Life

Many years ago, LdV parent David DeNuzzo was inspired to pursue the opportunity to run a fantastic new to LdV fundraiser...A Fireworks Booth. David did all the research, attended classes, filed paperwork, found us a premium location, and has basically lived at the booth every July ever since. With all the really hard work done, David would like to pass the baton to a parent or parents who could work with him this year and take it over from there. THIS IS A VERY IMPORTANT FUNDRAISER TO LdV. The work you

do on this summer fundraiser will complete your hours for the year! And you will have a lot of fun! PLEASE contact David at dfd@denuzzo.com with questions or to volunteer.

Join the PTC Board

Are you interested in serving on the PTC? Many positions are open including (but not limited to) President elect. Please contact Cindy at UNDC@aol.com

You Be the Judge!

The PTC Science Committee is seeking volunteers to help with the Science Fair on **April 4th**. Volunteers are needed to help check in projects in the morning before school 8-9:30am, and to help judge the projects that evening from 6-9pm. No experience is necessary and pizza will be provided! Contact PTC Science Committee chair Celia Rosecrans at cz.rosecrans@gmail.com.

Grounds Clean Up

We are looking for parents of all abilities but would be grateful for anyone with masonry, carpentry or plumbing skills. Contact Ryan at rymetta@mac.com with questions.

Highlight Your Culture

Volunteers are needed to create interesting cultural displays for the CIE display case located in the main hall by the office. The case can be adopted by an individual, family, or group of friends to highlight a cultural of their choice. Choose a culture to highlight or a topic that celebrates our cultural diversity, then decide on the month and contact Anna Consulo at Anna.Consulo@riteaid.com or call 916-803-2170.

Collate and Conversate

Seven hundred and thirty newsletters are collated and stapled every Monday morning. If you would like to help we would love your company and its worth at least an hour of volunteer time (one newsletter a week guarantees you at least 37 hours for the year). We begin at 8:30 am (no children please).

Lunch Recess

Volunteers are always needed to help keep an eye on the playground and halls at lunch. Please see Campus Monitor Randy Reyes if you can help.

An Opportunity to Showcase Your Business or Talent

If you: Own or have connections to a food or beverage business, or are a talented chef in your own kitchen; Are an interior designer or have a flair for space planning and making spaces look cool; Are in the marketing/communications field; Are an entertainer or DJ; Enjoy planning unique events; Have a company you'd like to promote or showcase... You won't want to miss the opportunity to be a part of this year's biggest party! Contact Kim Niemeyer at niemeyers@comcast.net or Gwynnae Byrd at gwynnaeb@gmail.com for more information on how to participate!

NEW Photos Wanted!!!!

So many events, so little time. The yearbook deadlines are fast approaching, so I am currently looking for photos of the following events: Winter Faire, Father Daughter Dance, Author's Day Event and Ms. Diane kissing the guinea pig. Additionally, I wanted to let everyone know that I will also be asking for photos of the following future events: Dr. Suess' Birthday, The Tempest Performances, The Mother Son Dance, The Science Faire and the Ren Faire. If you have any shots that you would like to share for the yearbook and/or the historian binder, please send me anything you have. Diane has created a box in her office called HISTORY. You can either drop a CD there or email me directly at terrie_hammad@hotmail.com. Thank you so much for your assistance.

—Terrie Hammad, LdV Historian & Yearbook Coordinator

Lend Us Your Likes

Help raise money for our entry into the Northern California Solar Regatta (<https://www.smud.org/en/about-smud/environment/renewable-energy/solar-regatta.htm>). Please go to this site (<https://www.facebook.com/West-CoastMortgageGroup>) and "Like" their page. If they get over 500 likes, they will make a donation to our project. SPREAD THE WORD!

Word of the Week

There are times when it is hard to remember that, "Patience is a virtue." Standing in a long line with a tired child is one of those times when patience can be hard for us to find. During the struggle to remain patient, we must remember that our children are watching and learning from our example. Children, who often seem to think patience is painful, need all the good examples in this area that we can provide!

You will find that with a little practice and praise, all children can develop PATIENCE, our character word of the week.

"With time and patience the mulberry leaf becomes a silk gown."
—Chinese proverb

From the Community

LdV Alums Offering Tutoring

After school tutoring in LdV neighborhood, email **Kenzie** at mackenziej1@comcast.net

My name is **Nicholas DaRosa**. I graduated from LDV in 2010, and I am presently a senior at Christian Brothers. I am interested in tutoring LdV students in math and science. Last year I tutored a student in Algebra II, and I am currently tutoring a student in Pre-Calculus and another student in chemistry. I am happy to tutor any student for a reasonable rate. Please call Nick at 916-955-7254.

We Need Volunteers!

The annual LdV Renaissance Faire is just around the corner. Friday, April 11!
Faire opens at 9 am to our students. We need volunteers to help run all the stations.

All day shift - 9:00 am to 3:00 pm.

Lunch will be provided.

or

Morning shift - 9:00 am to 11:30 or Afternoon shift - 12:00 to 3:00

Help after to clean up, and or set up on Thursday, April 10 would be greatly appreciated.

This is a really busy but fun-filled day.

Please contact me if you are able to come join us - UnChu Littlefield at tateskitchen@gmail.com



Fund Raising News

School Cents Program at Arden Fair

We are currently in 3rd place!! Let try to stay in the top 3! Don't forget to turn in your receipts from your holiday shopping. You can take them to the Customer Service Counter at Arden Fair or put them in the box in Diane's office. Check your receipt piles at home because they will take receipts from up to 90 days ago! Thanks for supporting LdV!

Looking for Ways to Complete Your Class Fund Dues?

We still have Z Best books available for sale at \$20 each. For each book you sell, the school gets \$10 and \$10 would go to credit your child's Class Fund dues. You can contact Laura Walter @ laura.q.walter@gmail.com or stop by Diane's office and check with her.

Clip, Save, and Send In Box Tops & Labels for Education Help the LdV PTC raise much needed funds and points for school-wide programs and events by submitting box tops and labels in a zip-top plastic bag or envelope with your student's classroom number on it and send it to school.

Labels for Education can be found on Campbells Soup, Pace, Pepperidge Farm, Glad products, and more. Go to labelsforeducation.com to see product lists and special offers. We use these labels for points that help us purchase balls and other playground equipment.

Boxtops 4 Education can earn money for LdV in three ways: **1. Shop and clip:** boxtops are found on General Mills cereal, Hanes apparel, Ziploc food storage, Arvey office supplies, Hefty bags and more; **2. Shop online:** boxtops can be earned shopping online for Lands End, Toys R Us, and more; **3. Earn Bonus points:** by going online to boxtops4education.com

Don't Forget to Use Your Something EXTRA Card... Truly the easiest and cheapest fundraiser at LdV...it costs you nothing to remember to use your EXTRA card (registered to help LdV) when you shop at Raley's and Bel Air. You get points and groceries and we get cash, its a win-win!

...and your Target card Whenever you use a Target card (debit or credit), Target donates 1% of your purchase to the school of your choice. (Plus you get a 5% discount and free shipping online).

It's Never Too Late for Magazines You or your family and friends can order magazines throughout the year by shopping at the online site www.gaschoolstore.com and using our SCHOOL CODE 2692168. Late orders will not warrant prizes. Thanks for supporting LdV! Any questions or concerns, contact Laura Walter at laura.q.walter@gmail.com

Thank You for Your Old Car... Action Donation Services will take cars, boats or RVs and turn them into money for the school and possibly cash and a tax donation for you. Call toll free 866 244-8464 or go to www.actiondonation.org for your no obligation evaluation of your donation.

Other Online Shopping If you shop on-line for gifts, or everyday purchases from merchants like Apple, Cabela's, Old Navy, Lands End, Barnes & Noble, and Staples, we need your help! Box Tops for Education has a Marketplace, which is a portal to all the places you probably already go to buy books, clothing, toys, electronics and even flowers online. Take the extra step and go to www.boxtops4education.com first and register to support LdV. Merchants donate anywhere from 1-10% of your total sale to the school, it's easy as that and doesn't cost you a penny.

SHOPAROO!!

What is it? An easy way to raise money for LdV from the shopping that you already do! How do you get started? All you need is a smartphone!!!

Shopping Online for Business or Personal Needs?

Shop Amazon through the LdV Link and Support our School!

Simply click on the LdV Amazon link then continue with your shopping.

Directions: Go to our website: leonardodavincischool.org or the LdV Facebook page; Click on the Amazon link; Log in to your Amazon account just like you normally would; Complete your purchase. It's just that easy and LdV will earn up to 8% on all of your Amazon.com purchases!

Dolphin Yacht Club

Would you like to support the Dolphin Yacht Club? Help us make a splash in our first year at the Northern California Solar Regatta. 7th and 8th grade LdV students are building a full sized, solar powered boat to race against other middle and high school teams from all over Northern California.

Get your name on our solar boat!

We are hoping for donations of expertise (engineers, designers, videographers, etc); materials, and funds. Please contact Joe Scarpa if you want to help in this exciting project or want more information. joe@jscarpa.com (please put "solar" in the subject line).

Individual and Corporate Sponsorships are available. Forms are on the website and in the front office.

Thank you Bay Alarm for your support!



New ON STAGE Session

ON STAGE begins a new 8 week session for K-3, Thursday, March 20th. In this after school program we get to know each other through theatre games then we write a play and learn to perform it. If interested Please see registration forms attached to this newsletter or contact Cynthia Speakman at 916-502-0336.

Computer Classes

Spanish & English Speaking Parents

Meet on Tuesdays, 9:45-10:35 am and Thursdays 11:40 am-12:30 pm in the LdV computer lab for help with Zangle and other computer needs. Contact Mrs Garcia at 585-6020 with questions.

What's Happening After School?

After School Art lessons with Leslie Colby: "great things to make and build" - sculpture, paper maché, painting & more. Tuesdays from 3:15-4:45 pm \$12 per class. Contact Leslie at 502-1227

On Stage / Off Stage Questions? Contact cynthia.speakman@gmail.com or 916-502-0336 with questions.

LdV Ballet Folklorico Club for boys & girls K-8 grade. The group will perform at LdV's annual Cinco de Mayo Festival. Contact Mrs. Garcia (916)585-6020 or pick up a registration form (front office)

Spanish Immersion Classes for Kids New Classes of different levels start every month. Pick up a form in the front office or contact Mrs. Garcia (916)585-6020 for info.

Beginning or Advanced Orchestra program meet Monday or Tuesday afternoon in room from 3:15pm - 4:05pm in Room 1. **Meet our new LdV Orchestra teacher, LdV parent, Shari Gueffroy**, sharigueffroy@gmail.com and 916-320-2730.

Kid Tuff Empowering Program helps build character, visual alertness and mental and physical toughness in all children. Three month program is \$75. Forms in front office. Contact Nora Finch 601-9076 for information

Early Engineers www.earlyengineers.org or 419-7644

How Do You Shoparoo?

It's so simple even I can do it. Look up Shoparoo on your smartphone, download the app, answer some easy questions (you can choose to be anonymous) then shop! Within 2 weeks of your shopping at stores like Raley's, Target, WalMart, Trader Joe's, even Berkeley Bowl - take a picture of your receipt through the Shoparoo app and submit it. You can cross out any purchases or credit information you wish.

It's that simple. Shoparoo then uses the information to help retailers market their products. It remains anonymous and LdV wins!

FROM
THE LDV
GARDEN
To Your Table



This is one of our favorite dishes for warmer weather. The best part is the colorful platter of vegetables that accompanies the fish tacos. This week we are featuring the radish planted by Mr. Sapunor's class. They're delicious in the tacos!

Alexis Wasilchin

Fish Tacos- grilled or baked!

Serves 6

- 1-1/4 lb skinless mahi mahi or tuna steak cut into pieces and skewered (for grilled)
- 1-1/4 lb Tilapia or similar (for baked)

Marinade: Squeeze of fresh lime. 1/4 cup chopped cilantro and a dash of white wine, Salt and pepper

12-18 corn tortillas (warmed in tinfoil packs)

To grill: Pre-heat grill to med-high and brush with oil. Grill fish turning once until opaque- about 6 min

To bake: Brush or spray a sheet of tin foil with canola (or veg) oil. Place fish and marinade in the tinfoil. Fold the tinfoil, creating a pocket. Bake at 350 for about 10min. until cooked through

Pickled red onions

- 1 medium red onion
- 1/2 cup cider vinegar
- 1/4 cup sugar
- 1/2 tsp salt

Cut red onion crosswise into thin rings. Heat vinegar, sugar, and salt in a saucepan until sugar has dissolved. Set aside and stir in onions. Let stand for 25 min

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- 2/3 cup mayo
- 2/3 cup sour cream
- 1/2 tsp salt
- 3 TBSP lime
- 1/4 tsp Pimenton or dash of Tabasco (optional)

Create a colorful platter of your favorite fresh vegetables such as: thinly sliced cabbage, radishes, cherry tomatoes, cubed avocado, chopped cilantro, jalapeno, and lime wedges. Add the pickled onions and you have a beautiful and healthy presentation!

Our LDV Learning Garden is supported by our PTC!

"Students of the Month" February 2014

GRADE	RM	TEACHER	ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT	CITIZENSHIP	ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT	CITIZENSHIP	
Early Kinder	2PM	Eily Graves	Pierre Laborde-Lagrange	Elijah Franklin	Allen Holcomb	Kendall Levine	
	2	Allison Hebert	Nessa Weiner	Izabella Reyes		Miguelangel Galindo	
Kindergarten	3	Lisa Brown	Julian Pires	Carni Joseph	Diego Avalos-Daniels	Allison Noller	
	4	Jane Walton	Alyxia Castorena	Hailey Lam	Owen Correia		
	1 st -3 rd SDC	20	Patty Ryan	Ezra Chavez (2 nd gr)	Angelo Tapia (3 rd gr)	Armando Guerrero (3 rd gr)	
	5	Veasna Nim	Mac Enslow	Chloe Fong	Phillippe Bienick	Nora Laflam	
First	6	Jamie Maroldy	Gabriel DaVeiga	Alex Kasel	Brock Katz	Ella Hanson	
	10	Stacey Lombardi	Gilbert Garcia	Alejandra Taylor	Lucy Nordberg	Carissa Singer	
	Second	11	Tim Sapunor	Jennifer Richards	Alex Brosemer	Camden Floyd-Realmutto	
	12	Joanie Wickham	Nicole Archer	Daphne Lee	Avery Thoma	Annabelle Davis	Adrian Calderon II
Third	18	Lynne Olcomendy	Dominic Brau	Stella Matteson	Kevin Brashear	Eisa Williams	
	7	Linda Cochran	Tanner Meade	Valentino Muñoz	Courtney Stinson	Alexander Monahan	
	8	Linda Johnson	Kaila Martinez	Jose Lopez	Nicolas Garcia	Violeta Vlaisavljevic	
	9	Maribeth Niehaus	Jesse Rodriguez	Abbigail Crow-Gamino	Salern Howes	Demetrius Ramsey	
4 th -6 th SDC	33A	Phil Howard	Dina Brown	Cindy Brousseau	Owen Nordberg	Claire Bryant	
	15	Vienna Bustos	Mallory Fuller	Olivia Correia	Dharina Kapakly	Devin Hunter	
	16	Brian Moore	Joaquim Gutierrez-Higino	Zachary Santsche-Chavez	Joel Marin	Esteban Gomez	
Fifth	17	Deborah Dodd	Berenis Ledesma	Yesenia Abrego-Perez	Darin Thao	Sophia Huevo	
	23	Kim Meade	Isabella Garcia	Summer Santich	Marcos Flores	Joseph Walton	
	24	Dan Maroldy	Aaron Kwong	Emilio Huizar	Clara Reed	Cosmo Harlan	
Sixth	21	Sally Weisbecker	Lauren Towne	Lillie Andrew	Lorena Meza	Alexa Santiago	
	22	Rhonda Wallace	Thea Krause	Karina Elliott	Mallory Fuller		
Band	1	Jennifer Nakayama					

Middle School
February Students of the Month

Cece Sidley – Androlowicz, Science

Parker Scarpa – Androlowicz, Science

Megan Chan - Maltby, Math

Eleni Koumis - Maltby, Math

Aleasha Snow - Sirard, Language Arts

Celeste Cox - Sirard, Language Arts

Ailin Perez - Stiller, Art

Daniela Ramirez - Stiller, Art

Lanessa Norris - Sidley, Social Science

Rose Turner - Sidley, Social Science

Alexa Carter - Jackman

Brian Cook - Jackman

Nyshajuan Washington - Ismail, PE

Emma Riseling - Ismail, PE

AUTHOR DAY: Children's author Dashka Slater will visit LdV on Friday, March 28, 2014.



Dear Parents,

Acclaimed author Dashka Slater will be visiting our school on March 28. If you would like to purchase books to be autographed by the author on Author Day, please fill out and return this form, along with full payment, no later than Thursday, March 27. Make your check out to Dashka Slater. You and your kids can preview Dashka's work by visiting www.dashkaslater.com.

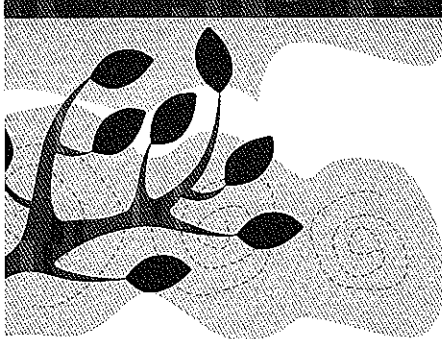
Parent name: _____

Teacher name and room number: _____

Titles	Quantity	Price Each	Price Total
<p><i>Dangerously Ever After</i></p> <p>Dashka, please autograph this book to:</p> <p>Name: _____</p>		\$16.99	
<p><i>Baby Shoes</i></p> <p>Dashka, please autograph this book to:</p> <p>Name: _____</p>		Hardback edition \$16.95	
		Board book edition \$7.95	
<p><i>Firefighters in the Dark</i></p> <p>Dashka, please autograph this book to:</p> <p>Name: _____</p>		\$16.00	
Total			

Please return this form to the Front Office no later than Thursday, March 27, 2014. For more information and answers to your questions, please contact LdV parent Patricia Heinicke at 916.930.0348 or patricia.heinicke@sbcglobal.net.

Summer Reading Skills PROGRAMS



CLASSES OFFERED IN SACRAMENTO

Program for 4-Year-Olds and Entering Kindergartners:

Your child will learn beginning phonics and reading readiness skills, build comprehension, and develop a love of books and reading. This program lays the foundation for a strong start in reading and school.

Program for Entering 1st Graders:

In this program, students learn to read independently. Your child will learn phonics and sight words, build comprehension, and gain the skills and confidence needed for success in first grade.

Program for Entering 2nd Graders:

In this program, students become fluent independent readers. Your child will make significant gains in phonics and word-attack skills, fluency, and comprehension, and will develop confidence and a love of reading.

Program for Entering 3rd Graders:

In this program, students become strong independent readers. Your child will develop the comprehension, fluency, and long-word decoding skills needed to read longer books with ease, and will build confidence and a love of reading.

Program for Entering 4th and 5th Graders:

In this program, students make substantial gains in comprehension, long-word decoding skills, fluency, and reading speed. Your child will complete homework more quickly and easily, be more successful in school, and become a strong, enthusiastic reader.

Program for Entering 6th-8th Graders:

Students in this program make substantial gains in comprehension while doubling reading speed. They also learn the best way to read textbooks, take notes, and study for tests. As a result, students complete homework more quickly and easily, get better grades, and enjoy reading more.

Program for Entering 9th-11th Graders:

Students in this program double reading speed, make substantial gains in comprehension, and learn study skills. Excellent preparation for the SAT, ACT, and college.

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Phonics

Comprehension

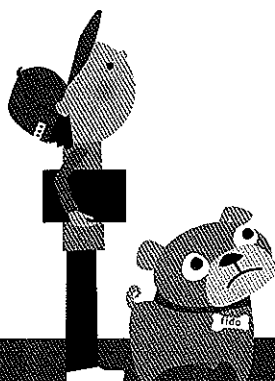
Vocabulary

Study Skills

Speed Reading

Love of Reading

Schedule Code: 31-S4-54FE



FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO REGISTER

Call 1-800-978-3532

Mon.-Fri. 5am-7pm, Sat. 5am-4pm and Sun. 6am-4pm

PLEASE SEE REVERSE SIDE FOR CLASS SCHEDULE

Teachers

Programs are offered as a community service by University of the Pacific, Center for Professional and Continuing Education, a non-profit organization. Classes are taught by professional instructors from the Institute of Reading Development.

"I would like to thank you for such a positive outcome with my son James. He learned skills that have translated into wonderful grades, and more importantly, have given him more confidence in his reading abilities. He has actually asked to go to the library to pick out a book!"

Parent of 4th grader

Class Schedule

Tuition and materials fees vary by program level. Please ask about our family discount.

Program R - For 4-year-olds and entering kindergartners (must be age 4 when class begins)

Program 1 - For entering 1st graders

Program 2 - For entering 2nd graders

Program 3 - For entering 3rd graders

Program 4 - For entering 4th and 5th graders

Program 5 - For entering 6th-8th graders

Program 6 - For entering 9th-11th graders

Program 7 - For adults, college students, and entering 12th graders

ALL PROGRAMS MEET ONCE EACH WEEK

SACRAMENTO: The following programs meet at Cosumnes River College, 8401 Center Parkway.

Program R - Sat., July 26-Aug. 23, 9:30am-10:45am

Program 1 - Sat., July 26-Aug. 23, 11:45am-1:45pm

Program 2 - Mon., July 21-Aug. 18, 9:00am-11:00am

Program 3 - Sat., July 26-Aug. 23, 2:45pm-4:45pm

Program 4 - Mon., July 21-Aug. 18, 3:30pm-5:45pm

Program 5 - Mon., July 21-Aug. 18, 12:00pm-2:30pm

Program 6 - Thu., July 24-Aug. 21, 3:30pm-6:00pm

Program 7 - Thu., July 24-Aug. 21, 7:00pm-9:30pm

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More reading classes are scheduled at nearby locations.

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