

Leonardo da Vinci K - 8 School

Integrated Thematic Instruction Through Arts and Science

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Devon Davis, Principal

Dear Leonardo da Vinci Parents,

Greetings, families! The 2013-2014 school year continues to bring forward many new exciting changes and growth opportunities for our students. Thank you for all of your hard work in supporting your child as a curious and innovative learner. Our goal is to make school saturated with highlighted and memorable experiences. Your child is very special and unique to your family and to all of us at school. We enjoy working with you to support these exciting and essential learning and developmental years.

Instruction and Curriculum

<u>Common Core</u>: Common Core are the new national curriculum standards that will be replacing our former "California Content Standards." LdV teachers have had *four years* of training and preparation for the Common Core. Common Core has fewer standards and the standards for each grade level are more in depth. A new math adoption is underway and teachers will have access to training in summer 2014. Supplemental ELA materials will also be provided. With our learning extensions, intense writing program, and projects - our teachers understand how Common Core fits with our practices.

Smarter Balanced Assessments: Smarter Balanced are our new assessments that will take the place of CST tests (given only to 3rd-12th grade students). The new Smarter Balanced tests are aligned to Common Core standards and are testing thinking rather than reading (such as tests that extend beyond identifying the correct answer and filling in the bubble). The students took a practice Smarter Balanced Assessment in January. The teachers had professional growth time, with two SCUSD Math Coaches to examine the results, compare questions at each grade level, and discuss the variances in the grade level rubrics. Our students have also had some time to practice this new testing format on the computers. LdV has long honored assessments that test thinking and deeper levels of understanding. For 2014, we are only practicing this new test and testing format. The district and site will not receive any results. Our goal is to help our students become comfortable and confident with the new test.

<u>CST Assessments for the 2013-2014</u> school year students will take the CST for writing in 4th and 7th grade and science for 5th and 8th grade. The CST Social Studies test will be administered for 8th grade.

<u>ITI and Common Core:</u> Integrated Thematic Instruction (ITI) is the curriculum model for LdV. Integrated Thematic Instruction focuses students to learn about 4-8 themes and connect the knowledge

across the curriculum. Common Core and ITI are well-aligned due to the intense writing, mastery projects, and critical thinking components of our curriculum. The former California Standards set the basic bar for which teachers led instruction and we exceeded the basic expectations. We plan to continue the same with Common Core where we will extend student learning well beyond the new Common Core standards.

<u>Technology Infusion into ITI:</u> The district, through bond money, has provided three Mac Book carts that are required for the future Smarter Balanced Assessments. Teachers have been trained in basic skills and this training will continue. Ms. Ballard, our Assistant Principal, has led many grade level and class level projects to help students develop comfortableness with the new technology and a basic skill set.

<u>Teacher Training for 2014-2015</u>: We anticipate four teacher retirements in June. In order to prepare for our growth (adding a 6th grade class), we will continue the tradition of offering our Annual LdV ITI Faculty Retreat. Our teachers will be trained in: ITI, Common Core, new math adoption, and the new software system (Infinite Campus is replacing current Zangle). We will also build in teamwork so that we are collectively ready when the new school year begins.

<u>New Math Adoption</u>: A new math adoption is underway. We model teacher best practices and will use the new adopted materials as one means to align pacing to our new standards. Additionally, math will be incorporated into relevant learning, used in centers, workshops, gardening, and science, to help with making learning matter in the real world and have relevance across the curriculum.

<u>Math Leveling</u>: math is leveled in middle school and 4th grade. Next year, math will be leveled in our intermediate grades. We have planned this direction for three years. We are continuing to teach math in a manner that is challenging for all our learners.

<u>Parent Support</u>: We encourage parents to support learning at home. Some parents focus on repetition for skills (like math facts or blending sounds) or extensions (for higher achievers- adding yearlong research projects/learning extensions) and parents support the ITI mastery projects. The teacher's role is to meet the needs of all students but to make sure that the grade level standards are taught and learned to mastery.

GATE (Gifted and Talented Education): The LdV ITI Program was created as a "GATE level curriculum for all students". In previous years, students were identified as officially being GATE by Sacramento City Unified School District by meeting the following criteria: 1st grade assessment/parent feedback form/teacher feedback form or two years of advanced ELA and math scores on the CST (screened after 3rd grade). GATE identification can make a difference in secondary education (part of the criteria used for middle school and high school class placement). The district offers GATE classes and students that are identified as GATE can pursue enrollment in schools that specifically identify GATE classes. We strive to educate the whole child and not only offer rigorous and challenging curriculum for every child but also enrichment projects, field trips, and learning extensions (that would be similar if not exceed most district GATE classes). The GATE identification process will be changing because of the new assessment model and we will share that information next year. There is a narrow

margin to qualify under "GATE" and we celebrate multiple intelligences and academic perseverance for all children.

Budget News

Budget increase! Next year, based on the new funding formula and the increase in LdV enrollment, our budget will increase. For the last few years, we have identified the need for more playground structures. This is a safety and school climate issue.

The budget increase will allow intervention programs to increase (extra support for math and ELA skills), building a new playground structure by the basketball courts- near the HP/LdV fence (summer 2014), replace one of the auditorium stage curtains, purchase new curriculum materials, support teacher training in math, ITI, GATE, and continue our implementation of technology to extend ITI learning.

Facility

Field: the field is open unless the ground is muddy. Students may not play between the soccer posts (due to erosion issues) but the rest of the field and softball field is open (weather permitting).

Playground Structure: we have met with the district the playground company and the playground structure will be repaired in the near future.

New Plant Manager: our new Plant Manager, Letha Witt, has positive relationships with the District building and operations department. We look forward to moving forward with our work orders and site upkeep. Special acknowledgement to Mr. Lance our Jan-Feb. substitute Plant Manager who kept our gym, hallways, and school clean. Special thanks and appreciation to Mr. Dave Butler who used to have a team of three and now works as our solo custodian. Thank you for helping by talking to your students about cleaning up after himself or herself, pitching in to help clean up floors and throw away trash. With 800 students and 50 staff members, keeping our school clean is a community effort and life skill.

Parent Partnership

Class Meetings: If you have missed a **class meeting** (a meeting your teacher voluntarily leads in order to connect you to your child's education) your child's teacher is aware and impacted by your non-attendance. The future of our program is at-risk when not every child has representation at 100% of our meetings. The last class meeting is: April 30. This is both a class meeting and move up meeting. If your family has consistently attended the class meetings, let me assure you that the teachers and your child know that they are being supported and they appreciate your time. Thank you! Do not miss the April 30th meeting. This is your chance to find out about end of the year projects and get information about next school year.

Thank you to our families who have participated in our fundraisers, community events and class fees. Many families have sponsored families this year who had a hardship. However, we do not have enough families who can sponsor others, so please plan ahead for next year. Teachers and students would be sad to lose special programs, field trips and materials because not all 100% of our families are

contributing. While the contribution is voluntary, without families fundraising to make up missing fees - we simply will not be able to go on all our field trips.

LdV Contract Meetings: we will be setting up meetings with parents who have not upheld their LdV contract. The education and enrichment program are intensely impacted when not every student is having the same level of support. If you have not submitted hours, please turn them in. If you have not attended your class meetings, please discuss this with your child's teachers immediately. If your child has not turned in homework or projects, please make a plan with your child's teacher for how you will help to support this learning. In the event class fees have been a hardship for your family, please make a plan to so that the grade level program will not be impacted with loss of field trips, specific projects or art supplies.

Faculty Updates

Ms. Ballard: Ms. Ballard, our new assistant Principal, has been given many responsibilities. She is helping to lead the infusion of grade level appropriate use of technology. She is working on technology vision and fundraising. She is also on the district Technology Team. With the teachers, she will be creating an ITI grade level technology curriculum ladder.

Mr. Phil Howard: Mr. Howard is our new 4th-6th grade special day class teacher. Mr. Howard has been teaching for over 12 years in Sacramento City Unified School District. He has always worked with children with special learning needs. He was a long term counselor at Families First where he initially discovered he was destined to be a teacher. In addition, he has supported students with leadership skills and has been a high school basketball coach for many years. He has strong expectations and uses his positive relationships with students to motivate hard work. As a former middle school teacher and high school teacher, he understands what our students will need to know in order to be successful at the next level. I have no doubt that your son or daughter will be inspired to do their best work and develop under Mr. Howard's instruction.

Librarian: Ms. Buxton has worked 16 years as a County Librarian and over ten years as a school librarian. She has a background in the arts (theatre and visual arts). Her background and interest in supporting our students access library materials will make learning even more exciting and independent at LdV. Ms. Buxton will be at LdV on Thursday, Friday, and alternate Mondays. We welcome our new librarian and are grateful to Ms. Kate Ramos who took the library by storm two and half years ago and brought it to life with plants and art for the teachers and students to access. Ms. Ramos will continue to volunteer in the library.

Climate

Take a moment to discuss friendship and kindness with your student: We do not allow language that puts down a student's gender, race, religion, sexuality/perception of sexuality. The golden rule of "if you cannot say something nice—do not say it at all" is something that we value and reinforce. Please help to reinforce this with your child. We have had many issues this year of students using "hate speech" using the word "gay" as a put down or making negative comments about race. Please make

sure your child understands that on a school campus, students can be suspended for using language that puts down a person due to gender, race, religion, sexuality/perception of sexuality. Also discuss with your child the need to not only "tolerate" all students but also to appreciate and accept all students.

Lock down and drills: thank you for sharing your feedback regarding our lock down procedure (on March 27th) as well as our drills. Ms. Ballard meets monthly with a Safety Team and our school faculty discusses safety procedures at faculty meetings. Keeping our children safe, erring on the side of caution, and using sound judgment are our goals. The number you list as your home number on your emergency card is the number Connect Ed calls and where emergency calls are directed. If a cell number or work number is the best number, please change this in the main office.

LdV Special Announcements and Tributes

African American History Assembly: Thank you to Myeisha Brown who brought her ideas and creativity to fruition by offering a wonderful Black History Assembly to LdV. Thank you to Ms. Niehaus' class for presenting the history of influential African Americans, Ms. Wallace's students who read a poem, Brian (BJ) Pierce who danced, Mr. Kevin who played drums, Thai Nicole who sang, "Negro Anthem", and alumni Chanzey Meranda (who danced). The show will be remembered and will become an annual tradition. Thank you, Ms. Brown!

Solar Regatta: Thank you to Mr. Joe Scarpa for leading our students in creating an 18 foot wooden Solara regatta that will be a part of a competition with other middle and high schools. The boat is being skillfully and delicately crafted in the back of room 35.

1st Pancake Breakfast becomes Community Event: Mr. Androlowicz and his Science Club are raising money for their trip to Florida. The breakfast was not only a fundraiser but a nice community event on a rainy morning. Thank you to Mr. Androlowicz, Ms. Sidley, and middle school Science Club students and their parents. Outstanding efforts led to a warm community and delicious food on a cool morning.

Athletics: Mr. Dunbar, thank you for supporting the coaching of our student athletes in soccer for spring 2014. Our athletes must maintain an honors G.P.A. to play in the games. Our standards on the field and in the classroom may be high, but the rewards are exponential.

Play: Ms. Chapman, our former LdV English and Social Studies Teacher, returned for another year of Shakespeare. Later, this year the Middle School students will watch a professional production at the Shakespeare Festival in Ashland, Oregon. Students of all ages should be exposed and will be enchanted by the shows.

Orchestra: new enrichment teacher, Ms. Shari Gueffroy (LdV parent and professional musician) is teaching the orchestra program effective. She plays for the Sacramento Symphony and has taught children for many years. We look forward to her talents in building our strings program.

Crocker Art Museum and LdV Build a Partnership: Special thanks to UnChu Littlefield (parent), Mollie Morrison (parent), and Ms. Linda Johnson (teacher) for spearheading a school wide partnership with Crocker Art Museum.

Teacher Appreciation: special thank you for providing coffee and homemade treats for our hard-working teachers. They especially appreciate warm treats after a long meeting night.

Ms. Diane, our School Community Liaison kissed a pig! Ms. Ballard's Quarter Crusades earned an amazing \$3,000. Thank you so much. We will be able to purchase 12 additional MacBooks for our students. To celebrate and motivate this event, our own Ms. Diane kissed a pig (a cute guinea pig, that is). Thank you to our dedicated leaders!

PTC: Thank you to our incredible parent body. Earlier this year, the PTC formed a Technology Committee after Ms. Ballard shared some poignant presentations about infusing technology into our ITI model, and the PTC voted to allocate \$13,000 for technology. Keeping our students ready for the trends of current and future education and careers is critical. We have had the mantra of "appropriate use of technology" to enhance learning and this will continue. Our new librarian, Ms. Buxton, is also using her background to help support research and learning through technology.

Important Dates

Parent Appreciation Breakfast, April 24 at 8:30AM, Auditorium

Move Up Meeting: April 30, 2014 (attend your current grade level class meeting and find out about the next year's curriculum).

Open House and Art Showcase: May 28th, visit classrooms 6:30-7:30PM

Kinder Graduation: June 10 at noon, gym

1st Grade Promotion: Land Park, June 10th, 5:30-7:00PM

8th Grade Promotion and Dinner: Land Park Amphitheatre, June 11th, 5:00PM

Awards Assemblies: May 30th at 9:15am, gym

Our school year is going well and we are taking our new curriculum, testing, and goals one moment at a time. LdV is a school with a dedicated mission and vision that will not falter during changes. However, we will continue to grow and prepare our students for daily essentials and future endeavors.

Thank you for all your help and support. Your comments and proactive solutions are welcome. I am honored and privileged to serve as part of such an amazing school and community.

Sincerely,

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Leonardo da Vinci eK-8 School

Thank You Volunteers!

It is obvious to everyone that one very important reason LdV is so special is YOU our volunteers. Whether you are parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles or friends, the adult volunteers on campus make it possible for us to enrich our students learning experience every day.

Please stop by the auditorium this Thursday morning to enjoy a treat prepared especially for you from the staff at LdV



Help us raise money for a new Kindergarten Tricycle Track on Friday, April 25th, 3:15 - 5:30 pm. Only \$5 (admittance includes a slice of pizza, and a soda). There will also be a snack bar with popcorn, soda & a variety of candy for sale

LdV Blues Band Live!

The next performance of the LDVBB will be Friday April 25 6 pm at Comics and Collectibles at 1904 Fruitridge at the corner of Fruitridge and Freeport.

Taste of LdV

What do Channel 3 anchor David Bienick, Revolution Wine, Track 7 beer, Red Rabbit restaurant, and local prominent artists have in common? All of them – and more – will be participating in this year's "A Taste of LdV" – our new fundraising event! You will have the chance to bid on items such as "monthly date nights for a year," a kids cooking session with Patrick Mulvaney, or a Disneyland trip for 4. The event will be held in a midtown warehouse – location TBA – on June 7. Childcare will be available (for an additional fee)

Ticket prices are \$30 per person, but we're offering an early bird purchase price until May 9, of \$25 each. You can purchase tickets here: http://ldv.schoolauction.net/tasteofldv/

As a Reminder for Parents Traveling to and from LdV

Please be cautious when driving our narrow streets! On April 3rd at 8:21am, a black GMC Yukon with a small white dog in the front passenger seat was caught on video traveling east on Stacia Way when the vehicle struck a parked car and broke the driver's side mirror. If anyone has any knowledge about the incident, please call Al at 916-952-8901.

EBay Wizard Wanted

LdV has a variey of ink cartridges we can no longer use. Rumor has it, we could possibly recoup our costs by selling them on EBay. Parent hours and much gratitude to a volunteer who wants to give it a try! diane-soule@scusd.edu

Out of Cookies?

Just in the nick of time...Cookie Dough Sales. Watch for order forms next week!

Dolphin!

Dolphin art by LdV 7th grader Grant G.

Infinite Campus Replaces
Zangle Today!

Beginning today we will be using Infinite Campus for student data including grades and attendance. We DO NOT HAVE PARENT PASSWORD information yet. Please plan to attend the April 30 class meetings to obtain this information. Thank you for your patience while we learn this new system!

Move Up Class Meetings

Our April Class meeting is traditionally the "move up" meeting consisting of ½ hour of your class meeting after which parents are released to the next grade level for a "look what's coming meeting" with those teachers. This year grades (1-7) will be conducting move up meetings on April 30.

The schedule is as follows: eK regular meeting at 5 pm

K, 1, 2 regular class mtgs begin at 6 pm Grades 1 & 2 move up at 6:30 pm

(Move up to Kinder meeting for eK and new kinder parents) is TBA.

Third Grade regular class mtg begins at 5:30 pm and move up at 6:30 pm

Grade 4 conducts 3rd grade move up at 6:30 pm and regular 4th grade at 7 pm

Grade 5 regular class mtg begins at 7 pm and move up at 7:30 pm

Grade 6 will be in move up meeting at 6 pm and regular class mtg at 7 pm

The move up from 6th grade meeting is 6 pm. Grades 7 & 8 regular class meeting begins at 7 pm

Move up meetings are in rooms as follows: first grade room 5; second grade room 11; third grade room 8; fourth grade room 16; fifth grade room 25; sixth grade room 21; seventh grade room 27.

Librarian Requests

The LdV Library would like donations of empty shoeboxes and any copies of Dr. Seuss books, especially the Beginning Readers, that are in good condition. Thank youl Kathy Buxton, Librarian

School Cents Final Push!!

Just a reminder that April is that last full month to collect and record Arden Fair receipts for the School Cents program!

Big Bonus this month, bring in your 3rd quarter report card and the school will get 1000 points for every Advanced or A in the major subjects on the report card.!!

This could really boost our totals into 2nd place! Don't forget the 1st place school gets \$3000, 2nd place gets \$2500 and 3rd place gets \$1500. Shop & support LdV!!

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Dates to Remember

April 23 Soccer vs Still girls @ 3:30 • boys @ 4:45

April 24
Volunteer Appreciation
beginning at 8:30 am in the
Auditorium

April 25 FROZEN Pajama Party 3:15-5:30 pm

Soccer vs MLK

LdV Blues Band @ Comics & Collectibles 6 pm

April 30 Move Up Class Meetings

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. Published by the parents of Leonardo da Vinci eK-8

Next Issue: April 28 Deadline: April 24

Both Soccer Teams Still Undefeated!! LdV Soccer Update Week 5

(March 31 - April 4th) and Week 6 (April 7th - 11th)

Boys Record: 8 Wins 0 Losses 2 Draws Girls Record: 9 Wins 0 Losses 1 Draw

Week 5: game 9 - Wed April 2nd at MLK Boys WON 8 to 1

- Luis Magana (4)
- JoJo Mamola (2)
- Daniel Hernandez (1)
- Kvle Westman (1)

Girls WON 8 to 0

- Victoria Bustos (3)
- Justine Jackson (2)
- Trinity Dunbar (2)
- Sienna Carrillo (1)

Week 6: game 10 - Mon April 7th vs Didion Boys TIED 1 to 1

- Own goal on JoJo throw-in Girls WON 2 to 1
 - Tymiko Okino (2)

game 11 Wed April 10th vs SES

Boys WON 10 to 0

- Joio Mamola (3)
- Kyle Westman (2)
- Luis Magana (2)
- Serapio Nambo (2)
- Mason Archbold (1)

Girls WON 6 to 0

- Alexis Dunbar (3)
- Tymiko Okino (2)
- Alexis Cano (1)

game 8 - Thursday April 10th vs LAS Boys Won 5 to 0

- Jojo Mamola (3)
- Mason Archbold.(1)
- Jesus Andrade (1)

Girls WON 9 to 0

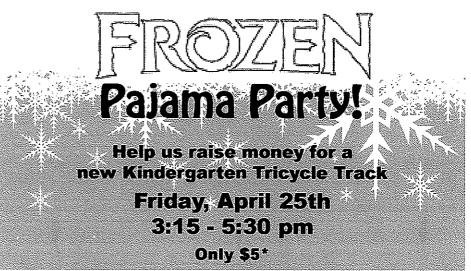
- Tymiko Okino (3)
- . Lauren Towne (2)
- Alexis Cano (1)
- Alexis Dunbar (1)
- Celeste Cox (1)
- Katie Rohrer (1).

This Week - Final Home Games: game12 Wed April 23rd - LdV vs Still @ LdV game13 Fri April 25th - LdV vs MLK @ LdV

Feel like a Hot Cup of Coffee or Tea when Cafe da Vinci is Closed?

LdV PTC School Climate Committee has donated a KEURIG K Cup coffee maker for the use of teachers and parents. It is located in the front office for your use. You are welcome to bring your own pod and cup, or purchase a pod from Diane for only \$1. We have several strengths of coffee, as well as hot chocolate, chai latte, and hazelnut coffee.

Available for ONLY \$1



*admittance includes a slice of pizza, and a soda

There will also be a snack bar with popcorn, soda & a variety of candy for sale

This Friday!

Calling All Parents

The yearbook committee is busy gathering photos to be used in the yearbook and we need your help!!! As you know, there is a portrait page and a candid collage page designated for each class. In order to ensure that each class does indeed have a collage page, we need 20 -25 photos per class, representing each student. Some classes have class photographers that assist the teacher with this, others do not. For those that don't, we have to rely on all the parents in those classes to fill in the gaps.

Currently, there are two classes requesting assistance with gathering these photos as follows: Wallace and Little. If you have any photos that you would like to share, please email them to terrie_hammad@hotmail.com or download them to a CD and drop it off in the HISTORY box located in Diane's office.

Let's pull together and make this happen! The kids really enjoy seeing candid shots of themselves and their classmates. There is nothing quite like hearing the excitement in their voices the first time they see these photos!

The final yearbook deadlines are almost upon us, so please look to see what you have and send them to me today.

Thank you so much for your assistance! - Terrie Hammad, LdV Historian and Yearbook Co-

Please Sign Up to Help at the Scholastic Book Fair!

The Book Fair runs from May 22 through May 30, 9 am to 3:30 pm, and during Open House night on May 28, from 5:30 to 8 pm. We also need volunteers for setting up the Book Fair on May 21 from 3 pm to 6 pm, and take down on May 30 from 3 pm to 6 pm.

The Scholastic Book Fair can't happen without a small army of volunteers to help! Signing up can't be any easier than this:

Here's how it works in 3 easy steps:

1. Click this link to go to our invitation page on VolunteerSpot: http://vols.pt/Y35BSh 2. Enter your email address: (You will NOT need to register an account on VolunteerSpot) 3. Sign upl Choose your spots - VolunteerSpot will send you an automated confirmation and reminders.

Note: VolunteerSpot does not share your email address with anyone. If you prefer not to use your email address, please contact me and I can sign you up manually.

Contact Sara Kennedy at 916-220-5033 or sarakennedy@comcast.net with questions.

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 happing 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?

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 <u>any size</u> 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 maybe frustrating for you (and me) but read carefully since pages might seem the same but rest assured no two issues are exactly alike!

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.

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.

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 salon, 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 escusa.

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.



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 Qld 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.

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!

Shopping Online for Business or Personal Needs?

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 LdV Robotics Program

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Open for students currently in GRADES 4-8; Tuesdays 3:15 - 4:30 (May 6th thru June 3rd) coached by Mr. Sirard in the Computer Lab

COST: \$50, please see attached fiver.

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

From the Community

LdV Alums Offering Tutoring

After school tutoring in LdV neighborhood,
email Kenzie at mackenziei1@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.

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

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 and 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.

Water Please

I am looking for a parent volunteer to water the front and side flower beds a couple of times a week. Either stay a little at drop off time or come a little early for pick up? Please see Diane in the front office or email diane-soule@scusd.edu if you can help.

Please Sign Up to Help at the Scholastic Book Fair!

The Book Fair runs from May 22 through May 30, 9 am to 3:30 pm, and during Open House night on May 28, from 5:30 to 8 pm. We also need volunteers for setting up the Book Fair on May 21 from 3 pm to 6 pm, and take down on May 30 from 3 pm to 6 pm.

The Scholastic Book Fair can't happen without a small army of volunteers to help! Signing up can't be any easier than this:

Here's how it works in 3 easy steps:

1. Click this link to go to our invitation page on VolunteerSpot: http://vols.pt/Y35BSh 2. Enter your email address: (You will NOT need to register an account on VolunteerSpot) 3. Sign up! Choose your spots - VolunteerSpot will send you an automated confirmation and reminders. Easy!

Note: VolunteerSpot does not share your email address with anyone. If you prefer not to use your email address, please contact me and I can sign you up manually.

Contact Sara Kennedy at 916-220-5033 or sarakennedy@comcast.net with guestions.

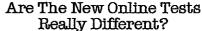
Unsung Queen & Friends

Another spectacular Renaissance Faire has come and gone...thank you to UnChu Littlefield for pulling it off once again...despite low volunteer turnout, a steamy hot gym and last minute volunteer failures. It is an event that every LdV kid looks forward to and remembers, and it could not be accomplished without UnChu and her loyal

volunteers! Thank you also to LdV alumni Margot Dieu for an inspired senior project that brought the Ren Faire to another level with live period music. Margot along with LdV alums Madison Vanderklay and Arin Grattidge, with their CK McClatchy bandmates: Briahna Yee, Kyle Luper, Emily Feng, Elliott Livingston, Nico Peruzzi, Rachel Wood, and Allie Lown, played the entire day

and really added to the entire Renaissance experience.

(For those of you unfamiliar with Unsung Heroes, this is where we acknowledge the parent who goes a little farther...the teacher who inspires a little more...the staff person who really shines...the student who makes a special effort. Submit your Unsung Hero's name with a brief explanation of who they are and why you chose them along with your name. If you'd like to acknowledge a job well done even if you don't know who to credit, that's okay too. Email, call or leave a note for me.—Diane Soule, Editor)



Continuing through May 16 LdV students will join thousands across California participating in a practice run of new online tests that will eventually replace the paper-and-pencil California Standards Tests (CSTs). The new tests, called Smarter Balanced Assessments, allow students to demonstrate what they are learning through writing and by solving complex problems, which makes them different from the multiple-choice, bubble-in CSTs.

For example, consider this released test question from the fourth grade math CST:

Which decimal should replace the question mark to have the numbers in order from least to greatest?

• 0.28 • 0.32 • 0.54 • ? • 0.86 Is the answer: A) 0.24 B) 0.45 C) 0.61 or D)

0.93?

To compare this question to a Smarter Balanced Assessment math question, go to http://sampleitems.smarterbalanced.org/itempreview/sbac/index.htmhere.

The Smarter Balanced Assessments are aligned to the new Common Core State Standards, which define what students should know and be able to do at every grade level.

Common Core Standards focus on skills in addition to content, and challenge students to think critically, solve problems, analyze text and create written arguments. The standards are generally more demanding and rigorous than the outgoing California Content Standards.

To take a full Smarter Balanced Practice Test, go to http://www.scusd.edu/changes-state-testing.

This year's spring testing is a "test of the test" aimed at providing the state-with information about which questions fairly and equitably allow students to demonstrate what they know. It also allows schools to learn

SCUSD is committed to helping parents learn about both the new tests and the Common Core Standards through a series of workshops. Go to http://www.scusd.edu/commoncoreworkshops to see the schedule.

Halloween is Long Past

If you have a few too many sweet reminders of spring break and would like to donate choclate or other sweet leftovers, please leave them in Diane's office. The staff really appreciates the afternoon recess treats.

Thank You Volunteers!

It is obvious to everyone that one very important reason LdV is so special is YOU our volunteers. Whether you are parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles or friends, the adult volunteers on campus make it possible for us to enrich our students learning experience every day.

Please stop by the auditorium this Thursday morning to enjoy a treat prepared especially for you from the staff at LdV



Word of the Week

It is a wonderful fact that spending time to help others also helps us. Whether we participate in a community clean-up project, visit the elderly or work in the classroom, volunteering our time makes us feel good. When we VOLUNTEER, our character education word of the week, we make a difference in many lives.

Our wonderful parent volunteers at LdV model daily the benefit we receive when people volunteer. In families, children and adults can volunteer to help other family members, participate in neighborhood projects, or give time to organizations with meaningful causes. Children can volunteer by doing something as simple as cleaning a common area without being asked or making a picture for a distant relative.

"Let me light my lamp, says the star, and never debate if it will help to remove the darkness." —Rabindranath Tagore

Spring Photos

This year Spring Photos will be taken on May 19. Due to testing, we are taking photos a little late, and so ALL photos must be pre paid, there will be NO class photos AND NO makeups.

Water Please

I am looking for a parent volunteer to water the front and side flower beds a couple of times a week. Either stay a little at drop off time or come a little early for pick up? Please see Diane in the front office or email diane-soule@scusd.edu if you can help.

Is LdV Track in Your Future?

I am trying to get the LdV Track Team up and running for next year. Track season begins mid-March, but coincides with soccer. In the past the soccer coaches have said that as long as track meets don't interfere with soccer games, kids can do both sports. If your child will be attending 6-8th grade in the 2014-15 school year they are eligible to join the track team. If your child is interested please contact me, we may have to do some fundraising. If you are interested in track please contact me so we can begin planning for next year. If your child is unsure - no rush - feel free to attend one of this year's meets to get a feel for what we are about. The last track meets take place on 5/1 at 3:30 pm at Rosemont HS or Burbank HS. The championships are on 5/10 at 8am at Rosemont, If you are interested, please email me at libaker@surewest.net (please use track in the subject line). Thank you, Chloe Baker, LdV 7th grade student

It's Getting Hot

Must be time for popsicles! Watch the green door next week...

From the District

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 examenes hechos este año están válidos hasta el 2017. El distrito ofrece los examenes 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 examenes 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 is Old News

SCUSD replaced 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. The switch to Infinite Campus was necessary because Zangle's parent company is no longer in business. 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.

We will be handing out information for parents to create new passwords at our April class meetings.

Highway 50 Fix

Do you take Highway 50 to get to work or school? The Fix50 W/X Viaduct project on Highway 50 near downtown Sacramento will begin April 22—two weeks earlier than originally planned – and during construction you'll probably want to give yourself more travel time. Caltrans will be keeping more lanes open during construction than originally planned. Rather than closing one side of the freeway at a time to do the work, at least two lanes on the construction side will stay open. All lanes in the opposite direction of the construction will stay open as well. Ramp closures will also be reduced. Eastbound construction will take place April 22 through May 21, with no work during Memorial Day weekend. Westbound construction will be May 27 through June 25. Fix50 project website, www.fix50.com, will continue to provide daily updated information regarding construction and project status.



Friday, May 16th • 7pm - 9:30pm LdV Auditorium

"Mother & Son Decades of Dance"

Hey guys! 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 to 2014!

Friday, May 16th

7pm – 9:30pm

I dV Auditorium

LdV Auditorium Live DJ | Dancing | Sweet Treats Fun Shop | Cool Prizes | Photo Session

Dress in Your Favorite Decade!
Prize Awarded to Best Dressed Mom/Son(s).

Tickets on Sale Now! Look for the order form in this newsletter or in Diane's office.

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

Middle School March Students of the Month

Ailin Perez - Androlowicz, Science

Juliette Brisson – Androlowicz, Science

Julia Atlee - Maltby, Math

Chloe Baker - Maltby, Math

Rose Turner - Sirard, Language Arts

Sarah Cerda - Sirard, Language Arts

Kelly Lei - Stiller, Art

Parker Scarpa - Stiller, Art

Jiorgio Mamola - Sidley, Social Science

Monet Jennings - Sidley, Social Science

Darienne Berryman – Jackman, SDC

Ashley Sandoval - Jackman, SDC

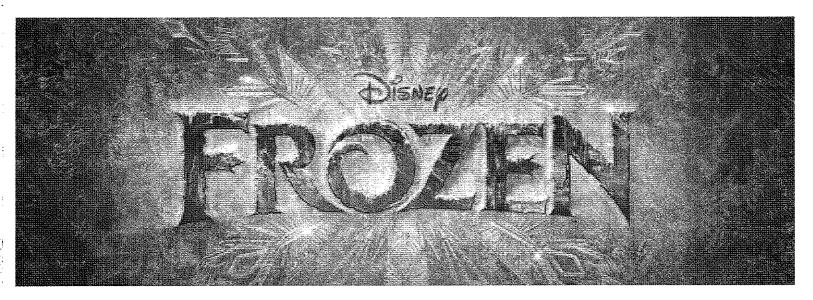
Calvin Hatchet - Ismail, PE

Eliana Lopez - Ismail, PE

"Students of the Month March 2014"

GRADE Early Kinder Kindergarten	RM 2PM	TEACHER Elly Graves Allison Hebert	ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT Cameron Yanez Sovi Mitra	CITIZENSHIP Camden Salisbury Jair Recinos	ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT Luke Lyda Elle Farmer	CITIZENSHIP Skyler Ziegler Xavier Sabado
	ω	Lisa Brown	Santiago Godnick	Arleth Flores		Indiana Thomas
	4	Jane Walton	Sumiyah Aamir	Cole Lyda	Sasha Bailey	
1೩೭3ಗ SDC	20	Patty Ryan	Angelo Tapia (3 rd gr)	Winsley Smith-Egerton (3 rd gr)	Angelina Bursiaga (2 nd gr)	
First	5	Veasna Nim	Ciera Bailey	Kensington Dunbar	Andrew Hebert	Aaliyah Jennings
	ø,	Jamie Maroldy	Alessandra Saldana	Fela White	Angela Garcia	Shivanjali Prasad
	10	Stacey Lombardi	Stax Arroyo	Gabriel Drayton	Mateo Rossi	Pennie Howes
Second	11	Tim Sapunor	Joshua Weinsheink	lan Kennedy	Drew Garfield	
	12	Joanie Wickham	Victoria Calvario	Brianna York	Scariett Burkhardt	Lillian Mason
	18	Lynne Olcomendy	Sienna Wisnia		Miguel Ruiz	
Third	7	Linda Cochran	Angeles Flores	Bella Romo	Heidi Herrera	Anthony Foster
	co	Linda Johnson	Ada Littlefield	Isabella Nagel	Tristan Kerksieck	Zachary Horner
	9	Maribeth Niehaus	Gianna Miranda	Amelia Hall	Jose Lopez	Joseph O'Toole
4th_6th SDC	33A	Phil Howard	Angelo Toral	Kendrick Jones		
Fourth	15	Vienna Bustos	lvy Rivers		Alyssa Seixas	
	16	Brian Moore	Elle Thomas	Geneva Bell	Sean Allin	Danny Shea
	17	Deborah Dodd	Sam Dufur	Ameira Hendrickson	Joe Brown	Adrian Salama
Fifth	23	Kim Meade	Kat Hansell	Caleb Spickelmier	Sophia Tyzzer	lan Basquez
	24	Dan Maroldy	Sophia Peavy	James Silva	Julia Hecky	Heaven Samayoa-Mathis
	25	Cathy Little	Genna Bourquin	Zareiha Benjamin	Nate Serrao	Emily Lam
Sixth	21	Sally Weisbecker	Alexis Avalos	Rachel Adams	Laura Baylis	Zachary Simpton
	22	Rhonda Wallace	Luca Imhof	Emil Ramos	Lillie Andrew	Kyra Kennedy
Band		Jennifer Nakayama	Eva Anders	Billy T. Hernandez	Conlee Graybill	Hannah Fuller

Pajama Pizza Movie Night



Friday, April 25th

3:15 - 5:30

LdV GYM

\$5 per person (includes a slice of pizza, a drink, and the movie)

We're watching Frozen in our PJs! Grab your coolest PJs and join us for a Pajama Pizza Movie Night. We'll be watching the Disney movie Frozen, eating pizza, and enjoying refreshments.

Tickets on sale before and afterschool April 21st thru April 24th 8:30- 9:00 am and 3:00 – 3:15 pm

Snack Bar on-site including popcorn, red vines, and frozen treats.

All proceeds will help fund a new tricycle track for the eKindergarten and Kindergarten playground.



Pajama Pizza Movie Night Order Form*

Please fill out and return the form below with payment to the FROZEN MOVIE NIGHT box in front office. Student's Name Grade _____ Parents' names Number of Tickets: Amount enclosed: \$ Pizza Order (one slice per ticket) ___ peperoni _ cheese *Tickets will be ready for you at the door, avoid the line and buy your ticket(s) early. Pajama Pizza Movie Night Order Form* Please fill out and return the form below with payment to the FROZEN MOVIE NIGHT box in front office. Student's Name _____ Grade Parents' names Number of Tickets:_____ Amount enclosed: \$_____ Pizza Order (one slice per ticket) __ peperoni ___cheese

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We are pleased to announce LdV's Robotics Program...



THE PROGRAM: The FIRST LEGO League is an international competition organized by FIRST for elementary and middle school students. In September each year, a new challenge is announced that focuses on a different real-world topic related to the sciences. Each challenge within the competition then revolves around that theme. The robotics part of the competition revolves around designing and programming Lego Mindstorms robots to complete tasks. The students work out solutions to the various problems they are given and then meet for regional tournaments to share their knowledge, compare ideas, and display their robots. Our LdV team will meet this spring to learn fundamentals about computers, programming and electronics. (The main preparation for competition in November will start in the fall and will require a big commitment of time and effort, especially in the weeks leading up to the competition.)

(Open for students currently in GRADES 4-8)

COACH: Mr. Sirard

DATE: Tuesdays Afterschool (May 6th thru June 3rd)

PLACE: Computer Lab

TIME: 3:15 - 4:30

COST: \$50 (please make checks payable to LdV PTC-Robotics and return it with the enrollment form to the ROBOTICS BOX in the front office by April 30th)

Please fill out and return the form below with payment to the ROBOTICS BOX in front office. Student's Name Grade _____ Parents' names ______ Home Phone Email Address Emergency phone number to use during class ______ I can help in the following way I still have questions, (please call me!)



FRIDAY, May 16TH 7-9:30PM

snacks sweets fun shop DRESS UP
IN YOUR
Favorite
Decade!

Games COOL PRIZES LIVE DJ Dancing PHOTOS

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 up to 2014! This is a great opportunity for the guys to spend an evening together with their favorite lady dancing, playing games, winning great prizes, and more!!!

PURCHASE YOUR RAFFLE TICKETS!

Raffle tickets are available for purchase now (and will be on sale at the event). Each ticket will be worth \$1 and can be used towards games, photos, goodies from the fun shop, & prizes!

No In and Out Privileges

PRIZE FOR BEST DRESSED PaiR!

Please fill out and detach this form along with your payment to LDV PTC 3rd grade & return to class teacher or Diane's Office.

\$20 Per mom (or mom-like Figure) & all accompanying sons

of sons attending: _____

DELIVER TICKETS TO (Child Name:) _____

Classroom #: _____ Teacher: ____

Corsage for mom \$5 Yes, Qty: _____ Boutonniere for son(s) \$3, Yes, Qty _____

Pre-Purchased Raffle Tickets Qty: _____

Total Cash or Money Included: \$

Ms. Devon Davis' Dragonfly Theatre, Presents



Summer Performing Arts Camp (for 1st-8th Graders)

Location: Leonardo da Vinci School

June 23-June 27th 2014

7:30AM-5:45PM

Performing Arts Camp 9:00AM-3:00PM

Extended Day (included) 7:30-9:00AM and 3:00-5:45PM

\$250.00 (if student is registered before May 15, 2014)

\$275 (if student is registered after May 15, 2014)

Performance June 27th at 6:00PM

Reception will follow with awards, root beer floats, and treats!

Grease, is the word: summer 2014! Join a spectacular musical play production! The script has been adapted but some of the *Grease* music will be incorporated. Every student will sing, dance, act and be cool under summer stars. The performing arts are a wonderful way to develop confidence, teamwork, and an appreciation for the arts that will extend into a lifetime of skills. Most of all, the performing arts are exciting and fun!

Ms. Davis, Director and Producer: Before becoming a school administrator (current Principal of Leonardo da Vinci eK-8 School, for ten years, Ms. Davis produced large play and musical productions for Courtyard School, Very Special Arts, San Juan Unified Performing Arts Center, and her own Dragonfly Theatre Company. Ms. Davis has a B.A. in theatre arts and background in teaching children to love the performing arts. She has been long planning to reopen her company and bring large play productions to life.

Ms. Thai Nicole, Singing Teacher: Ms. Thai Nicole is a rising R and B performer and she grew up singing, leading her church choir and performing. The children will love her!

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\$275.00 (if student is registered after May 15, 2014)

Registration Fo	rm
Student: Ag	ge: Grade (in fall)
Student pant size:Stu	adent Shirt Size:
Parent Name:	
Address:	
Parent/Guardian Phone Number:	
Parent/Guardian Phone Number:	
Email:	
Email:	

Please make checks out to Devon Davis

Emergency Card and questionnaire packet will be sent to students who register.

Please mail registration to:

Devon Davis- 4701 Joaquin Way, Sacramento, CA. 95822

Thank you!

After School Building Classes at Leonardo da Vinci Elementary!



Class Details

Register below, by phone or online! Please, do not return to school.

Online

www.earlyengineers.org

Mail

1820 Tribute Way Suite F, Sacramento, CA 95815

Phone

(916) 419-7644

Fax

(866) 665-4845

Day: Monday

Time: 3:10-4:10pm

Classroom: Library

Session Dates:

Session E: 4/28, 5/5, 5/12, 5/19, 6/2

*No class scheduled on minimum days or holidays.

Pegistration Form

You can also register online! www.FartyEngineers.org

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Guardian Name:	Student Name:
Email (for receipt):	Birthdate:// Grade:
Address:	If Kindergarten: □ AM □ PM □ All Day Room #
City: Zip:	Does your child <i>normally</i> attend afterschool care? □ Yes
Cell Phone: ()	After Early Engineers class my child will: □ Be picked up by parent/guardian from Early Engineers classroom □ Walk home/Independent Release to front of school □ Go to Afterschool Care
-	Contract of Contract

Enrollment Options:

Last Session of the Year!

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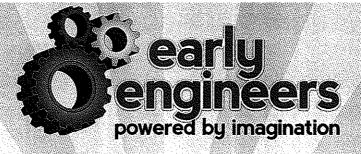
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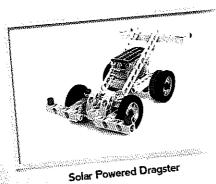
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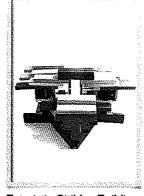
I have read and understand the information provided. If I have provided my credit card information above, I authorize Early Engineers to charge my card for the items I have requested. I waive any right to claim against Early Engineers owners, staff and teachers in the event of an accident, injury or loss of personal items. I understand I am committing to my child's participation in Early Engineers and reserving a place in class for the designated session above, tuition refunds are only available when providing Early Engineers with 2 weeks advanced notice of the class start date (discounts will be removed and free items will be charged based on the current selling price). I understand it is my responsibility to pick up my child from the designated classroom at the designated end time. I authorize the release of my child's work and photo for display purposes by Early Engineers, my child's school and/or School District. I understand it my child's responsibility to remember and attend their Early Engineers classes.

Signature:	Date:



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