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Leonardo da Vinci eK-8 School

Breakfast from Around the World

The LdV Cultural Inclusive Committee will celebrate the Chinese New Year in front of the school the morning of January 31st. There will be baos and tea for \$1, 25¢ fortune cookies, red envelopes, lucky candy and a Chinese zodiac calendar. The fun starts at 8:45am.

LdV Night at IMAX 3D
TONIGHT Monday, January 27, 6-7 PM
join the LdV Middle School Science Club on
a 3D IMAX adventure of the monarch but-

terfly! Only \$12 admission, and ticket price includes popoorn and a drink.

The technology of IMAX® immerses you in the astounding migration experience as two generations of the butterflies migrate north and then a Super Generation miraculously finds its way from Canada to a few isolated mountaintops in Mexico – to a place it has never been!

The movie is Rated G, suitable for everyone. Buy tickets from Mr. Androlowicz in Room 28, or from parents of Science Club members who are attending the Florida field trip. NO tickets will be sold at the door.

Park in the lot on L Street between 10th and 11th after 5 PM, and bring your stub in to be validated for FREE parking.

Dolphin Debate - 1st Place

The Dolphin Debate team continued it's season with another Individual events competition at Sutter Middle School. We would like to thank our host coach Michael Baradat for doing another fabulous job with hosting the tournament. There were 95 competitors from Sutter Middle School, California Middle School, Albert Einstein Middle School, Phoebe Hearst, Sutterville as well as Churchill Middle School (San Juan).

As always our students did a spectacular job representing our school. A huge thanks to Brandi Sidley for being our coach designee and to Laurel Coats for judging. Congratulations to our team: **Dylan Anderson** (1st Place Impromptu) and our other competitors; Billy T Hernandez (Dramatic Interpretation); Leilani Hernandez (Dramatic Interpretation); Aiden Fraiser (Persuasive); CeCe Sidley (Dramatic Interpretation); and Chloe Baker (Poetic Interpretation).

Need Parent Hours? LdV will be hosting it's annual tournament Friday Feb 28th. Help is always needed with judging and helping with food and beverage. No experience necessary training and food/beverages provided. Please contact me if you are interested in helping with the tournament

—Mr. Jackman (before Feb 17th please send an email to my personal email Obruin@ aol.com) after Feb 17th contact me at the school at 916-277-649x1131

DolphinsDolphin art by LdV 8th grader Mary H.

Thinking About Middle School?

This Thursday and Friday, beginning at 8 am anyone interested in the LdV Middle School program is invited to join us in room 34. MS teachers will present a snapshot of their curriculum, you will hear about our small learning community and have a chance to tour the camppus and classrooms. Sixth grade students are also invited.

Start Saving Your Coins....
a great way to use them up is coming.
A fun way to support technology...the LdV

Quarter Crusades!

Mixed Bags Coming
to LdV February 3!!

Check out the display in the trophy case for all the new styles and patterns!!

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!!! Check out the attached flyer with more info!!

Nacho, Nachos...

Get your nachos on Fridays. The Science Club will be selling nachos on Fridays after school during January and February for \$2. All proceeds will go towards helping the Science Club travel to Florida.

Pancake Breakfast ReDo

The Science Club will be hosting a Pancake Breakfast on Saturday, **February 8**, 2014 from 9am-12pm in the LdV Cafeteria Tickets are \$6; look for presale of tickets soon. All proceeds will go towards helping the Science Club travel to Florida.

Hi Parents!

Looking for a way to earn hours from the comfort of your home? The School Climate Team is in need of volunteers to help with 'Breakfast Snacks for Staff'.

This event takes place the Thursday morning following class meetings. It's our way of appreciating the staff for staying late to fill us in on our children's curriculum. Any fingerfood goodie you bring is welcome. Our staff consist of 50. The more the merrier.

Our next 'Breakfast Snacks for Staff' is March 13th. Please email Stacie Lo @ stacielo@live.com.

Hours Due! 20 volunteer hours are due on or before January 31st... this Friday! January 27, 2014 Volume 20, Number 19

Dates to Remember

Jan 27 LdV Night at IMAX

Jan 30 & 31 Middle School Visitation 8 am

Jan 31
CIE Breakfast Around the
World
Dolphin Yacht Club Meeting

3-4:30 pm **Feb 5** SSC 5:30 pm

PTC 6:30 pm Feb 7 Middle School Dance

Feb 8 Pancake Breakfast

Feb 21 Father Daughter Dance

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@ sboglobal.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: Feb 3 Deadline: Jan 30

PTC Motion

As per the PTC Bylaw section regarding funding requests over \$500 which are received after the school year budget has been approved, notice is hereby provided to all current and prospective members of the PTC that a vote will be taken at the meeting on February 5 on the following motion: Allocate \$6500 from reserve funds, with an additional \$6500 provided and reimbursed by school tech committee fundraiser to kick-start the LdV technology initiative for the purchase of a Chromebook cart.

Background: A request was received by the PTC to allocate \$13,000 to purchase 35 Chromebooks for school-wide use. In response, the PTC formed a committee to review the request and make a recommendation for the PTC to consider. As a result, the PTC is recommending this motion to fund the request, with half of the purchase to be repaid by fundraisers held by the school specifically to raise money for technology purposes.

If you are interested in participating in the discussion of this motion, please plan to attend the PTC meeting on February 5. The meeting is open for all to attend, but only members of the PTC may vote. (You may join the PTC at any time. Enrollment forms are in the front office and the cost is \$10 per individual, \$15 for family.)

Medical Mayhem Assembly

Courtesy of Councilmember Jay Schenirer in conjunction with LdV PTC, Buck Busfield and the B Street Theater will be presenting: "Medical Mayhem" in the LdV gym on February 18, 2014. 4-8th grades 9:05-9:50 am, K-3rd grades 10-10:50 am

Fine Art

LdV teacher Linda Johnson has a show at Café Dantorel (formerly Crepeville) now through Feb 5. There are many framed prints and some originals on sale. Take a break, have some coffee or hot cocoa, and maybe take home a gift for yourself or someone special!

Café Dantorel is located in Curtis Park at the corner of 2nd Avenue and 24th Street, near the Sierra 2 Center and is open daily 7am-10pm.



LDV FAMILY NIGHT AT THE MOVIES !!

Join the LdV Middle School Science Club on a 3D IMAX adventure of the monarch butterfly!

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The technology of IMAX® immerses you in an Indiana Jones type experience as two generations of butterflies migrate north and then a Super Generation miraculously finds its way from Canada to a few isolated mountaintops in Mexico it has never been!

The movie is Rated G, suitable for everyone.

Buy tickets 30 min before and after school.

Tickets on Sale Jan. 22 - 24th

in the front of school



ADMIT ONE

Date: Monday, January 27th, 2014 Time: 6:00pm

> Highl Baller Hiss 6-30

Park in the lot on L Street between 10th and 11th after 5 PM, and bring your stub in to be validated for FREE parking

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!

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.

2014-2015 Siblings?

Be sure to place incoming sibling names on the list on the window outside my office. You will still need to go through Open Enrollment (grades K, 4, 7) or complete a wait list application (grades eK, 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 8). This is simply for us to know how many spots to plan for. Contact me with questions at diane-soule@scusd.edu.

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.

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.

Photos Wanted!!!!

So many events, so little time. I am currently looking for photos of the following events: Chinese Acrobats & Winter 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 off in that box or email me directly at terrie_hammad@hotmail.com. Thank you so much for your assistance. —Terrie Hammad, LdV Historian & Yearbook Coordinator

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 elearances: 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.

Over Stuffed!

When the holidays are over and it's time for resolutions, you may be looking for somewhere to hide those leftover holiday candies. As always, your donation of leftover (or brand new) candy is always appreciated by the staff. Please bring donations to Diane's office and I will see it is properly distributed to thankful staff members.

Thank you to those of you who have already dropped some off. I have been sharing every day with a much deserving staff.

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.

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!

Can You Donate...

Not for Our Teeth!

Early Kinder is looking for a donation or "at cost" pricing for dental Alginate (dentist stuff). Please contact elly-graves@scusd.edu or stop by room 2 if you can help.

A-a-choo!

The LdV budget is tight and supplies are dwindling. Please ask your teacher if there is something you can donate...like a box of tissues, Bless you!

From the Office 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!

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.

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.

No More Extra Buttons! 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).

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.



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! If you turned in receipts to the box in Diane's office, you will be receiving those back this week. 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 self, 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

Employee Contribution Programs for LdV Many companies offer employees a way to give donations to our school in their pay check. If giving money to our school in your pay check sounds like something that would work for you or someone you know, ask your work if they offer this option. Many of these programs are run through the United Way - our number is 4626.

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 even 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 basically 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 is easy as that and doesn't cost you a penny.

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:

- 1. Go to our website: leonardodavincischool.org or the LdV Facebook page
- 2. Click on the Amazon link
- 3. Log in to your Amazon account just like you normally would
- 4. Complete your purchase

It's just that easy and LdV will earn up to 8% on all of your Amazon.com purchases!

Mixed Bag is Coming to LdV!

More info to follow but our sale will start in February!!

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 Bailet 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 this Monday or Tuesday afternoon in room from 3:15pm - 4:05pm in Room 1. Meet our new LdV Orchestra Teacher, Mrs. Pamela Buck, and learn how orchestra classes will work at LdV! No experience required!

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 infomation

Early Engineers see attached flyer

Looking for Something to Do?



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.

Author Day Help

This year, on **Friday, March 28**, we'll welcome Bay Area children's author Dashka Slater to LdV. The LdV parent who has been coordinating our Aurthor Day Events would like some help the day before and on the day of the event. Please contact Patricia at hkenbke@sbcglobal.net if you can help with this great event for our budding young authors!

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.

A New Kind of Spring Fling!

Our annual Spring Fling is getting a makeover, and we need your help to make it a spectacular success! We've already secured a new location (to be revealed soon!), and now we need creative minds to help with decorations, food, PR, and more! The more people who participate in planning, the less work each of us will have. Our goal is to make this a whole community event, not just for LdV parents.

If you are good at marketing/communications, or have connections with the food & beverage industry, this will be a great opportunity for you. Contact Kim Niemeyer @niemeyers@comcast.net, or Gwynnae Byrd @gwynnaeb@gmail.com, to get involved.

Volunteers Needed at the Clothes Closet

The PTA Clothes Closet is swamped and in need of volunteers ASAP! Help is needed doing laundry (at your home) and sorting and tagging clothes at the Clothes Closet located at the back of the LdV campus. The Clothes Closet at LdV is open on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Interested volunteers should call first 277-4338. LdV parents will earn hours for volunteering with the Clothes Closet.

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.

Café da Vinci is Open!

Middle School students who have signed up for LdV Entrepreneurs have opened the Café. Adults who want to help should contact diane-soule@scusd.edu.

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!

Individual Sponsorships – Donate \$50 or more and your generosity will be recognized by having you name featured on our boat.

Corporate Sponsorships - Starting at \$100, your company logo will be featured on our 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@iscarpa.com (please put "solar" in the subject line).

Dolphin Yacht Club Meeting 1/31 3-4:30 pm 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 - Workshops continue in January. 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 2017. 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.

Looking at High School?

- George Washington Carver School of Arts & Science Visitation Days: Call 228-5760 to reserve your space on any of the following days - Feb 4, Mar 11 or April 8. Tours are 8:30-10 am. www.carverartsandscience.org
- Natomas Charter School Performing and Fine Arts Academy will be having its annual Family Visitation Day on January 28th from 8:30-10 a.m. To reserve a space for the Visitation Day, parents should go to www. natomascharter.org and review the application. The application cover letter includes instructions for registering for Visitation Day.

Open Enrollment News

Remember - New parents must attend a visitation in 2013-2014 for students to be eligible for a 2014-2015 wait list.

Visitation Dates:

eK-6th grades remaining dates: January 14, 15, 17 at 9:15 am

Additional dates for eK-6th grades are: February 21 and March 7 at 9:15 am. No reservation required.

Middle School Visitation dates: January 30 & 31 at 8:15 am

Additional date: February 7 at 8:15 am

Middle school applicants will be asked to provide a portfolio including: grades, attendance, behavior and a teacher letter of recommendation.

Open Enrollment Dates:

For Kinder and 4th grade ONLY! February 18-March 7

For 7th grade ONLY! January 27-February 11 www.scusd.edu/open-enrollment

Our site based wait list (grades 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 8) opens at 8 am January 22, 2014.

Neighbor Concerns

Our main office has received a number of calls from neighborhood residents. 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?

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.

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.

School Cents Receipt Box

Are you forgetting to drop by Guest Services after you have shopped at Arden Fair Mall? Do you have a wallet full of receipts that could be logged in for points for the school? Not to worry. Put all of your Arden Fair Mall receipts from the last 90 days in an envelope with your child's name and room number and drop it in the box in Diane's office. I will log them in at Arden Fair Mall and return them to you. Turn around for properly labeled reciepts will be 2 weeks. Any questions, contact Laura Walter at laura.q.walter@gmail.com

President's Ponderings

Welcome back to Mondays! We have a regular 5-day week this week and one next, and then we're into the February holidays. But let's not get too far ahead!

Coming up this Friday the PTC Culturally Inclusive Education Committee will bring you another 'Breakfast Around the World' to celebrate Chinese New Year. Please send your children with \$1 for the baos and tea or 25¢ for a fortune cookie. There will also be red envelopes, lucky candy, and a Chinese Zodiac calendar on display. That is this Friday, January 31st.

Next week we will have our February PTC meeting. Please take a moment to read the text of the motion to purchase a cart of ChromeBooks for the school. I would expect a vote on the matter at the meeting next week.

Looking a little bit ahead you can expect to hear more about our spring PTC fundraisers in the coming weeks. In the meantime keep turning in your Arden Mall receipts, using your Something Extra 'card' at Raley's, and purchasing an extra Z-best Book or ordering a magazine from our online account.

Finally, thank you again for all your feedback and support. See you next week. Ciaol -David DeNuzzo - PTC President

Author Day Order Form

Each year LdV invites a children's author to visit the school and talk to the students about the writing process. This event, which usually involves assemblies and workshops, gives each student a chance to hear a published author share his or her own work, describe the creative process, and emphasize the importance of things like brainstorming, research, and revision.

This year, on Friday, March 28, we'll welcome Bay Area children's author Dashka Slater to LdV. Dashka's four picture books have won widespread praise for their inventive language and vivid imagery. 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.

So, in anticipation of this event, please note the book order form in this issue of the newsletter. We need to get the orders in well in advance in order to get the books delivered in time for the event. So take a look at Ms. Slater's website and order a book or two for your (young) children by the deadline on February 10.

Volunteers are needed to help with this event: please contact Patricia at hkenbke@sbcalobal.net

Accepting Nominations

The District is accepting nominations for the 2014 Classified Champions of the Year and 2014-2015 Teacher of the Year Award. We encourage you to nominate outstanding certificated and classified employees who perform at levels over and above their district duties and who deserves to be recognized as a top employee in our district.

Please submit your nomination form by February 14, 2014 to the Human Resource Services Department, School Box 770.

Link to retrieve the Teacher of the Year Nomination form: http://www.scusd.edu/iso-form/ teacher-year-nomination-form

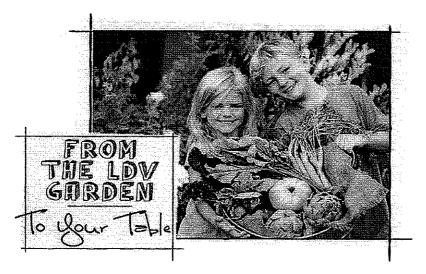
Link to retrieve the Classified Champion of the Year Nomination form: http://www.scusd.edu/ iso-form/classified-employee-nomination-awards-classified-champion

Word of the Week

Our new pillar is TRUSTWORTHINESS

The character word of this week is SINCERE. Sincerity is a quality to be treasured in friends and family members alike. It is easy to appreciate sincere people because they are genuine and honest. A sincere person does not say what he or she thinks you want to hear. Instead, a sincere person says what he or she actually thinks and feels. By choosing sincerity, a person is likely to be more trustworthy.

"Learn what you are, and be such," - Pindar



This pizza dough recipe is a favorite at our house. The kids love to help make the dough and then their own pizzas!
You can make it ahead separate into two balls and refrigerate in saran wrap

Alexis Wasilchin

Pizza dough -The Abundant Table

- 1 and 1/3 cups lukewarm water
- 1/2 tsp honey or sugar
- 1 TBSP active dry baking yeast
- / cup olive oil
- 2 tsp salt
- 3 and 1/2 cups unbleached flour

Corn meal

Combine water, honey or sugar, and yeast in a medium size-mixing bowl. Let is stand for 10 minutes or until the yeast is active. Add the oil and salt. Stirring with a wooden spoon, slowly incorporate the flour, /. cup at a time, until it is too difficult to stir. The dough will be pulling away from the bowl. Turn the dough onto a surface sprinkled with flour. Knead the dough for about 8 minutes, lightly dusting the dough with flour as needed to prevent the dough from sticking. Knead until a soft, shiny, elastic ball of dough has formed.

Transfer the dough to a clean, oiled bowl, covered with plastic wrap or a damp dishtowel, and allow it to rise for I hour or until doubled in size.

Pre heat the oven to 450. Punch down the dough, cut into 2 to 4 pieces. And shape into balls. Let rest for 5-10min. On a lightly floured surface roll out the dough into 9-14in rounds, 1/4 or slightly less thick. Place on a pizza stone sprinkled with corn meal (for a crispier crust) or lightly oiled baking sheet. Add toppings of choice and bake for about 15-20 min.

Makes two 14-inch crusts or four 9-to-10 inch crusts

Top with homemade or store bought sauce and your favorite vegetables from the garden. These are some of our favorites pizzas....

- Roasted roots vegetables (potato, butternut, carrot, onion, garlic), fresh
 mozzarella or ricotta
- Butternut squash, prosciutto, kaletor arugula), and pine nuts
- Roasted tomato, caramelized onion, sausage, mushroom, and goat Cheese
- Roasted tomato, Fresh mozzarella, basil or arugula

Our LdV Learning Garden is supported by our PTC!

LDV'S 8TH ANNUAL FATHER - DAUGHTER DANCE



An Early Kindergarten thru 8th Grade Event (Current LdV Students Only)

Friday, February 21st, 2014 7:00p.m. – 10:00p.m. LdV Auditorium

\$20.00 per father (or favorite father figure) with all accompanying daughters

Student's Name:		Room # / Teacher:	·
Number of Daughters A	Attending:	•	
Ticket Price:			\$20.00
Quantity of Corsages O	ordered:x \$5.00		\$
Total Amount Due:			\$
	~ Please make all check	es payable to LdV PTC 7th Grade ~	
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Dear Friend,

This year, the Leonardo da Vinci (LdV) Middle School sentering the Northern California Solar Regatta. This event is open to all middle schools, high schools, and universities from Fresno to the northern California border.

Students in the **Dolphin Yacht Club** (DYC), will be working as a team to build and race a full size solar powered boat. These boats will be imaged for speed endurance, maneuverability, creativity, artistry, and technical design.

What do students learn by building a solar boat?

- Physics and practical electricity: wiring motors, force, motion and fluid dynamics
- · Renewable energy: researching applicability, resources and sustainability
- Solar: load management, battery sizing
- Engineering: design, materials, schematics and circuit design
- Communication: presentation to judges and media

As this is our first year entering the competition, we need to acquire all the supplies needed to build a solar boat. Your support would be greatly appreciated! We are offering businesses and individuals the opportunity to support Dolphin Yacht Club with various sponsorship levels. All sponsors will be publicly recognized on the Dolphin Yacht and throughout all social media.

To support DYC, please contact Joe Scarpa / joe@jscarpa.com

Donations can be made through the Leonardo da Vinci Parent Teacher Council. The LdV PTC is a 501(c)(3) public charity, federal tax identification number 68-0198753.

Thank you for your support! Joe Scarpa, DYC Mentor



Dolphin Yacht Club

Admiral - \$500

- Large Company Logo Prominently displayed on solar boat.
- Company name on boat sponsor plaque.
- Company name on team shirts.
- Prominent Website Recognition

Commodore-\$250

- Company Logo displayed on solar boat
- Company name on boat sponsor plaque.
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Captain - \$100

- · Company name on boat sponsor plaque.
- Company name on team shirts.
- Website Recognition

Commander - \$50

- Name on boat sponsor plaque.
- Name on team shirts.
- Website Recognition

Boatswain - \$25

- Name on boat sponsor plaque
- Website Recognition

Please complete the form below and send with your and check payable to "LdV PTC".

Mail to: LdV DYC, 4701 Joaquin Way, Sacramento, CA 95822.

(Please write "DYC" on the memo line.)

Name:	
Address:	
City/ST/Zip:	
Phone:E-mail:	<u> </u>
Corporate Sponsorship ☐ Individual Sponsorship □ Admiral □ Commodore □ Captain □ Commander □ Boatswa	in

Please indicate your sponsorship level and return this form and your check payable to: LdV PTC. Please write "DYC" on the memo line and mail to: LdV DYC, 4701 Joaquin Way, Sacramento, CA 95822.

Company Logos: Enclose business card or logo with your check, or E-mail digital .pdf or .jpg to joe@jscarpa.com.

Sponsors are invited to attend the 2014 Northern California Solar Regatta, May 16th at Rancho Seco Recreational Area. More information at: https://www.smud.org/en/about-smud/environment/renewable-energy/solar-regatta.htm

On behalf of the LdV Dolphin Yacht Club, thank you for your support.

Sincerely, Joe Scarpa DYC Mentor (916) 492-0257 joe@jscarpa.com



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AUTHOR DAY: Children's author Dashka Slater will visit LdV on Friday, March 28, 2014. Order books for your kids now!



Dear Parents,

Acclaimed author Dashka Slater will be visiting our school on March 28. If you would like to purchase pre-autographed books, personalized for your child(ren), please fill out and return this form, along with full payment, by Monday, Febr. 10. Make your check out to Dashka Slater. You and your kids can preview Dashka's work by visiting www.dashkaslater.com.





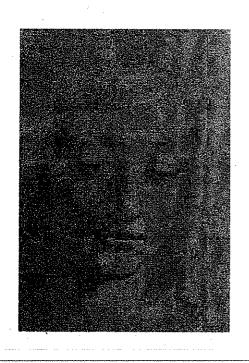


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Name:			
Baby Shoes	Procedure of the second		
Dashka, please autograph this book to:			
Name:			
Firefighters in the Dark			
Dashka, please autograph this book to:			
Name:			
Total			

Please return this form to the Front Office no later than Monday, February 10, 2014.

For more information and answers to your questions, please contact LdV parent Patricia Heinicke at 916.930.0348 or

patricia.heinicke@sbcglobal.net.



LdV's 13th Annual On-Campus Renaissance Faire and Costume Day Friday – April 11th

We Need volunteers!

This is a terrific event and a fun way to get your parent hours.

Morning? Afternoon? All day? Lunch provided to those who spend the day with us.

Questions? Want to volunteer?

email UnChu Littlefield at <u>tateskitchen@gmail.com</u>
please be sure to put RenFaire in the subject line



February 16, 2014

To:

School Principals/Counselors, Community Agencies, Parent Associations,

Public Libraries

From:

Ondria Chappell, Coordinator

"College: Making It Happen"

Sacramento State

Subject:

"College: Making It Happen!" College Information Day

Saturday, March 29, 2014

We would like to invite you, your students and their families to Sacramento State for our 20th annual "College: Making It Happen!" college information day scheduled for **Saturday**, **March 29**, **2014**. This program, intended primarily for 6th through 10th grade students and their parents, is designed to convey the importance of early academic preparation and to inform families that a college education is still both affordable and attainable. **The program is free and open to the public**. We have enclosed a flyer for the program. The flyer is back to back, English and Spanish. Please post and distribute to all interested parties. Additional flyers can be downloaded on our website.

The program includes motivational sessions, practical hands-on workshops, career exploration, campus tours, and information sessions on preparing academically and financially for college. Representatives and counselors from local colleges and universities, tutoring programs, community agencies and other student support services will be available to answer questions and provide information about their services.

"College: Making It Happen!" is sponsored by Sacramento State, UC Davis Undergraduate Admissions & Early Academic Outreach Program, Los Rios Community College District, ScholarShare, CAL-SOAP Consortium, Breakthrough Sacramento, and other educational and community based organizations.

The event will be held from 8:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, March 29 at Sacramento State University, Union Ballroom. Due to its growing popularity, pre-registration is required. For further information, please contact me at (916) 278-2481, Fax (916) 278-5603, or e-mail us at cmih@csus.edu

For more information and to register, visit our website

www.csus.edu/cmih



Now Registering for Sacramento Theatre Company Ensemble Acting Classes and Spring Break Camp!

Winter Ensemble Acting Classes:

Winter Ensemble Acting Class: 1st-3rd Grades: Saturdays from 9:00-10:15am 2/1/14 to 3/22/14

Winter Ensemble Acting Class: 4th-6th Grades: Saturdays 10:30-12:00pm 2/1/14 to 3/22/14

Winter Ensemble Teen Improvisation Class: 7th-10th Grades: Mondays from 4:30-6:00pm 1/27/14 to 3/24/14



Spring Break Act*Dance*Sing Camp:

Session 1

April 14th-18th
Monday-Friday 9am-5pm
1st-3rd and 4th- 6th Grades
Before and After Care Offered

Session 2

April 21st-25th
Monday-Friday 9am-5pm
1st-3rd and 4th- 6th Grades
Before and After Care Offered

For Further Information Call or Visit:

(916) 446-7501 x113

www.sactheatre.org

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Permit Number W-185



ENROLLMENT INFORMATION

Due to limited class size, no place can be held without receipt of the ENTIRE PAYMENT. The enrollment fee will be returned if the ENSEMBLE class is full and the applicant cannot be admitted. Your signature also gives STC permission to use any class photos or writings for future STC marketing or promotional publications. DISMISSALS: Any students whose behavior is deemed inappropriate by the STC staff will be given one warning and a parent notification. After that, he or she will be dismissed from the session with no refund.

REFUND POLICY: Our refund policy is designed to discourage last minute cancellations and to help families on the waiting list. Requests for refund of program fee must be made 14 days prior to the first day of classes/workshop. An amount for any classes attended and a \$50 administration fee will be subtracted from the total. NO TUITION REFUNDS WILL BE MADE AFTER THIS TIME. During the session, there is no refund for student illness, missed days, vacation, withdrawal, or if student is dismissed by teachers. Please allow ten working days to process

Sacramento Theatre Company is an equal opportunity organization. Students will be admitted without regard to race, creed, gender, national origin or physical abilities.

Parent or Guardian's signature	Date
Student's Name: B Address: T-shirt Size Child S, M, L or Adult S, M, L {Please Circle} School:	oy/Girl Grade: Age (current): Birth date: City State: Zip:
Parent/Guardian Name #1:	
Day Phone: ()Home Phone: ()	Cell/Pager: ()
Parent/Guardian Name #2:	· ·
Day Phone: () Home Phone: ()	Cell/Pager: ()
Parents email address:	
Please list email address. It will be the primary form of communication	n
Are you a returning student? How did you find out about S	TC?
Are you interested in Early or After Care?	
Please consider including a tax-deductible donation for our scholarsh	ip fund: STC non-profit tax ID# 94-1347081
Registration Fees: Credit cards accepted or make checks payable to S	acramento Theatre Company
Complete this form and mail (or fax: (916) 446-4066) with payment t	o: Sacramento Theatre Company 1419 H Street, Sacramento, CA, 95814
For credit card payment:Visa MasterCard Amex	Camp: 1 st -3 rd Grades 4/14- 4/18 (\$305) \$
Card #:	Camp: 4 th -6 th Grades 4/14-4/18 (\$305) \$
Expires: Security Code (3 or 4 digits on back):	Camp: 1 st -3 rd Grades 4/21-4/25 (\$305) \$
Name on card:	Camp: 4 th -6 th Grades 4/21-4/25 (\$305)
Billing Address (if different):	Winter Ensemble 1 st -3 rd (\$205) \$
Signature	Winter Ensemble 4 th -6 th (\$205) . \$
	Winter Teen Improv (\$230) \$
	Tax-deductible Donation \$
	TOTAL PAYMENT AMOUNT \$

Sacramento United Soccer Club is one of the premier youth soccer clubs in Northern California. Sac United, which was formed in 1977, is the oldest soccer club in Sacramento. We train players from ages 4 through adult to play the "beautiful game."

• U5-U8 Spring League •

March 10-May 24, 8 game season

Registration fee: U6: \$125, U7/U8: \$150

Trainings: Choose: Monday/Wednesday, 5:30-6:30 at Granite Regional Park

Tuesday/Thursday, 5:30-6:30 at Granite Regional Park Tuesday/Thursday, 5:30-6:30 at James Mangan Park

Games:

U6: Born between: 8/1/08-7/31/10 3v3 to small goals, no goalies.

U8: Born between: 8/1/06-7/31/08 4v4 with goalies.

Focus: Developing the individual player

Maximum touches for better ball control

Learn: Skill moves, use left and right foot, running mechanics,

increase coordination

Have Fun!!

Register at sacunited.com/academy

U8-U11 Tryouts

U8 to U10 Boys and Girls
Friday Jan. 31 5:30pm-7:00pm
Saturday Feb. 1st 9:00 am - 10:30 am
Sunday Feb 2nd 9:00 am -10:30 am
U11 Boys and Girls

Friday Jan. 31st 7:15pm -8:45pm

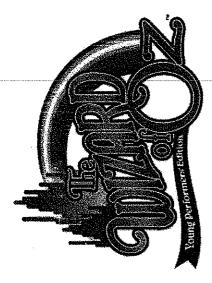
Saturday Feb 1st 11:00 am -12:30 pm

Sunday Feb 2^{nd} 9:00 am - 10:30 pm

Register at sacunited.com







Join the cast of *Wizard of Oz* for a Young Actors Stage after-school workshop.

Sessions begin February 2014 Performances May 2014

Students grade 1-8

Host Schools
Crocker Riverside (Mon/Fri) 3:30-6:00
Sutterville Elementary (Tue/Thurs) 3:30-6:00
Holy Spirit (Tue/Thurs) 3:30-6:00
Genevieve Didion (Wed/Fri) 2:30-5:00

Students who do not attend the host school may enroll in one of the SCUSD sessions if space is available.

Information & Registration Night February 4, 2014, 6:00pm Info Night Location: Sierra 2 2791 24th Street, Sac 95818

For More Information Visit:

www.YoungActorsStage.com

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Registration Open Now!

online at

www.pocketgirlssoftball.org



where every girl plays!

Open to girls ages 4-16 6U: \$85 / 8U-16U: \$125 Uniforms \$25 (8U and older)

\$25 discount for siblings

You May Also Register In Person:

Wednesday, January 29 2014

Round Table Pizza

1307 Florin Road - EAST of 1-5

6:30 p. m. - 8:30 p. m.

Please bring a photo copy of athlete's birth certificate (new players only)

Pocket Girls Softball welcomes softball players of all levels. We are committed to providing a fun and safe environment in which young girls can learn softball skills, develop a love for the game, and build self confidence. When you choose PGS your registration fees will be used to maintain our fields, purchase equipment, and hire qualified umpires. PGS also maintains liability insurance and membership in GSAA and NorCal Girls Softball, our local governing bodies. Each player will be provided team and individual photographs and, a wonderful yearbook to commemorate their season.

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