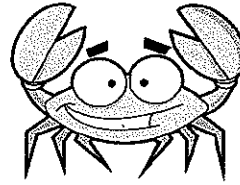


Leonardo da Vinci eK-8 School

Eat at Joe's

LdV Science Club is off to swim with the dolphins during spring break and you can help. Pull the orange flyer off the front of this newsletter and take it to Joe's Crab Shack this Wednesday between 11 am-11 pm. A portion of your total bill will go toward the trip. Its one of those win-win situations!



Breakfast Around the World

This Tuesday morning bring a dollar and try a sweet treat made by LdV Hmong families! It all begins at 8:45 am. Check the hall display featuring the celebration of the Hmong New Year.

JOOI!

The LdV JOOI Club has decided to make "Blessing Bags" to deliver to the homeless over the holiday season. We are asking our whole LdV community to help us with this worthwhile project. Each gallon zip lock bag will contain several items, including a hand-written note of encouragement from our JOOI Club. Please refer to the following list to see which items your child's grade level will be collecting:

Early Kinder/Kinder - tissue packs (travel size); 1st grade - hand sanitizer and/or wet wipes (travel size); 2nd grade - bottles of water; 3rd grade - new adult sized socks and/or stretch gloves; 4th grade - gallon zip lock bags and travel size shampoo or lotion; 5th grade - granola bars and/or wrapped cracker packages; 6th grade - toothbrushes/toothpaste; Middle School- chapsticks, bars of soap, combs and/or brushes.

Send in your donations to your child's classroom thru Dec 6. Members of the JOOI Club will collect items on the Friday of each week.

Thank you for supporting our event and helping the homeless of Sacramento!

Dolphin Store Open Mondays & Tuesdays!

The LdV Dolphin Store is open after school on Mondays (until 3:15 pm) and before school on Tuesdays (beginning at 8:30 am) AND after school on Tuesdays (until 3:15 pm). The store has schools supplies and healthy snacks for students. If you are interested in helping run the store on Monday or another morning or after school day, please contact diane-soule@scusd.edu.

Buildings & Grounds

The next workday will be **Sunday, Dec 1 from 12 to 2pm**. Contact Ryan at rymetta@mac.com for information or to volunteer.

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.

Unusual HOURS Alert

Keep the following dates in mind:
Nov 18-22 are conference days and 1:30 pm dismissal for grades 1-6th ONLY.
Nov 25-29 is Fall Break - NO school.

High School Information

Representatives from the PACE and HISP programs will be at LdV on Wed, **Nov 20th** from 3-4 pm for an information meeting with students and parents. Please plan to come hear about these special High School programs and their application processes.

Sponsors Wanted for Solar Regatta

We are looking for corporate or individual sponsors for our new Solar Regatta program. Middle school students will be building and racing a **full size solar power boat** to race against other middle and high school teams from northern California. **Picture your company's name on LdV's 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@scarpa.com (please put "solar" in the subject line).

ART Links Open Studio

Continuing... **FABULOUS FAKES** workshops where students will be creating copies of famous pieces of art to sell at a fundraiser benefiting ART Links.

Tuesday Nov. 19 & Thursday Nov. 21
1:30-2:30 in room 33b

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.

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. I can do it for you! 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 receipts will be 2 weeks. Any questions, contact Laura Walter at laura.q.walter@gmail.com

Dolphins

Dolphin art by LdV 7th grader Xavier M.

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Dates to Remember

- Nov 18-22**
1-6 gr Conferences
1:30 pm dismissal
- Nov 19**
Breakfast Around the World
Open Studio 1:30/rm 33b
Basketball vs Brannan Girls @ 3:15 Boys @ 4:30
- Nov 20**
3 pm HISP & PACE Visit
- Nov 21**
Open Studio 1:30/rm 33b
Basketball vs Didion Boys @ 3:15 Girls @ 4:30
- Nov 25-29**
Fall Break
- Dec 1**
Building & Grounds Work Day 12-2pm
- Dec 3**
PeP Rally 9 am/Gym
Open Studio 3:15/rm 33b
Basketball vs Bacon Girls @ 3:15 Boys @ 4:30
- Dec 4**
SSC 5:30 pm
PTC 6:30 pm
- Dec 5**
Chinese Acrobats
Open Studio 3:15/rm 33b
Basketball vs MLK Boys @ 3:15 Girls @ 4:30
- Dec 10**
Basketball vs Birney Girls @ 3:15 Boys @ 4:30
- Dec 12**
Basketball @ Sutter Boys @ 3:15 Girls @ 4:30
Winter Faire 5-9 pm
- Dec 14 & 15**
Fabulous Fakes Art Show & Sale at Track 7
Saturday, noon to 9pm and
Sunday, noon to 6pm
- Dec 21-Jan 5**
Winter Break

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@sbglobal.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: Dec 3
Deadline: Nov 21**

Leonardo da Vinci eK-8 School
Integrated Thematic Instruction Through Arts & Sciences

Word of the Week

Many children enjoy collecting action figures and sports cards. These items grow in value as the characters or people gain popularity. Unfortunately, not all of these superheroes and real-life super stars are good examples for our children. It's important to remind children that the best people to model ourselves after are often the "regular" people who live with us and work with us — the people who do their best everyday.

Our character word of the week is EXAMPLE. Discuss with your child the real people that you know who are good examples. These people have important traits such as respect, fairness, responsibility and honesty.

"I think of a hero as someone who understands the degree of responsibility that comes with his freedom" — Bob Dylan

From the Office

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!

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.

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

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

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

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

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

From the SCL (School Community Liaison)

Hours Updates: Went home last week, look for them in backpacks. Thank you to all the parents who contacted me with questions. OVER TWO THOUSAND HOURS were turned in in the 48 hours after notices went out!

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

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

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

No Tricks! Thank YOU!

The smell of turning leaves and candy corn is in the air. 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 may be frustrating for you (and me) but read carefully since pages might seem the same but rest assured no two issues are exactly alike!

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.

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!

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.

Flower & Garden Photos

This year in SLATE we'll be sketching and doing watercolors of our LdV Learning Garden! Of course there will be some rainy days, so I am gathering large photos of plants and flowers to use when the weather's bad. Calendar images would work great. If you can donate some, please bring them to Room 8. Thanks so much!! Ms. Johnson.

Thank You for the Yarn...

...and TP tubes - room 18 has everything they need!

Got Plexi?

Ms. Johnson in room 8 is interested in plexi-glass donations if you happen to have some, pieces 8 1/2" x 11 or larger would be much appreciated!

Got Stuff?

Looking for supplies to create an art project — please drop off any small toys (cars, McDonald toys, animals — anything that can hold spray paint) in the box in the front office labeled library art project. Contact Kate Ramos at mkeramos@pacbell.net/916-549-5734 if you have any questions or are just curious!

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!



LdV Middle School students and their parents
are invited to attend a very special presentation by:

Michael Fry from JF Kennedy PACE

and

Ellen Wong from CK McClatchy HISP

on Wednesday, November 20 at 3:10 pm
in Room 34 Lecture Hall

Don't miss the opportunity to hear about these
SCUSD High School Specialty Programs
and how they may be the perfect fit for you!



Looking for Something to Do?

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.

Are You Feeling Shadowy?

Sometimes it seems like a volunteer position such as PTC Treasurer seems like a lot to take on. This year is the perfect time to step up to this position because you will have months to learn from the pro who is currently doing the job. I am not overstating the fact that **no experience or background is necessary for the job**. It is however a job that is important to our community, and we really need some one or two to step up. If you have been thinking about it, now is the time.

We are also looking for a PTC Sports chair ASAP.

Please contact diane-soule@scusd.edu if you are interested or want more information.

Highlight Your Culture

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

Collate and Conversate

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

Lunch Recess

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

Café da Vinci is Opening Soon

Middle School students who have signed up for LdV Entrepreneurs will soon be training in preparation to opening the Café. Adults who want to help should contact diane-soule@scusd.edu. Donations of paper towels are always appreciated!

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.

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.

Citizenship Fair - Sat, Nov 16 from 9:30am-2 pm at Pacific McGeorge Student Center 3200 Fifth Ave Sacramento 95817. Receive free help for completing and filing Naturalization Application. Call 916.340.6080 for more information.

Common Core Workshops

English Language Arts Workshop Series: at Abe Lincoln Elementary, Sutter Middle or Rosemont HS - Part 2/Jan 29; Part 3/March 11 from 6-7:30 pm.

at Harkness Elementary, John Still K-8, or Kennedy HS - Part 2/Feb 12; Part 3/April 8 from 6-7:30 pm.

at Nicholas Elementary, Will C Wood, or Hiram Johnson HS - Part 2/Jan 30; Part 3/April 29 from 6-7:30 pm.

Mathematics Workshop Series: at Golden Empire Elementary, Kit Carson Middle or Rosemont HS - Part 2/Jan 14; Part 3/April 8 from 6-7:30 pm.

at Matsuyama Elementary, Cal Middle, or Luther Burbank HS - Part 2/Jan 29; Part 3/April 29 from 6-7:30 pm.

at Pacific Elementary, Rosa Parks, or West Campus HS - Part 2/Feb 12; Part 3/March 25 from 6-7:30 pm.

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

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

FLU Season is Coming

Sacramento County Immunization Assistance Program (916) 875-SHOT Flu shots are available for persons over 6 months of age without a medical contraindication to receiving the vaccine. For Medicare members, please bring Medicare card and shot record. Donations will be accepted but not required.

FLU shots are FREE!

December 12th 11am-3pm Pannell Center ~ 2450 Meadowview Rd.

County Flu Clinic Schedule Recorded Line: (916) 875-7053



OPEN STUDIO ART SHOW

at Track 7 Brewing

Our Fabulous Fakes workshop series will culminate with a fundraiser/art show!

Saturday - Sunday

DECEMBER 14th & 15th



Holiday Wreaths Now On Sale!

Not sure what to buy your mother-in-law who has everything or the helpful neighbor next door? Why not a fresh holiday wreath beautifully made by your LdV 4th grade class parents. Quantities are limited so place your order early! Return order form with payment by Friday, Nov. 22nd to the

front office. Contact Jessica Doan (Jessica.doan@sbcglobal.net) or Christine Ault (Christine@christineault.com) for more info. Hurry only 1 week left!

Still only \$20 each

Looking at High School?

- **HISP** visitation days Dec. 5 and 6 and an evening informational session here the evening of Dec. 4. visit www.ckmhispp.org to get some info, with details to come!

- **George Washington Carver** School of Arts & Science Visitation Days: Call 228-5760 to reserve your space on any of the following days - Nov 19, Dec 10, Jan 14, Feb 4, Mar 11 or April 8. Tours are 8:30-10 am. www.carver-artsandscience.org

- Middle and High School families and students are invited to experience **New Tech High School** by attending New Tech Preview Days, on Friday, December 6th or Friday, January 24th. Two sessions are offered each Preview Day, 8AM to 9:30 AM or 9:30 AM to 11:00 AM. During Preview Day you will have the opportunity to tour the campus, visit classes, and meet with our Principal and staff. Please call New Tech at (916) 433-2839 to RSVP for a Preview Day.

Parents and Students may also schedule a Monday shadow day by calling the office at (916) 433-2839.

- **PACE** visitation days Dec 11 and 18, beginning at 8:30 am. All students must be accompanied by an adult. Open house is Monday, Dec 16, at 6 pm in the auditorium. Visit www.jfkpace.org for more information.

- **Natomas Charter School Performing and Fine Arts Academy** will be having its annual Family Visitation Day on January 28th from 8:30-10:00 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.

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 happening in our community. This is where you can get ideas about where and how to participate. This is also where you can announce any school related activities by submitting a short article about the event. Please be sure to include the date, time, and a contact name and number.

President's Ponderings

Welcome to elementary school conference week, a chance for us to check in with our children's teachers and find out how they are doing in class. This is an important time to find out what are their strengths and weaknesses and what needs improvement. Please make sure you remember your conference time and thank your child's teacher for all their hard work. This also means short days all week for 1st-6th graders, and that the Thanksgiving holiday is just around the corner. Remember as you go shopping in the coming weeks to use your Raley's Something Extra and other supermarket SCRIP cards to earn money for LdV, and to be sure and have your receipts recorded for the School Cents program when you shop at the Arden Fair Mall.

There are a few updates from old work and new things happening this week to bring to your attention. First on Tuesday Nov. 19 there will be a Hmong Breakfast Around the World at 8:45 am in front of the school. Send your children in with a dollar for a tasty treat. Thank you to the CIE Committee and Stacie Lo for organizing this. Also continuing this week are the Art Links Open Studios after school on Tuesday and Thursday at 1:30 pm in Room 33b thanks to UnChu Littlefield and the Arts Committee.

Looking ahead there will be a Building and Grounds work day on Sun. Dec. 1 from 12-2 pm - contact Ryan Metta rymetta@mac.com for details. Looking back, there was a Garden Work Day this past Sunday. Thank you to Jeri Clark and all the garden volunteers for their efforts to create this nurturing space for our children. And finally, the PTC ad-hoc Committee for Technology met to discuss the technology proposal made at the Nov. PTC meeting. Thank you to Cindy Kazee undc@aol.com and all the committee members for their time and efforts. They are gathering more information and will meet again in December.

Lastly, being the season for giving thanks, I would like to take a moment to give thanks for this wonderful school which our children have the privilege of attending. It seems that public schools are always under attack from one quarter or another. Sadly the realities of the public school system and process have hit older urban districts such as ours the hardest. When faced with a challenge you can either look to someone else to solve your problems or decide to tackle them yourself. Twenty-five years ago a group of parents and teachers decided to take matters into their own hands and create a better public school.

They wanted an integrated thematic curriculum with art, music, science, field trips, and more incorporated into their children's instruction. They knew it would take a lot of extra time and hard work, from both the parents and teachers. And yes, they knew it would take money. But they persevered. They were creative. They were persistent. Even when the District was unsupportive. And as their vision and the school grew, more families joined in making that commitment to their children to provide the resources necessary to give them not merely an acceptable education, but an exceptional one. So to all of them, and to all of you who carry on their legacy, I give thanks.

Have a blessed holiday and see you in December! Until then...Ciao! —David DeNuzzo - PTC President

It's Only My Opinion...

But I believe great things happen at LdV. Lots of them. Many lives have been changed and many paths to great futures have begun here. A few weeks ago I was privileged to attend a recital by LdV alum Miles Tsue. Miles was in my son's class and I was able to watch him grow as a man, and thanks to the LdV orchestra program and teacher Kathy Peron, an accomplished musician. All these years later Miles is a music student at Sacramento State University majoring in bass performance. He has dreams of becoming a professional musician in the San Francisco Symphony Orchestra and he intends to apply to the San Francisco Conservatory for graduate school. **These dreams began at LdV.**

Miles plays in ensembles at Sacramento State using instruments that are owned by the school. He will not get through a master's program without an instrument of his own. He is currently using youdonate.com to try to raise the \$3,500 he needs for a professional quality instrument he will need for his graduate studies and to fulfill his dream. If you are interested in helping Miles, a link to his truly amazing Junior Bass Recital can be found on my personal facebook page with information on how to donate to Miles' dream. —Diane Soule, newsletter editor

*I am so grateful for all the people who make LdV a community!
Enjoy this Fall Break!*



Fund Raising News

School Cents "Angel in Disguise" Program

Arden Fair Mall's School Cents program is offering a wonderful program that benefits LdV as well as the Sacramento Children's Receiving Home. Bring in a new, unwrapped toy or new clothing to the Angel Tree inside Arden Fair Mall. You will receive a pair of wings in return. Take those wings to the Guest Services desk and they will log in 2500 points for LdV's School Cents program. What a great way to help out the community and an easy way for LdV to gather a whole lot of points for the program! Remember, we are competing against 25 schools for major cash prizes at the end of the school year! We could earn up to \$3000!!

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. You get points and groceries and we get cash, its a win-win!

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

On Target

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).

Employee Contribution Programs for LdV

Many companies offer employees a way to give donations to our school in their pay check. These programs may be called "Employee Contribution Programs" 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.action-donation.org for your no obligation evaluation of your donation.

...and your Old Computer

We will continue collecting ewaste for recycling this year. Please contact Mrs Ryan in room 20 if you have donations.

Please Return Your Z Best Books

Remember, LdV will be charged for every book not returned or paid for! Any questions or concerns, contact Laura Walter at laura.q.walter@gmail.com

*Tofu or Turkey
Don't forget
to use your
Raley's/Bel Air
Something EXTRA
Card for your holiday shopping!*



Off Stage Success!

this just in from teacher, Allen Pontes: Off Stage students have learned what effect colors have on light and objects using actual gell filters in front of lights. They built a small model set (using only certain colors of legos) from a story that was read to them, and we got to see how coloring affects, mood, time of day, and direction of light. They learned about sound effects, and props that make sound effects (like they did in radio) and actually took part in creating all the sounds that go into making a horse and carriage. We then asked the students to come up with environments, and we provided all the environment sounds.

The students then started designing the set that was going to be used in the On Stage production, starting with drawings from ideas after we read the script to them. Then they transferred the drawings to the canvas. At the same time, we all worked on ideas for costume pieces, props, and possibly what sounds would be needed. Since we will only have two of the students with us, we had to simplify the sound (no live effects as originally conceived). The students all painted, did a little hand sewing, glued and assembled at least 90% of everything that appeared in the show! I am very proud of them.

Registration forms for Off Stage and On Stage can be found in the parent office-- Cynthia Mitchell Speakman 916-502-0336

Computer Classes

Spanish & English Speaking Parents

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

What's Happening After School?

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

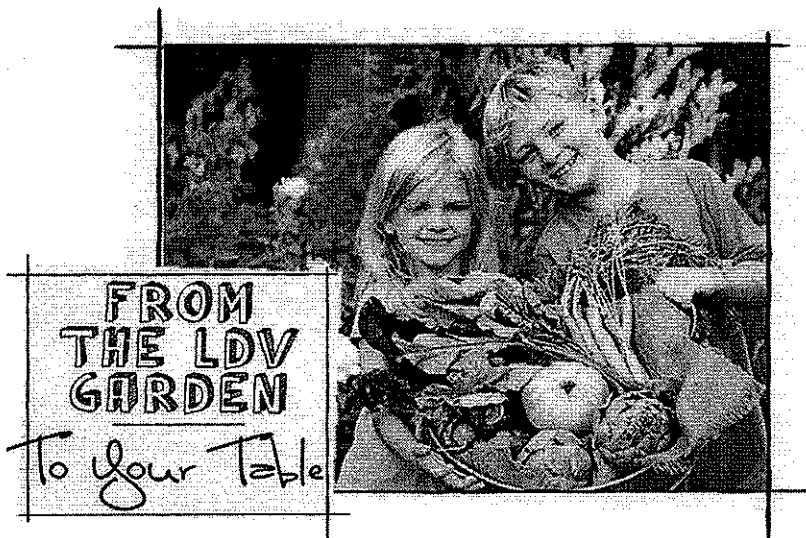
On Stage / Off Stage Questions? Contact cynthia.speakman@gmail.com or 916-502-0336 with questions.

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

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

Beginning or Advanced Orchestra program meet 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 information



This is a simple dessert your kids can make for you and your guests!

Alexis Wasilchin

On Tuesday, November 12, 2013 the 1st thru 8th graders joined us for another cooking project in the LdV Learning Garden. This time we made *Baked Stuffed Apples!* At recess many kids cut and scooped out the centers of the apples while others created the "crumble" that then got stuffed in the center of the scooped out centers. The kids had so much fun working together- by the end of recess we had 100 apples stuffed with crumble, which we baked while the kids were back in class. After lunch they all raced over to see and taste the finished product! It was so much fun!

Baked Stuffed Apples

5 Granny Smith Apples
1 stick of butter, softened
1 cup of brown sugar
2 cups plain oatmeal
1 TBSP cinnamon

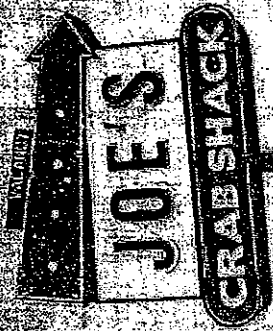
Preheat oven to 375. Cut the apples in half lengthwise and lay on a baking sheet lined with parchment. Scoop out a 1 inch diameter from center with a melon baller or spoon.

Crumble:

Place the softened butter in a bowl with brown sugar, oatmeal, and cinnamon. Using a fork, gently mash the ingredients together until mixed into a texture of small balls. You can also use your hands or a mixer. Stuff mixture into centers of the apples in a small mound. Bake for approx. 20 minutes.

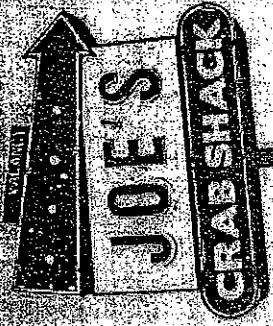
Serve with whipped cream!

Our LdV Learning Garden is supported by our PTC!



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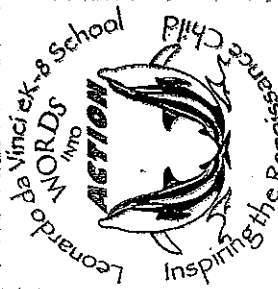
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Middle School
October Students of the Month

Chloe Baker – Androlowicz, Science

Eva Anders – Androlowicz, Science

Hannah Fuller - Maltby, Math

Aleasha Snow - Maltby, Math

Julian Diaz - Star, Social Science

Gabriel Girardi - Star, Social Science

Lanessa Norris – Jackman

Elena Ortega – Jackman

Chloe Baker - Sirard, Language Arts

Carmen Singer - Sirard, Language Arts

Caden Ching - Stiller, Art

Alexis Snow - Stiller, Art

Litzy Silva - Ismail, PE

Cristian Salcedo - Ismail, PE

Ka' Liyah Donald – Ismail, PE

“Students of the Month” October 2013

GRADE	RM	TEACHER	ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT	CITIZENSHIP	ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT	CITIZENSHIP
Early Kinder	2PM	Elly Graves	Skyler Zegler	Ramon Martinez	Lillian Gray	Melissa Brashear
Kindergarten	2	Allison Hebert	Olivia Esperas	Linsey Escobar	Christopher Bourquin	Jayden Ly
	3	Lisa Brown	Lucy Powell	Ethan Shabaaz	Jacob Quintero	
	4	Jane Walton	Audrey Hansell	Lily Jones	Marcus Yates	William James Amaya-Waters
1 st -3 rd SDC	Patty Ryan	Riley Ardisana	Colin Goulding	Angelo Tapia		
First	5	Veasna Nim	Peter Allred	Connor McGinness	Riley Victor	Cooper McGinness
	6	Jamie Maroldy	Jace DeNuzzo	Lisette Arnold	Kathryn Kennedy	Sol Hutcheson
	10	Stacey Lombardi	Farrah Avender	Elizabeth Sevier	Lila DeMund	Ava Carrillo
Second	11	Tim Sapunor	Logan Tiffany	Charlotte Gueffroy	Alyssa Story	
	12	Joanie Wickham	Annabelle Davis	Scarlett Burkhardt	Benjamin Sibbet	Cole Tyzzer
	18	Lynne Olcomendy	Isabella Flores	Jax Leon	Rosalie Fitzmorris	
Third	7	Linda Cochran	Ella Fodor	Mei He	Jonah Wasilchin	Nikita Negruilya
	8	Linda Johnson	Hailey Newman	Valeria Perez	Jake Westman	Larry Cunningham
	9	Maribeth Niehaus	Lucas Waiter	Nicolas Garcia	Peyton McDonald	Sarah Zarembski
4 th -6 th SDC	33A	Crystal Au	Delayna Garcia	Jeanette Taylor		
Fourth	15	Vienna Bustos	Regan Mar		Beau Chavez	
	16	Brian Moore	Kiera Ault	Lorena Herrera	Hunter Conrad	Ocean Garcia
	17	Deborah Dodd	Marissa Guerrero	Joshua Rechts	Lucas Dawson	Cedeira Dawson
Fifth	23	Kim Meade	Julia Massey	Valentina Villalpando	Isaiah Ou	Victoria Goodwin
	24	Dan Maroldy	Carlie Floyd	Ava Mascoe-Talbot	Josephine Heinlein	Nicholas Metta
	25	Cathy Little	Alexa Gray	Claire Rios	Aidan Fong	Angel Gutierrez
Sixth	21	Sally Weisbecker	Nate Wisham	Alexis Avalos	Jimmy Rodriguez	Alina Long-Miranda
	22	Rhonda Wallace	Emil Ramos	Baylee Phang	Erika Hansen	Moseley Morrison
Band	1	Jennifer Nakayama	David Richards	Ciara Reed	Sienna Carrillo	Serapio Nambo



Order Your Fresh Holiday Wreaths Today!

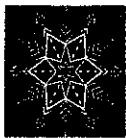
The LdV 4th grade class will make fresh holiday wreaths again this year! On sale now thru Nov 22

Pre-orders only

MAKES A GREAT GIFT FOR FAMILY, FRIENDS, NEIGHBORS AND CO-WORKERS!

22-inch fresh evergreen wreath with a custom-made bow
Only \$20 Each

Return this order form with payment by **Fri, Nov. 22nd** to front office



Checks payable to LdV 4th Grade

Only \$20 each and just 3 easy steps:

1. Choose a bow style
2. Place this order form and payment in box in the front office **before Fri., Nov 22nd**
3. Pick up your custom-made wreaths at the school's front entrance between 8:00-9:00 am **on Fri., Dec 6th**
(Wreaths not picked up before school will be delivered to your student's classroom)

Complete and return this form to front office by Nov 22nd:

Your Name (or LdV parent contact) _____

Email _____

Phone _____ Total Qty @ \$20 ea _____

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Child's Name and Room # _____

◆ . ◆ . ◆ . ◆ . ◆ . _____ **Traditional** (example: red or maroon)

Choose a bow style: _____ **Novelty** (example: candy cane, snowflake, snowman)

_____ **Elegant** (example: gold, silver or metallic accented)

For More Information Contact :

Jessica Doan at jessica_doan@sbcglobal.net
or Christine Ault at christine@christineault.com

Tornado Thanksgiving week Soccer Camp

brought to you by the Tornados (SSA U-11 girls), Coach Daniel Hernandez

November 25, and 26, (Monday and Tuesday of Thanksgiving week)

8:30-11:30 am

At Soccer Planet 5031 24th Street,

Players 12 and under are invited. For more information contact 803-2157 or
hdezdad@gmail.com

Coach Hernandez has experience coaching with Sacramento Soccer Alliance (SSA) for the last four years, and previously has coached High School soccer with Luther Burbank High School where he was awarded Metro League Coach of the year. He has coached at McClatchy high school as well. His youth experience includes coaching with Land Park, Sacramento United and now with SSA. He also played competitively as a youth with both Sacramento United and later at Cosumnes River College, and also with Cruz Azul Soccer club of Sacramento.

If nothing else, players will enjoy three hours of soccer skill building games. Some drills may be taken home for practice, but there will be an opportunity to see some fun and motivating examples of soccer. Not to mention you will help the Tornado Soccer team raise funds for their end of year tournament.

\$40, for two days (\$25 for one day) November 25, and 26,

Monday and Tuesday of Thanksgiving week

8:30-11:30 am

At Soccer Planet 5031 24th Street,



BRING:

A Soccer ball,

Water

Comfortable soccer clothes

A snack

Indoor soccer shoes or tennis shoes

Shin guards



All participants must complete registration form with Soccer Planet, available upon registration.

This is not a SCUSD sponsored, or endorsed, event.

2013 Thanksgiving week Soccer Clinic

Soccer Planet and SSA Tornado

In order to ensure your child's safety we must have your child complete the emergency form.

Child Name: _____ DOB ____/____/____

Team/Club _____ Age group: _____

Parent/Guardian Name: _____ Phone: (____) _____ - _____

Email contact: _____

2nd Emergency Contact information:

Name: _____ Relationship _____ Phone: (____) _____ - _____