



Leonardo da Vinci eK-8 School

Integrated Thematic Instruction Through Arts & Sciences

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LdV's 9th Annual Father Daughter Dance

Friday, February 20th, 7 – 10 pm
LdV Auditorium
(check-in will be in the cafeteria)



The 7th grade is honored to host this year's French Twist, LdV's night of Father/Daughter fun, with dancing, food, and great prizes. Tickets are only \$25 for Father's (or favorite father figure) and all current LdV daughters. Tickets will be sold before and after school in the front. Ticket order forms are also available in Diane's office. You can even purchase tickets at the door (cafeteria) the night of the event.. Tickets purchased via the invitation or through the newsletter insert before Friday, February 13th, will be delivered to your daughter in class. Get your tickets early, and don't miss out on this wonderful LdV tradition! Please enter this years' event through the cafeteria not through the main entrance of school as in the past. Parking will be available in the back parking lot as well as the front and street parking!



Calling all LdV Bakers...

The 2015 French Twist Committee is in need of dessert donations for this event. We are seeking donations of at least 2 dozen dessert items per donation. Specifically we are in need of: cookies, brownies, cream puffs, macaroons, mini cupcakes, truffles, petit fours, or any sweet treat that does not need to be sliced. Our colors are pink & white! Items can be delivered to the LdV auditorium anytime Friday, Feb 20th, before 3pm!

Need Hours?? We are in need of volunteers for this event. You can find a sign-up in front of the band room. If you have questions about dessert items, or if you'd like to volunteer for the event, please contact our 2015 French Twist Coordinator Jennifer Ellis, ldvfrenchtwist@gmail.com

Dates to Remember

- Feb 19**
ELAC mtg 9:15 in Café
- Feb 20-27**
Conference days:
1:30 dismissal
for 1-6 grades only
- Feb 20**
Father Daughter Dance
- Feb 23**
Taste of LdV mtg 6 pm
- Feb 25**
ATS Test 9:15/LIB
- Feb 26**
Principal's Coffee Chat 8:30 am
- Feb 27**
Open Enrollment visit 9:15 am
Movie Night Hero 2 @ 1:30 pm

Will your child be waiting for you in the office on Friday?

Not if you remember that Feb 20 & 23-27 is 1:30 pm Dismissal for 1-6th grade ONLY

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: dsanderson@sbcglobal.net. Events and services advertised in this newsletter are not necessarily endorsed by LdV PTC or SCUSD. Published by the parents of Leonardo da Vinci eK-8
Next Issue: Feb 23
Deadline: Feb 19

Breakfast Around the World

Ready for a tasty treat to celebrate Chinese New Year on Thursday, February 19th? We'll be selling a variety of Chinese bao and hot tea out front from 8:30am-9:00am on 2/19/15. Please e-mail Val at jayandval@earthlink.net if you're available to help!

ELAC Meeting

The next ELAC (English Learners Advisory Committee) meeting is Feb 19 at 9:15 am in the Café.

Two of your Favorite Things!

Pizza and the LdV Blues Band! Come out and support the Blues Band, **Thursday, February 19th** at Zpizza. The new Greenhaven location is the new hot spot and they've have generously reached out to help local schools and programs. Blues Band is part of the "I Can Do That", a 501 (c) 3 nonprofit corporation providing Arts-related programs which enhance learning and enrich the lives of children with and without disabilities. I Can Do That! strives to create Arts, education, and cultural opportunities for children with disabilities, making the Arts accessible to people of all abilities.

Ms. Ballard Needs a Hero or 2...

Please contact Ms. Ballard if you are able to help with the next movie night, scheduled for Feb 27th from 1:30 – 3:15. We will be showing Big Hero 6.

Reminder!

Feb 20 & 23-27 are 1:30 pm Dismissal Days 1-6th grade ONLY

Dolphins

This week's dolphin artist is 7th grader **Carina S.**

Academic Talent Search

The ATS qualifying exam will be offered at LdV on Feb 25 at 9:15 am in the LdV Library. Applications for current 4-8th grade students are available in the front office. Email diane-soule@scusd.edu or leave a message at 277-7034 to request an application form be sent to your child in their classroom.

Applications are due Feb 18. Payment for test (\$15) should be sent with your child the day of the test. Information about classes and sample test questions can be found at the ATS website at <http://edweb.csus.edu/projects/ats>

Last Chance for Boxtops!

This is the last week of our Boxtops and Labels contest! Get everything in no later than Friday and maybe your class will win a popcorn party! I won't give exact numbers but I will say Room 6 is winning the labels contest by a bit of a landslide! The Boxtops count between room 7 and room 10 is pretty close but there are a couple of others closing in on them! So clip them out or rip them out, just bring in the entire label inside the dotted line, and don't forget, write your room number on your baggie or envelope! Good luck everyone!

Taste of LdV

Feb 23 is the date for the next Taste of LdV meeting.

Cafe da Vinci Serving Peet's

The weather is warming up and it may soon be time to close the Café...parents, get your delicious hot coffee and cocoa at drop off on Monday and Friday mornings. A 12 oz Peet's coffee is only \$1.50!

Basketball News

Biddy Basketball is here!

The biddy program (K-2nd) will consist of a 2-day basketball skills camp (2-28-15 & 3-1-15 10AM-1PM) followed by a scrimmage day (3-6-15 3PM-5PM) where kids will learn game decorum and basic game rules. That will be followed by 3 Saturdays (3-14, 3-21, & 3-28 10AM-1:15) of skill reviews and scrimmages. Cost is \$95 per child. Forms and turn in box available in Diane's office.

3rd /4th Teams (Boys & Girls)

We are forming LDV teams to participate in a recreational basketball league. There will be a 3rd/4th Girls and a 3rd/4th Boys team. Play begins in April and cost is still being negotiated with the league. Players interested should attend a Wednesday workout & meet and greet at LDV 2-18-2015 3PM-4:15PM.

7th Annual K-6 Basketball Skills Camp

Our camp is coming this April. Details coming soon!

Spaces are limited so email Anthony-Bell@scusd.edu if you wish to confirm or get more information.

SCUSD All-City Honor Band

Congratulations to Gabriel Girardi, Leitani Hernandez, Kaylee Kazee, Aaliyah DeGrace-Voyles and Julia Massey for their participation in this year's SCUSD All-City Honor Band. Our five outstanding musicians performed on Wednesday, February 11th at Rosemont High School along with our SCUSD All-City Honor Orchestra and High School Band. Each student had to audition to participate, rehearse at different schools in the evenings and on a Saturday, and the culmination of their hard work was celebrated at their performance. We are all so proud of them! Congratulations! ;)

Editors note: apologies for not having all students named last week.

Got a LLAMA?

Ren Faire is looking for llamas, goats or other four legged Renaissance appropriate animals for the Faire. Please contact UnChu at tateskitchen@gmail.com if you have one/some!

Intel Presents...

Internet Safety Training for Families

Keeping up with kids in today's digital landscape means staying connected to the world in which they live. In order to make sure they're acting responsibly and staying safe, the Intel® Security Digital Safety Program gives caregivers like you the necessary tools to reinforce good online behavior in today's digital age. LDV parents are invited to attend the Intel Parent Assembly, scheduled for Friday, April 24th from 10:30 - 11:00 in the LDV Auditorium.

LdV'S Da Vinci Players stage Shakespeare's MUCH ADO ABOUT NOTHING

Spring is just around the corner ... so it must be time for our LDV middle school actors to put on their annual Shakespeare show. This year, we bring you MUCH ADO ABOUT NOTHING, one of Shakespeare's most beloved comedies. Performances are March 3rd, 5th, and 6th at 7pm in the auditorium. Admission is \$5. Come see some excellent theatre and support our young actors.

Da Vinci Players
present ...

Much Ado

About Nothing



A Comedy by William Shakespeare

LEONARDO DA VINCI

K-8 SCHOOL

4701 Joaquin Way

Sacramento

March 3, 5, 6

2015

7pm

Auditorium

\$5.00 admission

Proceeds benefit the middle school Oregon Shakespeare Festival Trip

Show your Support for LDV in Antarctica

There is now a Facebook page set-up for the 2041 International Antarctic Expedition (IAE) adventure, which departs in mid-March. "facebook.com/2041Expedition" This page provides lots of information about the expedition and Aidan's participation in it as a 2041 Antarctic Youth Ambassador. Please "LIKE" the page and share it with a friend and to ask them to "LIKE" it as well. Getting more "LIKES" will help make supporting their participation in this IAE more attractive to both potential sponsors as well as the media. For those who would like to offer support via a tax deductible contribution, our preferred method of contribution is as follows:

FIRST CHOICE - Check Payable to: "Leonardo da Vinci PTC" Tax ID: 68-0198753 Memo Line: "LDV 2041 Sustainability Fund" Mailed to: Leonardo da Vinci PTC 4701 Joaquin Way Sacramento, CA 95822 (A check sent direct will avoid the administrative and credit card fees which are about 8%.)

SECOND CHOICE - Contribution via my GoFundMe site gofundme.com/2041Expedition

All contributions will support Aidan's participation as well as Ms Williams. If we raise more funds than our target of \$33,000, those funds will be used to support LDV 2041 projects and sustainability in general, upon our return from the IAE. All contributions of \$25 or more sent directly to LDV or of \$50 or more contributed through GoFundMe will receive a charitable contribution receipt letter, so long as a mailing address is provided.

If you know of anyone who might be a potential corporate sponsor of \$500 or more, let us know. We have information to provide to potential sponsors of the benefits to them of sponsorship.



Visit Facebook.com/2041expedition - "Like" the page and share it with friends!





Looking for Something to Do?

Science Fair Help

Help is needed for LdV Science Fair. Set up: March 19 (after school); Turn in: March 20 (morning); Judging: March 20 (evening). Contact Celia at cz.rosecrans@gmail.com

The Other Fair(e)s are Coming!

Science Fair and Renaissance Faire are coming soon and volunteers are needed. Contact Celia cz.rosecrans@gmail.com for science, or UnChu at tateskitchen@gmail.com for Ren Faire.

Staff Appreciation

If you would like to contribute to our monthly Teacher Appreciation Breakfasts, please contact Stacie Lo at stacielo@live.com

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 Stacie Lo at stacielo@live.com

Taste of LdV

If you want to be part of the planning and vision for Taste of LdV, please contact one of us to find out more: niemeyers@comcast.net, gwynnaeb@gmail.com or fordkat@sbcglobo.com.

Looking for Volunteer to...

Drive Field Trips

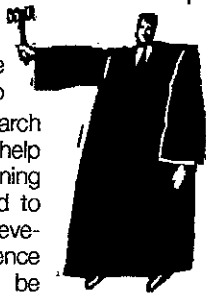
Our special day classes would love to take their students on field trips. If you have your clearances in place and would like to help please contact diane-soule@scusd.edu or to help 4-6 grade contact phil-howard@scusd.edu or to help 7 & 8 grade contact aeisha-jones@scusd.edu or 916-505-8623

Supervise in Café da Vinci

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.

You Be the Judge!

The PTC Science Committee is seeking volunteers to help with the Science Fair on March 20. 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



Word of the Week

Our new pillar is TRUSTWORTHINESS. The character word for this week is PROMISE. You know how good it feels to have someone show trust in you with statements such as, "Your word is good enough for me." You probably also know how trust can be shattered when a loved one or friend breaks a promise. Simply stated, "A promise is a promise."

"A promise is a debt unpaid."
—Robert William Service

Community Events High School?

• **Cristo Rey College Prep High School** Information Night: Shadow days: Feb 10, 18, 26. Placement tests: 3/7; 4/18; 5/16. For information or to RSVP: (916) 733-2660 or check the website: crhss.org

• The Family Visitation Day for the **Performing and Fine Arts Academy** will be held on February 12th, 2015 at 8:45am in the Bervenuti Performing Arts Center on the Natomas Charter School campus. If you plan to attend the Family Visitation Day it is important that you RSVP to the Academy Secretary, Christine Hobart at 916-928-5353 x1008.

From the District

Open Enrollment For more information go to www.scusd.edu or contact Michael Crosby at 643-9075.

School readiness fair Feb 28 10am-2pm at the Serna Center free health screenings, Kinder enrollment info and more 643-7858

Siblings & Open Enrollment

Please add your incoming Kinder or early Kinder sibling to the list on the front office window. Early kinder applications are available from Diane now. Kinder openings are through Open Enrollment only (even for LdV siblings). **Kindergarten registration began Tuesday, January 20** please contact your neighborhood school for information. Sibling Kinders must register through their neighborhood schools (not LdV).

Open Enrollment dates:

LdV Kinder & 4h grade: Feb 17-Mar 3
ONLINE at scusd.edu
Walk in: 2/25 9am-3pm; 2/26 noon-5pm;
2/27 9-11am

What's Happening After School?

Science Club

The remainder of upcoming dates are as follows: 2-20, 3-6, 3-20, 4-10, 4-24, 5-8, 5-22 TIME: 8:00 - 9:00 am
WHERE: LdV Science Lab (room 28)

Dolphin Store is Open

Every Wednesday after school the Dolphin Store is open for business. Selling fun pencils, erasers, school supplies and more!

Art

After school art lessons painting, drawing, watercolor, mask making, collage and printmaking \$12 per class (all materials included). For 2nd-8th grade students. Call Leslie Colby at 502-1227 to sign up.

Learn Spanish

For any questions about this program please contact Mrs. Garcia Email: ingridspanishstudio@gmail.com Phone: (916)585-6020

On/Off Stage

Call Cynthia Speakman 502-0336 or e-mail cynthia.speakman@gmail.com.

LdV Ballet Folklorico

For more information call (916)585-6020 or e-mail inlandsurfclub@gmail.com

Sponsors Needed

We are looking for corporate or individual sponsors for our Solar Regatta program. LdV MS students are building 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!**

Please contact Joe Scarpa if you want to help in this exciting project or want more information. joe@jscarpa.com (please put "solar" in the subject line).

Got Bugs?

Students in room 20 love to visit with them. Live ones are good! Drop them off to room 20 whenever you find an interesting one.

Art Contest

The Sacramento Bee's Media in Education (MIE) program and the Sacramento Kings are pleased to announce The Great Create visual arts contest! Whether your budding artist loves to draw, paint, take photos, or create posters, this contest will allow kids to use their imagination artistically.

Top winners will be selected from four categories and four age groups. There will be 36 semi-finalists and 12 finalists who will be announced at a Sacramento Kings home game in March 2015 and be awarded great prizes. In total, the value of prizes being awarded across the 48 winners will be over \$15,000. All art is due on February 28, 2015.

Enter online at www.kings.com/greatcreate.

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Eat Your Heart Out,

HELP OUR ^{Biggest!} SCHOOL! ^{Grand!}

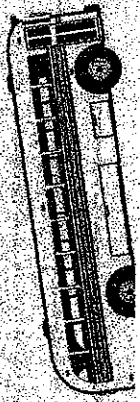
Show how much you love our school by dining with zpizza at

7600 Greenhaven Drive
corner of ADDRESS Pocket + Greenhauve
on Thursday Feb 19th DATE

zpizza is donating up to 25% of proceeds ALL DAY

Just mention the name of our school on any order to get credit. Delivery hours vary by location.

To sweeten the deal, zpizza is throwing a pizza party for the "Classroom with the Biggest Heart". Cast your vote at zpizza on the fundraising day and one lucky class will be randomly selected to win.



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PLEASE VOTE FOR LDV

We have entered a contest to win \$40,000.00 in science lab furniture.

You can find the link on our website:
www.leonardodavincischool.com

You can vote via Facebook OR you can create a login on the site

You can vote once a day from each email address you own
(work and/or personal)



PLEASE VOTE FOR LDV

Dancing

*Desserts
&
Beverages*

LdV's 9th Annual *French Twist*

Father Daughter Dance

*Games
&
Prizes*

This!

Friday, February 20th, 7 – 10 pm
LdV Auditorium

*Shopping at
the Boutique*



French Twist 2015 Update

The big night is just a few days away. This Friday, the 20th of February, the LdV Auditorium will be turned into a elegant evening in Paris. There will be dancing, with music provided by Daniel J Entertainment, sweet treats and beverages, games with great prizes including a beautiful bike from Mike's Bikes, and don't forget to do some shopping at the Boutique. The 7th grade is working hard to make this night a special one for all attending LdV Daughter's and their Fathers/Father Figures.

There will be a few changes and additions to this year's event that will make it even better. Here's what to look for:

New Entrance

LdV Daughters and their Fathers/Father Figures will be entering through the back parking lot, following the signs and balloons, and walking through the cafeteria hallway up to the stage entrance into the auditorium.

Be a Da Vinci Diva, and support girls' access to education around the world.

Ethos Hair Gallery, a downtown Sacramento salon, is offering French Twists, simple Up-Dos and Braids, in exchange for a suggested donation to the Malala Fund, a charity that works globally "to break the cycle of poverty and empower girls through education".

*~Come to the dance with clean, dry pre-curled or prepped hair and visit us at our booth for a quick make-over~
Look fashionable and support a great cause.*



The 2015 French Twist is hosted by the 7th Grade



French Twist Game

1. Write your name and room number:

Name: _____ Room #/Teacher _____

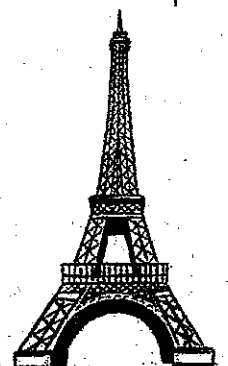
2. Draw the Eiffel Tower in the Box Provided

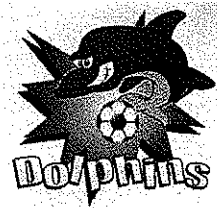
3. Answer this question correctly:

How tall is the Eiffel Tower _____

4. Turn this form into the box provided on the entrance table for a chance to win a Lego Eiffel Tower Architecture kit.

5. Participation is for French Twist attendees only. Drawing will be held at 8:00 pm. Winner must answer the question correctly and be present to win.





LdV Soccer 'Early Dismissal Week' Soccer Camp

Cost - \$50

All Participants will receive a LdV Soccer Training Shirt

Who: Boys & Girls **Sign Up Deadline:** Friday Feb 20th 4:00 pm
Grades: 1st through 6th **Website:** www.LDVsoccer.com
Time: 1:30 – 3:00 pm **Where:** LdV Soccer Field
Dates: Monday – Friday Feb 23rd through 27th

Training Provided & Coordinated By LdV & Union FC Soccer Coach Richard 'Todd' Dunbar

Each Session will have the following format:

- **Warm-Up** – 10 mins
- **Ball Mastery** – 10 mins
- **Speed** – 10 mins
- **1 v 1** – 20 mins
 - Moves, Feints, Changes of Directions (*Cooperative*) – 10 mins
 - Competitive – 10 mins
- **Small Group Play** – 25 mins
 - 2 v 2
 - 3 v 3
 - Small Sided Games
- **Scrimmage (Free Play)** – 15 mins

Questions?

Please Contact Coach Todd at 799-1092 or LDVSoccerAcademy@gmail.com

- LdV Girls Soccer Coach – 7th season
- LdV Boys Soccer Coach – Coached 2014 Season

Please return bottom portion with a \$50 Check made out to LdV PTC – **Subject: LdV Soccer Early Dismissal** to the "LdV Soccer" Box located outside Diane Soule's office

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Player's name: _____ T-Shirt Size: _____ Age on July 31st 2014: _____

Parent's Name: _____ Parents Cell: _____

Parent's Email: _____

LdV Soccer Early Dismissal Sign-Up



LdV MOVIE “NIGHT”

Friday, February 27th 1:30 – 3:15
LdV Cafeteria

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

We will be on a shortened day schedule so the movie night will start at 1:30. We're watching Big Hero 6! Dress up as your favorite Super Hero. We'll be eating pizza, and enjoying refreshments. Snack Bar on-site including popcorn, red vines and frozen treats.

AVOID THE LINE!

Big Hero 6 - Movie Night Pre- Order Form

Please fill out and return the form below with payment to the Big Hero 6 box in front office. We will send the tickets home with your child so you can avoid the line!

Student's Name _____

*Grade _____ Teacher _____

Parents' names _____

Number of Tickets: _____

Amount enclosed (tickets are \$5.00 each): \$ _____

Pizza Order (one slice per ticket)

___ peperoni ___ cheese

Tickets will be sent to home with your child.

*Children in grades eK-2 must be accompanied by an adult



Join the Conversation! Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP) Community Meeting

February 17, 2015 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.

**Serna Center Community Rooms
5735 47th Avenue
Sacramento, CA 95824
(916) 643-7924**

- **Listen:** SCUSD's 2015-16 budget projections to be presented
- **Learn:** Discussions on student achievement data and more
 - **Review:** District goals and priorities
 - *Be heard!* Community input impacts decisions

**For more information:
www.scusd.edu/LCAP**

Childcare & interpretation provided.



¡Únase a la Conversación!

Reunión Comunitaria Sobre el Plan de Control Local y Rendición de Cuentas (LCAP)

17 de febrero de 2015 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Serna Center Community Rooms
5735 47th Avenue
Sacramento, CA 95824
(916) 643-7924

- Escuche: Las proyecciones presupuestarias de SCUSD para el año 2015-16 que serán presentadas.
- Entérese: Discusiones sobre los datos del rendimiento académico de los estudiantes y más.
 - Revise: Las metas y prioridades del distrito.
- *¡Haga oír su voz!* Los comentarios de la comunidad afectan las decisiones que se toman.

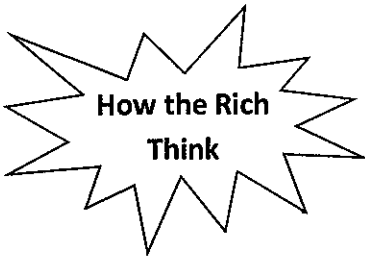
Si desea obtener más información, por favor visite:
www.scusd.edu/LCAP

Se proporcionará cuidado de niños e intérpretes.

Be Rich & Free with Financial Education!

Financial Education for Middle-Schoolers

Presented by Ben Anders, CPA and Eva Anders, 8th Grader at LdV

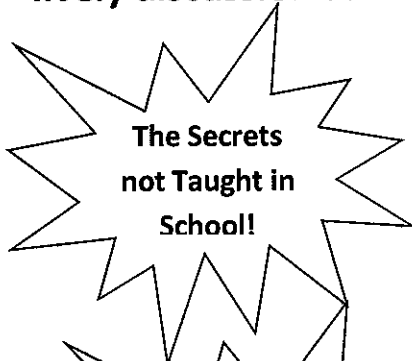


How the Rich
Think

Do you want to work hard all your life for money?

Or do you want your money to work for you!

Join us Thursday afternoons from 3:15 to 5:15 for interactive games and lively discussion as we learn about:



The Secrets
not Taught in
School!



Thinking like an
Entrepreneur



Wise Money
Management



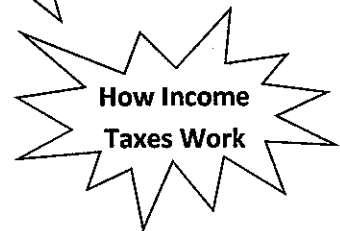
The Easiest Way
to Get Rich



Budgeting



How to Attract
Success into
Your Life



How Income
Taxes Work

Just \$120 for 10 two hour sessions!

That's only \$6 per hour!
(And it comes with a free book)

10 Sessions:

Mar. 5, 19, 26

Apr. 2, 9, 30

May 7, 14, 21, 28

RSVP to Ben Anders By phone: 916-307-9666 or

By email: ben@InnovativeCPAs.com

Hurry!!! Space is Limited to only 12 students!*

***Parents can accompany students for free! Reserve your space NOW!!!**

Ready for a Fun-Filled Summer?

Join the Sacramento Stingrays Swim Team!



Please join us at Registration Night to kick off a new era for the *Sacramento Stingrays*!

- ⇒ Food, Fun, and Live Music
- ⇒ FREE gift to all registered swimmers
- ⇒ Tour our new facility
- ⇒ Meet our Coaches
- ⇒ Bring the entire family

The Stingrays Swim Team is perfect for boys and girls ages 5 to 18.

Practices start in April so don't delay!

Registration Night

Thursday, February 26th

6pm — 8pm

John F Kennedy High School

Cafeteria

6715 Gloria Drive

www.SacramentoStingrays.com