

# Leonardo da Vinci eK-8 School

Integrated Thematic Instruction Through Arts & Sciences

## Early Dismissal Dates Have Changed!

First through sixth grade has early (1:30 pm) dismissal days ahead. Please note they have changed: **March 11 is now a full day.** Only March 14-18 will be 1-6th grade early dismissal. Grades 7 & 8 will have early dismissal on Friday March 18 ONLY.

## Peanuts Movie and Pizza...

...Will be at 3 pm on Friday, March 11. Tickets on sale soon!

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## Dates to Remember

**2Feb 22-26**

Pennies for Patients

**Feb 22**

Taste of LdV Planning Meeting 6pm - Library

**Feb 23**

ATS Test 9:15 am/LIB

**Feb 25**

Parent Coffee Chat 8:30 am/LIB

**March 2**

Dr Seuss' Birthday Read Around the School

SSC 5:30 pm

PTC 6:30 pm

**March 1, 3, 4**

Twelfth Night

**March 9**

Class Meetings

5 pm eK

5:30 pm 7&8 gr

6 pm K-3rd gr

6:30 pm 4-6 grades

**March 11**

Peanuts Movie at 3 pm  
**NO Early dismissal!**

**March 12**

Taste of LdV

**March 14-18**

Grade 1-6 Early dismissal

**March 18**

Grade 1-8 Early dismissal

**March 21-15**

Spring 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: dsanderson@sbcglobal.net. Events and services advertised in this newsletter are not necessarily endorsed by LdV PTC or SCUSD.

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**Next Issue: Feb 29**

**Deadline: Feb 25**

## Wigs to Help Celebrate Seuss?

The LdV Seussian Players are looking for colored wigs to use in this years' Seuss play. Please bring wigs (in any condition to Diane's office. Thank you!

## Lost & Found But Not Claimed

LdV Lost & Found is overflowing! Please look for items in the cafeteria this week. All unclaimed items will be donated on Feb. 26th.

## You Be the Judge

We are looking for science fair judges for the March 11th judging event. It will be broken up into two time slot judging options: 2-5 pm and 6-9 pm. Please contact Celia Rosecrans at cz.rosecrans@gmail.com if you can volunteer.

## Use Correct Email for Uncleared Absences

Not calling or emailing to report your child's absence from school results in unexcused absences which are considered truanancies. There is only so much time within which these truanancies can be cleared or they remain on your child's permanent record. Email chereese-conner@scusd.edu each day of your child's absence.

## Taste of LdV 2016 - March 12th

Plan on attending the annual after hours adult only LdV School Community Event, celebrating LdV's 25th Anniversary. The funds raised from this event will support Visual and Performing Art opportunities for our students. The event includes: local restaurant food, beverages, live and silent auctions of items such as: "ticket parties, classroom arts/crafts, gift certificates, wine wall and more." Tickets are on sale now - \$35 per ticket and \$60/couple.

## Summer Learning Programs

**Free and Fun for grades K-12**

Registration/Information 4-7 pm: March 1 @ CK McClatchy HS; March 2 & 31 @ Serna Center; March 8 @ Burbank HS; March 15 @ Rosemont HS; March 16 @ Kennedy HS; March 30 @ Hiram Johnson HS. For more information 643-7993 or www.scusdyouthdevelopment.org



## Pennies for Patients

This week student council asks us to join them in supporting Pennies for Patients. Please consider sending a donation in with your child. Thank you!

## Dolphins!

This week's dolphin is by 8th grader Samuel M.

## Jr. Cheer Camp is Full!

We are unable to take any more sign ups. Girls who have signed up and returned your permission slips...we will see you Mon. 2/29-Thurs. 3/3 from 3:00-4:15 in the gym! For questions contact ldvcheer@gmail.com 916-896-4044

## Advertise (or Donate) to Support LdV's Middle School Theatre Program

The Da Vinci Players would like to offer you an opportunity to support the LdV middle school theatre program by purchasing an ad in the program for our upcoming production of William Shakespeare's TWELFTH NIGHT. This is a great way to show your support for our middle school actors and to advertise your business to the LdV community ... and beyond. We also welcome tax-deductible donations which will be recognized in the program. See the attached flyer (or go to the LdV website) for details. Questions? Call Ellen Chapman at 446-4785.

## Author Keith Hemstreet

On March 1, LdV 3-5th grade students will have the opportunity to hear author Keith Hemstreet speak about his adventure series "Travels with Gannon & Wyatt". Attached is a book order form for hard cover books for a discounted rate of \$10/each. You can also bring cash or checks the day of the presentation and he will sign all books that day. Samples of the series are available to peruse in the front office.

## Academic Talent Search

The ATS qualifying exam will be offered at LdV on Feb 23 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 were due Feb 17. 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>

## Watch Found...

...on playground, please contact diane-soule@scusd.edu to describe and claim.

**DON'T MISS EVENTS!**

MARCH 12

TASTE OF LDV

# More Front Page News!

## Science Club Shoe Drive

The middle school Science Club is organizing a used shoe drive to help raise funds to defray the cost of the trip for the students. A flyer is attached with additional information. In addition to dropping off shoes in Room 27, they may also be dropped off in the Front Office. All shoes should be clean and wearable, and placed in a bag that includes the classroom # (and grade if Room 2) of your student if you would like their class to receive credit for the donation, as a contest is in the works to reward the class that contributes the most pairs of shoes. We encourage families to donate not only their own outgrown or unneeded shoes, but to also collect them from friends, neighbors, co-workers & relatives, as this not only helps send LdV students to Costa Rica, but also helps de-clutter our closets, provide footwear and a source of income to people in countries in need, and reduce the number of shoes that still have life in them from going to the landfill. Questions may be directed to Rebekkah Frost (rebekkah@me.com), Ryan Fong (rcfong@aol.com) or Mr. Androlowicz (stan-androlowicz@scusd.edu).

## Dolphin Store Open

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

## Looking for the Next Queen, King, or Royal Court

The Renaissance Faire is one of LdV's biggest enrichment events for our students. It takes some organization to book all the artists, supply all the stations and gather the volunteers who keep it running smoothly. We are looking for a volunteer (or two) to take over coordinating the 2017 Renaissance Faire. This is the perfect time to decide to step up, because you will be able to shadow our current RF Queen through the steps to making a successful event. Please contact UnChu Littlefield at tateskitchen@gmail.com (please use ren faire in the subject line).

## Café da Vinci Open!

Watch for the Café kids selling \$1 hot cocoa, \$1.50 coffee and a \$2 "mocha" on Monday and Friday mornings. We appreciate your business!

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

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

## School Cents

Please remember to take your December receipts to guest services at Arden Fair Mall or leave them in the box in the front office.

## Word of the Week

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



## Learning Garden Workdays

March 12th 8-noon

April 16th 8-noon

May 6th 3-6pm

June 18th 8-noon

July 10th 8-noon

Sept 5th 8-noon

With any questions or suggestions, or offers to help with the garden, please feel free to contact Greg: greg\_richards@rocketmail.com or 916-716-6910 or Alexis Wasilchin: alexisbar-tine@sbcglobal.net

## Community Events

Don't miss LdV's own, **Tim Sapunor & Janeen Wagner** in Sac City College's presentation of Pride & Prejudice. Feb 26, 27; March 4, 5, 11, 12, 18, 19 at 8 pm in the SCC Performing Arts Center. For tickets and information: 558-2228 or www.citytheatre.net

## JR BALLERS & BIDDY BASKETBALL

WINTER 2016

Due to my bad promotion for this program, a lot of students have told me that they didn't know we are doing Basketball for Biddy and Juniors on Sundays. So I'm making sure to get the word out.

## PROGRAM FOR 9U K-3<sup>rd</sup> STUDENTS

**\$35.00 FEE \$45 TO DO BOTH PROGRAMS**

Payable to LDV-PTC - All funds go to LDV K-6 Basketball Development program

**BIDDY BALL:** Beginner and Novice players learn to dribble, shoot, pass & defend, along with other fundamental skills useful for playing the game of basketball.

**TIME: 2:00-3:15**

**JR BALLERS:** For novice kids who can dribble, shoot, & pass the ball. Students do warm up drills, divide into teams, and scrimmage. The kids learn team aspects as they play the game.

**TIME: 3:30-5:00**

**DATE: 2/21, 2/28, & 3/6**

**WHERE: LDV CAMPUS, IN THE GYM (At the back of the school)**

SIGN UP FORMS AND DROP BOX IN DIANE'S (Front) OFFICE

## Planning an Extended Absence?

Did you know non-medical absence days are considered "unexcused"? To avoid being put on a SARB contract for absences over three days, you must have extended absence paperwork in place before the absence. At least one week before the absence, request an Extended Absence Report from the main office. This form needs to be completed by you and the teacher. Return the signed form to the office for Principal approval. The teacher will then receive a packet to complete and give to you with your child's assignments. This packet must be completed and returned to the teacher within five days of your child's return to school. If the Extended Absence Packet is not completed and turned in, your child's absence will not be given the appropriate clearance. Please feel free to ask any questions about this process. Thank you—Chereese Conner, Clerk

## From the SCL (School Community Liaison)

### 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.

### Déja Vu?

If you read the newsletter weekly, some of the content may seem 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!

### LdV on the Web & Facebook

The weekly newsletter (without additional flyers) can be found on the **LdV web site: [leonardodavincischool.org](http://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](mailto: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 its culture. Please "like" us if you would like news about LdV, meeting reminders, and event updates.

### No Tricks!

Do you have a few too many treats at your house? Drop off any extras in the front office to share with LdV staff. Your donation of seasonal candy is very appreciated. Drop off in Diane's office please! Thank you!

### Lost? Get a Bumper Stickers

The oval LdV bumper stickers are available in Diane's office. They are only \$3 (cash please). They are a great way of identifying the other drivers while on an LdV field trip (or even when you are just driving around town). Proceeds benefit LdV fourth grade.

### Please Remember

When approaching an leaving our campus... We ALL have children to drop off or pick up. We ALL have places we need to go. But the most importantly ALL of us need to be safe and courteous. Good behavior under pressure is a great lesson for the children in your car to witness.

And please do not block driveways, move trash cans, walk on lawns or run the stop signs in our neighborhood!

### E not O

Please note: the correct email to use to report absences is [chereese-conner@scusd.edu](mailto:chereese-conner@scusd.edu)

**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.

**Tally Sheets:** A tally sheet is in the first newsletter of the month. Extras can be found in the front office or on the school website. Please turn it into your child's class or to the Volunteer Office at the end of the month.

**Carry Over Hours:** Hours from 2014-15 are only carried over to this year if they were worked AFTER May 15, 2015 (and turned in). Thank you to every parent who worked over their required hours last year (most of you). Our program shines because of you!

**First Day Packets:** Please complete your first day packet and return them to the classroom as soon as possible. Extra forms can be found on our web site or in the front office.

**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 7:30am-3:30pm or email me at [diane-soule@scusd.edu](mailto:diane-soule@scusd.edu), or leave a message at 277-7034.

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### Fingerprinting Requirements

Yes, you do need to be fingerprinted to go on a field trip...whether you are driving children or not...whether you are going by bus 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!

### Driving on a Field Trip?

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

### No Free TB Testing

SCUSD no longer offers free TB screening. It is recommended you see your primary care provider, or make use of a community clinic. For your convenience, the following are resources you could use:

**Wellspace Health:** four locations. Please call 737-5555 for details. \$16

**Elica Health Center:** 3701 J St, suite 201, Sacramento. Please call 454-2345 to make an appointment \$40.

Several **Rite Aide** locations

**CVS/pharmacy:** 1350 Florin Road

### Open Enrollment Information

Students choosing to attend a criteria school should visit the specialized programs page to determine what application requirements must be met.

Walk In for Open Enrollment will take place at the Enrollment Center (5601 47th Avenue, Sacramento, CA 95824).

Walk in dates are for parents who do not have access to a computer or for parents who need assistance with translation. Translators will be available in Chinese, Hmong, Russian, Spanish, and Vietnamese.

If you have any questions please contact the Open Enrollment Department at (916) 643-9075. Thank you.

### For students entering K-6th Grade

Open Enrollment for incoming elementary students begins online at 8 am on Tuesday, February 16 and continues through 5 pm Tuesday, March 1, 2016.

Walk-in Dates for K-6th Grade Open Enrollment: Wednesday, February 24, from 9 am – 3 pm; Thursday, February 25, from noon– 5 pm; Friday, February 26, from 9 am – 11 am.

### Looking at High School?

• **George Washington Carver** - Visit days March 1 & April 5 from 8:30-10 am. Call Mrs Agnos to reserve your space 228-5751

### What's Happening After School?

**On Stage Classes** Questions? Contact [cynthia.speakman@gmail.com](mailto: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.

**Backyard Art Academy** Painting, drawing, watercolor, mask making, collage and print-making \$12 per class (all materials included). For 2nd-8th grade students. Call Leslie Colby at 502-1227 to sign up.

### From the District

• **Parent Guides for the SBAC assessments** are available on our website by grade span at: <http://www.scusd.edu/california-assessment-student-performance-and-progress-caaspp>. These guides include an overview of testing and sample questions.

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**FROM  
THE LDV  
GARDEN**  
*To Your Table*



*During their unit on "Camouflage", the second graders took part in a cooking lesson where they made some of their favorite foods camouflaged with healthy ingredients. Not only did they want seconds, but they asked for the recipes too! Try these recipes at home!*

*Alexis Wasilchin*

**Chocolate-Avocado Pudding**

*Adapted from Jessica Seinfeld*

- 1/4 cup butter
- 1 cup avocado puree (~1 avocado, mashed)
- 1 cup powdered sugar
- 1/2 cup unsweetened cocoa powder
- 1 tsp vanilla
- 1/4 cup cornstarch

In a small saucepan melt the butter  
Stir in avocado puree, sugar, cocoa powder, and vanilla, mashing with a spoon to smooth any lumps for 3-4 minutes. Take off the heat and gradually stir in cornstarch. Serve warm.

**Cauliflower Mashed Potatoes**

- 2 cups warm cauliflower (steamed or blanched)
  - 1/4 cup milk
  - 1 tsp butter, softened
  - 1/2 tsp salt
  - 1/4 tsp pepper
- Mash cauliflower until smooth.

**Roasted Spaghetti Squash**

- Preheat oven to 375
- Cut squash in half lengthwise and scoop out seeds
- Drizzle squash with olive oil and sprinkle with salt and pepper
- Place face down on a cookie sheet lined with parchment
- Bake for ~45 minutes.
- Cool and shred with a fork
- Serve with marinara and Parmesan cheese!

*An extra big  
THANK YOU to  
all the volunteers  
who helped make  
our cooking  
project a huge  
success!*

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Your child's school is registered to support The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society's (LLS) Student Series' Pennies for Patients. While schools and students collect money to help find cures for blood cancer patients, students learn about service, leadership and philanthropy.

## COLLECT CHANGE—SAVE LIVES

### **FIRST: Set up your child's own webpage.**

With students own webpage, friends and family, near and far, will help increase the number of donations they can collect. But some help from an adult will be needed to set up the page.

- Go to **Find Your School** on [www.StudentSeries.org](http://www.StudentSeries.org)

Once you get to your school page, you can either:

- **Join a classroom.** Find the classroom teacher's name from a drop down list, and
- **Join as an individual** if your school has not set up any classroom pages.

Students who raise \$50 or more online will receive a limited edition T-shirt and have the opportunity to earn great prizes for their schools and classrooms.

### **SECOND: Students need coin boxes.**

Your child should have received their own coin box for collecting change, dollars and checks (made out to The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society). Spare change can turn up anywhere and your child can make a difference just by collecting it.

### **THIRD: Your child will help save lives.**

By collecting change, students will help people touched by blood cancers. In the 1960s the survival rate for the most common form of childhood leukemia was 3%. Today it's approximately 90% thanks to many research advances funded by LLS.

With the help of programs like this one, LLS has invested more than \$1 billion in research to advance therapies that save lives. That includes more than \$4.6 million from California and Nevada.

Thanks to you and your child in advance for helping LLS create a world without blood cancers.

Sincerely,

Dena Skiles, Campaign Director  
Greater Sacramento Area Chapter  
916-246-3326  
[dena.skiles@lls.org](mailto:dena.skiles@lls.org)



### **Meet Grace**

Hodgkin lymphoma survivor

In April 2013, Grace was rushed to the hospital to find she had two masses in her chest. It was confirmed she had Hodgkin lymphoma. In July 2013, after five rounds of chemotherapy Grace went into remission and returned to school. She plays soccer and is interested in fashion. She loves her boas and tiaras; in fact, she is a healthy, cancer-free fashionista!



Estimado/a padre/madre/tutor:

La escuela de su hijo se ha inscrito para apoyar el programa estudiantil Pennies for Patients de la Sociedad de Lucha contra la Leucemia y el Linfoma (LLS). Mientras las escuelas y los estudiantes recaudan dinero para ayudar a encontrar curas para los pacientes con leucemia, los estudiantes aprenden sobre el servicio, el liderazgo y la filantropía.

## JUNTE CAMBIO – SALVE VIDAS

### PRIMERO: Cree una página web para su hijo.

Con un página web personal para los estudiantes, los amigos y familiares, lejanos y cercanos, ayudarán a aumentar la cantidad de donaciones que recolectan. Pero se necesitará una pequeña ayuda de un adulto para configurar la página.

- **Vaya a Find Your School** (Buscar su escuela) en [www.StudentSeries.org](http://www.StudentSeries.org)

Una vez que esté en la página de su escuela, puede:

- **Unirse a una clase.** Busque el nombre del profesor de la clase a partir de una lista desplegable, o
- **Unirse como individuo** si su escuela no ha configurado ninguna página web para las clases.

Los estudiantes que recauden \$50 o más por internet recibirán una camiseta de edición limitada y tendrán la oportunidad de ganar importantes premios para su clase y su escuela.

### SEGUNDO: Los estudiantes necesitan cajas de recaudación.

Su hijo debería haber recibido su propia caja para la recaudación de cambio, dólares y cheques (emitidos a nombre de The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society). Las monedas pueden aparecer en cualquier sitio y su hijo puede marcar una diferencia simplemente juntando ese cambio en monedas.

### TERCERO: Su hijo ayudará a salvar vidas.

Juntando cambio, los estudiantes ayudarán a personas cuyas vidas han sido afectadas por cánceres de la sangre. En la década de 1960, la tasa de supervivencia para el tipo de leucemia infantil más común era del 3%. Hoy es de aproximadamente el 90% gracias a los numerosos avances en la investigación financiados por la LLS.

Gracias a la ayuda de programas como este, la LLS ha invertido más de mil millones de dólares en la investigación destinada a lograr avances en los tratamientos y salvar vidas. Esto incluye más de \$4.6 million del estado de California y Nevada .

Agradecemos a usted y a su hijo por ayudar a que la LLS construya un mundo sin cáncer de la sangre.

Cordialmente,

Dena Skiles, Campaign Director  
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### Conozca a Grace

Sobreviviente de linfoma de Hodgkin

En abril de 2013, Grace debió ser trasladada de urgencia al hospital donde le detectaron dos tumores en el pecho. Se confirmó que se trataba de linfoma de Hodgkin. En julio de 2013, luego de cinco ciclos de quimioterapia, su linfoma entró en remisión y Grace pudo regresar a la escuela. Juega al fútbol y le gusta la moda. Adora sus estolas y sus tiaras; de hecho, ¡es una amante de la moda saludable y sin cáncer!

## Author Keith Hemstreet to visit Leonardo da Vinci Elementary



We are excited to announce that Keith Hemstreet, author of the award-winning adventure series, *Travels with Gannon & Wyatt*, will be speaking at Leonardo da Vinci Elementary on **Tuesday, March 1**.

*Travels with Gannon & Wyatt* brings the magic of nature and far-away cultures to the imaginations of young readers and their families. Each exciting installment is part of a global journey that subtly instills the importance of conservation and family values. In short, it's the *Hardy Boys* meets *Indiana Jones*.

To research the adventure series, Keith has traveled to the far corners of the earth. He will tell students exciting stories of his travels, read an excerpt from one of the books, and show photos and video from around the world. His visits have been a huge hit with teachers and students across the country.

Wheeler and Hemstreet pack this slim adventure full of facts and trivia, as well as photos and drawings, lending it an educational slant. With clear nods to Indiana Jones and other adventure stories, the fast-paced plot and engaging characters are sure to appeal to a young audience.  
– **Publishers Weekly**

This is a gripping novel featuring the land and culture of Greenland....packs a great deal of information into a short, suspenseful read that will appeal to fans of travel and adventure stories.  
– **School Library Journal**

*Travels with Gannon & Wyatt* is a phenomenal series that encourages the next generation of conservationists to push their boundaries and challenge themselves to explore life outside their comfort zones. – **Brigitte Griswold, Director of Youth Programs, The Nature Conservancy**

**Keith will be signing books after his presentation, so make sure to bring in your order form by Friday, February 26, if you'd like autographed copies!**

**[Facebook.com/GannonAndWyatt](https://www.facebook.com/GannonAndWyatt)**  
**[Gannonandwyatt.com](http://Gannonandwyatt.com)**

## Travels with Gannon & Wyatt Order Form

Keith Hemstreet, author of the award-winning adventure series, *Travels with Gannon & Wyatt*, will be giving a presentation on Tuesday, March 1 at 9:15 a.m. If you would like to order a book prior to his visit, please provide the necessary information below:

Student's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

Teacher's Name: \_\_\_\_\_



These beautiful hardcover books are **\$10.00** apiece.

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### Book Selection:

Botswana    Great Bear Forest    Egypt    Greenland    Ireland

Please autograph book(s) to: \_\_\_\_\_

Please Print Name

[www.gannonandwyatt.com](http://www.gannonandwyatt.com)  
[Facebook.com/GannonAndWyatt](https://www.facebook.com/GannonAndWyatt)

You can also purchase books online at Barnes & Noble, Amazon and Books-A-Million.  
Our next book, *Travels with Gannon & Wyatt: Hawaii*, will be available August 2016.

**Make sure to collect them all!**





# *A Taste of LdV Annual Auction*

*Cocktails      Appetizers  
Dancing        Auction*

*Saturday,  
March 12, 2016  
Doors Open at 6 pm*

Guest Name:

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Guest Name:

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Email Address:

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\$35.00 per person or \$60.00 per couple

3 ways to pay:

- \* Cash – Be sure to include this form
- \* Check (Payable to Leonardo da Vinci K-8 School PTC)
- \* Credit Card: <http://ldv.schoolauction.net/auction2016/>

A box has been provided in Diane's office for your convenience.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact us.

Kim - [niemeyers@comcast.net](mailto:niemeyers@comcast.net)

Kristen - [fordkat@sbcglobal.net](mailto:fordkat@sbcglobal.net)

*We look forward to seeing you on March 12th!*

# Your Shopping Benefits LdV

A cruise may not be in your future, but groceries probably are...  
If you make purchases from any of the below merchants, you could be earning money for LdV. Just follow these simple steps:

- Log onto [www.eScrip.com](http://www.eScrip.com). Enter the School or Group I.D.
- You can also register your debit and credit cards.
- Shop at eScrip merchants!
- Use your eScrip registered cards for all your purchases.
- A percentage of purchases will be automatically contributed by the merchant.

*That's it!*

*It's that easy...your family shops – LdV earns dollars.*

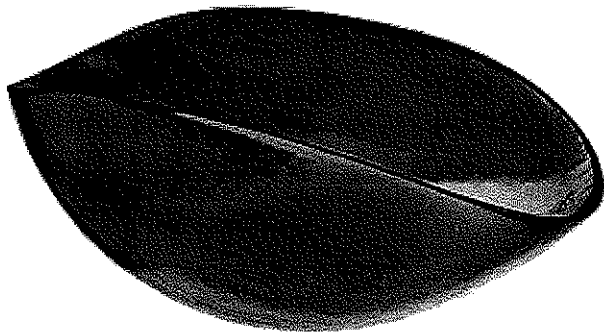


Go to [www.eScrip.com](http://www.eScrip.com) to look for more merchants and to sign up!  
Our school ID is: 6660689

And don't forget to register your Raley's and Bel Aire  
Q card to benefit LdV!

# Help LdV Students Learn the Art of Glass!

LdV is almost to our goal to purchase a glass kiln for our art programs. Once we have the kiln, we will need parents who are experienced with glass to help our students experience glass. Here is how you can be one of those people and help with our final fundraising goal:



## First Glass Fusing Class

Saturday, April 2, 2016, 10:30 am - 1 pm

Bullseye Glass Resource Center

4514 Hollis Street, Emeryville CA 94608

\$100 includes materials for your  
handmade bowl

If we have 10-16 LdV related sign ups Bullseye will donate \$800 toward our kiln. It's a win-win for LdV!

You will be taught everything you need to know to be able to create your own magnificent bowl, and to help our students with their own creations.

Sign up now at <https://bullseyeglass.givezooks.com/events/Leonardo-da-vinci-school-april-2>

Any adult can attend the class, so you can invite your non-LdV friends to spend this fun, creative day with you!

Celebrate the life and times of Leonardo da Vinci ...



**LdV's 14th Annual  
On-Campus  
Renaissance Faire  
and Costume Day  
Friday – April 15th**

**We Need volunteers!**

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

Morning? Afternoon? All day?

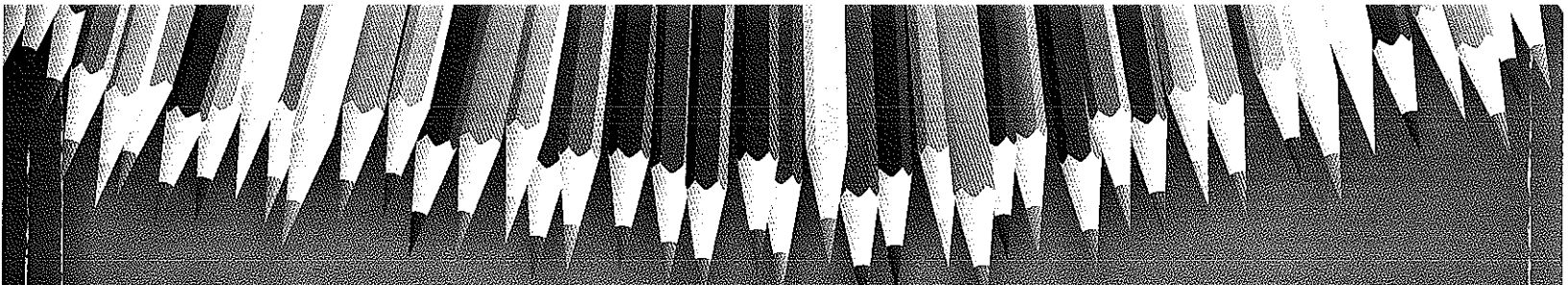
Lunch provided to those who spend the day with us.

Are you interested in coordinating the Renaissance Faire  
in 2017? This would be the perfect year to shadow.

To volunteer or with questions please email

UnChu Littlefield at [tateskitchen@gmail.com](mailto:tateskitchen@gmail.com)

please be sure to put RenFaire in the subject line



# SCHOOL CENTS

## February Newsletter

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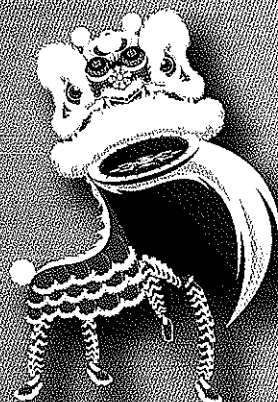
### kids club!

Earn 1,000 bonus points for attending  
Arden Fair Kid's Club\*

Saturday, February 6<sup>th</sup> | 10am - 11am

Celebrate Chinese New Year with Arden Fair Kids Club!

*\*Check in at the Arden Fair table in Center Court to earn your points.*



# a

### Show us your "a's"!

Bring a copy of your most current report card to  
Guest Services and earn 1,000 bonus points for  
each "a" you received.\*

\* One report card per student. Highest official letter grade will earn points. maximum of 5,000 points per student. Only parent(s) or guardian(s) of students attending one of our participating schools may redeem report cards for points; report cards submitted by school administrators are ineligible.

Shop these stores in February  
and receive TRIPLE points for your school:  
Coach, Godiva, Pandora, Papyrus, and Things Remembered

## arden fair

If you have any questions, please call the School Cents Coordinators at (800) 762-1641.  
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# SCHOOL CENTS



## Hoja Informativa de Febrero

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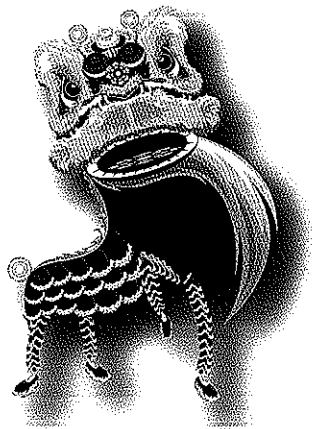
**kids club!**

1,000 Puntos de bonificación por asistir  
al Arden Fair Kid's Club!\*

Sábado, 6 de Febrero | 10am – 11am

**¡Celebre el Año Nuevo Chino en Arden Fair Kids Club!**

*\*Llegada a la mesa de Arden Fair para ganar sus puntos.*



**a**

**¡Demuéstrenme sus "a's"!**

Traiga una copia de sus calificaciones más reciente  
al Servicio de Huéspedes y gane 1,000 puntos  
de bonificación por cada "a" que haiga recibido. \*

*\* Una tarjeta de calificaciones por estudiante. Carta con mayor grado oficial ganará puntos; Con un máximo de 5,000 puntos por estudiante. Sólo el padre (s) o tutor (s) de los estudiantes que asisten a una de nuestras escuelas participantes pueden redimir las tarjetas de calificaciones para recibir los puntos; las boletas de calificaciones presentados por los administradores de la escuela no son elegibles.*

**Compras en estas tiendas en febrero  
y recibir puntos TRIPLES para su escuela:**

**Coach, Godiva, Pandora, Papyrus, y Things Remembered**

**arden fair**

Si tiene algunas preguntas, por favor llame a los Coordinadores de School Cents Coordinators al (800) 762-1641  
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**NOW REGISTERING FOR:**

**Springbreak**

# Theatre Camp!

Located at Sacramento Theatre Company on 1419 H. St. in Sacramento

**Session 1: March 21-March 25**

1<sup>st</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> Grades  
Mon-Fri 9am-5pm\*  
\$300/week

Singing, dancing, improvisation, scene study, voice and movement, scenic arts, acting and more – the perfect spring break experience!

**Session 2: March 28-April 1**

1<sup>st</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> Grades  
Mon-Fri 9am-5pm\*  
\$300/week

Camp faculty includes professional theatre artists and local teachers who lead students through a diverse curriculum that is based on teamwork, confidence-building and creative expression.

\*Early/Aftercare Available for additional fee

## Spring Ensemble Acting Classes Enroll Today!

*Ensemble classes are held at Sacramento Theatre Company*

**Teen Improv Class- 7<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup> Graders:**

Mondays from 4:30-6:00pm  
April 4—May 23, 2016  
Price: \$200

**Acting Class- 1<sup>st</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup> Graders:**

Saturdays: 9:00-10:15am  
April 9 – May 21, 2016  
Price: \$175

**Acting Class- 4<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> Graders:**

Saturdays: 10:30am – 12pm  
April 9 – May 21, 2016  
Price: \$175

**(916) 446-7501 x116 Register online at [www.sactheatre.org](http://www.sactheatre.org) or with form on reverse.**

*The Sacramento City Unified School District is not a sponsor, endorser or otherwise associated with the above. Permit Number Y-186*

**Sacramento Theatre Company 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 Camp or 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. 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 refund.

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

I agree to the terms and conditions listed above:

Parent or Guardian's signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**REGISTRATION FORM**

Student's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Boy/Girl Grade: \_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_ Birth date: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

T-shirt Size (Child S/M/L or Adult S/M/L): \_\_\_\_ School: \_\_\_\_\_

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.

Are you a returning student? \_\_\_\_\_ How did you find out about STC? \_\_\_\_\_

**Please consider including a tax-deductible donation for our scholarship fund: STC non-profit tax ID# 94-1347081 \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

*Registration Fees: Credit cards accepted or make checks payable to Sacramento Theatre Company. Please be familiar with STC's Refund Policy, explained at the top of this form.*

Complete this form and mail (or fax: (916) 446-4066) with payment to: **Sacramento Theatre Company**  
**1419 H Street, Sacramento, CA, 95814**

For credit card payment: ____ Visa ____ MasterCard ____ Amex	Camp Session 1: Grades 1 <sup>st</sup> -3 <sup>rd</sup> (3/21- 3/25) \$300	\$
Card #: _____	Camp Session 1: Grades 4 <sup>th</sup> -6 <sup>th</sup> (3/21-3/25) \$300	\$
Expires: _____ Security Code (3 or 4 digits on back): _____	Camp Session 2: Grades 1 <sup>st</sup> -3 <sup>rd</sup> (3/28-4/01) \$300	\$
Name on card: _____	Camp Session 2: Grades 4 <sup>th</sup> -6 <sup>th</sup> (3/28-4/01) \$300	\$
Billing Address (if different): _____	Spring Ensemble Class 1 <sup>st</sup> -3 <sup>rd</sup> (4/9-5/21) \$175	\$
Signature _____	Spring Ensemble Class 4 <sup>th</sup> -6 <sup>th</sup> (4/9-5/21) \$175	\$
	Spring Teen Improv Class 7 <sup>th</sup> -10 <sup>th</sup> (4/4-5/23) \$200	\$
	<b>TOTAL PAYMENT AMOUNT</b>	<b>\$</b>

## From the Office

### Attendance Information: Email Sick and Tardy

Please email [chereese-conner@scusd.edu](mailto:chereese-conner@scusd.edu) with your students' absences and tardies or call 557-0389 wait for the message to begin and then press 0. By email or phone, 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). Please use "absence" in the subject line of your email. You will receive a reply if your email has been received. Absence verification must be made daily. Doctor's notes must accompany any medical excuse including tardies and early dismissals over 30 minutes. Unverified absences will result in truancies.

### Llamada para avisar de enfermedad o retraso

Favor de llamar a 557-0389 (y seleccione 0) al empezar el mensaje) 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 11:00 de la mañana para evitar una ausencia sin excusa.

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.

**Bring a Doctor's Note** - If your child misses school for a visit to the Doctor or Dentist, please bring a school excuse note for their attendance. It does make a difference on a student's attendance report. The attendance code for a Doctor's visit is "M" which is unlimited and without the doctor's note it is an "A". All students get 10 health absences "A" for the year, after that a doctor's note is required.

**Leave a Reason** - We are asking that you email you child's absence report to [chereese-conner@scusd.edu](mailto:chereese-conner@scusd.edu) as early as possible (before 10 a.m.). Please use "attendance" in the subject line and include the child's name, teacher, room number and the date of illness and/or tardy, and the reason. The reason is very important but does not need to be detailed; a simple "She/he is sick today" will suffice. You will receive a confirmation email. Many parents report absences stating their child will be absent, but do not state the "REASON" please remember to so.

**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.

**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 an official doctors note. Three tardies over 30 minutes without such documentation will result in a truancy notice.

### Check Your Child's Schedule

The lunch and recess schedules for all grade levels are readily available on the school website ([leonardodavincischool.org](http://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.

### 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!

**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.

### Medications at School

Parents need to renew their children's medication forms every year. If your child had medication administered by school staff last year, you need to submit a new form this year. You will also need to bring in new medication for this year. Health Services disposes of all unused medication at the end of each year.

### 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.

**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!

### Pick up & Drop Off

**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.

### 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.

LdV Attendance Line: 557-0389

Email: [chereese-conner@scusd.edu](mailto:chereese-conner@scusd.edu)