



Leonardo da Vinci eK-8 School

Integrated Thematic Instruction Through Arts & Sciences

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Enjoy a Big Spoon Yogurt!
Support our LdV Learning Garden's cooking and nutrition enrichment by joining us Thursday October 16th from 2-9 at the Big Spoon on Freepoint. Bring a flier or mention LdV!

Harvest Hoedown

Hoedown is coming on October 24! This is a school-wide event and is the biggest fundraiser for our music program. Your help is needed, and you don't have to be a band parent to contribute. The sign-in sheets that were posted outside the band room have been entered into Volunteer Spot, so if you signed up for a shift or donation, please check and make sure it appears on the website (with apologies for spelling mistakes as it was difficult to read some of the entries).

Volunteer Spot will send you reminders, and you can make changes to your sign up just by logging on. Just follow the super easy instructions.

We're using VolunteerSpot (the leading online signup and reminder tool) to organize our upcoming activity.

Please sign up for Harvest Hoedown - here's how it works in 3 easy steps:

1. Go to our invitation page on VolunteerSpot: <http://vols.pt/nbt4ko>
2. Enter your email address: (You will NOT need to register an account on VolunteerSpot)
3. Sign up! Choose your spots - VolunteerSpot will send you an automated confirmation and reminders. Easy!

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

Thank you for helping to make our program and this event a success!

Cindy Kazee, parent volunteer undc@aol.com or cell: 207-8632

Entertainment Book Fundraiser Has Ended!

Please make sure that you either turn-in your book or pay for it! The school is responsible for every book!

Thank you so much to all the families that participated this year! We will have our final totals in next week's newsletter!

Looking for Volunteer to...

Landscape and Concrete

We are looking for parents with experience in Landscape Design, Irrigation systems and Cement contracting.

If you would be willing to lend us your ideas and your skills, please contact barbaraduffysherry@gmail.com

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

Need Volunteer Hours?

Learning Garden's Expansion Work Weekend! Saturday & Sunday, October 18 & 19, 8am - Noon Volunteers will be helping with exciting GARDEN EXPANSION work including:

- Installing New Garden Boxes ~ Painting New Chalkboards ~ Spreading Wood Chips
- General Garden Maintenance ~ We need extra wheel barrows and shovels!

Refreshments provided! Children are welcome under your supervision. LdV Bathrooms will be OPEN! Questions? Contact: Jeri Clark grattidgefamily@yahoo.com / (916)541-3182 or Greg Richards greg_richards@rocketmail.com

Dolphins

This week's dolphin artist is 7th grader **Kathryn K.**

Curious About Middle School?

LdV 5th & 6th grade students and their parents are invited to meet our middle school teaching team, hear about our program, and shadow a middle school student on Tuesday, October 21 beginning at 8:15 am. Join us in room 34.

ARTLinks OPEN STUDIO

Tuesdays, October 14, 21, 28

Thursdays, October 16, 23, 30

in Room 33b from 3:15-4:15pm

Open Studio is a free after school Art Studio opportunity available to every child at LdV. Students will create artwork for an LdV ARTLinks or community service project. Parents, please plan to stay during all Open Studio visits. We need you as volunteers for the students and it facilitates end of project timing. Yes, you can bring a friends child to the open studio but please make sure each parent has had a conversation about attendance and pick-up to keep the Open Studio session light and fun for each child. PLEASE Remind your student artists that they are attending Open Studio to make artwork and that this time is an extension of their learning day. They are to remain in Room 33b throughout the duration of the project. Open Studio is made possible by the LdV PTC.

Please email UnChu.Littlefield.tateskitchen@gmail.com with questions

Winter Faire Redesign Information Meeting Thursday, October 16 at 6:30 pm in the LdV auditorium

Everyone is welcome
No Commitment required!
Children Welcome

A Winter Faire Representative or Class Representative needs to be present from each class

There will be many exciting changes to Winter Faire this year, so attendance at this meeting is very important to make the redesign transition as smooth as possible.

Thank you, The Winter Faire Committee
Vanessa Lotto, 739-0607
ldwwinterfaire@gmail.com

School Cents Fundraiser News

You are invited to Arden Mall once a month at 12pm for fun and exciting Kids Club events! Each child who signs up to become an Arden Fair Kids Club member will receive a VIP card that is punched during each event. You can sign up for Kids Club by joining us for one of our events, or sign up any time at our Guest Services counter in front of JCPenney. These events are FREE!

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November 8th - Join us for holiday treats, prizes, and activities with Santa Claus!

December - Kids Club is on Winter Break - but we'll see you again in 2015!

New Kids Club Badge Rules:

- 1.) Receive your badge on the spot!
- 2.) Bring your badge to each event for a punch!
- 3.) Get five punches, and receive a free carousel pass!
- 4.) Receive all 10 punches and receive an exclusive Kids Club t-shirt!

Receive prizes at each event!

Check in at the Customer Service counter and Leonardo da Vinci will earn 1,000 bonus points for the School Cents fundraiser!

Visit www.ardenfair.com/events/KidsClub for more information.

Dates to Remember

Oct 14

ARTLinks Open Studio
3:15 rm 33B

Girls Volleyball @ Einstein 3:30

Oct 16

Big Spoon Yogurt Fundraiser
2-9 pm

ARTLinks Open Studio
3:15 rm 33B

Girls Volleyball vs Bacon 3:30
Winter Faire mtg 6:30 pm/AUD

Oct 17

Mathematical

Oct 18

Learning Garden Workday
8 am-noon

Oct 19

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8 am-noon

Oct 21

Middle School Visitation 8:15 am

ARTLinks Open Studio
3:15 rm 33B

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Oct 23

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3:15 rm 33B

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Oct 24

Harvest Hoedown 3-8 pm

Oct 28

ARTLinks Open Studio
3:15 rm 33B

Oct 30

Parent Coffee Chat w/Principal
8:30 am/LIB

ARTLinks Open Studio
3:15 rm 33B

JFK Band 2:30 pm/gym

Oct 31

Costume Parade

Middle School End of 1st
Quarter 1:30 pm dismissal

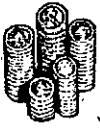
Your school-related event could be featured here!

This newsletter is distributed every Monday of the school year. The submission deadline is 8:45 am on the last, non-holiday Thursday preceding distribution. Please email your articles to: dsandsons@sbcglobal.net. Events and services advertised in this newsletter are not necessarily endorsed by LdV PTC or SCUSD.

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Next Issue: Oct 20

Deadline: Oct 16



Fund Raising News

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Entertainment Books Need to be Returned or PAID For

The Entertainment Book is \$30. You are responsible for the book so please either SELL it or RETURN it to your classroom teacher. All money should be returned in the envelope provided with your child's name and room number on it. It can be given to your child's teacher or dropped in the box available in Diane's office. Make checks payable to: LdV PTC.

Additional Books are on sale in the front office.

It's Never Too Late for a Magazine!

Go to www.gaschoolstore.com and enter our school code 2692168. You can renew your current subscription or purchase new ones. Remind family and friends to renew their subscriptions, too!

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 two 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. 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 to earn money and groceries and we get cash, its a win-win!

...and your Target card Whenever you use a Target card (debit or credit), Target donates 1% of your purchase to the school of your choice. (Plus you get a 5% discount and free shipping online).

Shoparoo

It's so simple even I can do it. Look up Shoparoo on your smartphone, download the app, answer some easy questions (you can choose to be anonymous) then shop! Within 2 weeks of your shopping at stores like Raley's, Target, WalMart, Trader Joe's, even Berkeley Bowl - take a picture of your receipt through the Shoparoo app and submit it. You can cross out any purchases or credit information you wish. It's that simple. Shoparoo then uses the information to help retailers market their products. It remains anonymous and LdV wins!

AMAZON! Shopping Online for Business or Personal Needs?

Go to our website: leonardodavincischool.org or the LdV Facebook page; Click on the Amazon link; Log in to your Amazon account just like you normally would; Complete your purchase. It's just that easy and LdV will earn up to 8% on all of your Amazon.com purchases!

Free E-Waste Pick Up

Schedule your FREE pick up by visiting www.eWaste4good.com Fill in your contact information and within a few days a dispatcher will contact you to schedule an at home or office pick up date. Your electronics will be picked up, recycled and the proceeds will be donated to LdV. You can also call for pick up at 800-317-3112

Items that can be picked up, WORKING OR NOT! Televisions, monitors, fax machines, desktop copiers, telephones, vacuum cleaners, keyboards, mice, networking equipment, wires and cords, household phones, medical equipment, video games, computers, calculators, cell phones, printers, scanners, laptops, power tools, small appliances, stereo systems, refrigerators, washers and dryers...and more. All electronics are recycled locally in California.

Thank You for Your Old Car... Action Donation Services will take cars, boats or RVs and turn them into money for the school and possibly cash and a tax donation for you. Call toll free 866 244-8464 or go to www.actiondonation.org for your no obligation evaluation of your donation.

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, even though the name of the program at your work may be different. For example, the California State Employee's Contribution Campaign (CSECC) is running right now, and you can sign up to donate to Leonardo da Vinci through that program. Many other employers offer the same type of program under a different name. Check out yours today.

Modern, Globally-Inspired Children's Clothing Fundraiser

Tea Collection is a globally inspired children's clothing brand based in San Francisco but inspired by cultures around the world. Twice each year, the designers at Tea travel the world to explore and discover, and then bring it all home in original styles that express the spirit of their adventures abroad. Leonardo da Vinci will be participating in Tea's fall fundraising program, School Days, running 10/13-10/19 2014. For every purchase made through TeaSchoolDays.com using code SDF14LDVPTC. Tea will donate 20% of our sales back to LdV and you'll receive free shipping on your order. The more we buy, the more money we will raise. Contact Lisa at lisa0842@gmail.com with questions.

Know a Great Way to Earn Hours and have Fun?

Did you know that attending a LdV sporting event (volleyball, soccer, basketball) counts for Parent Volunteer Hours? Every adult who shows team spirit and is a shining example of good sportsmanship is an asset to our teams.

What's Happening After School?

Art

After school Art Lessons 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.

Orchestra

Beginners will meet Monday from 3:15-4:05, Beginners and Intermediates on Tuesday at the same time and Advanced/Orchestra will meet Thursday from 3:15-4:05. We have instruments and music available to borrow. Monthly cost is \$30. You can contact Ms. Gueffroy at sharigueffroy@gmail.com or by phone at 916-320-2730.

Learn Spanish Today

Spanish immersion classes for kids begin October 6, 2014

DATE GRADE TIME

Monday 10/06/14 Grades K-2, 3:15-4PM

Tuesday 10/06/14 Grades 3-5, 3:15-4PM

Wednesday 10/06/14 Grades 6-8 3:15-4PM

Students can join in the program at any time.

For any questions about this program please contact Mrs. Garcia Email: ingridspanish-studio@gmail.com Phone: (916)585-6020 Fees payable to: Ingrid's Spanish Studio. Drop off payment & form at LdV Community Liaison Office (Diane's Office) - Ingrid Jeovanna Isabel Guzmán Justo de Garcia, Spanish Instructor (A Native Spanish Speaker)

On/Off Stage

OnStage is an after-school theatre arts program for students K-8. In workshop, students learn the basic theatre skills to allow them to create characters and tell a story. OffStage is a partner program aimed at teaching kids the basics of working backstage: set, prop design, stage management and more.

Please call 916-502-0336 for more information. See you OnStage!

LdV Ballet Folklorico Dance Club

Students will learn about the Culture and Heritage of Mexico through dance, music, and colorful clothing that represent the many regions of what is now Mexico. We also incorporate pre Spanish dance called dances mother of modern folkloric culture.

In the LdV Cafeteria Practice Day: Fridays: 3:15-4:00 pm Registration Fee: \$25.00 + Costumes (Payable to Mrs. Ingrid Jeovanna I. Garcia) For more information call (916)585-6020 or e-mail inlandsurfclub@gmail.com

- Mrs Garcia, Coordinator & Dance Instructor



FUN FRIDAYS

LdV is kicking off the 3rd-6th grade level basketball with Fun Friday workouts. The kids will play man vs. man scrimmages from 3-5PM for the month of October.

All students & all skill levels are welcome to participate. Kids interested in playing on recreational or competitive teams this year should definitely attend the scrimmages and view them as our first practices and work-ins (our version of tryouts).

3-5PM in the gym, Gym shoes are required

If you need more information please contact Anthony Bell at maddenog13@comcast.net

Dolphin Store is Open

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

From the Office Attendance Information Email Sick and Tardy

Please email sally-uhlig@scusd.edu with your students' absences and tardies or call 557-0389 wait for the message to begin and then press 49#. 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. You will receive a reply if it has been received. Absence verification must be made daily. Unverified absences will result in truancies.

Llamada para avisar de enfermedad o retraso

Favor de llamar a 557-0389 (y seleccione 49 #) 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 your child's absence report to sally-uhlig@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.

Wondering about attendance codes? P = Personal absence - Education Code section 46014 is for: student's court appearance (requires verification), funeral services (one day, in state...three days, out of state; need verification such as a funeral program or name and address of the funeral home), parent's employment conference (requires prior principal approval), student is the custodial parent of a child who is ill or has a medical appointment during school hours. Observance of a religious holiday or ceremony (recommend 3 days advance notice to school).

Did You Know... When your child has chicken pox, a skin rash, lice or other infectious health challenges you need to follow up with the main office when your child returns to campus. A doctor's note that the child has been treated and is okay to be back among our other students after a rash or chicken pox is required by SCUSD health services.

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.

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.

Word of the Week

If a child spills a glass of milk, he or she is expected to clean it up. When a child does so without being told, he or she is ACCOUNTABLE, our character word for the week. An accountable child is willing to accept responsibility for his or her actions. Being accountable is a sign of maturity.

"The buck stops here."
—Harry S. Truman

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

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

How Much Will Your Trip to Disneyland Cost LdV?

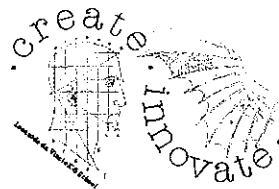
Unexcused absences (any school day missed for reasons other than illness, doctor's appointment, death in family or religious reasons) costs LdV almost \$45. That means a 5 day trip costs \$225 and if you decide to take both your kids...

Check Your Child's Schedule

The lunch and recess schedules for all grade levels are readily available on the school website (leonardodavincischool.org). If you are picking your child up for an appointment, or bringing a lunch they left behind, it is easier and quicker to find them in class than on the playground. Please consider timing your trip around your child's schedule. Thank you.

Got Breakfast?

Studies show eating a healthy breakfast before school improves attendance and academic performance...and breakfast is FREE this year at all SCUSD schools. The LdV cafeteria opens at 8:30 am.



**School Shirts...
Wish You Had One?**

Lucky you, there is one last chance to order a 2014-2015 school shirt... but do it quick, the deadline looms! See attached order form.

Community Events

Hollywood Park's annual Fall Festival - Friday, October 17th from 3-6 pm. There will be games, music, food, silent auction and an obstacle course. Family fun for all!

Looking at High School?

• **Cristo Rey College Prep High School** Information Night: October 16, 6-8 pm. Shadow days: Nov 4, 12, 20; Dec 4, 10; Jan 13, 29; Feb 10, 18, 26. Placement tests: Jan 10, 3/7; 4/18; 5/16. For further information or to RSVP: (916) 733-2660 or check the website: crhss.org

Got Bugs?

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

**Please Return Your
Unsold
Entertainment Books
NOW!**

From the SCL (School Community Liaison)

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Tally Sheets: September tally sheets are due! Please turn it into your child's class or to the Volunteer Office. October Tally sheets were in last week's newsletter and are available on the website.

Carry Over Hours: Hours from 2013-14 are only carried over to this year if they were worked AFTER May 15, 2014 (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!

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, or leave a message at 277-7034.

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, walk on lawns or run the stop signs in our neighborhood!

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. Call 454-2345 for an appointment \$40.

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.

Déjà Vu?

If you read the newsletter weekly, some of the content may see familiar. Many parents choose to read the newsletter sporadically, and articles are run repeatedly so they can catch up. It maybe frustrating for you (and me) but read carefully since pages might seem the same but rest assured no two issues are exactly alike!

LdV on the Web & Facebook

The weekly newsletter (without additional flyers) can be found on the **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.

TREATS!

You know it's fall when the aisles at your favorite stores turn brown, orange and gold. The staff at LdV appreciate a little chocolate pick me up at the end of some days...and your donation of some seasonal candy is very appreciated. Drop off in Diane's office please! Thank you!

Unsung Heroes

As you may have heard, "A Taste of Ld," the off-campus, adult fundraiser held last June, was a HUGE success!! We were able to contribute \$10,000 to the new playground with the money raised. Principal Davis recognized a few of the parents that organized the event at the ribbon-cutting for the new playground, but I think it is important that we recognize the "unsung heroes" of the event who donated many hours time. Heather Silva and Nami Thompson were in charge of decorations, and did a fabulous job of turning a warehouse being used as a gym into a sophisticated, elegant space. Paul Marquardt and Alexis Wasilchin did an amazing job of getting fabulous art donations from our local community. In addition, Paul spent hours of his own time upgrading the electrical for the event space, and hanging the art. Matt Bryant was our communications guru, and helped us get our message just right and out into the community, and ensuring that our fabulous emcees, Tiffany Ballard and Dave Bienick, had all the information they needed. Rob Anderson got us all talking about the event with his amazing video and Isabel Pires put together the helpful brochures that were handed out at the auction. Ron Byrd provided our tech support, and Jennifer and Jason Moore kept our checkout organized and pitched in numerous ways, including making a last minute run to the store when we ran out of beer! Adrienne Chan deserves a special thanks for all her work in putting together the signs for the auction items. Elizabeth Lee helped us secure the location, and got us our permits and security. And as always, Angelina Singer made the night with her very special mojitos! The teachers and coaches that donated items for the auction also need special recognition, as their items were some of the biggest hits at the auction! In addition, special thanks has to go to all the parents and relatives who volunteered their time at the event and the parents that donated amazing items for the event - like the Squeeze Inn Food Truck Party for 25, the standup paddleboard rental (Sac SUP), the kids cooking lesson at Mulvaney's, the I-Pod Touch donated by Navajo Pipelines, and dinner and wine party put on by Laura Walter and Alexis Wasilchin. To all the unsung heroes that made the event a success, we thank you!

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



Looking for Something to Do?

Collate and Conversate

OVER 800 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).

Buildings & Grounds

PTC is looking for a new Buildings & Grounds person. This position covers the overall school grounds excluding the Learning Garden, rallying parents for leaf clean up and small maintenance projects around campus. If you are interested please contact PTC President, Katherine Barrett at k.b.barrett@comcast.net

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

Winter Faire Redesign Information Meeting

**Thursday, October 16 at 6:30 pm
in the LdV auditorium**

Everyone is welcome
No Commitment required!
Children Welcome

A Winter Faire Representative or Class Representative needs to be present from each class

There will be many exciting changes to Winter Faire this year, so attendance at this meeting is very important to make the redesign transition as smooth as possible.

Thank you, The Winter Faire Committee
Vanessa Lotto, 739-0607
ldwinterfaire@gmail.com



- **LdV Day at the Land Park Big Spoon: Thursday, October 16th, 2 - 9 pm!**
Funds raised at this event will go towards the Garden's Cooking & Nutrition Committee.
- **LdV Learning Garden Expansion Work WEEKEND. . .**

This Saturday & Sunday, October 18th-19th, 8 am - noon

Work to be Done: Installing 18 New Garden Boxes , Painting and Installing 3 Outdoor Classroom Chalkboards, General Garden Maintenance, Garden Bed Prep, Wood Preservation, etc . . .

What to Bring: Wheel Barrows and Shovels! We have a lot of dirt and Wood Chips to move. The garden has tools, but if you'd like to bring your own please label them with your name.

Questions? Contact: **Jeri Clark** at grattidgefamily@yahoo.com / 916-541-3182

Greg Richards at gregrichards@rocketmail.com

We will meet in the garden located behind the school, on the north end of the playground. Enter through the kindergarten gate or drive your car over the playground and park next to the garden. Refreshments provided! Your children are welcome to attend, and help, with your supervision. LdV Bathrooms will be OPEN!

- **What's New in the Garden?**

Hose posts topped with Mondrian inspired Bird Houses have appeared in the garden. The bird houses are a collaboration between the Garden and Art Committee's Open Studio. Thank you Unchu Littlefield and our talented LdV student artists for your work! I hear that mid century modern bird houses are all the rage amongst our city wild life.

- **Raley's Reach and Sacramento Regional Foundation Grant Update:**

The LdV Learning Garden would not be expanding and improving without support from these two organizations. The last of the Sac Regional Foundation grant money was used to install the new water wise and solar powered automatic drip system. The Wash & Water Station has also been re-designed with water conservation and opportunities for student collaboration as design priorities. Raley's Reach grant money is being used to build 18 new garden boxes, two new picnic tables and bench sets, and much more . . . Thank you to these two organizations for helping our school garden to grow!

- **Cooking and Nutrition in the Learning Garden!**

The garden's new cooking and nutrition program has begun in 1st grade. Thank you to LdV PTC for granting a budget increase of \$500 to fund this new and expanding educational enrichment opportunity for our students. And a huge thank you to LdV's Cafeteria Manager, Tia Andrade for her support! The first Recess Cooking in the Garden event is this Wednesday, 10/15. I hear it will be inspired by Indian cuisine. Look for the recipes in next week's *From the LdV Garden to Your Table*, update from LdV Learning Garden Cooking and Nutrition Co - Chair Alexis Wasilchin.

- **Classrooms in the Garden:**

Thanks to our garden expansion, the support of our teachers, school staff, and administration, and a batch of fabulous Classroom Garden Volunteers all 1st - 6th grades will be working in the garden this year. Many classrooms have already begun their garden work (room's 21 & 25) and others will be in the garden as soon as the planting boxes are up and running in the expansion area.



Garden Donations Needed!

The garden needs donations of real Binoculars and Magnifying Glasses. Please bring donations into the Volunteer office and place in the box marked: *Garden Donations*, THANK YOU!



Questions, Compliments, Suggestions, Concerns?

Jeri Clark, Learning Garden Coordinator
grattidgefamily@yahoo.com/916-541-3182

or

Greg Richards, Learning Garden Building and Maintenance Coordinator
greg_richards@rocketmail.com>

or

Alexis Wasilchin, Learning Garden Cooking & Nutrition Coordinator
alexisbartine@sbcglobal.net



LdV PTC Learning Garden Work Days 2014 -2015

2014

~~1. LdV's 8th Annual Garden & Grounds Work Day~~

~~September 1st, 8 am - noon~~

~~Completed: Thank you to all of the LdV families that came out to help!~~

~~2. Afterschool Friday, September 19th, 3 pm - 6 pm~~

~~Completed: Thank you to all of the LdV families that came out to help!~~

3 & 4. LdV Learning Garden Expansion Work Weekend!

Saturday, October 18th, 8 am - noon & Sunday, October 19th, 8 am - noon

5. Sunday, November 16th. noon - 4pm

2015

6. **MLK Day of Service:** Monday, January 19th, 8 am - noon

7. Saturday, February 7th, 8 am - noon

8. Saturday, March 14th, 8 am - noon

9. Saturday, April 18th, 8 am - noon

10. **Afterschool** Friday, May 8th, 3 pm - 6 pm

11. Sunday, June 14th, 8 am - noon

12. Sunday, July 12th, 8 am - noon

9th Annual Learning Garden Labor Day Work Day

Monday, September 7th, 8 am - noon

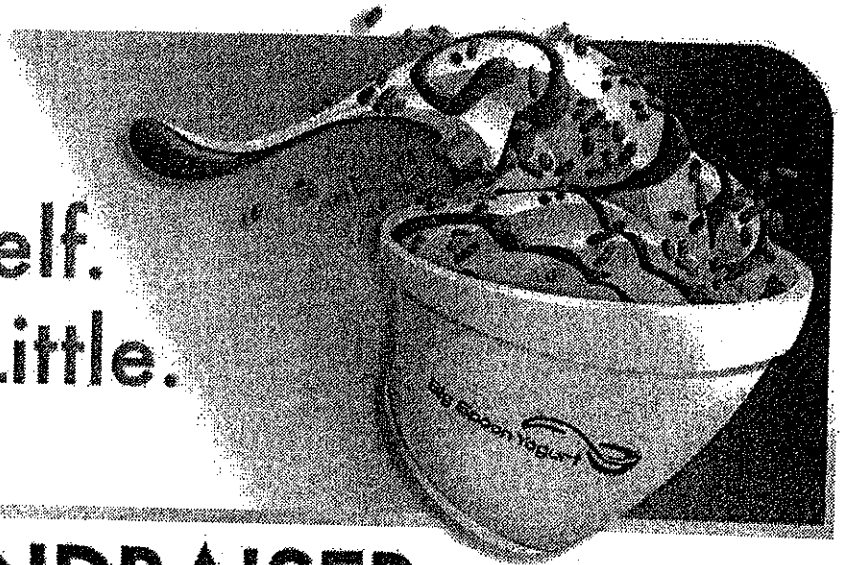


"If you have a garden and a library, you have everything you need."

Marcus Tullius Cicero, Roman Statesman

b. 106 BC d. 43 BC

Treat Yourself.
Give a Little.

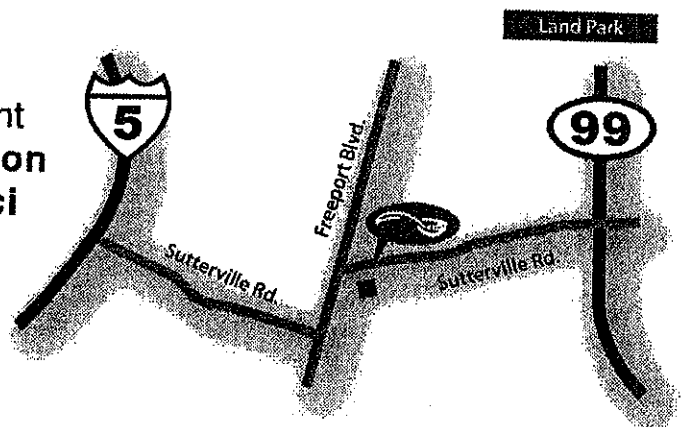


FUNDRAISER

Thursday, October 16 from 2-9 pm

Big Spoon Yogurt  +  Leonardo da Vinci School

At Big Spoon Yogurt we care about the community to which we belong and want to give back however we can. Big Spoon has partnered with Leonardo da Vinci School, raising funds to support the various needs of its students.



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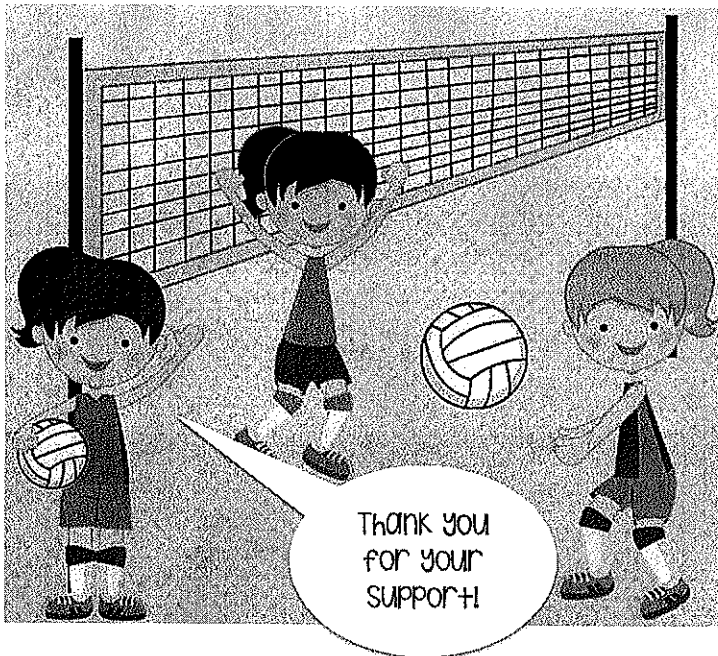


SUPPORT DOLPHIN SPORTS & GET SERVED! Donate to the

LdV Girls Volleyball! SERVE-A-THON!

SUPPORT the Lady Dolphins' 1st season by Pledging your support at our Overhand Serve-A-Thon!

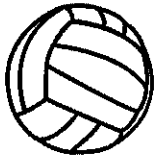
Serve-A-Thon will begin at practice on
Wednesday, October 15, 2014



Pledge a Flat Amount
- OR -
Pledge BY the Serve

Pledge Donations
Will Be Collected
October 16th-21st

For more information, contact Coach Ismail at Adam-Ismail@scusd.edu,
or Team Manager Amy Herrera at AMYLHerrera@yahoo.com



LdV GIRLS VOLLEYBALL TEAM

OVERHAND SERVE-A-THON FUNDRAISER

Hello Volleyball Fans! **This year is our first year of volleyball, and we need your support!** We're training *really* hard for the overhand serve, and this is a very challenging technique for us.

At our October 15 practice, we will begin a "Serve-A-Thon" fundraiser, to see how many Overhand serves can make it over the net – **would you donate a few cents for each successful serve?** If you'd prefer to make a **flat donation**, we would appreciate that, too!

We will come back around with a total number of successful overhand serves and collect your donation during the week of October 20. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Coach Ismail at Adam-Ismail@scusd.edu or Team Manager Amy at AmyLHerrera@yahoo.com

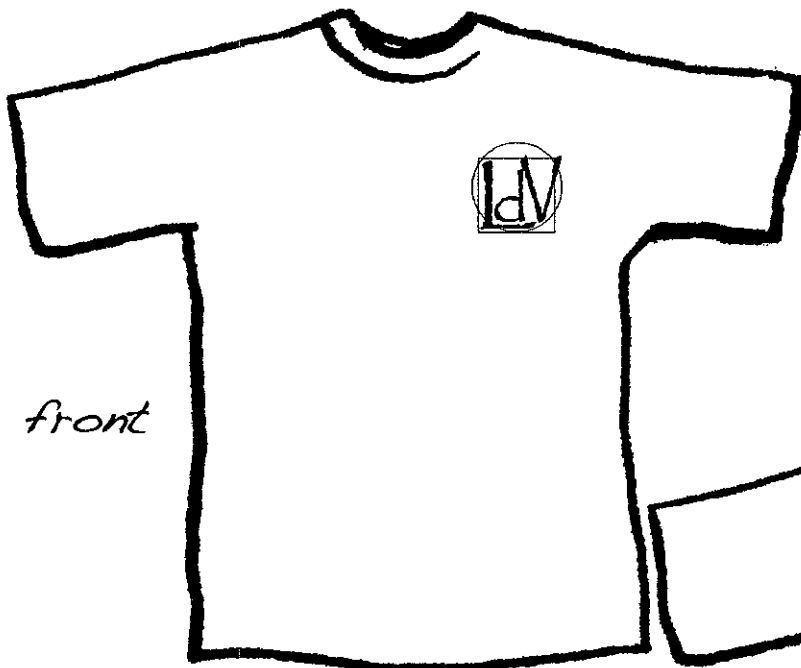
Thank you in advance for your support!

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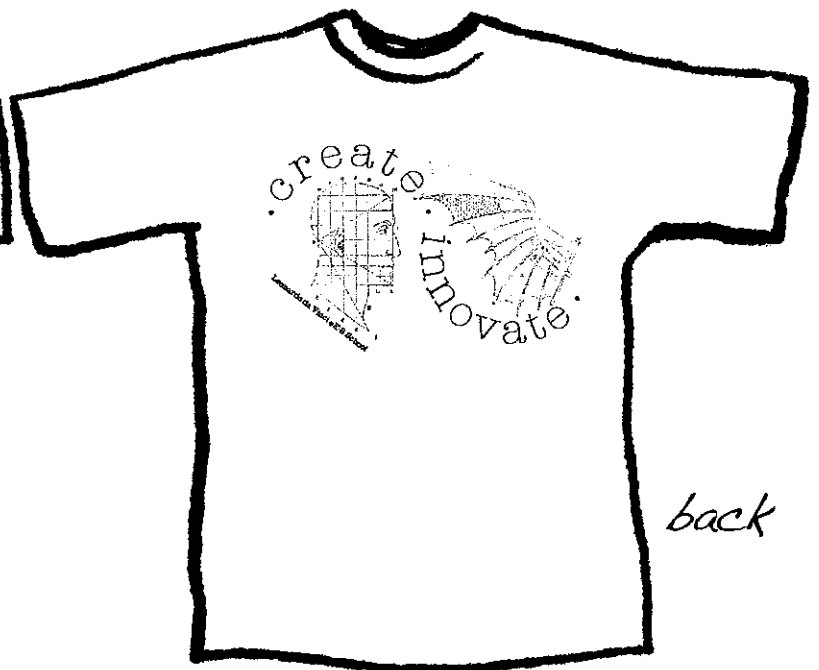
Show Your Pride on Both Sides

The 2014-2015
School Shirt



front

LAST CHANCE!!!!



back

Tees and sweatshirts have LdV on the front left
and a large "Create • Innovate" logo on the back.

Women's cut T-shirts with a vee neck (like last year), which has more tapered sleeves than the traditional tee and is a lighter weave. Black shirt with sapphire blue art.

All traditional cut T-shirts are 100% preshrunk cotton (but will shrink a little)
and are similar in weight to Beefy T's.

T-shirts are available in sapphire w/black ink or black w/sapphire ink.

Zippered hoody sweatshirts are 9 oz. 50/50 cotton/fleece (and will shrink some too).
Sweatshirt colors are charcoal gray with sapphire ink. Kids sizes also come in neon blue w/black ink.

Please read order form and fill out carefully—there will be no exchanges.

Orders due WEDNESDAY, October 22
Order Form on Back

Choose your style, size, color & quantity

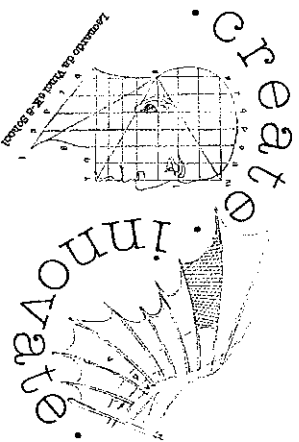
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XXXL _____ quantity x \$22	\$ _____



*Take \$1 off for every 2 shirts you purchase.

The more you buy, the more you save!

(For example, buy 2-3 shirts save \$1, buy 4-5 shirts save \$2).

DUE Wednesday, October 22.

NO exchanges or returns!!!!

Make checks payable to: LdV PTC.

All profits go to help support LdV's arts and sciences programs.

Total Number of shirts _____
 Subtotal \$ _____
 *minus volume discount \$ _____
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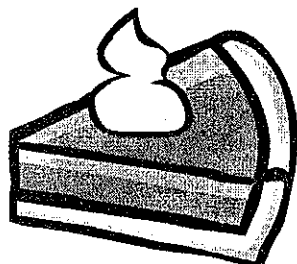
Student Name (print) _____

Parent Name _____

Teacher/Room Number _____

Email/Best Contact Number _____

Are you the pie-eating champion of your classroom?



If you think you've got the pie-eating skills to challenge any competitor, then join us for our second annual Pie-Eating Contest at LdV during the 2014 Harvest Hoedown!

We'll be in the back parking lot from 3pm – 7:30pm...and the pie-eating contest will begin at 4:30pm. ☺ The Grand Prize Winner – student with the fastest pie-eating time – will win a \$50 gift card to their choice of store or restaurant!

The first 10 students in each grade category can sign-up to compete at the Pie-Eating Contest at this year's Harvest Hoedown, on Friday October 24th 2014. Students who have successfully entered will be posted outside of Room 1. ☺

Up for the challenge? Please fill out and return to Mrs. Nakayama's mailbox by Tuesday, October 21st 2014.
Sorry, NO LATE ENTRIES. ☹

(Please PRINT clearly)

Student's First Name: _____

Student's Last Name: _____

Classroom Teacher (Elementary Only): _____ Room: _____

Homeroom Teacher (Middle School Only): _____ Room: _____

Grade Level: (please circle one)

Kindergarten

1st-2nd Grade

3rd-4th Grade

5th-6th Grade

7th-8th Grade

Date: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature

A Message From City Parking Enforcement

Dear Parent's

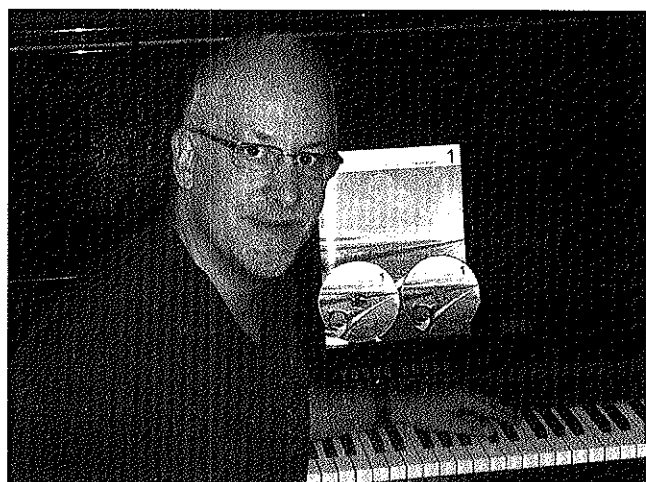
As you are all aware traffic during pick- up and drop off is quite a challenge. Consider this letter to be fair warning that the Sacramento Police Department and Parking Enforcement will be monitoring our schools on a random basis and will issue tickets as necessary.

- Blocking a Driveway CVC22500E
- Parking in a Fire Lane CVC22500.1
- Blocking a Fire Hydrant CVC22514
- Obstructing traffic CVC22500G
- Leaving running an unattended Vehicle SCC10.36.090
- Leaving a child in a unattended Vehicle 273aPC (Misdemeanor/possible jail time)
- U-Turn in front of a school CVC22103
- Driving on Sidewalk CVC21663
- Parking on Sidewalk CVC22500F
- Double Parking CVC22500H
- Impeding flow of traffic CVC22400A
- Failure to yield to pedestrian CVC 21950A
- Unsafe turns CVC22107
- Driving on wrong side of street CVC21650
- Passing on the right CVC21754
- Stop sign violation CVC22450
- Speeding CVC22350
- No Parking Certain hours 7am-9am/1pm-3pm SCC10.36.040
- Parking on Crosswalk CVC22500B
- Parking in a Red Zone SCC10.36.130A

If the following procedures are followed we can keep the lines moving while still keeping our children safe.

- Do not park, or leave your car unattended along the red curbs. If you wish to walk to meet your child please park in a marked parking space.
- Keep moving to the most forward position in order to keep traffic running smoothly.
- Use the crosswalk.
- Do not a neighbor's driveway.

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