



# Leonardo da Vinci eK-8 School

Integrated Thematic Instruction Through Arts & Sciences

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## Learning Garden Work Day

A Garden Work Day is scheduled for **Friday, September 19th, from 3 PM until 6 PM**. We will meet in the Learning 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. Your children are welcome to attend and help, with your supervision. We will be doing a combination of tasks including: Building New Classroom Garden Boxes, General Garden Maintenance and Cleanup, Garden Bed Prep, Weeding, Watering, etc. Feel free to bring your favorite garden tools and cordless drills. If you have any questions, please contact Greg Richards at [greg\\_richards@rocketmail.com](mailto:greg_richards@rocketmail.com) or call 716-6910.



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## Thank You!

A shout out to all of the parents who volunteered and donated to the Welcome Back Breakfast for our wonderful teachers and staff on the first day of school!!! Thank you! Thank you!

If you would like to contribute to our monthly Teacher Appreciation Breakfasts, please contact Stacie Lo at [stacielo@live.com](mailto:stacielo@live.com)

## Waterbury Memorial Fund

As some have heard, an LdV family has suffered an unexpected loss this week and the community of families at our school have asked how they can help. Our hearts go out to the Waterbury family who lost Brett, husband to Jessica and father to LdV students Atticus (3rd grade) and Micah (1st grade). He was a beloved husband, father, and friend. A page was created to raise money to help ease the financial burden of funeral expenses for their family. If you are able to, please donate. Any amount is greatly appreciated. Thank you.

<http://www.gofundme.com/e9mrxk?fblogin=2>

## ARTLinks Meet and Greet!

New and returning ARTLinks volunteers please join us for an orientation and Informational session on **Tuesday September 23rd and/or Thursday September 25th. 3:15 to 4:00 in room 33b.**

If you are unable to attend either of these days, please send me a note and we will arrange a meet.

Thank You and see you soon! —UnChu Littlefield [tateskitchen@gmail.com](mailto:tateskitchen@gmail.com)

## Orchestra

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## New Kindergarten Daisy Girl Scout Troop

I am looking for interested LdV parents who would like to help me form a new Kindergarten Daisy troop. Training is provided. Girl Scouting builds girls of courage, confidence and character. Please contact Sarah Soto-Taylor at [sistaylor@sbcglobal.net](mailto:sistaylor@sbcglobal.net) if you are interested in becoming a co-leader.

## 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.

## How Will We Winter Faire?

Winter Faire is scheduled for December 11th this year and we are looking for a new chair or committee. Interested? Contact [diane-soule@scusd.edu](mailto:diane-soule@scusd.edu)

## 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](mailto:stacielo@live.com)

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If you have volunteered to be a class treasurer or plan to head a fundraiser this year, please plan to attend the treasurer meeting on Sept 23 at 6:30 pm in the Library. We have a new PTC treasurer so please attend even if you have been a treasurer before.

## Dates to Remember

**Sept 16**  
Magazine Sale Kick Off

**Sept 17, 18, 19**  
Basketball Tryouts 3-5 pm

**Sept 19**  
Learning Garden Work Day  
3-6 pm

**Sept 23**  
ARTLinks Meet & Greet  
3:15 pm/Rm 33b

Treasurer Meeting 6:30pm/LIB

**Sept 25**  
Principal's Coffee Chat 8:30 am  
ARTLinks Meet & Greet  
3:15 pm/Rm 33b

**Sept 26**  
Theme Celebration 9 am

Movie Afternoon  
The Lego Movie 3pm/cafeteria



**Sept 17, 18, 19**  
Middle School  
Basketball Team  
Tryouts 3-5 pm

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](mailto: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: Sept 22**  
**Deadline: Sept 18**

## From the SCL (School Community Liaison)

**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 September tally sheet is in your first day packet. Please turn it into your child's class or to the Volunteer Office at the end of the month.

**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](mailto: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. Please call 454-2345 to make 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](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 it's culture. Please "like" us if you would like news about LdV, meeting reminders, and event updates.

## Community Events

• **It's Library Card Sign-up Month:** To receive a Sacramento Public Library card, bring your photo ID and proof of current address to a public library. If you are under age 18, a parent or guardian will need to show ID and proof of address to obtain the card.

• **Peace Day Sacramento 2014** Come get your Peace on!! Sunday, September 21, 2014 8am to 2pm on the California State Capitol North Steps. Local businesses sponsor a day of Peace for all. Come, bring the family, see what's possible. There will be yoga, food, meditation, community and live music all day. It's not listed yet, but there will be family yoga.

8am-10am Yoga Challenge Yoga Across America and Zuda Yoga 108 Sun Salutations  
10:15 - 10:30 Welcome Address-Native Americans; Reading of UN message by Peace Ambassador Kate Woolley; Assemblyman -Roger Dickenson

10:30-10:40 Recognize Kid's Poster Contest Winner. Acknowledge the children's art on display

11:00-12 Music

12:00 Minute of Silence

12:15-1:30 Music

1:30-2:00 Closing Ceremonies/Interfaith Service

2:00 Holding of Hands around Capitol Park

See the website at [www.Sacramentopeaceproject.com](http://www.Sacramentopeaceproject.com) or visit them on face book at Peace Day at the State Capitol for more details.



### Looking for Something to Do?

#### Volunteer at the Book Fair

The Book Fair runs from October 6th thru Oct 10th, 9 am to 3:30 pm and during Class Meeting night on Oct 8th from 6:00 to 8 pm. We also need volunteers for setting up the Book Fair on October 3rd, from 3 pm to 6 pm, and take down on Oct 10th, from 3 pm to 6 pm.

Please sign up for Scholastic Book Fair - here's how it works in 3 easy steps:

1. Click this link to go to our invitation page on VolunteerSpot: <http://vols.pt/H98VyN>
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.

Contact Sara Kennedy at 916-220-5033 or [sarakennedy@comcast.net](mailto:sarakennedy@comcast.net) with questions.

#### 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](mailto:k.b.barrett@comcast.net)

#### Volunteers Needed for Science Night

The annual LdV Science in Your World family night is scheduled for Thursday, October 2, from 6:30-8pm. I am in need of 15 volunteers to make this a successful event. Set-up starts at 5:30 and the event starts at 6:30. If you are only available for set-up, that's okay! Duties include watching over a table with a science themed topic (static electricity, magnetism, etc.) for the duration of the event and then packing everything up and stacking the tables.

Please let me know if you are available to help out. Its a great way to earn your parent hours and share some science with our LdV community.

Thank you and I look forward to seeing you all. -Celia Rosecrans, [cz.rosecrans@gmail.com](mailto:cz.rosecrans@gmail.com) LdV Science and Technology Chair



## Fund Raising News

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### 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](http://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](http://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](http://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](http://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, desk-top 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](http://www.actiondonation.org) for your no obligation evaluation of your donation.

## What's Happening After School?

### Orchestra

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### Learn Spanish Today

My goal is to bring Spanish to life by facilitating culturally enriched activities and authentic scenarios. I create innovative curriculum that emphasizes speaking, listening, reading, writing and is adapted to the learning needs and goals of each student.

Students will be taught the basics of Spanish communication and at the end of the program will be able to interact in common life situations.

Lesson plans include: Full immersion in conversational Spanish, reading, writing, music/dancing, stories, art, and introduction to Latin American Culture and games. Students will converse from the first day of class as if we were in a Spanish Speaking Country.

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](mailto: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.

Why teach kids theatre arts? Theatre arts instruction can build confidence, improve reading and verbal skills, build teamwork skills, and encourage kids to imagine and create.

Classes begin the week of September 22nd. Please see registration form attached to this newsletter or call 916-502-0336 to have one e-mailed to you. 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.

We are planning many exciting performances throughout the school year we have many options. Parent participation is needed for fundraising and performances.

Date: 09/26/14 Time: 3:15-4:00 pm

Where: LDV Cafeteria Practice Day: Fridays

Registration Fee: \$25.00 + Costumes cost (Payable to Mrs. Ingrid Jeovanna I. Garcia)

Please Drop off payment & Form at LdV Community Liaison Office (Diane's Office). For more information call (916)585-6020 or e-mail [inlandsurfclub@gmail.com](mailto:inlandsurfclub@gmail.com)

- Mrs Garcia, Coordinator & Dance Instructor

## From the Office Attendance Information Email Sick and Tardy

Please email [sally-uhlig@scusd.edu](mailto: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 you child's absence report to [sally-uhlig@scusd.edu](mailto: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.

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### 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

Parents, ask your children about STAR—can they tell you what it stands for? (Stop, Think, Act and Review). LdV students are learning about the first pillar of character, RESPECT for OTHERS.

This week's word is CONSIDERATE:

Thoughtful, kind, kindly compassionate, sympathetic, tender, warmhearted, amiable.

—The Merriam Webster Thesaurus

### 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

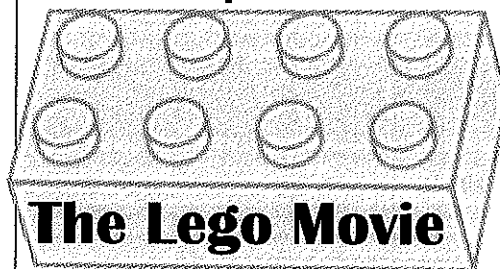
### How Much Will Your Trip to Disneyland Cost LdV?

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](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.

### LdV presents

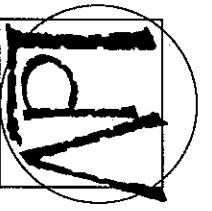


## The Lego Movie

**For only \$5 a person  
enjoy pizza and a drink  
and watch "The Lego Movie"  
Friday, September 26  
from 3-5 pm  
in the LdV Cafeteria  
Snack bar will be open  
selling, popcorn, soda, and  
other movie snacks.**

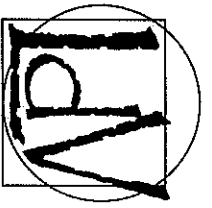
**Watch for ticket sales  
before and after school  
the week of Sept 22**

**Proceeds will benefit the  
kinder soccer field and  
LdV facilities**



# September 2014

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1 Learning Garden Workday 8-noon	2 First Day	3 5:30 SSC 6:30 PTC	4	5	6
7 courtesy	8	9 ELAC 9:15 am	10 Back to School Class Mtg 5 pm Band & Orch m1 5:30 pm Gym 6 pm Classrooms	11	12 LdV Family Night at Funderland 5-8 pm	13
14 considerate	15	16 GSP Magazine Assembly 9:10-9:50 5-8 <sup>th</sup> grades 9:55-10:30 K-4 <sup>th</sup> grades	17 Basketball Tryouts 3-5pm	18 Basketball Tryouts 3-5pm	19 Learning Garden Workday 3-6 pm Basketball Tryouts 3-5pm	20
21 understanding	22	23 Class Treasurer Training 6:30 pm /LIB	24 K FT	25 8:30 am Parent Coffee Chat	26 Theme Celebration 9 am K/1 <sup>st</sup> gr Apple Day LdV Movie Night 3-5	27
28 dignity	29	30 K Mother Goose Olympics				



# October 2014 - tentative

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
dignity			1 5:30 SSC 6:30 PTC	2 Fall Photos Explorer! Family Science Night	3 5 <sup>th</sup> grade Makers Fair/gym	4
5 reliable	6	7 OE Visitation 9:15 am	8 Class Meetings 5 pm ek 6 pm K, 1-3 grade 6:30 4-6 grade 7 pm 7&8 grades	9	10 ASB Elections	11
	Scholastic Book Fair All Week					
12 accountable	13	14	15	16	17 FT 1 <sup>st</sup> grade Mathematica	18 Learning Garden Workday 8-noon
19 self control	20	21 Middle School Visitation 8:15 am	22	23 K FT Pumpkin Patch	24 Harvest Hoedown	25
26 goal setting	27	28	29	30 Parent Coffee Chat	31 MS end of 1 <sup>st</sup> quarter 1:30 dismissal Costume Parade	
Red Ribbon Week						

# Where do our Fundraising dollars go?

The Parent Teacher Council (PTC) uses the funds collected from all our fundraising efforts to support the many wonderful programs below:

\$10 per child for each teacher to purchase classroom supplies

S.L.A.T.E. materials for K-3 classrooms

Cultural Assemblies

Young Authors program

Dr. Seuss Day Celebration and Staff Play

Open House Art Show

Renaissance Fair

Science Fair

Robotics Club, Solar Regatta, History Alive!

Family Science Night

Sponsor the Blues Band, Speech & Debate Club, Boys & Girls Basketball &

Soccer, Girls Volleyball teams & Middle School Drama Club

Fund the Art Studio & Kiln, Learning Garden and Cooking Activities & Library

Fund Improvements to the Buildings & Grounds

Staff Appreciation activities

PTC Historian & Yearbook

Stipends for 3 extracurricular activities instructors

Improvements to our Classroom Technology

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Without our current Fundraisers, none of these programs would be available at

LdV!

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**FROM  
THE LDV  
GARDEN**

*To Your Table*

*Exciting news  
from the LdV  
Learning Garden!*

*Alexis Wasilchin*

Hello LdV families!

We have a lot of exciting things happening with our learning garden this year! We will continue the recipes in the newsletter as well as have monthly cooking opportunities for the students in the garden. In addition, we are starting a 1<sup>st</sup> grade cooking curriculum called "Eating the Rainbow". The first graders will have hands-on experience cooking everything from strawberry shortcake to sushi. They will be learning history, math, science, and art to create something yummy to eat and they will be working with the garden volunteers to grow some of the ingredients for these projects! At the end of the year when the students take their journey to Africa, we will learn about the African customs of sharing a meal together. We will also make a traditional African meal.

We are very excited about these new opportunities and we hope you and your children will be too. We are looking for volunteers to help for the garden cooking days, 1<sup>st</sup> grade, as well as volunteers to help expand the cooking curriculum into the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> grades. Please contact me if you are interested. Thank you!!!

Alexis Wasilchin  
alexisbartine@sbcglobal.net

*We are looking for these items to be  
donated for the cooking curriculum:*

- Rice cookers
- Crock pots
- Electric skillets
- Complete sets of measuring cups and spoons
- Potato mashers and peelers
- Wooden spoons
- Ladles
- Half sheet pans and full sheet pans
- Plastic small Ikea bowls and utensil sets
- New plastic cutting boards
- Large speed rack
- APPLES for first cooking project

*Please bring donations to basket in the  
front office*

*Our LdV  
Learning  
Garden is  
supported by  
our PTC!*

*Are you  
interested in  
making  
aprons for  
the cooking  
curriculum?  
Contact me!*



# Please Join us for String Orchestra & Beginning/Intermediate Strings



Instructor: Shari Gueffroy

916-320-2730

[sharigueffroy@gmail.com](mailto:sharigueffroy@gmail.com)

Classes will be held after school in Room #1 on Monday, Tuesday or Thursday afternoons. Class time is 3:15 (right after school) to 4:05. Instruments and method books will be provided to students by the school as available.

**Monday 3:15 - 4:05** Beginning Strings (violin, viola and cello)

**Tuesday 3:15 - 4:05** Beginning/Intermediate Strings (violin, viola, cello and double bass) (grades 4 and up)

**Thursday 3:15 - 4:05** Intermediate/Advanced Strings - String Orchestra (violin, viola, cello and double bass)

Please complete the information below if your child is interested in joining the strings class

Parent's name: \_\_\_\_\_

Student's name: \_\_\_\_\_

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

Instrument: \_\_\_\_\_ Experience? Y N

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# Theatre Arts Workshop

Enrollment Form: Full-Year Registration 2014-15

Participant \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_ Rm. \_\_\_\_\_ DOB \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian \_\_\_\_\_ e-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City/Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Day Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact (name and number): \_\_\_\_\_

**Please mark all of your session choices for the year:**

## **FALL 2014** (Fees due now)

### **On Stage classes (3-5pm)**

1<sup>st</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup> grade (TUES): Sept. 23-Dec. 5 (\$120)

1<sup>st</sup> - 3<sup>rd</sup> grade (THURS): Sept. 25-Dec. 5 (\$120)

4<sup>th</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup> grade (WED): Sept. 24-Dec. 5 (\$120)

### **Off Stage classes (3-5pm)**

3<sup>rd</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup> grade (THURS): Sept 25-Dec.5 (\$120)

### **Monologue Class (before school, 8-9am)**

7<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade (WED): Sept. 24-Dec.5 (\$120)

*(This class meets before school from 8am-9am)*

## **SPRING 2015** (Fees due in January)

### **On Stage: 12-week PRODUCTION classes (3-5pm)**

1<sup>st</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup> grade (THURS): Jan. 29-April 24 (\$160)

4<sup>th</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup> grade (WED): Jan. 28-April 24) (\$160)

### **Off Stage: 12-week PRODUCTION class (3-5pm)**

3<sup>rd</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup> grade (THURS): Jan. 29 - April 24 (\$160)

### **On Stage: 8-week classes (3-5pm)**

1<sup>st</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup> grade Session 1 (TUES): Jan. 13-Mar. 10 (\$120)

K - 1<sup>st</sup> grade Session 2 (TUES): March 17 - May 5 (\$120)

***NOTE: Students must have signed form and payment before attending class.***

Please make your check payable to **OnStage** (*Pay now for FALL CLASSES ONLY*)

Place your check - attached to this enrollment form - in the ON STAGE envelope in the parent office or your classroom PTC envelope by **Friday, Sept. 19, 2014**

**THERE WILL BE NO REFUNDS FOR CANCELLATION OR DISMISSAL**

### **Hold Harmless Agreement:**

I understand that serious accidents occasionally occur during after-school programs. Knowing the risk and in consideration of being permitted to participate in the theatre arts program, I agree to assume all risks connected therewith. I also understand that a student's disruptive behavior will result in his or her dismissal from the class without refund.

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_



## Theatre Arts Workshop

**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.

**Why teach kids theatre arts?** Theatre arts instruction can build confidence, improve reading and verbal skills, build teamwork skills, and encourage kids to imagine and create.

### **Our Instructors**

**Julie Anchor** has been an actor and director for 20 years. She has worked in Sacramento, the Bay Area and with the Main Street Theatre Works in Jackson. Julie will be teaching our 4<sup>th</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup> grade classes

**Allen Pontes** has been acting and directing for more than 35 years in both Sacramento and the Bay Area. He is a graduate of CSUS and an experienced theatre workshop teacher. Allen will be teaching our Off Stage classes.

**Sami Jo Guida**, an LdV alumna, has returned to Sacramento after studying theatre in the Bay Area. She has worked for several years as an On Stage teaching assistant and will be team teaching the 7<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> Monologue classes.

**Cynthia Speakman** created the On Stage program nearly 15 years ago. She will continue to teach the K-3 classes and will team teach the 7<sup>th</sup>- 8<sup>th</sup> grade Monologue class. Cynthia is a credentialed teacher with years of acting experience in Northern California.

**K-3 classes meet once a week from 3pm - 5pm in the auditorium.**

**The 7<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> grade Monologue class meets before school on Wednesdays from 8am-9am.**

### **HOW TO ENROLL? It's EASY!**

1. Fill out the form on the back of this sheet
2. Write a check **payable to On Stage**
3. Turn in the form and your check to the parent office or to your classroom PTC envelope by **Friday, September 19, 2014**

*Limited partial scholarships available*

### **ENROLL TODAY ...**

### **Space is limited!**

For more information, e-mail  
[cynthia.speakman@gmail.com](mailto:cynthia.speakman@gmail.com)  
or call Cynthia Speakman  
at 916-502-3226.