



Leonardo da Vinci eK-8 School

Kids Can! Food Drive

We will once again be participating in the KCRA canned food drive this year beginning today through November 15th. Please help out by donating any healthy, non-perishable food items. Only two cans per kid will exceed our goal and help support a local food bank. We are hoping we can continue to support our theme this year by putting our words into action. More details will come. Questions see Mr. Maroldy in Room 24

Welcome to LdV!

Now that she has had a couple of weeks to acclimate to LdV, stop by our main office and say hi to our new office manager, Marina Miller. There is quite a bit to manage at LdV and we are grateful to have her taking the reins! If you need to contact Marina you can email her at Marina-Miller@scusd.edu.

Winter Faire Meeting Thursday

The first Winter Faire planning meeting is Thursday, 10/17 at 6:30 pm in the Library. Contact Bonnie at joshuasmom1904@gmail.com with questions.

Dolphin Store Opens Soon

The LdV Dolphin Store will be open after-school on Monday, Oct 21. The store has school supplies and healthy snacks for students. If you are interested in helping run the store on Monday or another morning or after school day, please contact diane-soule@scusd.edu.

Grounds Clean Up

Please bring your gloves and tools and help do some general clean up around campus on Sunday, Oct 27, 9-noon. We are looking for parents of all abilities but would be grateful for anyone with masonry, carpentry or plumbing skills. Contact Ryan at rymetta@mac.com with questions.

SSC Needs A Parent

If you are interesting in serving a two year term on the LdV School Site Council, please contact devon-davis@scusd.edu to be placed on the ballot. Parents will be asked to vote in November.

Book Drive

LdV student Billy T. is collecting new and gently used books for foster children as his Boy Scout Eagle Project. Please bring your donations to the box in the front office by Oct 17. For more information contact Billy T. at cityfok@sbcglobal.net

Brownie Troop Seeks Help with SPCA Donations

Brownie Troop #7 which is made up of LdV 3rd graders would like your help. We are collecting gently used towels and blankets for the animals at the SPCA in time for winter. We will be collecting through Oct. 22, and plan to deliver these items to the SPCA on Oct. 23. Please place your blankets/towels in the "SPCA donations" box that is located in the Volunteer Office. Troop #7 and the animals at the SPCA thank you for your help!!!

Dolphins!

This week's dolphin is by 7th grader Kianna W.

High School Night Cancelled

LdV High School Night tentatively scheduled for 10/16 has been cancelled.

ExplorIt! Help

Volunteers are needed for the Explore It Event scheduled for November 5th from 6:30-8pm. Interested volunteers should arrive by 6pm to receive a orientation provided by the Explore It staff. Contact Celia Rosecrans at cz.rosecrans@gmail.com to volunteer.

Harvest Hoedown Help

Notice the colder weather outside? That means it's almost **Harvest Hoedown Time!!!!** We'd LOVE to have you help us for this fantastic event here at LdV! Check out the parent sign-up sheets posted outside of Room 1 and feel free to sign-up for as many volunteer hours or donation items that you can. YOU DO NOT NEED TO BE A BAND PARENT TO HELP. All of the proceeds from this event go towards our Music Department, and we need your help to make it a successful night. Harvest Hoedown will be on Friday, October 25th 2013 from 3pm

Picture Day Retakes

Photo retake day is November 7. Return your unwanted photos to the photographers that day. Picture Day ID: CR013359Y0 Pay Online: <http://my.lifetouch.com/mylifetouch/pictureDayId/CR013359Y0>

LdV's Annual Costume Parade

As is the tradition at LdV, eK through 3rd grade students will be showing off their imaginations in a costume parade on **Oct 31**. Fourth through eighth grade students will be watching the parade, giving out treats (parents please send some!) and perhaps, wearing costumes of their own.

Parents, please be sure there is no bloody or gory makeup, no face-covering masks, no school dress code inappropriate costumes, and no props such as guns, swords or fairy princess wands!

PTC Learning Garden Work Day

THIS Saturday, October 19, 8 am - NOON

See "Learning Garden News and Notes" inside the newsletter for more details . . .



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Dates to Remember

- Oct 17**
ELAC 9:15 am/LIB
Winter Faire mtg
6:30 pm/LIB
- Oct 19**
Learning Garden Work Day
8 am-noon
- Oct 24**
Parent Coffee Chat 8:30 am
- Oct 25**
Open Enrollment Visitation
9:15 am
Harvest Hoedown
4-7:30 pm
- Oct 27**
Grounds Clean Up
9-noon
- Oct 28-31**
Red Ribbon Week
- Oct 31**
Costume Parade
- Nov 1**
End of Semester Middle School early dismissal ONLY
- Nov 5**
ExplorIt! Family Science
Night 6:30-8 pm
- Nov 6**
SSC 5:30 pm
PTC 6:30 pm
- Nov 7**
Photo Make Up Day
- Nov 8**
Open Enrollment Visit 9:15 am
- Nov 11**
No School
- Nov 13**
Class Meetings
eK - 5-6pm
K, 4-6 gr - 6-7pm
1-3 grade - 6:30-7:30 pm
7&8 grade - 7-8 pm
- Nov 14, 15, 18-22**
1-6 gr Conferences
1:30 pm dismissal
- Nov 25-29**
Fall Break

Your school-related event could be featured here!

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

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Deadline: Oct 17**

Leonardo da Vinci School
Integrated Thematic Instruction Through Arts & Sciences

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

From the Office

Fingerprinting Requirements: Yes, you do need to be fingerprinted to go on a field trip...whether you are driving children or not...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!

Notice of Pesticide/Herbicide Use

LdV is scheduled for service by SCUSD's Small Grass Crew weekly. The crew may or may not spray every Wednesday. If they do spray, they will post notice in the front lower window of the front door. A copy of SCUSD's Pest Management Program listing all chemicals applied to all sites is available in the front office.

Call In Sick and Tardy

Please phone in your students' absences and tardies by calling 557-0389 wait for the message to begin and then press 49#. Leave the child's name, room number, date of absence and reason for being out of school (i.e.: illness, doctor appointment, religious, out of town, death in family). Absence verification must be made daily.

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

Llamada para avisar de enfermedad o retraso

Favor de llamar a 557-0389 (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 10:00 de la mañana para evitar una ausencia sin excusa.

Late to School?

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

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: September tally sheets are due, an October Tally was in the newsletter. Please turn it into your child's class or to the Volunteer Office at the end of the month.

Carry Over Hours: Hours from 2012-13 are only carried over to this year if they were worked AFTER May 15, 2013 (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 8am-4pm or email me at diane-soule@scusd.edu, or leave a message at 277-7034.

It's Fall!

The smell of turning leaves and candy corn is in the air. As always, your donation of leftover (or brand new) candy is always appreciated by the staff. Please bring donations to Diane's office and I will see it is properly distributed to thankful staff members.

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.

LdV on the Web & Facebook

The weekly newsletter (without additional flyers) can be found on the **NEW LdV web site:** leonardodavincischool.org.

You may also download Tally Sheets in either Word or Excel. The files can be completed and emailed to diane-soule@scusd.edu. When you email a tally you will receive a reply. If you do not receive a reply it means your email was not received.

Like Us on Facebook and stay up to date on LdV events! <https://www.facebook.com/LeonardodaVinciK8>

Please Remember the FB page is purely informational and to support our school and it's culture. Please "like" us if you would like news about LdV, meeting reminders, and event updates.

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 Freepoint 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!

Community Events

• **Healthy Kids Day:** Sat Oct 19 from 10am-2 pm. Flu shots, blood pressure checks, dental screenings, and activities for the whole family at Valley High School. For more information and to preschedule call 1-866-850-4321.

Band News

Band Student Drop-Offs – Hello, LdV Band Families! When you drop your Band students off before school, can you PLEASE not pull into Staff parking spaces? Even if you're only going to be there for "just a minute," you could be keeping one of our hard-working teachers waiting! Use the spaces that face across the street, or spaces that are not marked "STAFF." Thank you! J

Flower & Garden Photos

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



Looking for Something to Do?

Volunteers Needed at the Clothes Closet

The PTA Clothes Closet is swamped and in need of volunteers ASAP! Help is needed doing laundry (at your home) and sorting and tagging clothes at the Clothes Closet located at the back of the LdV campus. The Clothes Closet at LdV is open on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Interested volunteers should call first 277-4338. LdV parents will earn hours for volunteering with the Clothes Closet.

Want to be In Charge of Sheep Lungs?

On Nov 5, Explorit! will present an evening of hands-on science exploration for LdV families. From 6:30-8 pm the auditorium will have stations set up to explore earth science, the human body, illusions, electricity and more. This event is sponsored by the PTC and is free to all age students and their families.

We need volunteers to monitor the stations from 6-8:30 pm (no science experience is necessary). Contact Celia Rosecrans at cz.rosecrans@gmail.com if you can help.

Are You Feeling Shadowy?

Sometimes it seems like a volunteer position such as PTC Treasurer seems like a lot to take on. This year is the perfect time to step up to this position because you will have months to learn from the pro who is currently doing the job. I am not overstating the fact that **no experience or background is necessary for the job**. It is however a job that is important to our community, and we really need some one or two to step up. If you have been thinking about it, now is the time. We are also looking for someone to take Winter Faire coordination for next year (December 2014). Now is a great time to step up and follow in the footsteps of Winter Faire queen, Bonnie Jones who has said this is her LAST year!

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

Highlight Your Culture

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

Collate and Conversate

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

Lunch Recess

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

Café da Vinci is Opening Soon

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

FLU Season is Coming

Get the FLU shot, not the FLU!

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

FLU shots are FREE!

- October 21st 10am-1pm Good Shepherd Church ~ 9539 Racquet Ct.
 - October 24th 10am-2pm St. Theresa Church Hall ~ 100 4th Street (Isleton)
 - October 26th 11am-3pm Robertson Community Center ~ 3525 Norwood Ave.
 - Nov 1st 10am-2pm Sears Drive-Thru ~ 5901 Florin Rd.
 - November 5th 10am-2pm N. Highlands Community Center ~ 6040 Watt Ave.
 - November 8th 9am-12pm Ethel Macleod Hart Senior Center ~ 915 27th Street
 - November 15th 10am-1pm Fruitridge Community Center ~ 4000 Fruitridge Rd.
 - December 12th 11am-3pm Pannell Center ~ 2450 Meadowview Rd.
- County Flu Clinic Schedule Recorded Line: (916) 875-7053

From the District

Common Core Workshops

be ready • be informed • be involved

English Language Arts Workshop Series: at Abe Lincoln Elementary, Sutter Middle or Rosemont HS - Part 1/Oct 8; Part 2/Jan 29; Part 3/March 11 from 6-7:30 pm.

at Harkness Elementary, John Still K-8, or Kennedy HS - Part 1/Oct 29; Part 2/Feb 12; Part 3/April 8 from 6-7:30 pm.

at Nicholas Elementary, Will C Wood, or Hiram Johnson HS - Part 1/Nov 6; Part 2/Jan 30; Part 3/April 29 from 6-7:30 pm.

Mathematics Workshop Series: at Golden Empire Elementary, Kit Carson Middle or Rosemont HS - Part 1/Oct 16; Part 2/Jan 14; Part 3/April 8 from 6-7:30 pm.

at Matsuyama Elementary, Cal Middle, or Luther Burbank HS - Part 1/Oct 22; Part 2/Jan 29; Part 3/April 29 from 6-7:30 pm.

at Pacific Elementary, Rosa Parks, or West Campus HS - Part 1/Oct 30; Part 2/Feb 12; Part 3/March 25 from 6-7:30 pm.

Contact Dr Iris Taylor at iris-taylor@scusd.edu or 643-9120 for more information.

Free TB Testing - Tests taken this year will be "good" until 2017. Testing is done by the District at the Serna Center every other week from 3:30 to 5 pm. It's a two step process: given on Tuesday and read on Thursday. The schedule was in your first day packet.

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

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

GATE Conference

Are you a parent of a GATE student? Often wonder what else you could be doing to further their education? Come join me at the California Association for the Gifted annual one day conference in American Canyon on Saturday, November 2. It runs from 8:15-4:30 with an entire day devoted to small in-depth workshops on parenting gifted children. For more information & registration go to www.cagifted.org. Email Laura Walter @ laura.q.walter@gmail.com if you would like to carpool.



Fund Raising News

Magazine Sales a Success!!

Thank you very much to all the families and friends who participated in the Magazine sales this year. If you did not, there is still time! You or your family and friends can order magazines throughout the year by shopping at the online site www.gaschoolstore.com and using our SCHOOL CODE 2692168. Late orders will not warrant prizes. Thanks for supporting LdV! Any questions or concerns, contact Laura Walter at laura.q.walter@gmail.com

School Cents Fundraiser at Arden Fair Mall

Every time you shop at Arden Fair Mall from August 1, 2013 to May 15, 2014 you can earn cash for LdV! Just take your receipt down to the Guest Services Desk across from JCPenney. They will record your total, stamp your receipt and hand it back to you. We get 5 points for every dollar you spend. As our points add up, LdV gets cash prizes!! Our goal is to reach 40,000 points by December when the first big payouts are awarded. If you have a receipt dated in this time period you can submit it now!

Clip, Save, and Send In Box Tops & Labels for Education

Help the LdV PTC raise much needed funds and points for school-wide programs and events by submitting box tops and labels in a zip-top plastic bag or envelope with your student's classroom number on it and send it to school.

Labels for Education can be found on Campbells Soup, Pace, Pepperidge Farm, Glad products, and more. Go to labelsforeducation.com to see product lists and special offers. We use these labels for points that help us purchase balls and other playground equipment.

Boxtops 4 Education can earn money for LdV in three ways: **1. Shop and clip:** boxtops are found on General Mills cereal, Hanes apparel, Ziploc food storage, Arvey office supplies, Hefty bags and more; **2. Shop online:** boxtops can be earned shopping online for Lands End, Toys R Us, and more; **3. Earn Bonus points:** by going online to boxtops4education.com

Don't Forget to Use Your Something EXTRA Card

Truly the easiest and cheapest fundraiser at LdV...it costs you nothing to remember to use your EXTRA card (registered to help LdV) when you shop at Raley's. You get points and groceries and we get cash, its a win-win!

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.

Thank You for Your Old Car...

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

...and your Old Computer

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

Attention Safeway Employees!

LdV is writing a Safeway grant and it can help our chances to have a Safeway employee sponsor our grant application. If you, or someone you know, works for Safeway, please contact Ms. Ballard (tiffany-ballard@scusd.edu).

Are You "In" with Intel?

If you are an Intel employee, please contact Assistant Principal Ballard at tiffany-ballard@scusd.edu. Thank you.

Please Return Your Z Best Books

We have had a very successful Z Best book sale this year! Thank you to those families that participated. However, we still have a number of books out and need those to be returned or purchased. Remember, LdV will be charged for every book not returned or paid for! Any questions or concerns, contact Laura Walter at laura.q.walter@gmail.com

What's Happening After School?

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

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

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

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

Beginning or Advanced Orchestra program meet this Monday or Tuesday afternoon in room from 3:15pm - 4:05pm in Room 1. Meet our new LdV Orchestra Teacher, Mrs. Pamela Buck, and learn how orchestra classes will work at LdV! No experience required!

Kid Tuff Empowering Program helps build character, visual alertness and mental and physical toughness in all children. Three month program is \$75. Forms in front office. Contact Nora Finch 601-9076 for information

LdV Fall Family Boot Camp students and families will participate in fun, fast-paced workouts that will aim to increase strength, flexibility, and overall athletic conditioning. We will incorporate body weight exercises, dynamic stretching, endurance training, and plyometric exercises to achieve maximum results. Each week we will focus on developing a variety of athletic skill sets. Classes will begin on Monday, October 7th in the Cafeteria. Cost: \$75 (individual) \$100 (family) Forms available in front office. For any questions about this program contact: James Chekon, Youth Fitness Instructor *First Aid, CPR Certified* jchekon80@gmail.com or (916) 275-8550

Make Magic OFF Stage!

3rd-6th grade students! come and learn with us and experience hands on with what goes on behind the scenes of a theatrical production! Discover the magical world of Sound, the colors of Lighting, creating Props and building imaginative Set pieces as we play with Stage Craft, and even explore costuming, as we help to make this year's On Stage project come to life! Sign ups are 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.



Garden News

October 19 Work Day 8 am-noon

contact:

Jeri at grattidgefamily@yahoo.com
or 541-3182

Lice Advice

Lice are a nuisance, but they are NOT a medical danger. They don't carry illnesses. They are not a sign of someone who isn't clean. They are not something to be ashamed of. Kids share combs, hair ties, hats, and at the pool they might accidentally share a towel. Kids hug and hold onto each other. This is how lice travel from one person to another. Also know that long hair can easily swish through someone else's hair and pick up a louse. It is worth braiding long hair for a week or two until the situation is resolved in the classroom.

Do a thorough examination of your kid's hair, concentrating especially at or near the scalp, behind the ears, and at the nape of the neck. What are you looking for? Small brown/yellowish/white spots (the eggs, or nits), which will be attached to the hair down near the scalp. Go here for some good pictures: <http://pediatrics.about.com/od/headlice/ig/Head-Lice-Pictures/> <http://www.household-management-101.com/what-does-lice-look-like.html>; http://www.medicinenet.com/head_lice_pictures_slideshow/article.htm. The nits are VERY small and hard to see. Lice are larger, moving and slightly easier to find with a lice comb that has teeth that are very close together. Don't forget to check yourself and your other children!

It is very important to notify the school office if you do find nits or lice. Awareness, diligent checking and rechecking, as well as through treatment is the only way to RID our school of this pest.

To keep from re-infecting your family/child it is important that in addition to treating the head, you need to do a good vacuuming of the area around the bed/headboard etc., and washing sheets, pillow cases, comforters - put all in a hot dryer if possible. Remove items that cannot be washed (stuffed animals, pillows) from the bed into a bag for 2 weeks (time needed for lice to hatch and die without a human host). Consider doing the same for couch pillows and other items where their cute little heads have been. You should also treat their comb/brush. You can do this by soaking it in very hot just boiled water.

You do not need to freak-out or call in an exterminator. Take a deep breath. Lice and nits cannot live longer than 2 weeks without a warm person. Don't forget to do the follow-up shampoo treatment for killing any live lice that hatched from nits you didn't find.

The center for disease control (CDC) has the most accurate, practical, and comprehensive information on what to do <http://www.cdc.gov/parasites/lice/head/treatment.html>

Editor's Note: If you skimmed through this article and thought, "not me, not my family" think again. I am not embarrassed to say yes me and my family—not just once but twice. In fact after writing this, I will be combing through my own hair, just in case. Anyone is susceptible to lice (regardless of age, cleanliness, or socioeconomic background), especially in a school community. Believe me, keeping aware and informed and watching diligently instead of believing myths and wives tales is the best path of prevention.—Diane Soule

President's Ponderings

Let me tell you this week about a few other pieces of the PTC.

As you walk through the halls and around the grounds at LdV there are a number of things that you might take for granted... Bulletin boards on the walls, pavers in the courtyards, flowers in the planter boxes, trees on grassy lawns. All of these items were provided and installed by the PTC and its Buildings & Grounds Committee, chaired by Facilities VP Ryan Metta. Two years ago the Middle School quad was a muddy pit. Ryan secured grant money from Lowes and PTC volunteers paved the courtyard over the span of a couple of weekends. It used to be that groups had to tape their flyers to the walls of the hallways. Ryan installed bulletin boards so now there is a place to post your announcements. In the past the PTC has also installed flowers, plants, shrubs, and trees all over campus. Our campus would look much less inviting if not for the efforts of the Buildings & Grounds Committee. But Ryan needs your help. Maintenance is an ongoing issue and so we have regularly scheduled work Facilities days. This is a good opportunity for families to earn volunteer hours outside of the regular school day. It is also a good way for the 'handymen and women' in the community to put their skills to good use. Perhaps you already helped with the cleanup last Friday, but there is another work day coming up in two weeks on Sunday, October 27th from 9-12. E-mail Ryan at rymetta@mac.com for more information or to help.

Another thing you may notice walking through the front hallway of LdV is the display case on the wall near the main office. This is our cultural display case and is one of the works of our Culturally Inclusive Education committee, chaired by Kate Ramos. Speaking for my own family, we feel blessed to live in a part of Sacramento with such a wide range of cultural diversity, and to attend a school that reflects that diversity. The CIE Committee works to highlight different cultures and promote cultural understanding through assemblies, before- and after-school events such as breakfast-around-the-world, and through monthly cultural displays in the display case. This year the display case is managed by Anna Consuelo. If you would like to highlight your culture with a display, contact Anna at anna.consuelo@riteaid.com. Our first CIE assembly will be a troupe of Chinese acrobats performing on November 15th. And a Hmong Breakfast-Around-the-World will take place before school on November 19th.

Finally this week I would like to highlight the good work of the PTC Teacher/Staff Appreciation Committee, chaired by School Climate VP Stacie Lo. You may remember Stacie from our Welcome Back reception on the first day of school. But Stacie also works to make sure that the teachers know how much we appreciate their hard work and their going 'above and beyond' the call of duty. This year, LdV's produce queen Adrienne Chan has also volunteered to help Stacie provide snacks and treats for the staff at some of their meetings. Last week at the morning coffee chat, Stacie and Adrienne treated the staff to a fantastic assortment of breakfast sweets and treats, with coffee provided by our good friend Joan from Espresso Metro. The teachers were overwhelmed by the wonderful homemade food, and loved the take-away bags of goodies for later. I am told that it was the noisiest, happiest staff coffee that anyone can remember. So great job Stacie and Adrienne. If you would like to help Stacie on the School Climate Committee, please e-mail her at stacielo@live.com

Have a wonderful week. Until next time...Ciao! —David DeNuzzo - PTC President

Got Stuff?

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

Looking at High School?

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

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

Unusual HOURS Alert

Keep the following dates in mind:

Friday, Nov 1 is **1:30 pm dismissal**
for Middle School ONLY

Saturday, Nov 3 - time changes and we FALL BACK!
Don't forget to change your clocks!

Monday Nov 11 is Veteran's Day Holiday - No school

Nov 14 & 15 and Nov 18-22 are conference days and 1:30 pm dismissal for grades 1-6th ONLY.

Nov 25-29 is Fall Break - NO school.



*LdV PTC School Learning Garden
News & Notes - October 2013*



- **Garden Work Day: *This Saturday, October 19th, 8 am - noon***

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. Your children are welcome to attend, and help, with your supervision. No bathrooms, but Raleys is a few blocks away.

Work to be Done: Building New Garden Boxes, General Garden Maintenance, Garden Bed Prep, Wood Preservation, etc . . .

What to Bring: Your favorite Garden Tools (please write name on tools)

Questions? Contact Garden Co -Chair **Greg Richards** at gregrichards@rocketmail.com

- **LdV Garden Wins 5 Tons of Compost from Save Mart & Lucky's Stores!**

Thank you to the LdV families that entered the compost at Sacramento's Farm to Fork Festival, and to Save Mart and Lucky's for sponsoring the contest. We will be using ALL of the compost to fill our new garden boxes, and in ground beds.

- **Garden & ART Studio Project a Lot of Fun!**

Thank you to Arts Enrichment Chair Unchu Littlefield, for organizing a special Art Studio project for the School Learning Garden. The students painted Mondrian bird houses and glazed ceramic pots in the style of Helen Frankenthaler. Some of the work will be on permanent display in the garden, others will be sold at this year's Winterfaire Bazaar to raise much needed funds for the garden. If you would like to purchase your child's art piece, please contact Jeri Clark at grattidgefamily@yahoo.com.

- **Recess Garden Volunteer: Information and Training**

Contact LdV School Learning Garden Coordinator, Jeri Clark (contact info. below) to schedule a training appointment.

The students love to be in the garden during recess, but they can't unless there is a trained Garden Recess Volunteer supervising. No gardening experience necessary, you just supervise in the garden during recess. Volunteers must have a clear TB test and fingerprints on file.

- **Classroom's In the Garden!**

Thank you to the LdV Parents who have signed up to be a classroom Garden Volunteer. Room 11 is already working in the garden, and several more will be out there soon. There is still time to sign up, Contact Jeri Clark (contact info. below) for more information.

- **Garden Donations Needed!**

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



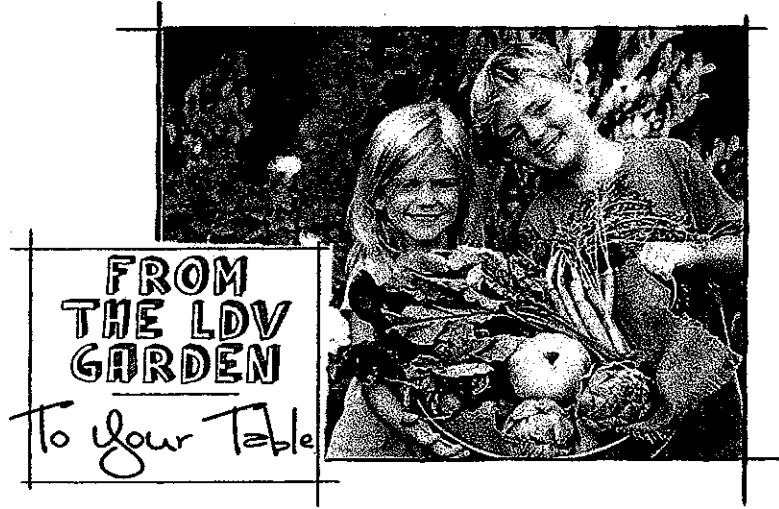
Questions, Compliments, Suggestions, Concerns?

Contact: Jeri Clark, LdV PTC Learning Garden Coordinator

email: grattidgefamily@yahoo.com cell: 916-541-3182

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

Marcus Tullius Cicero, Roman Statesman, b. 106 BC d. 43 BC



~A School Learning Garden supported by our PTC~

Last Thursday, October 10th, we made **Fall "Jewel" Salad** in the Learning Garden. Thanks to generous donations from LdV families we had several bags of beautiful ripe pomegranates. The kids were able to deseed and enjoy TONS of pomegranates, as well as help prep fruit and dressing for the salad. At lunch, they returned to the garden to sample! It was so fun to see how excited the kids were to help and to try new things!

Fall "Jewel" Salad

Named for fall's jewel-toned fruits and vegetables.....
this makes a beautiful and tasty salad!

6 cups mixed greens and or arugula

1 Fuyu persimmon sliced horizontally with star pattern showing then slice in in skinny pieces vertically

1 red pear-sliced

½ cup roasted butternut squash cubes(from last week's recipe)

1 pomegranate deseeded

Optional: add roasted beets, sliced and or sliced blood oranges top with toasted walnuts

Balsamic Vinaigrette

3 TBS Balsamic vinegar

1 TBS Dijon

1 tsp honey or pomegranate juice

1 garlic clove minced or ½ shallot small dice

½ cup olive oil

salt and pepper

In a small bowl combine balsamic, Dijon, honey and garlic. Slowly whisk olive oil. Add salt and pepper to taste.



“Students of the Month” September 2013

GRADE	RM	TEACHER	ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT	CITIZENSHIP	ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT	CITIZENSHIP
Early Kinder	2PM	Eily Graves	Cavan McEntee	Alex Silva	Novella VanderMei	Alyssa Miranda-Babauta
Kindergarten	2	Allison Hebert	Jacob Hanson	Isaiah Payne	Sofia Perry	
	3	Lisa Brown	Andrew James	Deiliah Cha	Audrey Mishell	
	4	Jane Walton	Victor Flores-Melendez	Keira Carmichael	Lillyanna Galan	Archer Kliebe
1 st -3 rd SDC	20	Patty Ryan	Armando Guerrero		Emmanuel Larsen	
First	5	Veasna Nim	Dominic O'Toole	Celeste Hiroshima-Chan	Talullah McKinzie	Diego Barragan-Cespedes
	6	Jamie Maroldy	Matilda McKinzie	Evan De La Verge	Sam Jacobsen	Emery Friesen
	10	Stacey Lombardi	Nicole Kapakly	Chris Martinez	Joshua Fontanilla	Juliana Saavedra
Second	11	Tim Sapunor	Jacob Martinez	Kiyoko Mio-Cunningham	Gianna Solari	
	12	Joanie Wickham	Spencer Barrett	Madelyn Whitnell	Nicole Archer	Alexandria Reyes
	18	Lynne Olcomendy	Emely Escobar	Samantha Sharp		Adela Ortega
Third	7	Linda Cochran	Stella Matteson	Tobin Arrant	Brandon Silva	Ashley Cobb
	8	Linda Johnson	Sarah Metta	Adam Ferreira	Charlie Balzer	Brooke Tillinghast
	9	Maribeth Niehaus	Joseph O'Toole	Hunter Barlow	Adaleiz Ore	Elizabeth Kline
4 th -6 th SDC	33A	Crystal Au	Abigail Crow-Gamino	Serena Munoz		
Fourth	15	Vienna Bustos	Christopher Gueffroy		Harper Johnston	
	16	Brian Moore	Vivian Zalunardo	Macy Andrade	Roman Walton	Hector Guzman
	17	Deborah Dodd	Karina Elliott	Karina Elliott	Philip Avdey	Philip Avdey
Fifth	23	Kim Meade	Will Gaudreau	Joel Martin	Michael Tovar	Aaliyah DeGrace-Voyles
	24	Dan Maroldy	Audrey Burkhardt	Sophia Sidley	David Richards	Julia Heckey
	25	Cathy Little	Madison Yang	Emma Emigh	Kevin Li	Max Von Rotz
Sixth	21	Sally Weisbecker	Maia Campos	Ciara Reed	Mae Krause	Ada Birdsong
	22	Rhonda Wallace	Wesley Veiga	Erika Hansen	Lauren Towne	Cosmo Harlan
Band	1	Jennifer Nakayama	David Richards	Ciara Reed	Sienna Carrillo	Serapio Nambo

Middle School
September Students of the Month

Eleni Koumis – Androlowicz, Science

Analisa Haidinger – Androlowicz, Science

Parker Scarpa - Maltby, Math

Allyssa Vang - Maltby, Math

Citlali Perez- Star, Social Science

Caden Ching – Star, Social Science

Monet Jennings - Jackman

Elena Ortega - Jackman

Cecilia Sidley – Sirard, Language Arts

Liliana Ramos – Sirard, Language Arts

Eliana Lopez - Stiller, Visual Art

Kaylee Kazee - Stiller, Visual Art

DeVontae Cagle – Ismail, PE

Ka' Liyah Donald – Ismail, PE

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DECEMBER 4, 2013

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Auditorium

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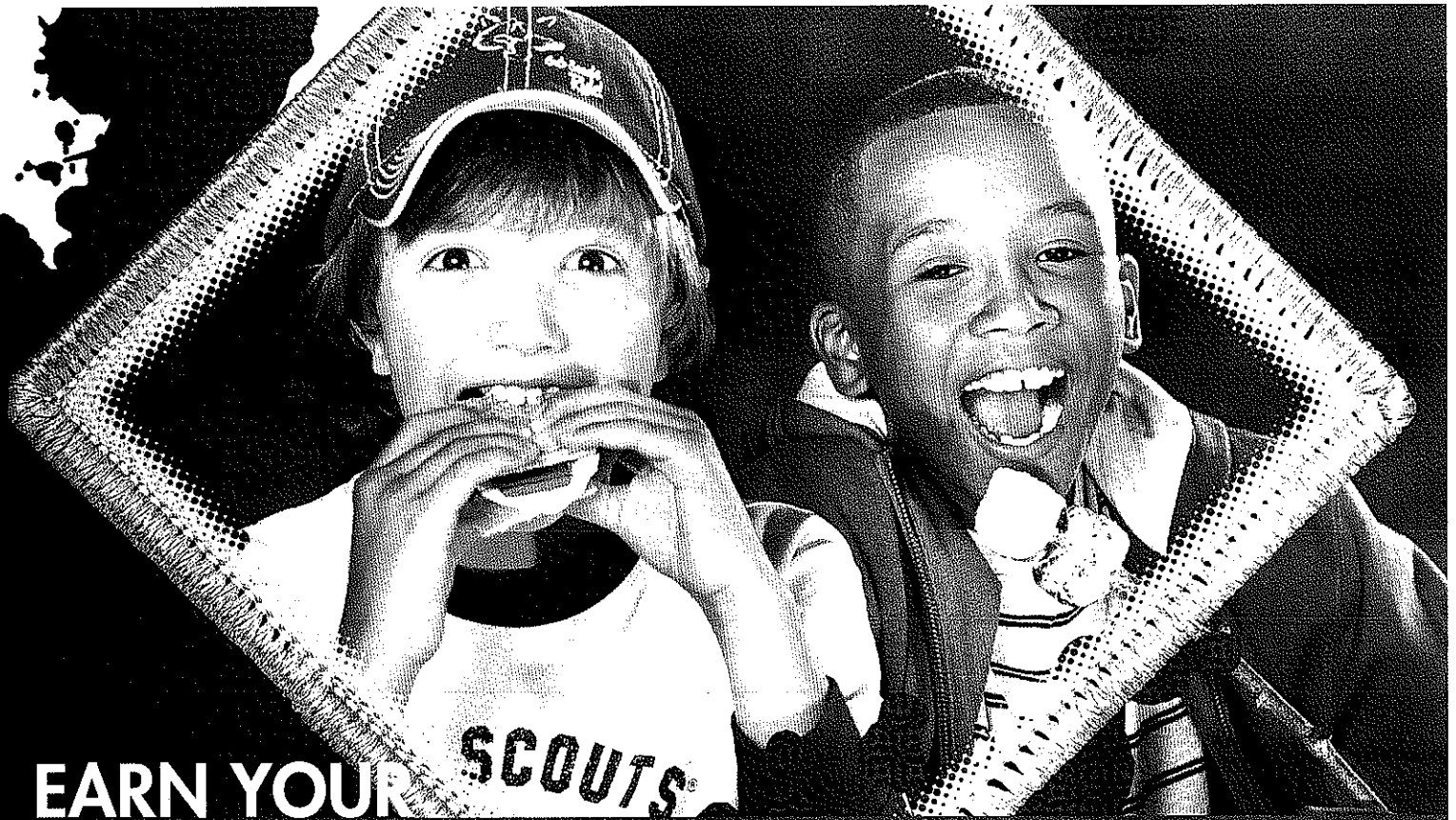
for prospective students and their parents

DECEMBER 5 and 6

8:45 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

- **Observe HISP classes in their regular daily lessons**
- **Visitors check in at registration tables at main entrance**
- **No reservation required**
- **List of classes, room numbers, and a map available at registration tables**
- **9th grade HISP classes: Periods 1 and 2 (8:20 to 10:26 a.m.)**
- **10th, 11th, and 12th grade HISP classes: Periods 3 and 4 (10:33 a.m. to 12:36 p.m.)**
- **Math, foreign language, science, and elective classes also open for visits**
- **Current HISP parents and the HISP Coordinator will be available to answer questions**
- **Students must be accompanied by an adult (1 adult per 4 students works)**

We have made arrangements with the City of Sacramento for parking. In order to avoid a ticket, please park on the streets adjacent to McClatchy (Bidwell Way or 7th Avenue on the west side of Freeport Blvd. only), then check in at the main entrance to receive a schedule of classes open for visitation.



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Classroom : Library

Session Dates:

Session A: 10/14, 10/21, 10/28, 11/4, 11/18

Session B: 12/2, 12/9, 12/16, 1/6, 1/13, 1/27

Session C: 2/3, 2/24, 3/3, 3/10, 3/17

Session D: 3/24, 3/31, 4/7, 4/14, 4/21

Session E: 4/28, 5/5, 5/12, 5/19, 6/2

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Phone: () _____

Cell: () _____



Student Name: _____

Has your child attended Early Engineers before? Yes No

Birthdate: _____ Grade: _____

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Kinder Room # _____

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- Session C: 2/3, 2/24, 3/3, 3/10, 3/17 (\$70)
- Session D: 3/24, 3/31, 4/7, 4/14, 4/21 (\$70)
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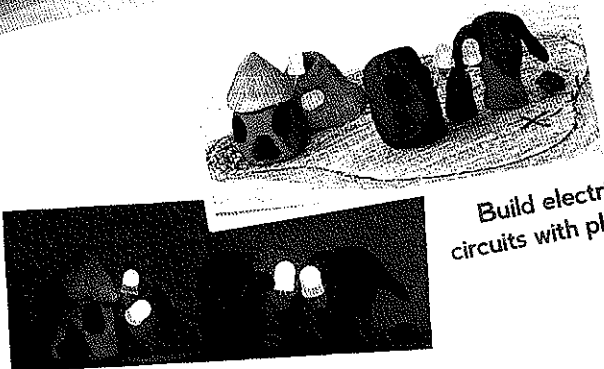
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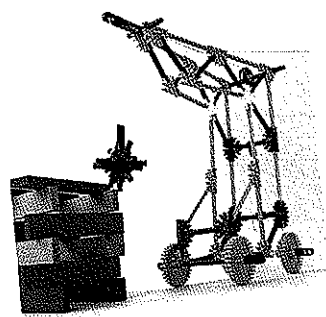
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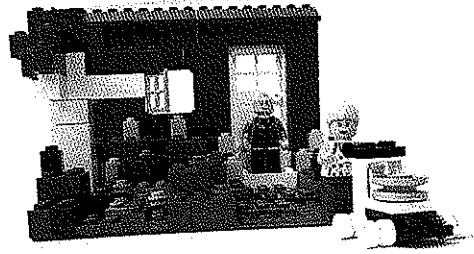
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