

The Avenue
The Daves Avenue Elementary School Weekly Newsletter

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Principal's Message

Hello Daves Avenue Families,

The Halloween parade was a perfect culminating October event to exemplify the joy of our youth and community. We have so much to be grateful for, and I am reminded of that daily as I have the privilege of interacting with students of all ages. At the Wednesday Wave this morning, the long awaited Fun Run trophies were handed out to the classes with the highest participation rates. Congratulations to the following Cool Cats:

TK/Kindergarten ~ Mrs. Dariano's Class
First Grade ~ Mrs. Ludeman's Class
Second Grade ~ Mrs. LeMenager's Class
Third Grade ~ Mrs. Brown's Class
Fourth Grade ~ Ms. Mahoney's Class
Fifth Grade ~ Mrs. Bonner's Class

Additionally, kudos to Ben Nester, Kaela Knickerbocker, Josslin Martinez, Mili Perroud, and Lauren Whitaker for becoming a part of the PAWS Club! Encouraging students to be Peaceful, Aware, Wise, and Safe on and off campus is a continued focus.

As conferences continue this week, I would like to thank you for your continued partnership in your child's education. In the words of Hellen Keller, "Alone we can do so little. Together, we can do so much."

Have a PAWSitively awesome week!

[Jenna Mittleman - jmittelman@lgusd.org](mailto:jmittelman@lgusd.org)

Principal, Daves Avenue Elementary School

H&SC President's Message

Hi Daves Avenue Families,

Fall is definitely in the air! We are in the middle of our Fall Conferences, Halloween is safely behind us and we now look forward to Thanksgiving Recess the week of November 25th. I honestly don't know where the time is going!

I wanted to send a huge Thank You to our amazing Fun Run Team: Michele Grancell, Michelle Marren, Ali Olivo, and Danielle Von Matt. We had a very successful Fun Run and have earmarked the Fun Run pledge money for our new Mindfulness Studio (more information to come shortly!). Another big Thank You to Stephani Regalia for a truly great Red Ribbon Week! We couldn't have such outstanding school programs without all the incredible parent volunteers and generous DOLLARS FOR DAVES donations. A giant THANK YOU to all of you for supporting our school!

I am excited to announce that we have reached 60% overall DOLLARS FOR DAVES donation participation. Our Grade-Level Challenge has wrapped up with some impressive donation percentages:

Kinder/TK - 66%
1st Grade - 68%
2nd Grade - 60%
3rd Grade - 66%
4th Grade - 57%
5th Grade - 47%

Don't forget that DOLLARS FOR DAVES donations are tax-deductible. You can still make a donation at www.davesavehsc.org/donate.

Enjoy the rest of your week, and don't forget that our Safe Routes to School Scooter-to-School Day is next Wednesday, November 13th.

Best,
Lani Harr - president@davesavehsc.org
President, Daves Avenue Home & School Club

Los Gatos Education Foundation

\$200 Extra for Your Child

Here is an easy way to support your school, your teachers, and your child. For a limited time, local business, Hall & Burnett Orthodontics, will add \$200 to every \$800 donation* to LGEF. (*up to \$12,000 in matching funds).

Your donation funds essential teachers and staff in art, health, math, STEM, PE, and so much more. If you have not yet made a contribution, right now is a fantastic time.

But hurry! The matching grant ends on November 22, 2019
Donate today at www.lgef.org.

Green Team

The Green Team has started off strong!

We've worked on promoting the team and now have a teacher liaison to improve communication and support among our teachers. We had an eco-scavenger hunt, and planted seeds and starter plants. We also made garden mosaic stones and had our first TFT Raffle. The best is yet to come!

We are still open to registration for grades 2 to 5. Register today at www.davesavehsc.org/green-team.

Parenting Continuum

Parenting Continuum is excited to present our second educational event of the school year.

GET THE SCOOP ON VAPING

Kimbal Stanley, Los Gatos Monte Sereno Police Department School Resource Officer, will be presenting a close look at the dangers and challenges of popular vaping devices. He will answer questions and help guide parents on how to handle this trend. Please join us for this free event funded by your Home & School Club donations.

Location: Fisher MPR

Date: Tonight, Wednesday, November 6

Time: 6:30pm-8:00pm

For more information, please see the flyer available in the front office.

Please sign up at

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0c49a5ae2baaf94-vaping1>.

Book Fair Continues

Don't Forget to stop by the Daves Avenue Library for Some Holiday Shopping!

HOURS

*Today, November 6: 8am - 9pm (extended hours for late shoppers!)
November 7th and 8th: 8am - 6pm

Cash, Check and Credit Card are accepted!

Questions? Contact Mrs. G. - agoldsmith@lgusd.org - See you at the fair!

“Diary of a Wimpy Kid: Wrecking Ball” is no available!

I will also take pre-orders for the new Dog Man (Fetch 22), which will be delivered on release day, Tuesday 12/10.

Safe Routes to School Safety Tip #2

Riding a scooter? Don't forget your helmet!

Riding a scooter? You, like cyclists, are required by law to wear a helmet. Make sure you protect your head and don't forget your helmet! Learn more at www.lgsaferoutes.org

Los Gatos Holiday Parade

Dear Students and Parents,

We would like to invite you to participate in the Los Gatos Children's Holiday Parade on Saturday December 7th. This year, the Los Gatos Education Foundation would like to showcase some of our wonderful music students. We need fourth and fifth grade students to play recorder and third grade students to play percussion instruments to help represent the Los Gatos Education Foundation (LGEF) in the parade.

If you are interested, please let us know via email by Friday November 8th. You will need to be able to play the attached music, attend all rehearsals, and attend the parade. You will receive a shirt and Santa hat to wear for the parade.

Rehearsals at Van Meter Elementary School:

Thursday 11/14 at Van Meter room 21 from 3:15-3:45pm

Tuesday 11/19 at Van Meter room 21 from 3:15-3:45pm

Friday 12/6 at Van Meter room 21 from 3:15-3:45pm

Parade

Saturday December 7th downtown Los Gatos – parade starts at 11, but parade participants arrive earlier (please plan to be available 9 am-1:30 pm)

Please let us know if you have any questions.

Thanks,

Karen Anderson-Miller and Ana George

For more information, contact Karen Anderson-Miller (kamiller@lgusd.org) for Daves Avenue and Van Meter and Ana George (ageorge@lgusd.org) for Blossom Hill and Lexington

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Donate to our Troops

TOO MUCH HALLOWEEN CANDY? DONATE YOUR EXTRA TO SUPPORT OUR TROOPS

Ms. Gigi in the Health Office will be collecting extra Halloween candy to donate to Operation Interdependence (www.oidelivers.org). Operation Interdependence provides military care packages and support to active military members overseas and to veterans at home. You can drop your unopened, individually wrapped candy to the Health Office until November 8th. Contact Gigi Harrell (gharrell@lgusd.org) with any questions.

Calendar

THE WEEK

Wednesday 11/6 - Parenting Continuum, “Vaping”, 6:30pm, Fisher MPR

Monday 11/11 - Veterans Day - NO SCHOOL

Wednesday 11/13 - Scooter to School Day