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## Principal's Message

Video Greeting From Principal Mittleman:

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1AGQfb8eUjta8-fCVT9CP-m8R7itPt7fG/view>

Greeting Daves Avenue Families,

I hope this message finds you and your family healthy and well as we work through the sixth week of the Shelter-in-Place order. At this time, it is important that we continue to adhere to the guidelines and stay strong in our efforts to slow the spread of the COVID-19 Virus.

As you know, our Remote Learning journey has evolved over the last several weeks and this past Monday we formally instituted Phase 3.

Below is a link to a recently published document that answers frequently asked questions about LGUSD's Remote Learning program where you can find information about:

- *What lens has the district used to make decisions about Remote Learning?*
- *What is meant by asynchronous and synchronous learning?*
- *What are the instructional platforms being utilized during Remote Learning?*

- *What resources are available for families who wish to enrich or extend Remote Learning activities in their home?*
- *What resources are available to help parents cope with this unprecedented experience?*
- *What if I have questions about Special Education or my child's 504 Plan?*
- *What is the amount of work time expected for my child each day?*
- *How are we going to measure progress during Remote Learning?*
- *How will I know if my child has met the standards for their grade level?*
- *Will all students be moving onto the next grade level?*

### [LGUSD Remote Learning FAQ's](#)

Additionally, here are some additional resources available to all Daves Avenue Families:

[Art with Mrs. Martin](#)

[Social-Emotional Activities/Self-Care Tips for Students](#)

[Library w/ Mrs. Goldsmith](#)

[Tips for building a schedule at home](#)

[Music TK-5th](#)

Please remind your Cool Cat(s) that Spirit Day is this Friday~ wear your sunglasses

Link to Mittleman Challenge #4:

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1jZjsd5i3Hek1spyzXvVrQGGQUZGETvOG/view?usp=sharing>

Be well,

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

Principal, Daves Avenue Elementary School

## **Administrative Assistant's Day**

Today we take a moment to appreciate our two wonderful Daves Avenue administrative assistants, Amy Garza and Sue Esquivel. These two ladies do so much to keep our front office running smoothly while greeting our Daves community daily with a smile.

We miss you both very much and can't wait to see you soon.

Happy Administrative Assistant's Day!

## **2020-2021 School Year**

THERE ARE MANY OPPORTUNITIES TO CHAIR SCHOOL PROGRAMS AND EVENTS FOR 2020-2021!

The H&SC Board will be hosting a Zoom meeting tomorrow Thursday, April 23rd at 9:30am for all current Chairs and any parent who is interested in learning more about these wonderful opportunities. Are you interested in volunteering your time to facilitate these great programs and events for our children and our community? Please join!

Principal Mittleman will also be at the meeting to talk about the current and future state of affairs at Daves Avenue.

Zoom Meeting Link:

[https://www.google.com/url?q=https://zoom.us/j/99213553934?pwd%3DSW5TcVdvUUdFWnVMQ3k0Z3doRU1kdz09&sa=D&ust=1587932883180000&usg=AOvVaw20H1lwrfmJsikSk\\_Oe47UN](https://www.google.com/url?q=https://zoom.us/j/99213553934?pwd%3DSW5TcVdvUUdFWnVMQ3k0Z3doRU1kdz09&sa=D&ust=1587932883180000&usg=AOvVaw20H1lwrfmJsikSk_Oe47UN)

Thursday, April 23rd at 9:30am

Meeting ID: 992 1355 3934

Password: 558540

## OPEN CHAIR POSITIONS FOR 2020-2021

5th Grade Party Co-Chairs  
Carnival Chair and Co-Chair  
Bingo Night Chair and Co-Chair  
CASA Chair  
Champions of Math Co-Chair  
Fun Run Chair and Co-Chairs  
FunVisors Volunteers  
New Family Committee Chair and Co-Chair  
Parenting Continuum Co-Chair  
Play Producer Chair and Co-Chair  
Project Cornerstone Co-Chairs  
Safe Routes to School Chair and Co-Chair  
Science Fair Chair and Co-Chair  
Staff Appreciation Chair and Co-Chair  
Yearbook Chair and Co-Chair  
Tech Action Team Chair

To learn more about specific positions, read the descriptions here:

[https://drive.google.com/file/d/1p3aEDGka\\_5qpma1odoXdvVBUfLflcnFV/view?usp=sharing](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1p3aEDGka_5qpma1odoXdvVBUfLflcnFV/view?usp=sharing)

We look forward to seeing you!

## **Proposed Budget for the 2020-2021 School Year**

Click here to view the proposed budget for the next school year:

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1PKdi-ynvjozm1zM03cAP-MYWYLzLHGfM/view?usp=sharing>

## **Virtual Science Fair!**

## **STEAM Showcase!**

Have you been measuring the rainwater during this wet time at home? Did you learn how to bake bread using unique ingredients? Have you gone for a nature walk or out to study the stars? There are so many ways to keep your creative minds stimulated during this time at home. If you would like to share a project you've been working on, we'd love to see it! Please send a short (~1 minute) video of your student with their creation or experimental findings! Please have the student state their name, grade, and teacher and send videos to [Davesavemakers@gmail.com](mailto:Davesavemakers@gmail.com). We will feature these projects in The Avenue and on our website! Please submit all projects by **May 1, 2020**.

Here are some ideas to get you started:

[Science Fun](#)

[Mommy Poppins](#)

Science Technology Engineering Art Mathematics- STEAM your Mind!

## **Green Team**

Hello Green Team and fellow stewards of the environment!

We wanted to reach out to you all in hopes you and your loved ones are staying healthy during this unprecedented time. We want to let you know we are still here, still working, and will return once we get back to school to carry on our mission and "stay green".

During our shelter-in-place, many things are still moving forward. Our new shirts have arrived, we've started our Spring gardens at home, and we've used the compost that we learned to make during our sessions in our own garden. We also have a new arch to hang our "Daves Avenue Garden of Wisdom" sign from, and a couple of decorative mobile garden wagons to plant herbs and other small plants.

This week is Earth Week, and Earth Day is Today! We had planned several fun and educational things for this year's Earth Week prior to the shelter-in-place, but no worries, we can explore those ideas in the coming months!

If you are looking for activities to keep the spirit of Green Team and environmental stewardship relevant during this time, or simply for things to do, the following site has a lot of great ideas and digital resources:

<https://projectgreenschools.org>.

The following site has some great free movies to watch this week with the family, in honor of Earth Week:

<https://openspacetrust.org/event/wild-scenic-film-festival-virtual/>

Remember to stay green and stay healthy!!

Stephani Regalia & Jodi Dutta  
Daves Avenue Green Team

## **Exercise With Coach Rance**

While we are staying home, exercising to keep our students' bodies and minds healthy is more important than ever. Watch this video with your kids to see Coach Rance say Hello! The first workout video for our TK/Kindergarten students has been posted on our Coach Rance Page ([www.davesavehsc.org/coachrance](http://www.davesavehsc.org/coachrance))!

Check the page tomorrow for the first video for 1st and 2nd grades, and on Friday for 3rd-5th grades.

The schedule starting next week will be:

TK/Kindergarten - Mondays

1st-2nd Grades - Wednesdays

3rd-5th Grades - Fridays

## **Library Time with Mrs. G**

### Online Library Hours

12pm to 1pm TK/Kindergarten

1pm to 2pm 1st Grade

2pm to 3pm 2nd Grade

3pm to 4pm 3rd Grade

4pm to 5pm 4th Grade

5pm to 6pm 5th Grade

To join a meeting, click this link:

<https://zoom.us/j/581572373?pwd=d0lDSk9lancUNINaRm1vTGQxRmx5dz09>

Also visit the Daves Avenue Library Webpage

([https://daves.lgusd.org/apps/pages/index.jsp?uREC\\_ID=220331&type=d&pREC\\_ID=484288](https://daves.lgusd.org/apps/pages/index.jsp?uREC_ID=220331&type=d&pREC_ID=484288)) for additional information about online reading resources through our public libraries.

If you have any questions, please email Mrs. G at [agoldsmith@lgusd.org](mailto:agoldsmith@lgusd.org).

## **Community**

Feed Our Heroes is a campaign, led by our Los Gatos Education community, to supply free meals to local healthcare workers fighting the coronavirus.

The campaign has already raised money for over 2,200 meals, but more are needed. All meals are sourced from Los Gatos restaurants, providing local businesses much-needed support during these tough times.

A simple meal at the end of a long shift is well-deserved thanks to our healthcare worker's dedication and service.

We hope you will join us and contribute to Feed Our Heroes.

Visit: [Feed Our Heroes](#)

All donations are tax-deductible and 100% of the funds go towards purchasing meals.

Feed Our Heroes fits alongside #FeedTheNeed BayArea, another local initiative led by the Los Gatos Chamber of Commerce.

#FeedTheNeedBayArea provides meals for the most vulnerable Los Gatos citizens (seniors, displaced workers, low-income families), while Feed Our Heroes supports healthcare workers. Both campaigns are worthy of your support.

## Calendar

**The district wide school closure has been extended through the end of the regular school year. See the following message from Superintendent Paul Johnson.**

<https://mail.google.com/mail/u/2/?tab=wm&ogbl#inbox/FMfcgxwHMZRzVTCbKHCCkwvKhDhnznNv>