

# Dragon Dispatch

November 9, 2018



**Dilworth Elementary School**  
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**Board of Education:** Liang Chao, Anjali Kausar, Kristen Lyn, Soma McCandless, Phyllis Vogel **Superintendent:** Dr. Craig Baker

**TRAFFIC VOLUNTEERS** - Thank you to all the parents that volunteer each week to help with Traffic Duty. We greatly appreciate your support in helping to keep everyone safe. If you would like to volunteer or need to reschedule a shift you signed up for at Back to School Night, please contact Mrs. Gauthier at [gauthier\\_susan@cusdk8.org](mailto:gauthier_susan@cusdk8.org)

**Volunteers for the week of November 13 - 16 are parents from room 5**  
**Volunteers for the week of November 26 - 30 are parents from room 5**

## **CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

Nov. 12 **Veterans Day Holiday – NO SCHOOL**  
Nov. 13-16 Red Ribbon Week  
Nov. 15 Parent Workshop – Screen Time Battles-6:30-8:00  
Nov. 19-23 **Thanksgiving Holiday – NO SCHOOL**  
Nov. 29 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Parent Science Camp Meeting–6:00-7:00  
Dec. 4 Vision Screening (Grades K, 2, 5 & SDC)  
Dec. 7 1<sup>st</sup> Trimester Report Cards sent home  
Dec. 11 Dine-Out – Mod Pizza at Westgate – 11:00 – 10:00  
Dec. 17-21 Scholastic Book Fair – 8:30 – 3:00  
Dec. 24–Jan.4 **WINTER RECESS – NO SCHOOL**  
Jan. 7 Students Return to School  
Jan. 10 HSC Meeting 7:00 p.m.  
Jan. 11 Family Movie Night 6:00-9:00 GLC  
Jan. 14 SSC Meeting 7:45 a.m.  
Jan. 21 **MLK DAY – NO SCHOOL**

## **PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE**

It was so much fun to see everyone at Walkaround last Saturday. This community event is always one of my favorite days of the school year. Events like Walkaround would not be possible without volunteers. Thank you to our Walkaround chair, Maggie Rangan, Susan Gauthier, and all of the parents and staff members who gave your time to help make the event a great success. The tax donation letters will go home right after the Thanksgiving break.

Our annual disaster drill will take place on Friday, November 30<sup>th</sup>. This year, we will rehearse our response to an earthquake. In classrooms, students and teachers will practice Duck, Cover, and Hold as well as our safe evacuation procedures. These important annual drills ensure that our students and staff are well prepared for emergency scenarios. You may want to debrief with your child and discuss your household procedures in the event of a fire, earthquake, or other emergency. Having a plan in place helps ease fears and makes sure we are all prepared. Ms. Johnson

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## **REMINDERS.....**

### **ATTENDANCE:**

If your child will be absent, please call 408-253-2850 ext. 6 by 9:00 a.m. to report the absence.

### **EVERY TUESDAY:**

All grades are dismissed at 1:55 p.m. Students should be picked up promptly.

### **STUDENT DROP-OFF:**

Do not drop students off at school before 8:15 a.m., student supervision is not provided until then.

### **VOLUNTEERING AT SCHOOL**

If you would like to volunteer at Dilworth, you must have completed the following things:

- Volunteer Agreement Form
- Provide TB Test, up-to-date
- Fingerprinting by our district, FORMS ARE IN THE OFFICE.

## **RED RIBBON WEEK**

We will observe national Red Ribbon Week on Tuesday, November 13 through Friday, November 16. Students will receive Red Ribbon incentives, such as ribbons and pencils, with drug-free messages. On Tuesday, November 13, we are asking students to wear red clothing to school. Each classroom will create a Red Ribbon message display on doors or windows.

During this week, we will explore our life-long commitment to a drug-free, healthy, safe lifestyle. Teachers will discuss Red Ribbon themes in each grade level, and students will read and discuss literature selections designed to strengthen self-esteem, values, and confidence. You can support this teaching with family discussions about health, safety, and values. A strong value system and parental support can empower students to make positive choices rather than be influenced by peer pressure.

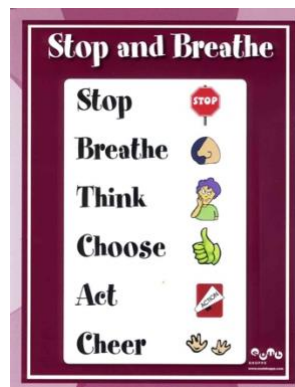
## **DRAGONCARE AFTERSCHOOL PROGRAM**

We are excited to announce that, starting on January 7<sup>th</sup>, we will be offering a comprehensive after school program at Dilworth Elementary School called DragonCare. This program, managed by Communication Academy and in partnership with CuperDoodle, will run from 2:30 PM-6:30 PM Monday-Friday. DragonCare will take place in Rooms 25 and 26 at Dilworth and include high quality care and enrichment for students. Flyers with additional information will be in the Friday folder. To register, go to: <https://tinyurl.com/DilworthDragonCare>.

We will also continue to offer additional enrichment classes on campus, including chess, band, Hindi, and sports classes. For those, you will continue to go to PeachJar for information and sign-up.

## **SOULSHOPPE**

Our second SoulShoppe Workshop took place this week. Students learned a new tool called Stop and Breathe. With Stop and Breathe, they are taught to check in and be aware of how they are feeling, and then ask themselves "what do you need?" Our trainer taught the students four different calming breaths to use- starfish, check-in, buddy breath, and balloon. Ask your child to show you each breath and share with you when they think each one would be helpful!



## **ANNUAL YEARBOOK 2018-19**

Online ordering is now available for our 2018 - 2019 school yearbook. The regular price for the yearbook is \$30, which includes two free custom pages. TreeRing, our publisher, is offering 5% off Yearbooks purchased by Nov. 30, so you can order early and save! If you have an account from last year simply log in at [www.treering.com](http://www.treering.com) to place your order. To set up a new account: Log on to [www.TreeRing.com/validate](http://www.TreeRing.com/validate) and enter our school's passcode 1013461755883829. Once you have an account, you will also be able to upload and share photos on our Dilworth TreeRing site. If you have any questions or are interested in helping to create yearbook pages, please contact Nicky Sardar at [sardar.nicky@gmail.com](mailto:sardar.nicky@gmail.com)

## **DIGITAL LIBRARY/ eBOOKS**

The Cupertino Union School district has a wonderful digital library that all students have access to.

An informational flyer will be going home explaining how to access this library 24/7, Here is a copy for your convenience, [ebook brochure](#). If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact Mrs. Gauthier at [Gauthier\\_susan@cusdk8.org](mailto:Gauthier_susan@cusdk8.org)

## **TRAFFIC SAFETY:**

In order to keep our parking lots safe and efficient, please drive into the parking lots and pull ALL THE WAY FORWARD. Stop at the curb and let your children out of the car. You should not exit the car. Your children should have their backpacks ready to go with them in the car. Do not allow

## **PARENT WORKSHOP: SCREEN TIME BATTLES: HOW TO WIN**

**THEM** - Come spend a fun evening learning some new tricks and tips for dealing with screen time issues! Mary Eschen is a popular local parenting educator, as well as a Life and Parenting Coach. Her entertaining style and energy will put you back in the driver's seat with some new ideas on how to set reasonable electronic limits based on age, what types of parent controls to use and what to do when things get out of control.

Thursday, November 15, 2018  
6:30pm – 8:00pm – In The GLC

[SIGN UP HERE](#)

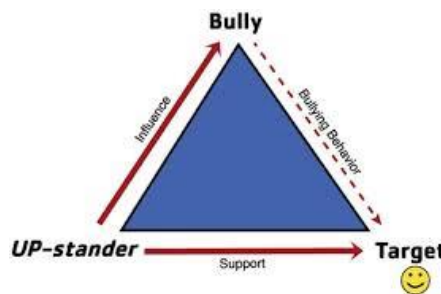
## **SECOND HARVEST FOOD BANK**

The Morning Enrichment students are organizing the annual food drive. We are teaming up with the Second Harvest Food Bank. The Second Harvest Food Bank of Santa Clara and San Mateo Counties is a private non-profit organization that collects and distributes more than 26 million pounds of food each year to low-income children, adults, and seniors. We have donation bins in the office and GLC. When your collection bag comes home today, please, fill the bag and have your child bring it to school next week. Our goal is to collect 2,000 pounds of food. Items that are needed the most include; powdered milk, peanut butter, baby formula, cereal, and canned meats - like chili, stews, and pastas. Please do not send in anything that is in a glass container. Thank you and we look forward to your support! Mrs. Gauthier and the Morning Enrichment students.

**PROJECT CORNERSTONE: SAY SOMETHING** - This month's Project Cornerstone book- *Say Something* by Peggy Moss- is a powerful story in which the narrator sees and hears teasing, put-downs, pushing, and other forms of bully behaviors at her school. Because she's confused about what to do, she doesn't do anything at first. However, her responses change as she gains understanding and empathy. The parent readers will be talking about the power of being an UPstander during their lessons in the classroom. Be sure to ask your child what this means!

### **HOW YOU CAN WORK ON THESE SKILLS AT HOME:**

- Talk about ways that each family member is an *UPstander* at home!
- Review the *UPstander* Triangle with your family.
- Role-play different scenarios to practice *UPstander* behaviors, words you can say, and actions to take if someone needs your help.
- *Say or do* something when someone needs help.



your child to cross in front of traffic.

## **STUDENT SPOTLIGHT: DRAGON CITIZENS OF THE MONTH**

At our Terrific Tuesday assembly this week, we honored our October Dragon Citizens of the Month. These students were selected by their teachers and classmates for exemplifying our Dragon Rules: Be Safe, Be Respectful, Be Responsible, and Be Caring. Congratulations to Arav V., Addy Y., Elise K., Yael B., Rocky Z., Serenity L., May M., Yegor M., Mihir M., Snigdha P., Niyati R., Riya A., Ariana A., Joshua L., Arelyn M., Angelina B., Dawson M., Nayna K., and Harita V.

## **VISITING SCHOOL**

ALL VISITORS ON CAMPUS, those entering classrooms as volunteers or meeting with teachers, MUST sign in at the office and obtain a visitor's badge when school is in session. For the safety of all, we need to know who is on campus. The only exceptions are student arrival and dismissal times. If you are taking your child out of school for any reason, ALWAYS sign your child out from school through the office and back in when he/she returns.

