

# Dragon Dispatch

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**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 December 3 - 14 are parents from room 6**

## **CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

Dec. 4 Vision Screening (Grades K, 2, 5 & SDC)  
Dec. 7 Principal's Coffee - 8:30 in the GLC  
Dec. 7 1<sup>st</sup> Trimester Report Cards sent home  
Dec. 11 Dine-Out - Mod Pizza at Westgate - 11:00 -10:00 pm  
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**  
Jan. 22 Hearing Screening (Grades 1, 2, 5 & SDC)  
Jan. 31 Science Night GLC (Science In Wonderland)  
K - 2 - 6:00 - 6:45  
3 - 5 - 6:45 - 7:30

## **PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE**

Welcome to the busy holiday season! At our school-wide assembly this Tuesday, we talked about how this is the Season of Giving. I encouraged students to think about ways they can give back to their families and community, including simple appreciations like saying thank you, giving a hug, or offering to clean the dinner dishes! We also have two giving projects on campus right now- the Family Giving Tree and Second Harvest Food Drive. Please read our newsletter for information about both of these efforts!

This Friday is our annual disaster drill takes place. We 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

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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.

in place helps ease fears and makes sure we are all prepared.

Next Friday at 8:30 AM I will hold a Principal's Coffee in the GLC talking about Common Core Math. We'll also have the staff from Communication Academy here to share about our new after school program, DragonCare, and answer any questions you may have. Hope to see you there! Ms. Johnson

### **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.

### **SECOND HARVEST FOOD DRIVE**

The Morning Enrichment students are organizing the annual holiday 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. 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.

### **FAMILY GIVING TREE**

Do you want to help others have a happy holiday season? The 3<sup>rd</sup> grade classes are working with Family Giving Tree to fulfill wishes for the less fortunate and we need your help! In the Dilworth Office there is a Christmas Tree with holiday wish tags and a request for a toothbrush to go with each wish. Please consider taking a tag from the tree to make a wish come true. Students need to be with an adult when taking a wish tag. Show the secretaries the tag you take so we can keep track of them. Gifts should be unwrapped and are due in the office by Friday, December 7<sup>th</sup>. You can also take a tag to donate money. They will be happy and appreciate your kindness!

### **CUSD KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION INFORMATION**

Registration for the 2019-2020 school year for **Kindergarten** and **new** students is underway. The **priority registration window** is October 29, 2018, through February 14, 2019. Online

### **ANNUAL YEARBOOK**

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. 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. We have an informational flyer explaining how to access this library 24/7. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to ask Mrs. Gauthier [ebook brochure](#)

**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 your child to cross in front of traffic.

registration **must be** done before completing the registration process. If you have a Kindergartener to register (or know a family

in your neighborhood who does), please sign up for a 30-minute appointment at the Dilworth School Office:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0B4DADA629ABF49-kindergarten3>

If none of the days/times listed work for your schedule, please call or email Clarinda Cuen at the Dilworth Office to schedule an alternate time. You can reach her at 408-253-2850 ext. 65103 or [cuen\\_clarinda@cusdk8.org](mailto:cuen_clarinda@cusdk8.org). Paperwork you **must** bring to the registration appointment:

1. Print out of online registration
2. Student's birth certificate or passport
3. Student's immunization records
4. Current lease agreement
5. Parent Photo ID (Driver's license or passport)

**PROJECT CORNERSTONE CORNER: TROUBLE TALK** - Our book for this month is *Trouble Talk* by Trudy Ludwig. This book is about the power of words and ways they can be destructive. The main characters experience hurtful words within the guise of friendship and learn how to turn *trouble talk* into *healthy talk*. *Healthy talk* provides ways to use words in a helpful, constructive manner to build friendships. In today's technological world, rumors can be spread anonymously and cause wide, irreparable damage. As digital citizens we must make choices to avoid causing harm. The goals of the lesson our Project Cornerstone parents will provide all students include:

- Develop and maintain friendships with *healthy talk*.
- Empower each student to be a *friendship role model*.
- Learn how to make a *genuine apology*.
- Stop and *THINK* (is it True, Helpful, Inspiring, Necessary, Kind?)
- Be an *UPstander!*

**To reinforce this lesson at home:**

- Remember that **you are a role model in your home and community**. Children watch everything you *do and say*.
- Remind your child the strategies discussed in class:
  - **Refuse to listen** when friends are gossiping.
  - **Don't repeat** rumors or gossip to others.
  - **Question the accuracy** of the rumor.
  - **Say something positive** about the target of the rumor.
  - **Tell a trusted adult** and discuss the options.

Today, rumors and gossip are often spread beyond the bathroom walls and into the digital world, which makes it possible for rumors to spread even further and even more quickly. To learn how to help your kids navigate this online world, visit the website of Common Sense Media at [www.common Sense Media.org](http://www.common Sense Media.org)

### **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.

### **STUDENT SPOTLIGHT: ROBOTICS DESIGN AWARD**

On November 17<sup>th</sup>, a group of our very own Dilworth Dragons competed in Folsom, California at the First Lego League robotics competition called Into Orbit. Their team, named Ground Breakers, won the Best Robot Design Award. Congratulations Niles C., Sachit G., Arnav K., and Nikhil P.!!

