

Dragon Dispatch

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TRAFFIC DUTY FOR MAR. 19 - 23 ARE PARENTS FROM ROOM 16

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

This week our 5th graders headed off to Science Camp for one of the great adventures and culminating activities of elementary school. I'd like to thank the 5th grade teachers and parents who made this experience possible for our students. I hope you all had a great time hiking, exploring Big Basin, and learning about ways to conserve our local ecosystem.

Traditional events like Science Camp, Read Across America Day last Friday, and Family Literacy Night last Wednesday, are great reminders of what a supportive, enthusiastic community Dilworth Is. I thank all of our students, staff and parents for their participation in these events!

In case of an emergency, we know you want your child and the school to be as prepared as possible. Dilworth has an excellent emergency plan in place. As prepared as we are, we still continue to be vigilant and work with the district office and the local law enforcement to review and practice our monthly fire drills, as well as an annual earthquake and run, hide and defend drills.

You can help us keep our campus safe by checking in to the school office and getting a yellow visitor badge whenever you are here to volunteer. This helps staff and students easily identify anyone on our campus during school hours. Please also follow our school procedures of dropping off lunches at the cart by the front office and not asking your child to meet you near the benches or parking lot. Our efforts and your cooperation will help us maintain a safe campus.

If you have any questions, concerns, or thoughts please feel free to email me.

Ms. Johnson

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Mar. 13 - Dine-Out California Pizza Kitchen at Valley Fair 12-9

Mar. 15 - Build Engineer Invent Festival - K - 2 - 6:00 - 6:50
3 - 5 - 7:00 - 7:50

Mar. 16 - 2nd Trimester Report Cards go home

April 2 - SSC Meeting 7:45 a.m.

April 3 - Dine-Out Chipotle at Westgate 4-8

April 6 - Principal Coffee 8:30

April 12 - HSC Meeting 7-8

April 13 - Spring Photos 8:30

April 16-20 - **SPRING BREAK**

April 26 - Science Fair 6-7 - GLC

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, please contact Mrs. Gauthier at: gauthier_susan@cusdk8.org

District and Community News



DILWORTH 2017-2018 PARENT SURVEY

One of the responsibilities of Dilworth's School Site Council is to survey the parents annually for input regarding our school programs. We use the survey results to evaluate and enhance these programs so we can continue to provide a rich learning environment for our students.

Your input is critical in helping us determine how well our programs are working. We ask you to take a few moments to fill out this year's Parent Survey. Please do not miss this opportunity to voice your opinion on your children's education programs.

Filling out the survey is easy:

Take the survey at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/VWB2QNR> or go to the school website at <https://www.cusdk8.org/dilworth> and click on "Parent Survey."

Please fill out the survey once for each child you have at Dilworth. Since you provide no personal data, your answers will be completely confidential. The survey window runs March 9th-23rd. We greatly appreciate your timely response. Thank you for helping us to better serve your children!

Any questions about the survey, please contact Mrs. Gauthier at gauthier_susan@cusdk8.org

COMMUNITY DINE OUT NIGHT

Please plan to join us on Tuesday, March 13th for either lunch or dinner at California Pizza Kitchen. Enjoy a great meal with family and friends to celebrate a Terrific Tuesday! CPK will be donating 20% of all food and beverage sales to Dilworth Home and School Club. Simply mention Dilworth by presenting the flyer that is going home in the Friday folder. This offer is valid for dine-in and take out. You must present the flyer for Dilworth to receive the 20% donation.



CAASPP TESTING: APRIL 23RD- MAY 11TH

Our annual state testing for students in 3rd-5th grade will take place this spring. Third and fourth graders will take untimed tests in English-Language Arts and Math; fifth graders will take these exams as well as a Science test. **Short-term independent study contracts will not be approved during these weeks for students in grades 3-5. Please try to avoid scheduling medical or dental appointments during school hours for this time period as well.** You can read more about these assessments on our school website: www.cusdk8.org/dilworth

You can help your child prepare for this testing period by making sure your child is:

- Getting a good night's sleep each night.
- Eating a full, healthy breakfast every morning.
- Arriving to school on time each day.
- Reading a wide variety of fiction and non-fiction material.



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.

VISITORS ON CAMPUS:

All visitors must stop by the office to sign in and obtain a yellow visitor badge.

THE LAWRENCE HALL OF SCIENCE BUILD, ENGINEER, and INVENT FESTIVAL ON THURSDAY, MARCH 15th.

Explore the exciting world of construction and design as you build, engineer, and invent! This hands-on design challenge experience brings out the engineer and architect in everyone. Explore building in two and three dimensions while discovering the design properties involved in constructing giant structures, bridges, rockets, and more! Explore how engineering plays a huge role in the world we live in. Due to space limitations, there will be two sessions offered - 6:00-6:50 for Kinder- 2nd and 7:00-7:50 for 3rd-5th. Both sessions are exactly the same. A Family Donation of \$10.00 is requested to cover the cost of this event.

PROJECT CORNERSTONE CORNER

This month's ABC book: "Through My Eyes" by Ruby Bridges is the true story of a six-year-old black girl who on November 14, 1960 walked through a mob of screaming segregationists escorted by Federal Marshals into her new school in New Orleans, Louisiana. Surrounded by racial turmoil, Ruby spent first grade learning to read with the help of one supportive teacher. All students will have this story read aloud in their classrooms by our parent volunteers. The goals of accompanying lesson include:

- Promoting discussion about the importance of tolerance and acceptance of differences.
- Learning how it feels to walk in someone else's shoes.
- Practicing techniques to promote a sense of belonging in our school communities by relying on personal power as UPstanders to include all students.

Some questions you can ask your child to reinforce these concepts at home are: How do you feel when you are treated unfairly by others? Why? Which injustices in the world bother you most? What can our family do about injustice, hunger, and poverty? When you "catch" kids modeling positive behaviors... Notice, Name it, and Celebrate it!

STUDENT SPOTLIGHT: DRAGON CITIZENS OF THE MONTH

Please join me in congratulating the following students, who have been recognized by their teachers and/or peers as our February Dragon Citizens of the Month: Sonakshi G., Leah Z., Vyom B., Kelly K., Oliver W., Sophia M., Vedanshi P., Kaeyun T., Arnav K., Andreas P., Lorie W., Hiran V., Lex H., Dishita A., Megan L., Eliot Y., and Alex P. These students are being honored for their citizenship at school, being helpful, patient, kind, caring and hard-working.

STUDENT SPOTLIGHT: MUSIC

Many of our students spend hours every week practicing musical instruments and developing valuable skills in the visual and performing arts. Recently, one of our 3rd grade students, Andreas P. competed in the United States Open Music Competition in Oakland, California. Andreas won second place playing a piano piece by composer David Kraehenbuehl called "Takin' it Easy." Congratulations, Andreas!

BOOKS AND BEYOND

The second round of Books and Beyond ended last week. Reading log sheets are being tallied and participation incentives will be sent home one day next week. The final round ends on April 13th, so keep reading. Mrs. Gauthier

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME

begins this Saturday night. Don't forget to move your clocks ahead by 1 hour!

WALKING CLUB UPDATE: CONGRATULATIONS 20-MILERS!

As part of our physical education program, many classes do a weekly Walking Club. The following students have put forth great effort to improve their physical fitness and have walked/run 20 miles so far this year: Isabelle W., Soham J., Emily M., and Timothy L .

Pizza with a purpose

Bring in this flyer, present it to your server and we'll donate 20% of your check to the organization listed below. Purchases include dine-in, takeout, catering and all beverages.

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Santa Clara, CA95050
408-243-0081

Join the **Pizza Dough® Rewards** program and receive a **free Small Plate** on your next visit after registering. Register today at cpk.com or download our new app today!



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