

Dragon Dispatch



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Board of Education - Anjali Kausar, Josephine Lucey, Kristen Lyn, Soma McCandless, Phylis Vogel Superintendent – Wendy Gudalewicz

Traffic Duty Volunteers

September 12 - 15 parents from room 28

September 19 - 23 parents from room 26

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sept. 12, 2016	SSC Meeting 7:45 a.m.
Sept. 14, 2016	Superintendent's Coffee 8:30 a.m. in the GLC
Sept. 16, 2016	STAFF LEARNING DAY – NO SCHOOL
Oct. 3, 2016	SSC Meeting 7:45 a.m.
Oct. 6 – 14, 2016	Parent Conferences – School Hours 8:30 – 1:10

Good afternoon, Dilworth families:

Welcome to September! It was nice to see many of you on campus last week for Back to School Night.

As we settle into the rhythm of the school year, I hope you will consider volunteering at school in some capacity. There are many ways you can help out: from joining the class on a field trip, helping plan a class party, facilitating math centers once a week, volunteering to help monitor the parking, attending a Home and School Club meeting, and so much more. Your involvement makes a difference in the lives of our students! For fingerprinting and TB testing information, please stop by the office.

Another way you can help is by helping make sure you and everyone who picks up your children are following our **traffic safety guidelines**. Drop off and pick up are busy times of day and we all need to make sure we are driving safely. Please keep in mind the following:

1. The first half of the Strayer parking lot is for school buses only. Do not block this driveway.
2. Pull all the way forward and come to a complete stop before letting your children out of the car.
3. Never leave your car unattended in the drive-through lanes. If you want to walk your child to class, park on the street and walk with them.
4. Make sure your child crosses in crosswalks only- not through the parking lot or across the street!

At Back to School Night, your child's teacher had bright pink forms where you could sign up to **help monitor traffic** in our parking lots. Each class is assigned two weeks where we ask parents to help our staff at drop off and pick up. If you did not sign up but can spare 15 minutes a day for a few days, please let your child's teacher know. Stay up to date with what is happening on campus by making sure you are signed up for our Yahoo! blast and please follow us on Twitter at @DilworthDragon! Ms. Johnson

LIBRARY NEWS - The library is officially open and has been a very busy place this week. I've enjoyed meeting all the new students, as well as visiting with our returning ones. I am enjoying hearing about what everyone has read this summer.

Due to an injury, I was not able to be here to close the library for summer. There are many students that still have library books checked out. It may be they were left in the classroom or that they are at home. Your help is needed in getting them returned, please.

Your child will visit our library once a week with his/her class. The library is also open at recess. We will spend the next few weeks reviewing library procedures and expectations. I will explain to students that books are treasures that we want to keep safe and around for a very long time so everyone can enjoy them. Please remind your children that there are things they can do to help preserve the shelf life of a book.

1. Always have clean hands when reading a book.
2. Never eat or drink when reading books.
3. Take care when handling books. Books are considered fragile.

4. Store your books in a clean, safe, dry location when not in use.
5. Never write or draw in a library book.

The Dilworth Library Birthday Book Club will once again be an opportunity for our library to grow. Celebrate your child's birthday by sharing the joy of reading. To participate, your child either purchases a book from our collection or you can bring in one you have purchased on your own. I then place a special nameplate in the book recognizing the child and his/her birthday. The book is given to the classroom for the teacher to share with the all the students and then it comes into the library for permanent circulation. Additional recognition is shared in the dispatch and on our Birthday Wall in the library.

If you have any questions regarding library procedures, please don't hesitate to contact me. I encourage you to spend time reading with your children. It is a special treat for you and your child. Thanks, and Happy Reading!! Mrs. Gauthier

EMERGENCY FOOD PACKS - If you are new to Dilworth, please don't forget to turn in your request form and payment for an Emergency Food Pack. Individual student emergency packs are an important part of our school's emergency preparedness plan. If a significant earthquake or other major disaster occurs during school time, you might not be able to pick your child up for quite some time, and having a supply of non-perishable food and water is essential. Our convenient, safe, nutritionally sound, and hermetically sealed kits are an easy way to provide emergency food and water for our students. These individual 3-day emergency supply kits are the most convenient way to provide consistency among our children, as well as ensure adequate nutrition for up to three days without the potential for spoilage. Snack foods provided in homemade kits often have a high salt content that can be thirst provoking and also often lack proper nutritional value. If you have any questions regarding the emergency food pack program, please contact Mrs. Gauthier.

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ROTARY FALL FESTIVAL

Saturday, September 10, 2016 - 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Memorial Park in Cupertino - Free Admission - <http://sv-ff.com/>

As part of its continued community outreach efforts, the Cupertino Union School District will host two, parent and community workshops at the Silicon Valley Fall Festival on Saturday, September 10th at Cupertino's Memorial Park.

Please join Cupertino Union School District staff at the Silicon Valley Fall Festival.
Saturday, September 10, 2016 - 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Senior Center, Memorial Park in Cupertino

Presentation Schedule: 10:00 a.m. - Cupertino Union School District Updates and Successes

Meet with the Superintendent of Schools in the Cupertino Union School District Superintendent, Wendy Gudalewicz. This session will feature District updates including information about state testing results and continued student excellence as well as information about "learner focused classrooms" and the District's Local Control Accountability Plan

12:30 p.m. Instructional Use of Technology - Come learn how students are using technology in the classrooms as an instructional tool to enhance their learning. The session will feature two outstanding CUSD teachers who are recent recipients of the 2016 Cupertino Educational Endowment Foundation (CEEF) Innovative Technology Educator Award.

HSINCHU - HOST AN EXCHANGE STUDENT From HSINCHU CITY, TAIWAN - The City of Cupertino will be welcoming student delegates, 7th, 8th, 9th, 10th, 11th and 12th graders from Hsinchu City, Taiwan as a part of its annual student exchange program. The delegations, along with four chaperons, are scheduled to visit Cupertino from October 29 and November 6, 2016. These students will have the opportunity to experience American Culture and explore our community.

To enhance each student's cultural experience, the Cupertino-Hsinchu Sister City Association (CHSCA), with the support of City of Cupertino, Cupertino Union School District and Fremont Union High School District, invites interested families to participate in this event as hosts to these students. One visiting student will be assigned to each home. While the exchange students will mostly attend organized activities during the week, the host families will have opportunities to arrange activities with the students during weekends. All interested families who have at least one child in grades 7-12 are invited to join the 2014 Host Family Information Meeting below and learn more about this program. Host students in October 2016 will get preferential points toward applying to be the exchange student for 2017 trip to Hsinchu.

Date: Monday, September 12, 2016 - Time: 7:00-8:00 PM

Place: Cupertino City – Community Hall, 10300 Torre Avenue, Cupertino, CA 95014-3202

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