

Leonardo da Vinci eK-8 School

Integrated Thematic Instruction Through Arts & Sciences

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Dates to Remember

Dec 1

Open Studio 3:15 pm 21
Basketball vs Sutter

Dec 2

MS Courtyard mtg 4:30
Class Meetings
K, 4 & 6 gr @ 5:30 pm
PTC 6:30 pm

Dec 3

Open Studio 3:15 pm 21
Basketball vs Still

Dec 4

1-6th gr 1:30 dismissal

Dec 8

Basketball vs Birmey

Dec 10

Basketball vs Bacon

Dec 11

MS Winter Dance 4-6pm

Dec 12&13

ARTLinks Show & Sale @ Track 7

Dec 15

Basketball vs Brannan

Dec 17

Basketball vs Didion

Dec 18

1-8th gr 1:30 dismissal

Your school-related event could be featured here!

This newsletter is distributed every Monday of the school year. The submission deadline is 8:45 am on the last, non-holiday Thursday preceding distribution. Please email your articles to: dsandsons@sbcglobal.net.

Events and services advertised in this newsletter are not necessarily endorsed by LdV PTC or SCUSD.

Published by the parents of Leonardo da Vinci eK-8

Next Issue: Dec 7
Deadline: Dec 3

LdV Mathletes!

The LdV Mathletes Team finished in 3rd place at last week's competition. This is the highest the team has placed, finishing behind only Sam Brannan and Sutter. The team is very happy with their showing, but not quite satisfied. The next competition will be on January 12 at Kennedy High, where the team will look to have even more FUN and perhaps overtake some of the larger middle schools. Go Mathletes! And go LdV!

Help Plan a Fabulous Party

Are you good at planning parties? Do you have a knack for decorating? Do you love food and wine? Then we need you! The planning committee for the next "A Taste of LdV" is meeting tonight at 6pm in the library.

Christmas Shop with Mixed Bag & Support LdV!

We are running an ONLINE fundraiser with Mixed Bag designs from now until Dec 15th! Go to www.mixed-bagdesigns.com and place your orders!! LdV gets 40% of each sale!! They ship directly to you or your gift recipient! \$75 or more and shipping is free!!

Basketball and Snacks!

The basketball snack shack is back! Come watch the boys and girls' basketball teams' home games, bring some extra cash and enjoy hot pizza, drinks and snacks while you watch! All money goes to support the basketball program.

Photos, Photos, Photos

Do you attend school events, like to take photos and want to see your photos in print? If you answered yes to all of these questions, please send any photos you have taken of: Funderland; Mathematica; Middle School Dances; Spirit Week; Harvest Hoedown; Makers Faire to terrie_hammad@hotmail.com or download them to a CD and drop them in the HISTORY box located in Diane's office.

The yearbook committee has already started gathering photos of these events, but can always use more to ensure plenty of variety.

Thank you, Terrie Hammad, LdV Historian & Yearbook Coordinator

Looking to Get More Involved?

PTC is still looking for a volunteer to head up Ways & Means. This is a very important position on PTC, overseeing the fundraising activities that bring enrichment to our students. Without PTC fundraising, Renaissance Faire, Science Fair, Family Science Night - to name a few - can't happen. Ways & Means can be a chair or a committee. Contact diane-soule@scusd.edu if you are interested.

Dolphins!

This week's dolphin is by 8th grader Sasha C.

Class Meetings in Dec

Kinder, 4th & 6th grades will have their meetings on Dec 2 at 5:30 pm instead.

Shortened Days

Friday Dec 4 will be shortened for 1-6th grades. Friday, Dec 18 will be 1:30 pm dismissal for 1-8th gr.

JOOI Club Fall/Winter Project

Beginning now through Dec 4 the LdV JOOI Club will be collecting donations for Operation JOOI Box.

We are collecting small items, such as toys or school supplies, that will fit into a shoebox. Please donate by your child's assigned age group:

- eK & K=girls age 2-4;
- 1st gr=boys age 2-4;
- 2nd gr girls age 5-9;
- 3rd gr=boys age 5-9;
- 4th gr=girls age 10-14;
- 5th gr=boys age 10-14;
- 6th gr=shoeboxes and 25¢ or more to mail gifts around the world;
- 7&8 gr=wrapping paper.

Support Sports with the BEE

You can get 10 weeks of Friday, Saturday and Sunday (yay comics!) home delivery for only \$23...that's a pretty good deal. It gets even better because \$15 of that comes back to LdV to support our athletic programs and \$5 comes back to the seller as a visa gift card.

See details in the front office.

Café da Vinci Open!

Watch for the Café kids selling \$1 hot cocoa, \$1.50 coffee and a \$2 "mocha". We appreciate your business!

Incoming Sibling?

Please be sure to add your Kinder or early Kinder sibling to the list outside the front office. Kinder parents: You will need to go through the Open Enrollment process! Early kinder parents: I need an application from you! —Diane Soule, SCL

Help Make the Dream Come True

LdV Class of 2015 left behind the seed money and a vision for the Middle School Courtyard. If you would like to be part of the plan, please plan on attending the meeting at 4:30 pm this Wednesday. Contact tiffany-ballard@scusd.edu with any questions.

More Front Page News!

ART Links OPEN STUDIO

Tues, Dec 1 & Thurs, Dec 3, 3:15-4:15 pm
Open Studio is a free after school Art Studio opportunity available to every child at LdV. Students will create artwork for an LdV ART Links or community service project. **Parents, please plan to be with your child** during all Open Studio visits. We need you as volunteers for the students and it facilitates end of project timing. Yes, you can bring a friend's child to the open studio but please make sure each parent has had a conversation about attendance and pick-up to keep the Open Studio session light and fun for each child. PLEASE remind your student artists that they are attending Open Studio to make artwork and that this time is an extension of their learning day. Snacks may be eaten outside room 21 before the session begins. They are to remain in Room 21 throughout the duration of the project.

Open Studio is made possible by the LdV PTC. Please email UnChu Littlefield tateskitchen@gmail.com with questions

Donations Requested

- Room 31 would appreciate the donation of dictionaries (4th grade and up) and colored markers.
- 5th grade would appreciate the donation of two long garden hoses
- Succulent Cuttings: We are looking for donations of small succulents or cuttings for art projects. Please leave in front office, thank you.
- Gears of Many Sizes: Got some old 1, 2 or 3 inch gears sitting around? Let our Open Studio kids make them into ART! Please bring donations to the front office.
- Got Bugs? The students in room 20 would love to visit with them. Live ones are good! Drop them off to room 20 whenever you find an interesting one.

Dolphin Store Open

The LdV Dolphin Store is open after school on Wednesdays (until 3:15 pm). The store has school supplies and healthy snacks for students.

Feel like a Hot Cup of Coffee or Tea when Cafe da Vinci is Closed?

LdV PTC School Climate Committee has donated a KEURIG K Cup coffee maker for the use of teachers and parents. It is located in the front office for your use. You are welcome to bring your own pod and cup, or purchase a pod from Diane for only \$1. We have several strengths of coffee, as well as hot chocolate, and flavored coffees. Available for ONLY \$1

Planning an Extended Absence?

Did you know non-medical absence days are considered "unexcused"? To avoid being put on a SARB contract for absences over three days, you must have extended absence paperwork in place before the absence. At least one week before the absence, request an Extended Absence Report from the main office. This form needs to be completed by you and the teacher. Return the signed form to the office for Principal approval. The teacher will then receive a packet to complete and give to you with your child's assignments. This packet must be completed and returned to the teacher within five days of your child's return to school. If the Extended Absence Packet is not completed and turned in, your child's absence will not be given the appropriate clearance. Please feel free to ask any questions about this process. Thank you—Chereese Conner, Clerk

Word of the Week

Many children enjoy collecting action figures. A coach, like a parent, hopes to inspire children to be their best. Expressions such as, "Be your best," "Give it 100%," and "Try as hard as you can," are all about people giving their best.

Our character word of the week, EXCELLENCE, is about being your best. Personal excellence is not about being better than someone else. A child who is not the fastest or the smartest can have personal excellence simply by being the best he or she can be. You can comment on your child's excellence whenever you see him or her trying as hard as they can.

"What is praise or pride but to imagine excellence, and try to make it?"

—Richard Wilbur



Learning Garden Workdays

Jan 18th 8-noon
Feb 6th 8-noon
March 12th 8-noon
April 16th 8-noon
May 6th 3-6pm
June 18th 8-noon
July 10th 8-noon
Sept 5th 8-noon

With any questions or suggestions, or offers to help with the garden, please feel free to contact Greg: greg_richards@rocketmail.com or 916-716-6910 or Alexis Wasilchin: alexisbaratine@sbcglobal.net



Looking for Something to Do?

Middle school science teacher, Mr Androlowicz is looking for someone to copy the VHS tapes he uses for his classes to DVD. If you can help, please email stan-androlowicz@scusd.edu. Thank you

Duplication Help

Highlight Your Culture

Volunteers are needed to create interesting cultural displays for the CIE display case located in the main hall by the office. The case can be adopted by an individual, family, or group of friends to highlight a culture of their choice. Oct., Nov, Feb., and May are reserved, the rest of the months are open for you to highlight your culture or a topic that celebrates our cultural diversity, contact Stacy at stacielo@live.com

Teacher Appreciation Treats

Want to help appreciate our teachers who go above and beyond? PTC hosts a breakfast the morning following class meetings, below are the dates of future breakfasts: Dec 3, Jan. 14, March 10, April 28 (Tentative) and May 28.

Please let me know if you are able to donate treats!!!! All is welcomed....baked goods, fruit, snacks, juice, etc. Coffee will be donated by PTC. Please have treats to school by 8:15 to Diane's office. If you are interested in helping, let me know which dates work for you. —Stacy Lo stacielo@live.com

Café da Vinci is Open

Adults who want to help should contact diane-soule@scusd.edu.

Skills Needed

Do you have skills in concrete work, tree trimming a removal, installing watering systems or small solar systems? We're looking for parents who have one of these skills who might help with the planning (and eventually installation) of new landscaping of the Middle School Quad. If you have skills that might help, please contact barbaraduffsherry@gmail.com. Or call 798-3426.

From the SCL (School Community Liaison)

About the Newsletter

Badges: Every parent on campus must sign in to the main office. If you are working anywhere on campus get a "Volunteer" badge and sign in the Volunteer book. If you are visiting a classroom, please sign in the book under Mona Lisa and wear a "Visitor" badge. Please sign out in the appropriate book before leaving. These precautions are for the safety of everyone on campus.

Tally Sheets: A tally sheet is in the first newsletter of the month. Extras can be found in the front office or on the school website. Please turn it into your child's class or to the Volunteer Office at the end of the month.

Carry Over Hours: Hours from 2014-15 are only carried over to this year if they were worked AFTER May 15, 2015 (and turned in). Thank you to every parent who worked over their required hours last year (most of you). Our program shines because of you!

First Day Packets: Please complete your first day packet and return them to the classroom as soon as possible. Extra forms can be found on our web site or in the front office.

TB test results and Sex Offender Background check clearances: Must be on file before working in the classroom. Fingerprinting must be cleared before driving on or chaperoning fieldtrips.

Feel free to stop by the garage door Mon-Fri 7:30am-3:30pm or email me at diane-soule@scusd.edu, or leave a message at 277-7034.

Please Remember

When approaching an leaving our campus...We ALL have children to drop off or pick up. We ALL have places we need to go. But the most importantly ALL of us need to be safe and courteous. Good behavior under pressure is a great lesson for the children in your car to witness.

And please do not block driveways, walk on lawns or run the stop signs in our neighborhood!

Fingerprinting Requirements

Yes, you do need to be fingerprinted to go on a field trip...whether you are driving children or not...whether you are going by bus or not. The District requires any adult who is not fingerprinted to be in sight of a certificated person at all times, but it is vital that teachers be free to watch their students, not the grown ups who are there to help. So fingerprint please!

Driving on a Field Trip?

The district requirements for insurance (when driving kids on field trips) are as follows: minimum of liability \$50,000/\$100,000 and property is minimum \$25,000.

No Free TB Testing

SCUSD no longer offers free TB screening. It is recommended you see your primary care provider, or make use of a community clinic. For your convenience, the following are resources you could use:

WellSpace Health: four locations. Please call 737-5555 for details. \$16

Elica Health Center: 3701 J St, suite 201, Sacramento. Please call 454-2345 to make an appointment \$40.

Several **Rite Aide** locations

CVS/pharmacy: 1350 Florin Road

This newsletter is provided by the LdV PTC in conjunction with the LdV School Community Liaison. Please read it weekly in order to keep up with what is happening in our community. This is where you can get ideas about where and how to participate. This is also where you can announce any school related activities by submitting a short article about the event. Please be sure to include the date, time, and a contact name and number.

Déja Vu?

If you read the newsletter weekly, some of the content may see familiar. Many parents choose to read the newsletter sporadically, and articles are run repeatedly so they can catch up. It may be frustrating for you (and me) but read carefully since pages might seem the same but rest assured no two issues are exactly alike!

LdV on the Web & Facebook

The weekly newsletter (without additional flyers) can be found on the **LdV web site: leonardodavincischool.org**.

You may also download Tally Sheets in either Word or Excel. The files can be completed and emailed to diane-soule@scusd.edu. When you email a tally you will receive a reply. If you do not receive a reply it means your email was not received.

Like Us on Facebook and stay up to date on LdV events! <https://www.facebook.com/LeonardodaVinciK8>

Please Remember the FB page is purely informational and to support our school and it's culture. Please "like" us if you would like news about LdV, meeting reminders, and event updates.

No Tricks!

Do you have a few too many treats at your house? Drop off any extras in the front office to share with LdV staff. Your donation of seasonal candy is very appreciated. Drop off in Diane's office please! Thank you!

Lost? Get a Bumper Stickers

The oval LdV bumper stickers are available in Diane's office. They are only \$3 (cash please). They are a great way of identifying the other drivers while on an LdV field trip (or even when you are just driving around town). Proceeds benefit LdV fourth grade.

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And please do not block driveways, move trash cans, walk on lawns or run the stop signs in our neighborhood!

E not O

Please note: the correct email to use to report absences is chereese-conner@scusd.edu

Did You Know...

- It takes up to 500 years to decompose plastic items in landfills.
- In America, 2.5 million plastic bottles are used every hour.
- The plastic wastes that are thrown away into seas every year can kill as many as 1,000,000 sea creatures.
- Each year, about 25 million dollars is spent in the state of California to dispose plastic wastes into landfills.
- 1,000-2,000 gallons of gasoline can be saved recycling just one ton of plastics.

It is easy to recycle at Leonardo da Vinci!

Just drop your clean bottles or cans in (or near) the recycle bin located in the Middle School quad, near room 29. Proceeds from this recycling project support our aquaponics program and Middle School quad plants!

Looking at High School?

• **George Washington Carver** - Visit days Dec 15, Jan 19, March 1 & April 5 from 8:30-10 am. Call Mrs Agnos to reserve your space 228-5751

What's Happening After School?

On Stage Classes Questions? Contact cynthia.speakman@gmail.com or 916-502-0336 with questions.

LdV Ballet Folklorico Club for boys & girls K-8 grade. The group will perform at LdV's annual Cinco de Mayo Festival. Contact Mrs. Garcia (916)585-6020 or pick up a registration form (front office)

Spanish Immersion Classes for Kids New Classes of different levels start every month. Pick up a form in the front office or contact Mrs. Garcia (916)585-6020 for info.


Backyard Art Academy Painting, drawing, watercolor, mask making, collage and print-making \$12 per class (all materials included). For 2nd-8th grade students. Call Leslie Colby at 502-1227 to sign up.

Leonardo da Vinci eK-8 School & Track 7 Brewing Co. present:

LDV ART SHOW & FUNDRAISER

paintings, sculpture & mixed media

All proceeds benefit ARTLinks, a parent volunteer arts enrichment programs at LdV



TRACK 7 BREWING SATURDAY, DECEMBER 12
12-6 pm

TRACK 7 BREWING SUNDAY, DECEMBER 13
12-4 pm

TRACK 7 3747 W. Pacific Ave #F, Sac. CA 95820
Family Friendly



Fund Raising News

Fall Fundraiser News

Our BIG FALL FUNDRAISER is over! Thank you to everyone who participated. Please remember you can also order online (or ask friends and relatives to, by using our school code: 2692168 on the GA website: gafundraising.com.

Contribute without Paying

SCHOOL CENTS Fundraiser at Arden Fair Mall After you have finished shopping/eating at Arden Fair Mall, take your receipts to the customer service desk near JC Penney's. Tell them that you are from LdV and would like to record your receipts. They will record and stamp them for you and then give them back to you. It is that simple. For every dollar we spend and record at Arden Fair Mall, LdV receives 5 points. At the end of the school year in May, the highest points schools will receive cash prizes! Please encourage family and friends to record their receipts for LdV as well. If you forgot to have them recorded, no problem! You can take them back for up to 90 days from purchase. There is also a box in Diane's office for you to drop off the receipts, so that they can be turned in for you. There will be envelopes provided near the box for you to fill out and put your receipts into. Thanks for participating!!

How Do You Shoparoo? It's so simple even I can do it. Look up Shoparoo on your smartphone, download the app, answer some easy questions (you can choose to be anonymous) then shop! Within 2 weeks of your shopping at stores like Raley's, Target, WalMart, Trader Joe's, even Berkeley Bowl - take a picture of your receipt through the Shoparoo app and submit it. You can cross out any purchases or credit information you wish. It's that simple. Shoparoo then uses the information to help retailers market their products. It remains anonymous and LdV wins!

Shopping Online for Business or Personal Needs? Go to our website: leonardodavincischool.org or the LdV Facebook page; Click on the Amazon link; Log in to your Amazon account just like you normally would; Complete your purchase. It's just that easy and LdV will earn up to 8% on all of your Amazon.com purchases!

Free E-Waste Pick Up Schedule your FREE pick up by visiting www.eWaste4good.com Fill in your contact information and within a few days a dispatcher will contact you to schedule an at home or office pick up date. Your electronics will be picked up, recycled and the proceeds will be donated to LdV. You can also call for pick up at 800-317-3112

Items that can be picked up, WORKING OR NOT! Televisions, monitors, fax machines, desktop copiers, telephones, vacuum cleaners, keyboards, mice, networking equipment, wires and cords, household phones, medical equipment, video games, computers, calculators, cell phones, printers, scanners, laptops, power tools, small appliances, stereo systems, refrigerators, washers and dryers...and more. All electronics are recycled locally in California.

Clip, Save, and Send In Box Tops & Labels for Education Help the LdV PTC raise much needed funds and points for school-wide programs and events by submitting box tops and labels in a zip-top plastic bag or envelope with your student's classroom number on it and send it to school.

Labels for Education can be found on Campbells Soup, Pace, Pepperidge Farm, Glad products, and more. Go to labelsforeducation.com to see product lists and special offers. We use these labels for points that help us purchase balls and other playground equipment.

Boxtops 4 Education can earn money for LdV in three ways: **1. Shop and clip:** boxtops are found on General Mills cereal, Hanes apparel, Ziploc food storage, Arvey office supplies, Hefty bags and more; **2. Shop online:** boxtops can be earned shopping online for Lands End, Toys R Us, and more; **3. Earn Bonus points:** by going online to boxtops4education.com

Don't Forget to Use Your Something EXTRA Card... Truly the easiest and cheapest fundraiser at LdV...it costs you nothing to remember to use your EXTRA card (registered to help LdV) when you shop at Raley's and Bel Air. You get points and groceries and we get cash, its a win-win!

...and your Target card Whenever you use a Target card (debit or credit), Target donates 1% of your purchase to the school of your choice. (Plus you get a 5% discount and free shipping online).

It's Never Too Late for Magazines You or your family and friends can order magazines throughout the year by shopping at the online site www.gaschoolstore.com and using our SCHOOL CODE 2692168. Late orders will not warrant prizes. Thanks for supporting LdV!

Thank You for Your Old Car... Action Donation Services will take cars, boats or RVs and turn them into money for the school and possibly cash and a tax donation for you. Call toll free 866 244-8464 or go to www.actiondonation.org for your no obligation evaluation of your donation.

Use Our Link when you buy from Amazon...
and at least 4% of your purchase will support LdV
<http://amzn.to/1G0tjKX>

Know a Great Way to Earn Hours and have Fun?

Did you know that attending a LdV sporting event (volleyball, soccer, basketball) counts for Parent Volunteer Hours? Every adult who shows team spirit and is a shining example of good sportsmanship is an asset to our teams.

Basketball Schedule

Dec 1 vs Sutter
Dec 3 vs Still
Dec 8 vs Birney
Dec 10 vs Bacon
Dec 15 vs Brannan
Dec 17 vs Didion
Jan 5 vs MLK
Jan 7 vs Cal
Jan 12 vs SES
Jan 14 vs PS7
Jan 19 vs Birney
Jan 21 at Still

From the District

• **Parent Guides for the SBAC assessments** are available on our website by grade span at: <http://www.scusd.edu/california-assessment-student-performance-and-progress-caaspp>. These guides include an overview of testing and sample questions.

Community Events

• Baby it's cold outside, but things are warming up for the holidays! Did you mark your calendar for our Open Studio on December 5/6? Just sayin' -- because we'd really like to see you! **Two Studios, Two Days, Two Cities:** Saturday in Sacramento, 2379 39th St. 10 am - 4 pm; Sunday in Davis, 1504 Olympic Dr., 10 am - 4 pm. Gather with friends, celebrate the season, and select some artwork for yourself or someone you love. Like last year, we'll have notecards, prints, and originals perfect for giving. Lots of new work, too! See you in December! —Linda Johnson

• **YAS - Little Mermaid Jr:** The first production series of Little Mermaid Jr. via Young Actors Studio will take place December 4-6th at 24th Street Theater (Sierra 2), 2791 24th Street, Sac CA 95818. This would be a good chance for LdV families to preview what they could expect from the Spring LdV cast opportunity. LdV 6th grade student, **Catalina Moore** is in the Sutterville cast. Tickets are \$12/adult or \$10/children (12 and under). www.youngactorsstage.com

Yoga For Kids/Families

LdV parent Shannon Mitra will be teaching yoga classes for kids and families at Sacramento Yoga Center, located in the Sierra 2 Center (2791 24th St. Rm 6, Sacramento). Classes begin Monday, November 2nd, and run from 4:00 to 4:45 p.m. These classes are perfect for school-age kids ages 5-12 and the adults who care for them. The cost is only \$10 per child/adult pair, \$7 for just the child (adult can observe but does not need to participate), and \$3 per additional child or adult who participates. Interested folks can call or text Shannon at 916-233-8591. Thank you!



Parents' Night Out

Get a head start on your holiday shopping.

We will watch the kids!!!

Go out on a date :-)

Friday December 4, 2015

*NOTE: Early release day for Elementary Students.

- \$15 Option 1: 1:30 - 5pm*
- \$20 Option 2: 5:00 - 9pm
- \$30 Option 3: 1:30 - 9pm*

We will provide Snacks in the mid afternoon.

We will provide pizza in the evening.

*NOTE: Early release day for Elementary Students.

Please make checks out to the PTC

Student Name _____
 Pickup Parent _____
 Grade _____

Telephone _____
 Email _____
 Teacher _____

EMERGENCY AUTHORIZATION

In the event of an emergency, when a parent/guardian is unavailable, I authorize school personnel to make such arrangements for my child to receive medical/hospital care, including necessary transportation, in accordance with their best judgment. I further authorize the physician named below to undertake such care of my child, as he/she considers necessary. In the event said physician is not available, I authorize such care and treatment to be performed by a licensed physician or surgeon. I understand that the parent or guardian is responsible for the cost of such emergency care.

Physician Name _____ Phone _____ Pager _____

Emergency Facility/Phone _____

Does this student have Health Insurance? Yes or No Does this student have Dental Insurance? Yes or No

Name of Insurance Coverage or Health Plan Provider: _____ Student's Medical Record Number _____

If not, I give permission to SCUSD to share this information to help apply for health insurance for my child. Yes No

I certify that the information is true and correct.

Parent/Guardian Signature _____ Date _____

SHOP & SUPPORT

Leonardo da Vinci Elementary School

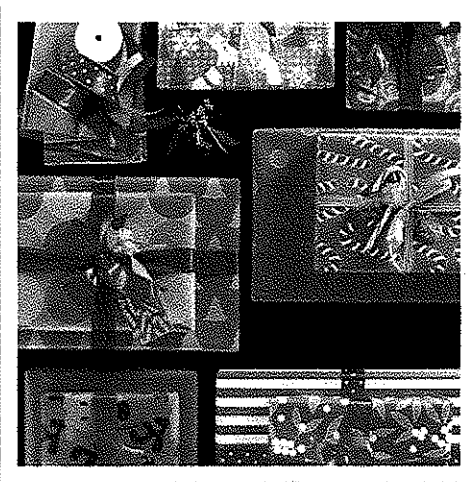
Did you know you can support our fundraiser through December 15?

It's easy to support our Mixed Bag Designs fundraiser – just shop **ONLINE!**

- Go to www.mixedbagdesigns.com
- Add our fundraiser ID# **75740** at the top of the website before shopping. **Don't forget to add your child's name as the seller.**
- Orders ship directly to anyone in the USA that supports your fundraiser, and shipping is **FREE** for orders \$75 and up!
- **LdV PTC** receives 40% of your purchase
- Every order counts – thanks for the support!

TONS OF GREAT GIFTS FOR THE HOLIDAYS AND EVERY DAY!

♥ Tote bags, accessories, travel bags, gift wrap, home décor and tons more! ♥



From the Office

Attendance Information: Email Sick and Tardy

Please email chereese-conner@scusd.edu with your students' absences and tardies or call 557-0389 wait for the message to begin and then press 0. By email or phone, leave the child's name, room number, date of absence and reason for being out of school (i.e.: illness, doctor appointment, religious, out of town, death in family). Please use "absence" in the subject line of your email. You will receive a reply if your email has been received. Absence verification must be made daily. Doctor's notes must accompany any medical excuse including tardies and early dismissals over 30 minutes. Unverified absences will result in truancies.

Llamada para avisar de enfermedad o retraso

Favor de llamar a 557-0389 (y seleccione 0) al empezar el mensaje) para avisar que su hijo/a va a estar ausente o va a llegar tarde. Deje su nombre, el nombre de su hijo/a, el número del salón, el día de ausencia o retraso, y la razón ("está enfermo/a", "tiene una cita con el doctor", "tiene un funeral familiar", etcetera es suficiente). Le pedimos que llame antes de las 11:00 de la mañana para evitar una ausencia sin excusa.

Students are allowed 10 excused (illness with a parent's excuse, death in immediate family, child's appearance in court) absences per the year. Each additional absence from illness must have a doctor's note to be cleared.

Bring a Doctor's Note - If your child misses school for a visit to the Doctor or Dentist, please bring a school excuse note for their attendance. It does make a difference on a student's attendance report. The attendance code for a Doctor's visit is "M" which is unlimited and without the doctor's note it is an "A". All students get 10 health absences "A" for the year, after that a doctor's note is required.

Leave a Reason - We are asking that you email you child's absence report to chereese-conner@scusd.edu as early as possible (before 10 a.m.). Please use "attendance" in the subject line and include the child's name, teacher, room number and the date of illness and/or tardy, and the reason. The reason is very important but does not need to be detailed; a simple "She/he is sick today" will suffice. You will receive a confirmation email. Many parents report absences stating their child will be absent, but do not state the "REASON" please remember to so.

Did You Know... When your child has chicken pox, a skin rash, lice or other infectious health challenges you need to follow up with the main office when your child returns to campus. A doctor's note that the child has been treated and is okay to be back among our other students after a rash or chicken pox is required by SCUSD health services.

Late to School? Students who are over 30 minutes tardy must be accompanied to the main office by their parent or guardian to obtain a tardy slip. All tardies over 30 minutes must have an official doctors note. Three tardies over 30 minutes without such documentation will result in a truancy notice.

Check Your Child's Schedule

The lunch and recess schedules for all grade levels are readily available on the school website (leonardodavincischool.org). If you are picking your child up for an appointment, or bringing a lunch they left behind, it is easier and quicker to find them in class than on the playground. Please consider timing your trip around your child's schedule. Thank you.

Please Bring Your ID

If you are taking your child for early dismissal or are sending someone from your emergency card list, please note ID will be required. It is school policy to show proper ID before a student is released. It is for the safety of your child, please do not grouse at the staff who are keeping our children safe!

Badges: Every parent on campus must sign in to the main office. If you are working anywhere on campus get a "Volunteer" badge and sign in the Volunteer book. If you are visiting a classroom, please sign in the book under Mona Lisa and wear a "Visitor" badge. Please sign out in the appropriate book before leaving. These precautions are for the safety of everyone on campus.

Medications at School

Parents need to renew their children's medication forms every year. If your child had medication administered by school staff last year, you need to submit a new form this year. You will also need to bring in new medication for this year. Health Services disposes of all unused medication at the end of each year.

Allergy Alert

For the safety and consideration of our students with severe nut allergies we are striving to become a "nut free campus." Thank you for your support of our efforts.

Fingerprinting Requirements: Yes, you do need to be fingerprinted to go on a field trip...whether you are driving children or not. The District requires any adult who is not fingerprinted to be in sight of a certificated person at all times, but it is vital that teachers be free to watch their students, not the grown ups who are there to help. So fingerprint please!

Pick up & Drop Off

What Time Does Your Child Get to School? School begins at 9 am. Unless your child attends a before school class or breakfast, our campus is not open until 8:30 am. Please do not leave children without adult supervision before 8:30 am.

Where Do You Drop Off? If you are dropping off in the back parking lot, are you stopping at the gate openings with your car and blocking the entrance for others (children and parents) who are walking into school? Please pay attention to where you stop, and especially as you pull away. Lots of humans use the parking lot and appreciate your full attention!

Please do not allow your children to walk through our parking lots! Small unaccompanied children are hard to see.

How Do You Get Here? If you are driving your children to school and come in from Freeport Blvd, do you know you are supposed to take a quick right and come to the school on Shielah Way, enter through the back gate and then drive away on Stacia Way. This keeps the traffic flowing and is easier on our neighbors. Thank you for going with the flow!

Notice of Pesticide/Herbicide Use

LdV is scheduled for service by SCUSD's Small Grass Crew weekly. The crew may or may not spray every Wednesday. If they do spray, they will post notice in the front lower window of the front door. A copy of SCUSD's Pest Management Program listing all chemicals applied to all sites is available in the front office.

Your Family Pet Belongs at Home

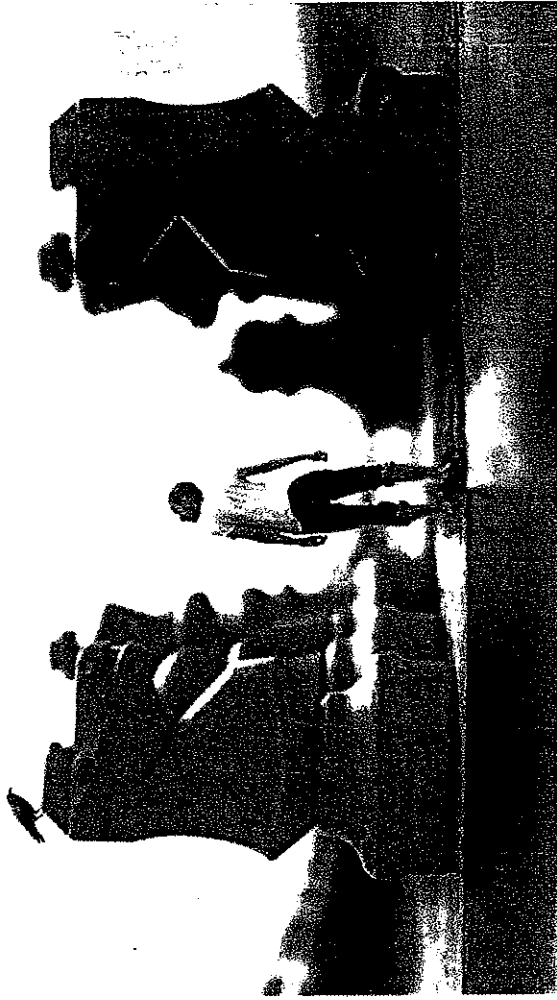
LdV is a pet free campus. For the safety (and cleanliness) of our community please leave any size pets at home (unless okayed by teacher for sharing). Thank you.

LdV Attendance Line: 557-0389 Email: chereese-conner@scusd.edu

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Teacher: Mr. Sirard
Location: Room 35
Dates/time: Friday's from 3:10 - 4:10

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September 11, 18, 25
October 2, 9, 16, 23, 30
November 13, 20

Winter Trimester - \$54.00 (Due 12/1)
December 4, 11
January 8, 15, 22
February 5, 12, 19, 26

Spring Trimester - \$60.00 (Due 3/1)
March 4, 11, 27
April 1, 8, 22, 29
May 6, 13, 20

Please fill out and return the form below with payment (please make checks payable to LdV Chess Club) to the Chess Club box in the front office.

Student's Name _____ Grade _____

Parents' names _____

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