



# Weekly News

March 14, 2016

Happy Monday, Wildcat Families,

## **Pi Day Restaurant Fundraiser – Week of March 14<sup>th</sup>**

Celebrate your love of math and all things round on Pi Day (3.14 on 3/14) all week from March 14<sup>th</sup> to March 18<sup>th</sup> at **Pie Pie Pie** located at 610 Torrance, Blvd. in Redondo Beach. Order pizza, sweet & savory pies and more and Alta Vista gets 25% of the proceeds! Advanced orders for take-out suggested as this is primarily a take-out restaurant. Please bring attached flyer.

### ***Important Dates for this Week:***

Monday, March 14 - 5th grade Field Day at RUHS (Weather Permitting)

Wednesday, March 16 - Spring Pictures

Thursday, March 17 - St. Patrick's Day - WEAR GREEN

Thursday & Friday, March 17 and 18 - 5th Grade Walk Through the American Revolution

Hands On Art Training in the Alta Vista Cafeteria

## **Prospective Parent Tours & Kindergarten Registration**

Know a family with a prospective kindergarten student for the 2016-17 school year? Our informational tours and kindergarten registration dates are posted on our website. Please direct any interested parents to our website for details.



### **Alta Vista Talent Show – We are the Champions! – April 15<sup>th</sup>**

The 2016 Alta Vista Talent Show, *We are the Champions!*, will be held on Friday, April 15<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 at the Parras Middle School Gym. See attached flyer for details if you are interested in auditioning. Tickets are \$7 each and can be purchased at the Alta Vista PTA website at [www.altavistapta.myschoolcentral.com](http://www.altavistapta.myschoolcentral.com), as well as at the door the night of the event. Please email any questions to talent show chairs Christie Forshey at [c4shey@me.com](mailto:c4shey@me.com) or Kathy Moore [kathymoore@verizon.net](mailto:kathymoore@verizon.net).



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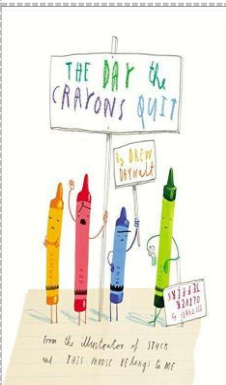
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### **PTA Meeting – Wednesday, March 23<sup>rd</sup>**

Join us for an important PTA meeting on Wednesday, March 23<sup>rd</sup> at 8:00 am in the Cafeteria. We will be holding elections for next year's PTA board and updating everyone on upcoming PTA events. Coffee and a delicious breakfast will be served and there will be a door prize! The preliminary election slate has been posted in the front office. Please also see attached slate. There is still an open board position for Auditor and there are also chair positions available. Please contact our parliamentarian, Shannon Lee, at [bfabt@msn.com](mailto:bfabt@msn.com) if you or someone you know is interested in being nominated for a board position for next year.

### **Mandatory Room Parent Meeting – March 31<sup>st</sup>**

Room Parents please join us for a mandatory meeting on Thursday, March 31<sup>st</sup> at 8:15 in the Cafeteria. We will be discussing the upcoming Carnival, as well as, Teacher Appreciation Week. Please send a representative from your class if you are unable to make it.



### **Author Drew Daywalt to Visit Alta Vista on May 18<sup>th</sup> – Books on Sale Now!**

We are excited to announce that Drew Daywalt will be the first author in our Wildcat Writers Workshop Series and will visit our students for a special session with each grade level on May 18<sup>th</sup>. Drew Daywalt is the author of *The Day the Crayons Quit* and his most recent book, *The Day the Crayons Came Home*. Signed copies of his books are available for purchase at 40% off the list price for \$10.80 and \$11.40 each on the PTA web store at [www.AltaVistaPTA.org](http://www.AltaVistaPTA.org). All purchases must be made by March 25<sup>th</sup> so that we can get our order in on time. Please see attached flyer.



## Interested in volunteering for the WATCH D.O.G.S. program?

[Click here](#)

We ask that "Dads" volunteer for no more than 2 days per school year to allow all dads the opportunity to participate.

Please indicate your child's teacher's name in the comment section of your signup.

[Want to know more about the WATCH D.O.G.S. Program? Watch our Orientation Video](#)



## School Conversation Starter

Starter #23: Who would you like to play with at recess that you've never played with before?



## Math Superstars

This week starts **WEEK NINETEEN** of our Math Superstar program and **WEEK NINE** of our Kindergarten Math Superstar program.



## Mrs. Wildes App/Website of the Week

### Seamus Heaney: Five Fables

Scot poet Robert Henryson's adaptations of five Aesop fables are brought into the modern age with this app. Students will be able to look at the original language, as well as modern English while at the same time viewing animations of the fables.

**Tip:** Students can compare Aesop's version of each fable to the Scot version and the modern language version to learn more about changes due to culture and how storytelling varies from country to country.

Our district is happy to announce a new consolidated site for all district flyers featuring community events. Please [click here](#) to view all of the latest flyers available to families and our community. Looking for a flyer specific to Alta Vista and our after-school programs? [Click here](#) to be directed to our home page that houses all of our latest flyers. **Weekly Flyers**

### **Important Dates for the Next Few Weeks:**

- Monday, March 14th - Fifth Grade Field Day at RUHS
- March 17 & 18 - Hands on Art Training in AV Cafeteria, Walk through the Revolution for 5th grade students
- Tuesday, March 22nd - Comedy and Magic Night for AV
- Thursday, March 24th - 2nd grade field trip to the Natural History Museum
- Friday, March 25th - No School, Local Holiday
- Monday, March 28th - School Site Council 3pm
- Tuesday, March 29th - Fifth Grade Human Growth and Development Lessons
- Wednesday, March 30th - Battle of the Books 2pm
- Thursday, March 31st - School of Choice Window Ends
- Friday, April 1st - 8:30 Flag Ceremony
- April 4th - 8th - School Closed, Spring Break April 11th & 12th - 4th grade classes visit UCLA
- Tuesday, April 12th - Dental Screenings 8-12
- Wednesday, April 13th - LIFT Pupil Free Day
- Thursday, April 14th - Jump Rope for Heart
- Thursday, April 14th - Alta Vista Variety Show Dress Rehearsal
- Friday, April 15th - Alta Vista Variety Show
- Tuesday, April 19th - GATE Testing at AV
- Tuesday, April 19th - 1st grade to STAR EcoStation
- Wednesday, April 20th - National Look Alike Day
- Wednesday, April 20th - District Battle of the Books
- Thursday, April 21st - MINIMUM DAY - professional development
- Friday, April 22nd - 8:30am Prospective Parent Tour
- Wednesday, April 27th - We Tell Stories Assembly
- Wednesday, April 27th - 8:30am &/or 6pm - Parent Math Night
- Thursday, April 28th - National Poem in Your Pocket Day
- Thursday and Friday, April 28 & 29 - Hands on Art Training in the AV Cafeteria
- Friday, April 29th - RBEF Spring Gala Fundraiser

### **Ways to Support Alta Vista:**

- Join the PTA!
- Consider donation to the Redondo Beach Educational Foundation. Go to [www.rbef.org/donate](http://www.rbef.org/donate)
- Student absences cost the school \$38 per day per child. Families are welcome to repay that cost directly back to Alta Vista if able.
- Looking to purchase a new lunchbox or lunch gear? Go to [www.mightynest.com](http://www.mightynest.com) where 15% of your purchases will go directly back to Alta Vista.
- Missing a new lunchbox or sweater already? Please encourage your child to check out our lost and found area. To purchase labels that can be used to mark all of your child's belongings and help give back to Alta Vista, visit [www.altavista.mabelslabels.com](http://www.altavista.mabelslabels.com)
- Don't forget to collect and return your General Mills Box Tops for Education. Every boxtop is money for our school!
- Go to [mycokerewards.com/school](http://mycokerewards.com/school), enter your Coca-Cola product codes and donate to our school. Our school can redeem the points for much needed physical education equipment.
- Keep collecting your Galleria receipts! Just shop and log receipts from any South Bay Galleria stores and restaurants until December 31, 2013. Receipts can be logged at Guest Services anytime during the program. Remember to tell your family, friends, neighbors and co-workers to log their receipts. Anyone can support AV in the Galleria School Rewards Program!
- Stopping by Jamba Juice on a warm summer day? Just show the PTA Jamba Card when making a purchase.

Have a wonderful week,

Mrs. Wildes