



Weekly News

January 19, 2016

Happy Tuesday, Wildcat Families;

A big thank you to everyone who joined us on Friday for our PTA meeting with RBPD Chief Keith Kauffman. I am extremely thankful for the support that we receive from the Chief and the police department and look forward to continuing to work together to ensure our school safety.

Speaking of safety, many of our families have asked after Anne, our crossing guard at the corner of Knob and Julia. Due to an injury, Anne will not be out for a while and we will miss her deeply. For those Wildcats wanting to wish Anne well, please have your child drop off a card or note in the front office. Cards will be collected on Friday, January 22nd and delivered to her through RBPd. We would love the help to show Anne how much we appreciate and miss her keeping our students safe.

Tickets on Sale Now! Comedy & Magic Club Night – March 22nd

Back by popular demand, join us on Tuesday, March 22nd at the Comedy & Magic Club in Hermosa Beach for an adults only night of laughs. Tickets \$20 and available at our web store only at www.altavistapta.org Limited supply available – buy your tickets now while they last – we sold out last year! See attached flyer for further details.

Important Dates for this Week:

Thursday & Friday, January 21 & 22 - Hands On Art Training in the AV Cafeteria

Saturday, January 23 - RBUSD Kindergarten Informational Meeting at Washington Elementary 10am - 11:30am

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.



Running Club Update

We are so proud of all of our runners in 2016! In an effort to continue improve our running club and to allow students to earn necklaces/toe tags and marathon tags more quickly, runners will be given their lap counts at the end

of each day. When students have accumulated 25 laps, they can bring their coupons to the Health Office and exchange them for tags.

Happy Running!



Dogs on Campus

Keep Pooches at Home.

A kind reminder, dogs are not allowed on our school grounds, this includes the front waiting areas of campus and all interior and exterior surrounding areas. This Redondo Beach Municipal Code is a policy in effect by the city, not only for the cleanliness of our campus, but for the safety of our students. Please note, our sidewalks near valet and all areas of the CDC office are included in the waiting area, and we ask that you do not bring your dog onto campus and then tie them to a tree.

The Redondo Beach Municipal Code
(<http://www.bpcnet.com/codes/redondo>)

addresses this issue as follows: **5-1.602**

School grounds.

Dogs, with or without a leash, are hereby prohibited on any portion of any public school grounds, except organized pet shows, vaccination clinics, and obedience schools which may be authorized from time to time by the public school administrator, Seeing Eye dogs, dogs used in law enforcement

activities, and any other dogs authorized by the public school administrator. (§ 3, Ord. 2471, eff. September 3, 1987)



**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
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Program?
Watch our**



[Orientation Video](#)

School Conversation Starter

Starter #17:

What do you think the most important part of school is?

Math Superstars

This week starts WEEK TWELVE of our Math Superstar program and WEEK TWO of our Kindergarten Math Superstar program.



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PTA Honorary Service Awards

Please see attached honorary service award application. The Honorary Service Award is given to recognize an individual or organization for outstanding service to children and youth in our community, going above and beyond what is asked of them. Please complete and submit nominations to Sharon Day at sday@rpgcpa.com by January 25th if you would like to nominate someone for this award. The winner will be announced in early May. Please also let us know if you would be interested in serving on the HSA Award Committee.

PTA Board Nominating Committee

The PTA is currently looking for

individuals who are interested in serving on the nominating committee to select nominees for next year's PTA board. The nominating committee will meet starting this month and elections will be held in March. Please contact our parliamentarian, Shannon Lee at bfabt@msn.com if you are interested in being nominated for a board position for next year or if you would like to help out on the nominating committee.



Mrs. Wildes App/Website of the Week

Although I have raved about Wonderopolis.org in the past, they also have an app that I absolutely love. I HIGHLY recommend families checking out the "Wonder Jar." I pose the "Wonder" question to my girls while I'm cooking dinner and they can report their findings while we eat. Have older students with phones? Text them the Wonder from the Wonder Jar so they can get started early!

Weekly Flyers

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.

Important Dates for the Next Few Weeks:

- January 21-22 - Hands on Art Training in AV Cafeteria
- January 23 - Kindergarten Information Day for RBUSD - 10am Washington Elementary
- January 25-29 - Great Kindness Challenge
- Thursday, January 28 - Wear Yellow Day to Show Respect
- Monday, February 1st - 5th grade physical fitness testing window opens
- Wednesday, February 3rd - LIFT Pupil Free Day
- Thursday, February 4th - Superbowl Jersey Day
- Friday, February 5th - 8:30am Prospective Parent Tour
- Wednesday, February 10th - 100th Day of School
 - Kindergarten RoundUp - 2pm
- Thursday, February 11th - National Make a Friend Day
 - 8:30am Flag Ceremony
- Friday, February 12th - No School
- Monday, February 15th - No School
- Tuesday, February 16th - 4th grade field trip to Irvine Park Railroad
- Wednesday, February 17th - National Random Acts of Kindness Day
- Thursday, February 18th - California Healthy Kids Survey for 5th grade students
- Thursday & Friday, February 18-19 - Hands on Art Training in AV Cafeteria
- Friday, February 19th - Third Grade Living Museum
- Friday, February 26th - 8:30am Prospective Parent Tour

Ways to Support Alta Vista:

- Join the PTA!
- 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 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
- 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, 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

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