



Weekly Wildcat News

June 5, 2017

Happy Monday, Wildcat Families,

Calling all WATCH D.O.G.S.! Come join us tomorrow morning, June 6th from 7:45-8:15am with your student(s) as we hold our annual Donuts with Dads Celebration. Let us shower you with coffee and donuts as a sign of our appreciation for all of the time, support and commitment our dads have given us this year. During the 2016-17 school year, our fathers, grandfathers, and father-figures have accumulated more than 1,600 volunteer hours while helping to keep our campus safe and being positive role-models to our students.

Thank you so much for all of the students and families that participated in the Dollar War. The winning class this year was 4th grade, Ms. Cueva's Class. The fundraiser raised just over \$1,400 for our sister school, Remot Primary in Kenya, and for the students to attend the Ewaso Lion Camp. Several families emailed me late Friday to find out if donations could still be made via National Geographic to the students. Donations will continued to be accepted at Alta Vista over the next few weeks as we hope to reach our goal of \$3,000 so that all the students of Remot can attend camp.



Beach Cities Health District would like your feedback regarding current school health and wellness programs including LiveWell and Walking School Bus, as well as gaining more information about health topics of interest to you.

Please complete the survey by Friday, June 9.

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/RBUSDParent>

district will be using TenMarks to provide your child with access to a powerful, personalized summer math program designed to help him or her reverse summer learning loss. Your child has already been using TenMarks at school this year, and an hour a week over the summer is all it takes for your child to strengthen his/her math skills and prepare for the year ahead.

Here is how it works:

1. Between now and the end of the school year, your child will receive a short diagnostic assessment based on the grade s/he is completing.
2. The assessment will be automatically graded, and TenMarks will create a personalized program designed to prepare your child for the upcoming year.
3. Have your student work on his or her personal assignments and Jam Sessions for at least an hour a week over the summer.

The TenMarks Summer Math Program will guide your child through their personalized program, one assignment topic at a time, helping them refresh what they know, and learn what they don't. Each assignment contains embedded instruction (hints, video lessons, and interventions) to ensure success.

Check out the tips that will be sent home in your child's report card and watch the online webinar [TenMarks Summer '17 Math Program: Keys to Supporting Growth at Home](#) to identify ways you can support your student this summer.

Let's say goodbye to summer learning loss!



The Countdown is On to Field Day - June 21st

Thanks to all of the dedicated volunteers of the Alta Vista Wellness Council and our partnership with the Beach Cities Health District, Alta Vista is excited to announce our 2nd Annual Field Day and Kinderthon. In order for the day to run as smoothly as possible, we need LOTS of volunteers to help run the stations. If you have time on Wednesday, June 21st and can give the Wellness Council a few hours, please

click on the sign up link below:

We're using SignUp.com (the leading online SignUp and reminder tool) to organize our upcoming SignUps.

Here's how it works in 3 easy steps:

- 1) Click this link to see our SignUp on SignUp.com: <http://signup.com/go/GHtmJHe>
- 2) Review the options listed and choose the spot(s) you like.
- 3) Sign up! It's Easy - you will NOT need to register an account or keep a password on SignUp.com.

Note: SignUp.com does not share your email address with anyone. If you prefer not to use your email address, please contact me and I can sign you up manually.



How to have a productive reading conversation with your child - prompts for supporting your reader

Productive Talk Question #31: Describe characters in a story (e.g., their traits, motivations, or feelings) and explain how their actions contribute to the sequence of events.



Alta Vista PTA

Volunteers Needed for 5th Grade Survivor Day

On Thursday, June 15th, the 5th grade classes will be participating in Survivor Day at Wilderness Park! We need LOTS of 5th grade parent volunteers both at school for snack set up, Tribe Leaders, and chaperones to walk students from campus to Wilderness Park as well as at Wilderness Park for set up and to run the stations. This is an ALL DAY event from 8:30am - 2:30pm. If you are interested in volunteering in any capacity please sign up

here: <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0c4caead2ea7f49-survivor>

If you have any questions regarding Survivor Day please

contact Angela Boccuzzi at aboccuzzi@yahoo.com

or Kristi Thompson at KJean95@yahoo.com.

Congratulations to Alta Vista Alumni Scholarship Winners

Alta Vista PTA had the honor of awarding college scholarships to the following Alta Vista Alumni who are graduating from Redondo Union High School next month:

- Steven Barbee
- Namie Fotion
- Sara Furutani
- Yoshino Goto
- Callie Hokanson
- Shaniya Markalanda
- Emi Stephanoff
- Mari Waller
- Joseph Washington
- Rebecca Yoo
- Amanda Young

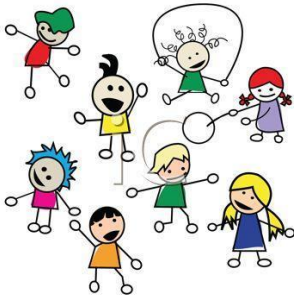
These students were recognized at the Redondo Beach Council PTA Awards ceremony last week and we wish them the best of luck in their college careers. Please remind your future RUHS grad to join the PTSA when they go to RUHS so that they can apply for these scholarship too one day!

Check out our website at www.AltavistaPTA.org and Like us on our Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/altavistapta>. Also check out our website for information on easy fundraising opportunities such as *Amazon Smile* and *Mabel's Labels*. **Ways to Connect with and Support Alta Vista PTA**



Walking School Bus

Do you and your children walk to school at least one day a week? Are you interesting in helping to promote healthy walking to school for other students and families? Consider becoming a volunteer on the Walking School Bus or even a WSB Coordinator. Please see attached job description for details. A HUGE thank you to Maureen Raynor for serving as our coordinator! Her son is promoting onto Parras MS and we are looking for new volunteers.



LIFT is Looking for Skippers

Our LIFT Program at Alta Vista is looking for “Skippers” for the 2017-18 School Year.

- Do you have a 4 year old child at home?
- Are you considering Preschool options?

LIFT is RBUSD’s special education preschool program for children with special needs ages 3 and 4. “Skipper”s are typical 4 year old children who attend the program to model play, circle time, center and social skills while participating in the Creative Curriculum for preschoolers all at NO CHARGE to the family. LIFT offers preschool 5 days per week with morning or afternoon preschool options. If your child has strong language skills, great cooperative play skills, and seems to love helping others, your child could be one of these models...Interested? Please contact Birgit Roesler at broesler@rbusd.org for an application.

All children go through a two week trial period to see if it is a good fit for the program and for them. We would love to meet your little one and introduce them to the world of helping others and the joy it can bring.



Prospective Parent Tours & Kindergarten Registration

Know a family with a prospective kindergartner or new student for the 2017-18 school year? Our informational

tours and kindergarten registration dates are posted on our website. Please direct any interested parents to our website for details.

Student Absences

Just a reminder that all student absences need to be reported to our main office at 310-798-8650 every day that your child is going to be absent. Our office calls all of the families of absent students if we do not hear from you by 10am.

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:

Monday, June 5th - 5th grade Field Day at RUHS (Weather Make-up)

All textbooks collected

Tuesday, June 6th - 7:45am WATCH D.O.G.S. Donuts with Dad Celebration

Wednesday, June 7th - LIFT OFF Double Day

Thursday, June 8th - 5th grade beach day

Monday, June 12th - All Chromebooks and chargers collected

Tuesday, June 13th - 8:25am Final 5th grade band concert in the AV Cafeteria

Wednesday, June 14th - Hawaiian Dress Up Day

Volunteer Breakfast - 7:45-8:15am

Kindergarten Cafeteria Day

Thursday, June 15th - 5th grade Survivor Day

2nd grade beach day

1st grade Traveling Zoo to AV

Friday, June 16th - 2nd grade beach day

Monday, June 19th - 1:30pm 5th grade promotion

Tuesday, June 20th - 5th grade vs Staff Kickball Game

Wednesday, June 21st - AV Field Day

Thursday, June 22nd - Last Day of School - MINIMUM DAY

8:30am Flag Ceremony

LIFT and LIFT OFF Double Day

Ways to Support Alta Vista:

Join the PTA!

Consider donation to the Redondo Beach Educational Foundation. Go to 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.

Shopping Online? Please help Alta Vista PTA by shopping through Amazon Smile. At no cost to yourself, Amazon will donate 0.5% of your purchase price to Alta Vista PTA. Remember to select Alta Vista PTA as your cause or use this link. (Tip: if you bookmark this link when it opens you can make sure you are shopping in Smile. <http://smile.amazon.com/ch/95-3154489>)

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.

Don't forget to collect and return your General Mills Box Tops for Education. Every boxtop is money for our school!, please add the link <http://www.boxtops4education.com/> and School ID: 212323

Go to <https://us.coca-cola.com/give/school-profile/?institutionid=81080>, enter your Coca-Cola product codes and donate to our school. Our school can redeem the points for much needed physical education equipment.

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