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November 30, 2018

Principal: William Durst Assistant Principal: Kathryn Gualtieri

### **Principal's Page**

A Message from Mr. Durst

#### Your Input is Needed!

As part of our school's accreditation, we are conducting a **parent survey**. Your feedback to this survey provides guidance for our school's improvement and helps us identify our best practices. Your participation is very important for the results of this survey to be meaningful. We value your opinion and ask that you take the time to complete this survey. Please be assured that your responses to this survey will be anonymous. Your honest opinion is appreciated.

#### **Frequently Asked Questions about taking the surveys:**

- The link is unique to our specific school
- If you have students in more than one school, we ask that they take the survey for each school
- Key words used in the survey questions that commonly confuse respondents are defined below:
  - Governing Body is the School Board
  - **Stakeholders are** Staff, Students, Parents, Community members, anyone with a vested interest in the school

Please follow the link below to complete the survey from November 12 - December 14.

https://www.pcsb.org/parentsurvey



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### Important December Dates

- 12/4 4<sup>th</sup> & 5th Grade Chorus Concert 7PM
- 12/5 Family Lunch Day (bring ID)
- 12/10 Astro Skate 3-6PM
- 12/17 K-Kids Meeting 2:45PM
- 12/21
  - End of First Semester
  - All Pro Dad Meeting 7:45AM
  - o ROAR Rally
- 12/24/18-1/7/19 Winter Break
- 1/8/19 Classes Resume

Area 1 Associate Superintendent: Mr. Ward Kennedy (727) 588-5023

### **Curriculum Corner**



Just a reminder that winter MAP testing has begun. Make sure your child is getting a good night sleep and has the opportunity to eat

breakfast each morning.

We are quickly approaching our Winter Break. In order to prepare for continued learning it is essential to enjoy daily reading time and allocated screen time for ST Math and iStation.



Dear Families,

The holiday season is just around the corner and we are asking for support with our Holiday Giving Tree. The Holiday Giving Tree offers assistance to some of our families that may need additional help with purchasing holiday gifts for their children.

If you would like to help one of the children, please take a star from the tree in the front foyer, purchase the requested gifts, and <u>return the WRAPPED gifts with</u> <u>the star attached</u> to Davis Elementary <u>by Monday,</u> <u>December 17th</u>. If you have any questions please contact Vanessa Lofstedt at 725-7972 ext. 2010.

Thank you in advance for your support during this holiday season!

Vanessa Lofstedt, School Counselor

ANY Remember. activities at school, other than coming in to have lunch with your child, requires you to be a registered volunteer and activated have vour volunteer status for this school year. This field includes trips.



holiday parties, Field Day, Spring Fling, classroom parties, etc. All volunteers must stop by the front office and receive a badge or sticker to wear while on campus. If you have any questions please contact Dominica Reed at ReedDom@pcsb.org



Happy Holidays from you PTA!

Thank you for your support during our fall fundraiser. It was a huge success and we couldn't have done it without you!





### **Café News**

I hope you all have a safe and happy holiday month ahead!

I just wanted to remind you all that if your family is struggling with finances...please know you can apply for Free/Reduced Meals at any time during the year. If you apply on-line, you will receive an answer within 24 hours, whether or not you qualify. If approved, this status will remain throughout the school year. If you qualify for Free/Reduced Meals it will open up other benefits, such as Clothes for Kids, and some Rec

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Center discounts for after care (check with your local Rec Center). Please apply at: www.myschoolapps.com

You may also manage your child's lunch account via <u>www.myschoolbucks.com</u>. Here you will see if they purchased lunch, ala carte, water bottles or snacks/ice-cream. You may also add funds with a credit card, for a nominal fee...

Lastly, if you wish to look up specifics on any meal we serve, i.e.: carbs, sugars, etc. They can be found on the Nutrislice App or website.

If you have any questions, please call me at (727) 669-1235.

Happy Holidays!

Susanne Borsari Café Manager



Stay informed on all LGD activities and events by staying connected with us. Events and information are posted on Peachjar. To register and receive all school e-flyers go to <u>www.peachjar.com</u>. If you are already signed up for Peachjar at another school, just add our school by going to your profile and clicking on "My Account," then click on notification preferences and choose our school.



This year we will also be sending out text reminders (texting rates apply). If you would like to sign up to get school text reminders please sign up at "81010" and enter this: @leilad as your

text message.



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Congratulations to the following students!!

The PE Department would like to congratulate the following students for earning the *Super Sport Award*. These students demonstrate good sportsmanship, attitude and participation.

#### November PE Super Sport Award 🏆

Kindergarten- Zoey Z. 1st Grade - Evelyn N. 2nd Grade - Trent B. 3rd Grade - Hadley K. 4th Grade - Miguel C. 5th Grade - Cooper B.

We wish everyone a very Happy Holiday Season! Coach Daily, Coach White, Coach Stoll, Mr. C



12/21 at 7:45am within the school's Media Center

By: John Varlese Jr- Team Captain and proud father of a Second Grader

All Pro Dad's Day is an exceptional and fulfilling monthly event held at Leila Davis welcoming dads, along with <u>all</u> strong family role models (male or female), to spend quality time bonding with their children, strengthening their family relationships, along with building up an involved and dedicated grouping of families within the Davis Community. Come out and enjoy a welcoming breakfast together, discuss openly how proud you are of your kid(s), partake in character building exercises, explore some key parenting topics, and at the end of the meeting kids will even have an opportunity to win our monthly raffles.

We encourage our All Pro Families within our Davis Community to join us at to our next All Pro Dad's Day Friday, December 21st at 7:45am in the school's media center, this month's topic will be about

"Generosity". Most people live life looking to take rather than give. Being generous is an important attribute to teach and model for our children. Giving can fuel the general happiness and wellbeing in not only the person that we help, but also in us when we give. Generosity demonstrates that we truly value others and are willing to reach out and meet their needs Also, kids in attendance on our December 21st All Pro Dad's Day will receive a free book courtesy of Scholastic.

Throughout the school year we will continue to meet every third Friday of the month for one hour, with a primary focus on influencing our children in truly significant ways, encouraging them to be wellrounded respected individuals, all while believing in themselves through the power of love and support of family. Your encouragement enriches your child's life, improves their grades, and fills their life with pride. You make a powerful impact!

To become an active member of the Leila G. Davis Elementary All Pro Dad Chapter and get monthly meeting alerts and activity updates please join our local chapter at

https://allprodadsday.com/chapters/1772, and join our Closed-Group Facebook Page (search Leila Davis All Pro Dad).

For further information regarding Family First programs please visit <u>www.familyfirst.net</u>.



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If you are interested in sponsoring a class or program, please see the front office or your child's teacher for more details.

### Lunch Pal Mentors Needed

If you love children and want to make a difference in their lives, please come mentor students in need of a good role model and have lunch with them during their lunch hour once a week. Please consider taking the one hour class so you can become a Lunch Pal!

#### December Workshop

- Wednesday, 12/05/2018, 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. City of St. Petersburg Water Resource Building, Conf. Rm. 1650 Third Ave., North, St. Petersburg, FL
- Thursday, 12/06/2018, 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. Pinellas Education Foundation, Wells Fargo Conference Room, 12090 Starkey Road, Largo. FL
- Tuesday, 12/11/2018 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. Mentor Workshop Webinar Webinar Link: https://us.bbcollab.com/guest/8793247bf5354d62bbb241d20a19069c

#### Sign up here to go to a Lunch Pal Training:

https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id =BZM8c9c5GkaGb\_3ye\_PH\_5wuIU4P8d5IqEQOmdkU\_JUM1VCRk9JQUILTUFaUlpNNkhOUkcyOD <u>NHWi4u</u>

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### **Box Tops for Education**



Our school participates in the Box Tops for Education program. The money collected each year helps to fund much needed technology projects and

items throughout the school. Each teacher has a collection container in their classroom for Box Tops. At the end of each month, Box Tops will be collected from the classrooms and counted. We collect the bags from the teachers on the last

Friday of the month. Please make sure your child's teacher's name is on the bag.

**Business Partners** 

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Happy Holidays from Leila G. Davis!





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