

# Leila G. Davis Elementary



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April 28, 2017

Principal: Kim Hill  
Assistant Principal: William Durst

## Principal's Page

### A Message from Mrs. Hill

As I finish up my final message for the school year, I wonder where the school year has gone and how the end seems to come so fast these last few weeks? On behalf of the staff members of Leila G. Davis Elementary School, I would like to thank our scholars, parents and families for another great year of learning. When you take a look at your child when they come home for summer vacation, I hope you are able to recognize the growth and maturity that he/she has achieved over the course of this school year. We, as a school, have been privileged to be a part of this development and are extremely proud of the work our scholars have accomplished this year. As educators, our hope is that the lessons that are taught daily are ones that stay with them for their lifetime and help them to become better scholars, learners and citizens as they grow. I would like to thank all of our teachers and staff members for their dedication to our students and for helping and teaching them this school year. For our 5th graders, we wish them well as they move on to 6<sup>th</sup> grade. We know you are well prepared for middle school. We hope you come back and visit sometime. You are always welcome! Everyone have a great summer and we will see you in August.

### LAST DAY OF SCHOOL

**THE LAST DAY OF SCHOOL IS ON THURSDAY, MAY 25<sup>th</sup>. THIS IS AN EARLY DISMISSAL DAY AND STUDENTS WILL BE DISMISSED AT 12:35 PM. PLEASE MAKE NOTE OF THIS CHANGE IN DISMISSAL TIME!**

### SAFETY CORNER

- The district has asked schools to tighten up on security of visitors (including parents) visiting classrooms to "drop off things" especially during the school day in light of the recent events at an elementary school

## Important May Dates:

- 5/1 – Science Fair Showcase
- 5/1-5 – Staff Appreciation Week
- 5/4 – Last K-Kids 7:45AM
- 5/10 – Astro Skating Party 3-6PM
- 5/11 – Gifted Program Escape the Museum Night 6-8PM
- 5/11 – All Pro Dad's Kick Ball Game 6:30-8PM
- 5/12 – Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon 11-1:30
- 5/12 – Spring Choral Concert at HUMC 7-8PM
- 5/17 – All Pro Dad's Meeting 7:30-8:30AM
- 5/18 – Kindergarten Moving Up Ceremony 9:30AM
- 5/18 – Poetry Slam 6:30-7:30PM
- 5/19 – ROAR Rally 8:45-9:30AM
- 5/23 – 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Kick Ball Game 9:30-10:30AM
- 5/23 – Lunch and Sign 5<sup>th</sup> Graders 1:15-1:45
- 5/24 – 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Astro Skate Party 9:30-12:30PM
- 5/24 – 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Clap Out 2:15PM
- 5/25 – 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Moving Up Ceremony 9-10:30
- 5/25 – Last Day of School  
Area 1 Associate Superintendent:  
Mr. Ward Kennedy  
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in San Bernadino, CA. If a visitor or parent wants to drop off an item, such as a lunch or backpack, they will need to leave the item in the office for the student to pick up or for a staff member to deliver the item. While we want to think all of our visitors on campus have good intentions, you can never be 100% sure. Thanks for understanding!

- On the same topic of visiting classrooms, we are asking parents to only stop into classrooms if you have an appointment with your child's teacher. We have an increasing number of visitors stopping into classrooms before school, after school, and even during lunchtime. While we strive to be a family-friendly school, we need to be mindful of teacher planning time and other duties or meetings before and after school. If you are visiting for lunch, we ask that you please wait on the benches outside of the cafeteria or at the picnic tables on the courtyard for your child's lunchtime. Parents are not permitted to be in the pod hallways or in the main hallway during instructional time. Thanks for your help with this matter!

### PTA THANKS

Davis Elementary would like to thank the outstanding PTA for another great year and for your continued support of our students and families. We appreciate your hard work! We send a special thank you to our outgoing president, Jackie Peck, for her leadership this past year. We wish her and the family well as they move to Hawaii this coming summer.

### END OF YEAR REMINDERS

- Please pay off any negative cafeteria balances. See Ms. Susanne if you have any questions.
- Please return all classroom textbooks to Davis Elementary – Parents/Guardians will need to pay for any damaged or lost textbooks. Contact Mr. Durst if you need to pay for a damaged or lost textbook.
- Please return all library books to the Media Center.

### MEDICATION PICK UP

The school year ends on May 25th. Pinellas County School policy does not allow us to send medication

home with students or store it over the summer. Please arrange to come to school to pick up any unused medication, including inhalers and Epi-Pens. **Any unclaimed medications will be disposed of on Thursday May 25, 2017 at 03:00 p.m. without exception.** Thank you for your cooperation.

### 2017-2018 STUDENT CALENDAR

The first day of the 2017-2018 school year will be Thursday, August 10, 2017. We will have a Meet n' Greet for parents and students a couple of days before school starts. This will give parents and students the opportunity to see their new classroom and bring in any requested school supplies before the first day of school. Details and information will be posted on Facebook, Twitter, and our school website during the summer months. See below the student calendar for next year.

<b>August 10, 2017</b>	All schools open. All Pre-k postsecondary schools' classes begin.
<b>September 4, 2017</b>	Labor Day holiday – No school for students.
<b>October 13, 2017</b>	End of first quarter.
<b>October 16, 2017</b>	No school for students.
<b>Nov. 18-26, 2017</b>	Thanksgiving holiday week – No school for students.
<b>December 22, 2017</b>	End of first semester.
<b>Dec. 23, 2017- Jan. 7, 2018</b>	Winter holidays - No school for students.
<b>January 8, 2018</b>	No school for students.
<b>January 9, 2018</b>	Second semester begins.
<b>January 15, 2018</b>	Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday - schools closed students.
<b>February 19, 2018</b>	No school for students.
<b>March 9, 2018</b>	End of third quarter
<b>March 12, 2018</b>	No school for students.

**Mar. 24 - Apr. 1, 2018** Spring holidays – No school for students.

**April 2, 2018** Schools reopen. Classes resume.

**May 24, 2018** Last day for all students

## CLASS LISTS FOR 2017-2018

Postcards will be mailed the first week of August with your child's **TENTATIVE** classroom assignment and teacher for next year. Please be sure to have a **CURRENT** address on file in FOCUS. If you do not have a current address on file, you **WILL NOT** receive a postcard. Therefore, you will need to visit the front office and verify your address or make the necessary changes in the Student Reservation System to change your address. Once you verify your address, we will then notify you of your child's class assignment. Currently, our enrollment is close to capacity for the fall and is being closely monitored by the Student Assignment Office. Therefore, all classroom assignments will be tentative due to class size mandates and shifts in enrollment. An automated message will be sent out to families when tentative assignments are complete and postcards are being mailed. Please keep in mind we do not accept requests for teachers and changes in class placement will only happen if needed to meet class size mandates.

## ADDRESS CHANGE

Moving or planning to move? According to the Code of Student Conduct, if you move during the school year or in the summer months, parents are required to give the school their new address within five days of their move. If the school discovers that you have moved and you have not informed the school, your child could be considered to be "found out of that school's attendance area." This could mean an immediate change of school for your child. Follow these easy steps to update your address and keep the district informed. Please be sure to provide updated phone numbers to us as well. These are extremely important in case of a child's illness or other emergency.

### Steps to change your child's address:

Go to <https://reservation.pcsb.org/> and login with your user ID and password

Click on change of Residence Address link and follow the steps

### Proof of Residence

Requires **two** of the following items: utility bill for power, water, cable, sewer, or land-based telephone (not cellular); rental agreement or lease; closing

document; Pinellas County tax statement including homestead exemption. These items must be recent and include the name of the parent/guardian and the service/home address.

## Congratulations Shannon Scott

Our very own media and technology specialist was just awarded the Library Media Technology Specialist of the Year award for all of Pinellas County. Mrs. Scott is loved by our entire staff and student body. She is an integral part of our school and we are honored to have her here at Leila Davis Elementary. Congratulations Shannon Scott on a very well deserved award!

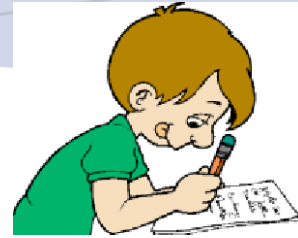


## Spring Fling Fundraiser



Thank you so much for all of the families who participated and all of the volunteers who helped out during our Spring Fling Fundraiser. It was our best Spring Fling yet and it was a wonderful family night!

We raised a lot of money to help our school! Thank you so much for all of your support!



We are celebrating our wonderful volunteers on May 12<sup>th</sup> from 11-1:30pm in the Media Center for a volunteer luncheon. We want to show you all how much we appreciate all that you do! If you would like to attend the

luncheon at the same designated lunch time as the person you volunteer for, please let them know as they would love to join you. Please RSVP to Dominica Reed at [reeddom@pcsb.org](mailto:reeddom@pcsb.org) by May 9, 2017.

## Closed Campus & Quiet School

A closed campus means we kindly request our volunteers and visitors to take a much deserved rest from 8:35 AM – 12:00 PM on testing days. No one will be permitted to enter testing areas as we enforce a quiet school during testing hours. **This includes parents and visitors eating lunch with their children.** It is important to maintain a quiet, distraction free campus so the students can focus and do their very best! Volunteers and visitors are welcome back on campus after noontime.

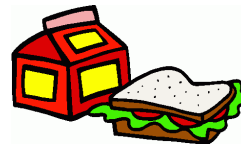
## Spring Testing Dates

- May 1-5 State Science Assessment for 5<sup>th</sup> grade students
- May 3-8 FSA Reading for 4<sup>th</sup> grade students CLOSED CAMPUS
- May 9-12 FSA Mathematics for 4<sup>th</sup> grade students CLOSED CAMPUS

## VOLUNTEER OF THE MONTH



Jamie Varela is our May volunteer of the month. Jamie has spent tireless efforts trying to help our school raise money and volunteer wherever needed. Thank you for all of your hard work and dedication.



## Café News

Greetings from the Café!

We are approaching the last days of school. Please ensure your students have enough money to cover their lunches and snacks. There will be no snacks that last week of school, and maybe even sooner if we run out.

The last week of school there will be NO borrows. This means if the student does not have enough funds to purchase their choice, I will be giving them our “Alternate Meal”, which is a sandwich and white milk. On the other hand, if there is money leftover on their account it will roll-over to next year, as long as they remain in Pinellas County Schools. If you are moving you will need to request a refund in writing, and it will be mailed to you. Please do this the last week of school and submit directly to me. You can always look up your balances via [www.myschoolbucks.com](http://www.myschoolbucks.com). Registering is free. You will need the student ID #, which starts with a 52. As always, if you have questions, please call me at (727) 669-1235.

Many thanks, and have a blessed summer!

Susanne Borsari  
Café Manager



If you are interested in sponsoring a class or helping the library finish our library makeover, please see the front office or contact Dominica Reed at [reeddom@pcsb.org](mailto:reeddom@pcsb.org) for more information or sponsorship opportunities



## Mrs. Baldauf's Paint Palette

Our 65 foot mosaic wall is **FINALLY** complete! Our planters in the car circle *and* bus circle are **FINALLY** complete! If you didn't get to see the triangular shaped benches outside the library they were finished last month! We just have our birdhouses to finish up and then we are done with our campus beautification this year. Whew!

I will be teaching a Digital camp for 4 days at Davis June 5-8. It is already filled up for this year, but be on the lookout for the permission slips next year. We take 30 kids. You must be an "upcoming" 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, or 5<sup>th</sup> grader. If you are an upcoming 6<sup>th</sup> grader they offer the same camp but at a middle school. It's free and fills up within hours!

We have so many students in the upcoming art shows, the last for the year. Please congratulate these hard working students if you see them!

1. These students will be featured in an online show for the Florida Art Education Association: *Heidi C., Sophia C., Angelica U., Miranda V., Connor G., Justin W., Anthony G., Renee G., Emma D., and Brianna H.*

2. The following students will be featured at the Administration building in Largo, ALL year! *Sydney L., Sophia R., Zaynah H., Justin W., Kayli I, Connor G., Maia G., Blake B., Marley H. and Anthony G..*

## Physical Education

### Super Sports of the Month:



The P.E. Department would like to congratulate the following students for the April PE Super Sports Award:

K- Emmalin C.

1<sup>st</sup>- Dani M.

2<sup>nd</sup>-Kevin B.

3<sup>rd</sup> Logan R.

4<sup>th</sup>-Haley E.

5<sup>th</sup>- Ali S.



## Donation Requests



We are looking for coffee and tea K-Cup donations for our Volunteer Coffee Corner!



Our clinic needs shorts or pants in **ALL** sizes to have on hand in case of an emergency. We are also in need of underwear and socks. Please consider donating your gently used clothing to the clinic.



The following students have already completed the Istation Reading program



**Mrs. Burr:**  
Benjamin B.

Sivan K.

Laila P.

**Ms. Hidalgo:**  
Alexis P.

Kylee Ann S.

**Mrs. Gallers:**

Gabriel N.

**Mrs. Long:**  
Evan B.

**Mrs. Johannessen:**

Megi D.

Shae P.

Ian S.

**Monday:**

Tacos on special 4:30 to 11PM

**Tuesday:**

2-4-1 Fajitas 4:30 to 10PM

**Wednesday:**

\$5 Nachos Supreme 4:30 to 10PM

**Thursday:**

Ladies night 4:30 to 10PM. Happy hour every day 3 to 7PM.

All promos are dine in only. NOT VALID FOR TAKE OUT. Can't combine any coupons or discounts. Can't use coupons or discounts on any of the promos.



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Want your child to have mad math skills? Join Mathnasium this summer for customized, individualized instruction, filling those skill gaps and preparing for next year. Enroll before May 15th and save \$100! Call 727-799-3142.



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