

Happy Holidays!



Welcome to Mar Vista Home of the Sea Lions

December 2015

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School News:

Upcoming Events

- ◆ Dec. 8 Site Council 4:30-5:30. Library
- ◆ Dec. 8 MVP, 6:00-7:30 Library
- ◆ Dec. 9 Spirit Day Mismatch Day
- ◆ Dec. 14 Family Performance: Wizard of Oz 6:30. \$3.00 at the door.
- ◆ Dec. 18 Spirit Day. Holiday colors, red, green white.
- ◆ Dec. 21-Jan. 11 School will be closed for Winter Break.

Holiday Greetings to our Mar Vista Community,

On behalf of the entire staff at Mar Vista, we wish you and yours a wonderful holiday season with family and loved ones. As educators, we are so proud of your children and all of their many special talents they bring to the campus each day, which make up the exceptional culture of our prestigious school. We are truly thankful to be working with such amazing children and supportive parents.

As the school principal I wish you a joyous, fun-filled holiday season and thank you for your continued dedication to and support of our Mar Vista community. Please be aware the school will be closed starting on Friday, December 18, 2015 until Tuesday January 12, 2016 in recognition of the winter holiday recess. School will resume normal hours of operation on Tuesday, January, 12, 2016.

Again, from our Mar Vista family to yours, take care and we will see you in the New Year!!!

Open Enrollment Intra-District Transfer Process

The Pajaro Valley Unified School District (PVUSD) will begin implementing its Open Enrollment Intra-District Transfer process for the 2016-2017 school year. Applications will be accepted November 2 through December 18, 2015. Open Enrollment Intra-District Transfers will be processed based on space-available. Remember that the application deadline for Open Enrollment is **December 18, 2015**. If you have any questions, please contact the Mar Vista Office.



Visitors to Mar Vista

All parents, parent volunteers, and other visitors on campus during the school day must check into the front office to sign-in and receive a visitor's badge. If you don't have a visitor's badge, a staff member will direct you to the office. We want to keep our campus safe for all of our children.

Second Harvest Food Drive

Give Unto Others: Teaching the Importance of Giving Back.

In a commercialized society that is all about wanting and needing more, one of the core values that is becoming harder for children to relate with is the concept of giving back. Helping children to get involved now will help children understand early on, how much they can help their community. This is the time of year that the Mar Vista community gives back to our neighbors less fortunate, by participating in the Second Harvest Food Drive. Each child will receive a bag on Wednesday December 9th to fill with canned food items and return to school. If students would rather give money that they have saved, they can put the money in an envelope and return the envelope to the school office. For every day raised Second Harvest can purchase three pounds of food. If each student brought in three pounds of canned food items that would be over 1,400 pounds.



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Student Council Project

The first Saturday of each month the Student Council Leadership team, host the refreshment table at a Children's Clothing Exchange at the Santa Cruz Live Oak Grange Hall. If you have children clothing items that you would like to donate please bring those item to Mar Vista the last Wednesday of each month.



Kendama Friday

Students are allowed to bring their Kendama's to school on Fridays. I am very proud the students work together to resolve the issue of students not following directions.

Student Author

Mar Vista has its very own published author. Lily Richards, a Sixth Grader has had a comic book published. She sold her comic book to a local comic book shop, Atlantis Fantasy World, on Cedar Street. The name of the comic series is "The Adventures of Tubby and Crabby". She is donating all of her proceeds to the Mar Vista Library.



Pancake Breakfast

We celebrated the end of the first trimester with a school wide pancake breakfast. Our special cooks for this celebration were Superintendent Dorma Baker, and Assistant Superintendents Susan Perez and Lisa Aguerria. A grand time was had by all.



November students of the month – Sponsored by Quiznos



December 2015 Birthdays

Parents Staying Connected- Join Parent Email Group

Sign up to be emailed the MV Parent Newsletter. You just need to follow the link below to join.

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