



Playa Vista Elementary's

OSPREY NEWS

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Monday, May 7th Teacher Appreciation Week! CAASPP Testing	Tuesday, May 8th Teacher Appreciation Week! CAASPP Testing	Wednesday, May 9th Teacher Appreciation Week! CAASPP Testing Eddy Award Dinner Honoring Mrs. Laurent	Thursday, May 10th Teacher Appreciation Week! CAASPP Testing 1st Grade ORF Concert 8:30 MPR	Friday, May 11th Teacher Appreciation Week! CAASPP Testing All School Picture - 2:00 Everyone wear their school t-Shirts!	Upcoming Events: CAASPP Makeup Testing 5/15 STEM Certification Visit 5/17 Talent Show! 5/18 Kinder ORF
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Dear Playa Vista Family,

Welcome to another busy week at PVES! Each school year an entire week is set aside to say thank you to our teachers. **This week is Teacher Appreciation Week!** You've heard me say it before and I have meant it every time, the teachers here at PVES are remarkable. Many of them helped to open the school and all the teachers have worked on making PVES an outstanding place to learn.

Through collaboration with one another and Mrs. Keeler they have written a STEM curriculum that spans the entire school year! They team up with their grade levels on a weekly basis to refine that curriculum, share lessons on social/emotional learning, plan events, and discuss how we can make PVES even better. They are the most professional set of teachers I have ever had the pleasure to work with!

This amazing team is supported by an incredible staff. Ms. Kristina and Ms. Jackie in the school office are indispensable! Our school runs smoothly because of their dedication. Ms. Ashely is rapidly learning the ins and outs of the health office. Mr. Huff and Ms. Myishia help keep the place in order. Our TAs, campus aides, and Coach Riley support learning in the class and on the playground. And many additional aides support learning within the classrooms. In short, there is an entire team that works together every day to support your children! Let's take a moment to say thank you during this next week.

Attention all Ospreys! This Friday, May 11th, the whole school picture will be taken so everyone should wear their school t-shirts. The school wide picture has been included in every yearbook since the school opened. You can see all the great school t-shirts in last year's picture that is hanging in the lobby of the school. Let's make the 2017-2018 whole school picture the best one yet with everyone in attendance and everyone wearing their school t-shirt!

This Friday will also be the **final Spirit Day for the 2017-2018 school year.** I'm confident it will be the best Spirit Day of the year as it is also the whole school picture day! I know every class will have 100% participation!

We are entering the **second and final week of CAASPP testing.** The first week went well with a high attendance rate and the vast majority of students being on time for school, thank you! I've included the tips to support your child during testing again, along with the testing schedule for the week.

Here are some helpful guidelines to support your child during testing:

- ◆ Getting a **good night sleep** will ensure your child is rested and ready to do their best
- ◆ Having a **healthy breakfast** let's your child concentrate in the morning on the CAASPP
- ◆ **Arriving to school early** gives your child plenty of time to settle in and focus without feeling rushed
- ◆ Giving them a **good snack for recess** time will ensure they can continue to give their best after their break

Here is the testing schedule:

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
May 7 - Make-up Testing	May 8 - Math Testing in the morning, before and after recess	May 9 - Math Testing in the morning, before and after recess	May 10 - Math Testing in the morning, before and after recess	May 11 - Make-up Testing

Here's a message from our amazing parent, Jenn Goldberg, who organizes our talent show each year.

STUDENT ART WANTED FOR THE VISUAL ART SHOW: The Talent Show on May 17 will include an exhibition of student art work in the MPR. A slide show of the art pieces will be included as part of the talent show performance. Past art pieces have included painting, drawing, photography, sculpture and mixed media. Please complete the attached form and submit along with the art piece (labeled and with a mat or frame, or otherwise presented for display). Art pieces should be submitted to the office during the week of May 7-11. Please do not submit early, we don't have storage space.

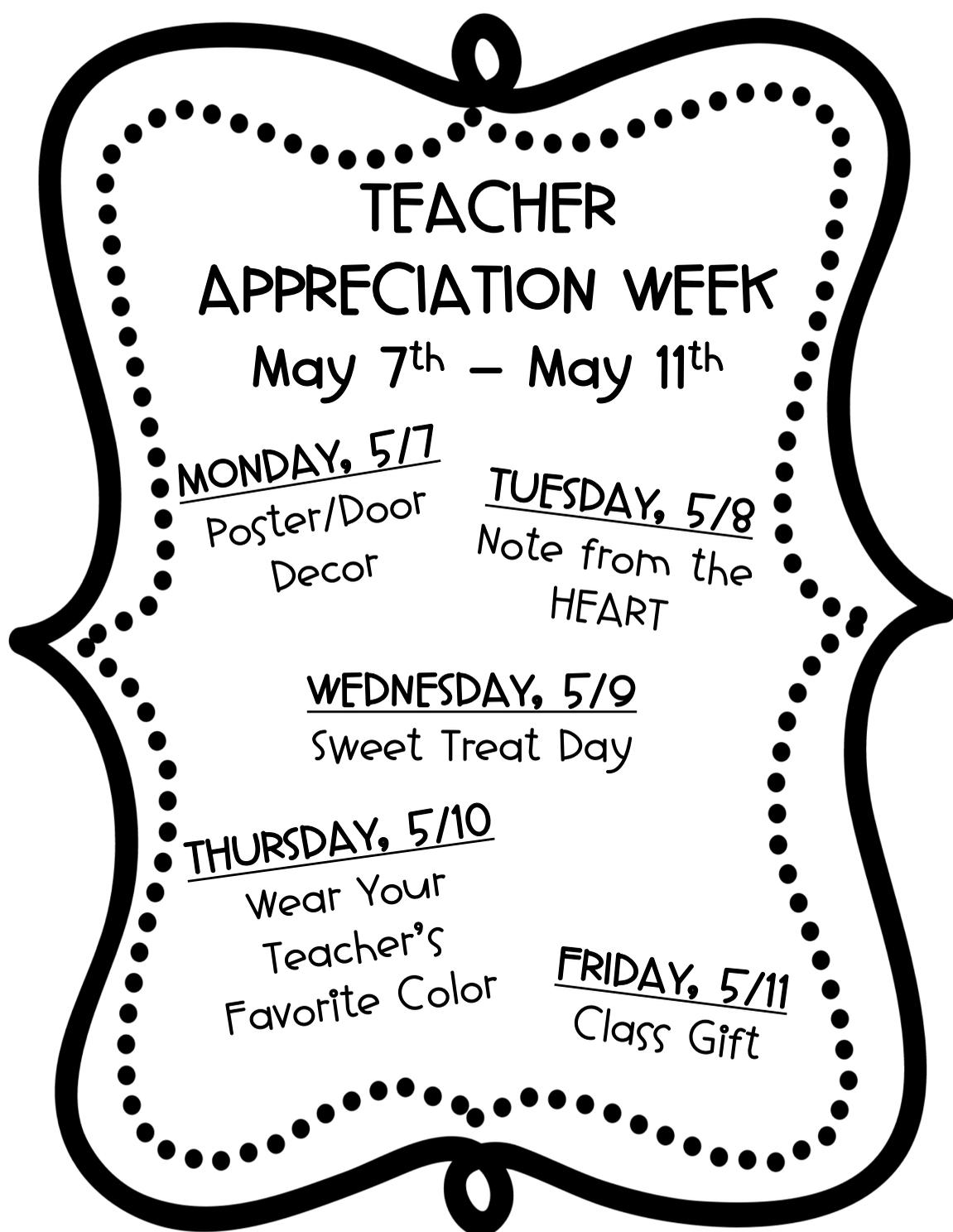
We are coming to the conclusion of the school year. I'd like the end of the school year to end well so here are **a few school rule reminders.**

- * PVES students are to be safe, kind, and responsible/respectful in class *and* on the playground
- * All toys, including card games, Pokemon, slim, and play equipment (footballs, basketballs, etc.) are to be left at home.
- * Students who bring cell phones to school must have them off and in their backpacks during school hours.

Thank you for your support with following these rules. Enjoy the rest of your weekend and I'll see you all on Monday!

With the warmest of regards,

Rebecca Johnson,
Principal



MONDAY – Poster and/or Door Decor

- Let's start Teacher Appreciation Week off with a BANG! Make a poster or use butcher paper to create a festive entry for your classroom teacher. Your Room Parents will surprise your teacher by decorating their door.

TUESDAY – A Note from the Heart

- Each student in class should bring a note, drawing, or card to their teacher. Simply express a few words of thank you and appreciation for all your teacher does!

WEDNESDAY – Sweet Treat Day

- It's Sweet Treat Day! Each student should bring in a "sweet treat" for their teacher today or do something as a whole class! Be creative – bake cookies, bring a donut, cupcake, an apple, a flower, a small plant, trail mix, a bag of chips, popcorn, a muffin or morning treat, gift card for a coffee drink or frozen yogurt, even a small candle or lotion.

THURSDAY – Wear Your Teacher's Favorite Color

- Today students will be wearing their teacher's FAVORITE color! Be sure to check your Shutterfly emails for this important information.

FRIDAY – Classroom Gift

- Create the perfect ending to Teacher Appreciation Week by showing your appreciation for all your teacher does by presenting them with a classroom gift. This can be as simple as a framed classroom photo, a gift card, a basket of their favorite things - be creative!

THANKS FOR MAKING THIS WEEK SUCH A SUCCESS!

You're Invited

PLEASE JOIN US FOR OUR
ANNUAL VOLUNTEER
BREAKFAST

THURSDAY, MAY 24TH
2018 AT 8:15 AM

Enjoy food and refreshments as we say
Thank you for all your hard work

Playa Vista's Got Talent

Visual Art Exhibit Submission Form

DEADLINE FRIDAY MAY 11

The 5th Annual PVES Talent Show - will take place on Thursday May 17, 2018 and will include an exhibition of student art work in the MPR and a slide show during the Talent Show. Past art pieces have included painting, drawing, photography, sculpture and mixed media. All students are eligible to submit one art piece (including those who are performing in the talent show).

Students who want to be part of the art show must submit this form and a framed or matted art piece to the office during the week of May 7-11, 2018. **Art pieces will not be accepted after Friday May 11, 2018** (please do not submit them before May 7, as we do not have space to store them).

If your piece cannot be framed or matted (for example, sculpture), please provide another means for display when the piece is submitted unless it can stand on its own. **Make sure that there is a tag or other identification of the student's name on the piece.**

STUDENT NAME:

GRADE / TEACHER / ROOM NUMBER:

PARENT NAME and PHONE NUMBER:

PARENT EMAIL:

Briefly describe your art piece:

PARENT CONSENT FOR ART SUBMISSION

I consent for my child to participate in the "Playa Vista's Got Talent" art exhibit by submitting an art piece of the type described in this form. **All art pieces must be submitted by May 11, 2018 along with the signed form, and must be framed, matted or include a means for display.** Art pieces must be picked up from the office during the week of May 21. The office will not hold art pieces past May 25.

Parent name: _____ Date: _____

Parent signature: _____



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May 3, 2018

Dear Parents and Guardians,

This letter is to inform you about the sequence of math courses your child can take in middle and high school.

Middle School

As you may already know, the majority of students in middle school are programmed for the College and Career Math Pathway courses (CC Math 6, CC Math 7 or CC Math 8). This is in alignment with the progression of skills and knowledge that is rigorous and designed to provide a strong foundation for success in the new, more advanced Algebra I courses that will typically be taken by most students in the ninth grade.

The Los Angeles Unified School District recognizes that some students are able to progress in their mathematical learning at a faster pace. In recognition of this, and in alignment with the Common Core, students are given the opportunity to accelerate their mathematics coursework in sixth and seventh grades, and again in high school.

Accelerated Pathway and Highly Accelerated Pathway

Students completing grade six who demonstrate advanced skills in mathematics may be eligible for placement into the Accelerated Mathematics Pathway beginning in grade seven, or into the Highly Accelerated Mathematics Pathway beginning in grade six. Both of these pathways aim to advance math students who show strong mathematics conceptual understanding, knowledge of procedural skills, fluency, and ability to apply mathematics in a real world context.

Accelerated Mathematics Pathway

In the Accelerated Pathway, three years of math are combined into two math courses: Accelerated CC Math 7 and Accelerated CC Algebra 1. Standards are not cut or skipped but are “compacted” requiring students to learn at a faster pace. Recommendation for placement into the Accelerated Mathematics Pathway is based on a student’s previous marks in mathematics and Smarter Balanced Summative Assessment score.

Highly Accelerated Mathematics Pathway

The Highly Accelerated Pathway is intended for the highest achieving students in mathematics.

This pathway begins in grade 6 and combines five years of mathematics into three years: Highly Accelerated CC Math 6/7, Highly Accelerated CC Math 8/Algebra 1, and CC Geometry. As with the Accelerated Pathway, standards are not cut or skipped, they are “compacted”. Students will be identified as eligible for the placement test based on his/her 5th grade marks in mathematics and their score on the Smarter Balanced Summative Assessment.

Students will be placed into the Highly Accelerated Pathway only upon meeting the placement criteria and with parent approval. The Highly Accelerated Mathematics Pathway is a highly specialized program enrolling only a very small percentage of students districtwide; therefore, not all schools offer this pathway.

The Accelerated Mathematics Pathway and the Highly Accelerated Mathematics Pathway from grade 6 to grade 12 are shown below.

Grade Level Grade 6 Grade 7 Grade 8 Grade 9 Grade 10 Grade 11 Grade 12

Accelerated

Pathway CC Math 6 Accelerated Math 7 Accelerated CC Algebra 1 CC Geometry CC Algebra 2
Pre-Calculus AP Calculus

Highly

Accelerated

Pathway Highly Accelerated Math 6/7 Highly Accelerated Math 8/Algebra 1 CC Geometry CC
Algebra 2 Pre-Calculus AP Calculus 4th Math Course

High School

Students will have additional opportunities to accelerate in high school. Some options are shown below.

Grade Level Grade 8 Grade 9 Grade 10 Grade 11 Grade 12

High School

Acceleration Option 1 CC Math 8 CC Algebra 1 and CC Geometry (concurrent) CC Algebra 2 Pre-
Calculus AP Calculus

High School

Acceleration Option 2 CC Math 8 CC Algebra 1 CC Geometry Honors Advanced Math AP
Calculus

Highlight indicates Acceleration Points.

Continued Success and Enrollment in an Accelerated Pathway

Compacted accelerated courses are extremely rigorous, and students must demonstrate continued academic success in these courses throughout the school year as a condition for continued enrollment in the Accelerated or Highly Accelerated sequences. If a student earns less than a “B” in the semester course, the child’s placement may be adjusted.

Students in the compacted accelerated pathways must also demonstrate success at the end of each school year in order to continue in that pathway. Enrollment in the next course in the sequence is determined by a combination of the student’s scores on placement tests, Smarter Balanced Summative Assessments and grades.

Date Time School Address

May 10, 2018 8:00 – 9:00 a.m. Audubon MS Parent Center (323) 290-6300 4120 11th Ave. LA CA 90008

May 18, 2018 10:00 – 11:00 a.m. Harte Prep MS Library (323) 242-5400 9301 S. Hoover St. LA CA 90044

May 21, 2018 6:00 – 7:00 p.m. Emerson Community Charter MS Library (310) 234-3100 1650 Selby Ave. LA CA 90024

May 22, 2018 5:00 – 6:00 p.m. Bancroft MS Oral Arts Room (323) 993-3400 929 N. Las Palmas Ave. LA CA 90038

May 23, 2018 4:00 – 5:00 p.m. Burroughs MS Auditorium (323) 549-5000 600 S. McCadden Place, LA CA 90005

May 24, 2018 10:30 -11:30 a.m. Twain MS Library (310) 305-3100 2224 Walgrove Ave. LA CA 90066

May 29, 2018 8:30 – 9:30 a.m.. Revere Charter MS Auditorium (310) 917-4800 1450 Allenford Ave. LA CA 90049.

May 30, 2018 5:30 – 6:30 p.m. Palms MS Auditorium (310) 253-7600 10860 Woodbine St. LA



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SPRING 2018

NATURE SKILLZ

March 26th-30th

SUMMER 2018

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June 18th-22nd AND July 9th-13th

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June 25th-29th AND July 16th-20th

One Week Sessions

Monday - Friday

9am-3pm

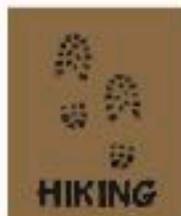
For Ages 8-11



SCIENCE



WILDLIFE



HIKING



ART

To REGISTER or get more info:

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(310)306-5994

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PLAYA VISTA
Summer Camp!

June 11 - August 10

8:30am - 3:00pm

*Extended care 3:30 - 5:00pm

**AGES
4 - 11!**

**Art, science, sports/team-building,
swimming, gymnastics, cooking,
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