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Del Mar Newsletter

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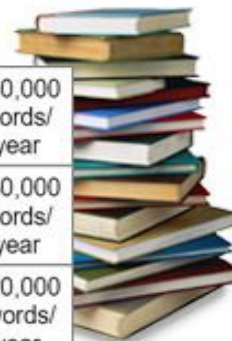
Happy New year! Your Del Mar family wishes you the very best for 2017. We hope that you had a healthy and joyful 2 weeks off, spent with loved ones. Thank you for partnering with us to make our school such an amazing place for children to learn and grow...socially, emotionally, and academically.

Daily Independent Reading - the *best* predictor of reading achievement!

As we enter the New Year, let's renew our focus on nightly reading. Could you commit to increasing your child's nightly reading by 10 minutes each night? Look what a difference it could make...

Here is what 10 minutes of reading means for students:

Child A, does not read at home	+ 10 minutes reading	∞ increase	1,000 new words/day @100WPM	5,000 words/ week	20,000 words/ month	240,000 words/ year
Child B, reads 10 minutes/day at home	+ 10 minutes reading	100% increase	1,000 new words/day @100WPM	10,000 words/ week	40,000 words/ month	480,000 words/ year
Child C, reads 20 minutes/day at home	+ 10 minutes reading	50% increase	1,000 new words/day @100WPM	15,000 words/ week	60,000 words/ month	720,000 words/ year



Talk to your child about their nightly reading and set a goal to increase their reading by 10 minutes. Our librarian, Mrs. Wright, is happy to help you and/or your child find books that will be fun to read.

Coming Events

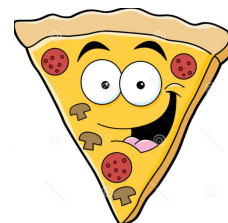
Thursday, Jan. 12	Parents' Night Out, Kids' Night In , 5:30-7:30pm, <i>see below</i>
Friday, Jan. 13	No School , Teacher Work Day
Monday, Jan. 16	No School , MLK Jr. Holiday
Tuesday, Jan. 17	Love & Logic Classes Begin , Del Mar Library, <i>see flyer</i>
Wednesday, Jan. 18	PTA General Meeting , 6pm Del Mar Library
Thursday, Jan. 19	DELAC Meeting , 6pm Laguna Middle School
Thursday, Jan. 26	Family Math/STEAM Night , 5:30pm, <i>see below for details</i>
	Food Box Pick up , 2:30 pm
Friday, Jan. 27	Sports Day , wear your favorite jersey or sports apparel
Thursday, Feb. 2	Dental Screening , K, 3rd and 5th

Community Flyers

- San Luis Obispo Volleyball - [English](#)
- Kid's Wrestling Program - [English & Spanish](#)
- SLO Youth Baseball - [English](#) / [Spanish](#)
- Coast Little League Baseball - [English](#)
- Love & Logic at Del Mar - [English](#)

Family Math/STEAM Night

Join us on **Thursday, January 26th** in the Multipurpose room for a fun night starting with Pizza at 5:30pm followed by fun math and engineering activities for the whole family from 6-7pm.



KNI-PNO (Kids' Night In - Parents' Night Out)

On January 12th from 5:30-7:30pm we will be recognizing our families with **EXCELLENT** attendance throughout the first trimester with a special event! This will be a fun night in for kids, and a fun night out for parents.

Children who met our attendance goal of **96%** with **no unexcused absences and no unexcused tardies** received a special invitation before winter break to attend a movie night for 1st-3rd grade and a game night for 4th-5th.

Our Student Council officers have helped to plan the event, so it is sure to be a great night for our kids! We know that it is a family effort to get your children to school on time, all of the time, so we want to appreciate and reward the parents and guardians, too!

Dental Screening

As part of our school health program, a volunteer dentist from the Central Coast Dental Society will provide dental screenings at your child's school for Kinder, 3rd and 5th grade students. We will be screening students during the months of January and February. Our dental screening date this year is **Thursday, Feb 2nd**.



The dental screening consists of a simple visual inspection of your child's teeth and will not involve the use of x-rays or other dental equipment. This screening does not replace an in-office dental examination by your family dentist.

A letter will be sent home only if the screening identifies a potential dental problem.

If you DO NOT want to have your child screened, please notify his/her teacher with a note for the nurse.

Open Enrollment and Kindergarten Registration

This year's Open Enrollment period is March 6 - March 31, 2017.

If you have a 6th graders going into middle school or 8th graders going into high school and they want to transfer to the opposite middle school or high school than their neighborhood school, they need to complete the Open Enrollment Form in March.

Kinder Registration begins on March 6, 2017.

Pacheco Lottery is April 27, 2017.

The last day of school is June 8, 2017.

Affordable Care Act Enrollment Information

The California Department of Education, in partnership with Covered California and All In-Health Care for all families have provided a template for information on health insurance coverage. <http://www.slcsd.org/announcements.php>

Box Top Update

We are so close to reaching our goal of earning \$1,000 from BoxTop submissions this school year!! Our next big submission will be March 1st. Please keep clipping!

For more information about Box Tops please visit BTFE.com or feel free to contact your Box Top Coordinator, Tammy Nettleton:

tammynetleton@gmail.com



Ever wonder how that information on the parking lot marquee gets changed, giving us all helpful dates and information?

Another Del Mar Parent Superstar steps in each month and makes sure our marquee stays updated. This month we want to shine our Volunteer Spotlight on **Katie Brum!** Katie has been keeping our marquee current for years and has also stepped up this year to manage and

deliver our Spirit Wear orders. She can also be seen helping around school and chaperoning on field trips. So next time you refer to the marquee for school information or enjoy wearing your new Del Mar blue swag, give Katie Brum a big THANK YOU with us!



FUN RUN Update

We want to give a BIG thank you to everyone that helped us raise money at our Fall Fun Run. Here are some of our final numbers:

Total Raised: **\$21,500+**



Our 1st place fundraiser was 2nd grader, **John Holguin** - he raised over \$850 and won the chance to be principal for a day. Thanks for your hard work John!

2nd place earner - *Joshua Failla*, 5th grade

3rd place earner - *Izic Winkelpleck*, 1st grade

These boys went above and beyond in helping us reach our fundraising goal! We also had almost 20 students raise over \$250 each, much more than last year.

A BIG THANK YOU also goes out to all students and parents for your help and support!

Top Classes: Mrs. Cameli's, Kindergarten class won for Highest Average \$\$ Raised Per Student

Mrs. Morin's 2nd grade class won for Most \$\$ Raised Overall

These classes enjoyed a hot chocolate and bubble party together before Winter Break.

Another big thank you to Central Coast Music, Spencer's Market, Cookie Crock, our Water Bottle Donors and all the Parents and Helpers that helped make this event a success!!

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