



October 2016

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Del Mar Newsletter

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Coming Events

- Tuesday, Oct. 4 [SLCUSD School Board Meeting, 6pm District Room J2](#)
- Wednesday, Oct. 5 [Walk to School Day](#)
- Thursday, Oct. 6 [Hearing Screening, 1st, 2nd, 5th & Special Ed](#)
- Tuesday, Oct. 18 [SLCUSD School Board Meeting, LOMS Middle School MPR](#)
- Wednesday, Oct.19 [PTA Board Meeting, 3:15 pm](#)
- Thursday, Oct. 20 [DELAC Meeting, 6pm](#)
- Friday, Oct. 21 [Vision Screening, TK, K, 2nd, 5th & Special Ed](#)
- Thursday, Oct. 27 [Food Bank, 2:30pm Del Mar MPR](#)
- Thursday, Nov. 3 [Fun Run](#)
- Friday, Nov. 4 [No School, Teacher Work Day](#)
- Tuesday, Nov. 8 [General Election, Polling in Del Mar MPR 7am - 5:30pm](#)
- Thursday, Nov. 10 [Picture Retakes](#)
- Friday, Nov. 11 [No School, Veteran's Day](#)
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Community Flyers

[Euro Elite Basketball Academy](#)

[Parent Participation](#)

[Guitar Class English / Spanish](#)

[Basketball Skills Clinic English / Spanish](#)

[Suicide Prevention Walk English / Spanish](#)

From Principal Gould

We need your help to achieve our goal of having every Del Mar child at school every day! This year we have a **goal of 96% ADA** (average daily attendance). That equals 7 absences over the entire school year, per child, for any reason. Last year our ADA was 94.88%.

Each week we will acknowledge our classes who have achieved a 96% attendance rate. After one month of school, our current attendance rate is...

DID YOU KNOW?

- Starting in kindergarten, too many absences can cause children to fall behind in school.
- Absences can affect the whole classroom if the teacher has to slow down learning to help children catch up.

Attending school regularly helps children feel better about school—and themselves. Start building this habit in kindergarten so they learn right away that ***going to school on time, every day is important***. Good attendance supports self esteem and sets children up to do well in high school, college, and at work.

Second Step - Skills for Learning

This month, our school-wide Second Step theme is **Skills for Learning: listening, focusing attention, using self-talk to stay on-task, and being assertive when asking for help with a learning task**. In our morning announcements, we'll be reminding students of these skills, which help students be successful learners.

Second Step lessons teach skills for learning. These are weekly lessons that are taught by your child's teacher and a school support staff. Ask your child who their second teacher is during the Second Step lessons! You'll be receiving Home Links describing why these skills are important and including fun activities to do with your child to practice them. We hope you enjoy them!

We Love Dogs But They Can't Be On Campus

As a reminder, please note that dogs are not allowed on school campuses, even if on leash, unless they are on campus for the purpose of teaching, research or testing and must be approved by school site administration. Exposure to pets on campus may pose

risks of animal bites, disruption, and disease transmission. In addition, pets may pose a risk for those with allergies or asthma and cause damage to the property. For exception related to service animals, call the Personnel Services Department. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

STUDENT COUNCIL

This year we had a group of outstanding students run for the position of Treasurer, Secretary, Vice President and President for our Del Mar Student Council. Each student spent time preparing speeches, designing campaign posters and presenting their speeches to our school audience. We would like to commend each student for their bravery and courage. We are lucky to have such a talented group of wonderful role models at Del Mar. Please help us congratulate Del Mar's newly elected officers:

President: Ava Perkins
Secretary: Macy Mauch

Vice President: Noah Ketchum
Treasurer: Katie Doot

PTA

Have you joined the PTA yet? Your \$10 membership + optional donation brings more funding to our school and membership perks to you. Be sure to send in your membership envelope soon to be eligible for raffle prizes and help your child's class meet their membership goal. [Membership flyer](#) #mydelmarpta #delmarptastrong



[Click here](#) to meet your 2016-17 PTA Board Members and view this year's Meeting Schedule and Topics. Next PTA Meeting: Wednesday, November 16 at 6:00pm.



Meet Jonathan Sa, our Volunteer of the Month. Mr. Sa has two daughters at Del Mar and can often be seen working in the



classroom or helping around campus. He is also Del Mar's new Popcorn Parent. Mr. Sa has recently stepped up to help us continue our Popcorn Friday tradition. He's about to become a very popular guy on campus! If you see Mr. Sa at school be sure to say Hi and tell him Thank You! Del Mar loves our volunteers! We are better because of YOU!

WALK & BIKE TO SCHOOL DAY



Walk and Bike to School Day is this **Wednesday, October 5**. Snacks will be available before school for anyone who walks or rides their bike to school. Walkers and bikers will also be entered into a raffle to win some great prizes from local businesses. Enjoy the morning,

enjoy your family, and walk or bike to school together on Wednesday!

BOX TOP SUBMISSION

Submission time is approaching. Please have your children submit all Box Tops to their classroom containers by **October 15th**. Surprise mystery gifts will be tallied up and given out the first week of November. If you have any questions, feel free to contact me. Thanks for your help!

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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.slcusd.org/announcements.php>

FREE AND REDUCED MEAL APPLICATIONS

It's not too late to submit your free and reduced meal forms. **This must be done annually.** This program not only helps families, but it is how our school qualifies for Title I funding. The fewer families that participate in our free/reduced lunch program, the less money we receive. Whether your child gets school lunch or not, please support our school by completing the free/reduced lunch application. It can be picked up in our office or accessed online at <http://nutrition.slcusd.org/freereducedmeals>