

# Mission Valley PARENT BULLETIN

March 2017



## Principal's Message

Happy March,

It's hard to believe it's already March and we are nearly  $\frac{2}{3}$  the way through the 2016-2017 school year. I have to say the past few days without rain has been refreshing, as rainy day recess is hard on students and staff. It is quite refreshing looking at the lush foothills around us.

Please help us keep all students safe by abiding by all traffic laws and parking lot rules each and every day. We have approximately 12 school buses and hundreds of cars entering and exiting our school on any given day and keeping students safe is my number one priority. Please drive safely each and every day!

- Reservation forms for current K-5th graders were due yesterday.
- **March 2 is Read Across America Day** - Your child's teacher will inform you of their classroom activities.
- Trimester 2 will officially end on March 10th and report cards will be sent home March 17th.
- Our Lost & Found is bursting at the seams; please come in to look for your student's clothing and other goodies. Clothes will be donated at the end of the trimester.
- MVSA and Mission Valley will be having their annual Jog-A-Thon on April 3rd. This is a big fundraiser so your support is critical. I thought that this year you could "sponsor" me to raise money for new computer lab computers. My goal is \$8,000. I'll let everyone know how many laps I did and then you could simply add that amount to what your child earned.

Want to know how you can get more involved?

**School Site Council Nominations:** School Site Council is an advisory committee of equal numbers of parents and school staff. The purpose is to coordinate the goals (Single Plan for Pupil Achievement) and financial resources to improve student learning at the school.

- A nomination form will be sent out electronically (paper versions will be available in the office) on March 17 for those interested in running for a vacant spot.

Congratulations to Annabelle K. *What Liquid Plants Need?*. She won second prize in the FUSD Science Fair in the kindergarten division.

Your partner in education,  
Denise Mapelli

Follow us on Twitter [@MVESBeavers](https://twitter.com/MVESBeavers)

## Important Dates

Friday, 3/3 - Saturday, 3/4:	Basketball Tournament @ Gomes
Monday, 3/6:	Family Life Curriculum Preview @ District Office, 4210 Technology Dr. 5:30-7pm
Tuesday, 3/14:	MVSA Meeting, 7pm, room 6
Thursday, 3/23:	Family Life Curriculum Preview @ District Office, 4210 Technology Dr., 5:30-7pm
Thursday, 3/30:	Family Life Curriculum Preview @ District Office, 4210 Technology Dr., 5:30-7pm
Friday, 3/31:	Movie Night, 6:30pm, MUR
Monday, 4/3:	Jog-a-Thon
Monday, 4/10	Grade 6 Family Life Curriculum Preview, 4pm, room 18
Wednesday, 4/12:	Grade 4 Family Life Curriculum Preview, 1:30pm, room 21
Mon., 4/24 - Wed. 5/24:	CAASPP Testing Window (check with your child's teacher for specific dates)
Wednesday, 4/26:	Grade 5 Family Life Curriculum Preview, 2:30pm, room 25



## Library Fundraiser

Beginning Monday, March 13 and lasting for two weeks, the library will be holding a fundraiser. All donations will be made online, and 100% of the proceeds will be used to purchase new books. We are hoping to raise \$1,500. More details will be available in the next couple of weeks.

## Parent Satisfaction Survey

The annual Parent Satisfaction Survey is now available. The feedback will directly contribute to Fremont Unified's 2016-17 LCAP plan, as well as give the district valuable information about parent engagement at schools. We also review the surveys closely here at Mission Valley and they help us learn what we are doing well and what we need to work to improve. We find the feedback very valuable, so please take a few moments to fill out the survey.

Below are links to the online survey. You can also access these links directly from the home page of our website. In addition, we have hard copies available in the office.

Thank you in advance for your feedback!

Parent Survey English: <https://goo.gl/forms/1hYNNExtlr0LZC52>

Parent Survey Spanish: <https://goo.gl/forms/VtLoltFVmEJg1MK93>

Parent Survey Chinese: <https://goo.gl/forms/dPrgd5o1jsM0n9eG3>

# 2017-18 Enrollment Information

## INFORMATION FOR NEW STUDENTS & SIBLINGS

- Feb. 15-March 29: Priority enrollment begins for all other NEW TK-K students. Parents/guardians must fill out an application and book an appointment online. You can make an appointment starting Feb 8
- May 8: Enrollment begins for NEW TK-6th grade students. Parents/guardians must fill out application and book appointments online.

## INFORMATION FOR CURRENT STUDENTS IN GRADES K-5

**Reservation forms were due February 28. If you have not yet turned in your form with your two proofs of residency, your child is not placed on a class list for next year. Failure to turn in these forms could also result in your child losing their spot at Mission Valley for the current school year.**

## STUDENTS HERE ON INTRA-DISTRICT TRANSFERS

If you have a student currently on an intra-district transfer and you would like them to stay at Mission Valley for the 17-18 school year, you must turn in a new transfer request between April 24 and May 5. Transfer requests are available in the office and online at [www.fremont.k12.ca.us](http://www.fremont.k12.ca.us)



## Important Information for Parents of 6th Graders:

### Tdap Booster Requirement

The **Final Date** TO SUBMIT Immunization records (including Whooping Cough: Tdap) at your Elementary School is: **Thursday, June 15<sup>th</sup>, 2017. After this date you must WAIT until August, and take the official record of vaccinations to the Junior High your child will be attending.**

Valid proof must show: 1) type of shot given, 2) date given, 3) provider's signature/stamp. If parents have not provided proof to their Jr. High School by the First Day of School, your student CANNOT attend school. You can provide proof to your Elementary School Site up until the last day of school.

Even if you think your child already received this shot, you still need to bring in valid proof. California State Law requires that students entering the 7<sup>th</sup> grade must submit official proof that they are up to date with their immunizations.

Your child can not receive a class schedule or attend Junior High until this requirement is met.

### Registration for 7th Grade

6th grade students will receive information from their classroom teacher in March or April regarding junior high registration.

## Mission Valley School Association (MVSA) Info:

MVSA is a PTO nonprofit organization comprised of parents and teachers from MVE working together.

Facebook Group: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/MissionValleySchoolAssociation/>

Website: <http://mvsa-fremont.org/>

Donate now: <http://mvsa-fremont.org/donate/donation-2/>

### Highlights:

**VALENTINE'S FAMILY PARTY:** MVSA hosted the party on 2/10/17. Fun was had by all!! We had Valentine Bingo, crafts, decorate your own cookies and pizza!! MVSA thanks all the parents who participated and welcome feedback.

**MOVIE NIGHT:** MVSA will be hosting movie night in our MUR on Friday March 31st at 6:30 PM. Parents, students and siblings please join us to watch the movie "Sing." MVSA will be selling pizza, snacks and desserts. Bring a blanket to sit on and a pillow to get comfortable. Mark your calendars!

**VOLUNTEERS UPDATE:** We need a few more volunteers. Please send an email to [president@mvsa-fremont.org](mailto:president@mvsa-fremont.org) to indicate interest.

Parent Photographers needed for yearbook help – Have a camera and like to take pictures? We need a few additional Photographers to help with some group shots for the yearbook.

4-6<sup>th</sup> Grade Parents – Volunteers needed to coordinating the Letter Reward Picnic at Lake Elizabeth (on Thursday, June 8)

**MATH OLYMPIAD:** The last contest will be held on Mar 8. We also have the Math Olympiad solution review session to go over the problems on March 16 from 630-8pm in rooms 6 and 12.

## Donate to Your Child's Classroom Online!!

Donations to your child's classroom (or PE or Science) may now conveniently be made using a credit/debit card or eCheck. If you currently have a MySchoolBucks account, you may log in and easily make a donation. For those who do not have an account, go to [www.fremont.k12.ca.us](http://www.fremont.k12.ca.us) and click "Select a School" (at the top of the page); select Mission Valley Elementary and you will be brought to our webpage where you will see a box labeled DONATE TO YOUR SCHOOL. You will have an option to create an account to assist with future donations or you may donate as a guest. Donations may be tax deductible and you can print and save the receipt for your records!

When filling out the donation details, please be sure to fill out each box. Use the drop down menu to find your child's classroom number. Use the "Additional Comments for Donation" to designate how the funds are to be utilized by writing PE, Science, or your teacher's name and room number. If you wish to split the donation between classrooms, please fill out the details in the comment box.

If you would like to associate your donation with a student, select "Add a Student" and create an account. You will need your child's ID number, so please ask your child's teacher or contact the school office. If you saved your MAZE Day Class Assignment Bell Schedule, you can also locate his/her ID number on the student label.

We're excited to be able to offer this quick and easy method for donating to your child's classroom directly!

## School Accountability Report Card (SARC) Notice

Federal and state laws require school districts to make accountability reports available to the public online. Accountability report information is based on data and information from the previous year. Dates will run one year behind.

We are pleased to inform you that our district's School Accountability Report Cards (SARCs) are available in English, Spanish, and/or Chinese, as required. You may view the SARCs on the Fremont Unified School District web site at [www.fremont.k12.ca.us](http://www.fremont.k12.ca.us) under Resources & Contacts/School Reports, or by visiting your school office. To answer any questions regarding the SARCs, there are designated personnel available at each school site.

For more information about SARC requirements, see the California Department of Education (CDE) SARC web page at <http://www.cde.ca.gov/ta/ac/sa/>.

聯邦和加州法律規定各學區必須將其口學責任報告在網路上公開發佈。??, 所以報告日期將會比數據日期口一年。

我們很高興地通知口, 我們學區的學校口學責任報告(School Accountability Report Cards, SARC)依規定有英文, 西班牙文和/或中文版本。您可以到Fremont聯合學區的網站([www.fremont.k12.ca.us](http://www.fremont.k12.ca.us)), 點選“Resources & Contacts/School Reports”, 或到貴校辦公室閱覽此報告。

各校都有特別人員為您解答任何有關學校教學責任報告的問題。

有關學校口學責任報告的規定, 可參考加州口育局(CDE)的學校口學責任報告網站(<http://www.cde.ca.gov/ta/ac/sa/>)。



## California Science Test (CAST)

Information is now available about the new CAASPP California Science Test (CAST) for grades 5, 8, and certain high school grades. Please refer to the announcement on the Fremont Unified School District home page ( [www.fremont.k12.ca.us](http://www.fremont.k12.ca.us) ) “NEW CAASPP California Science Test (CAST)” for more information.



## PeachJar

FUSD has launched a new electronic flyer communication tool called “Peachjar.” To view school-approved eflyers, simply click the Peachjar button on our school website: [www.fremont.k12.ca.us/mve](http://www.fremont.k12.ca.us/mve)

This “green” initiative will save our schools tons of paper and reduce copy costs by thousands of dollars. On top of that, posting school flyers in this electronic backpack removes a significant administrative burden from teachers, office staff, and volunteers.

# Important Reminders

## Cell Phones:

Students in grades K-6 are not allowed to carry cell phones and/or pagers at school unless the principal has given that student approval. Applications for students to carry cell phones are available in the office. A new application must be submitted EACH YEAR. Student and parents must sign the application form. Phones must be turned off during the day.

## Classroom Access:

Classrooms can only be opened by the teacher. Classrooms will not be unlocked by school staff after school for ANY reason. Items left behind will have to wait until the next school day to be picked up.

## Dropping off Items:

All homework, projects, or other materials forgotten at home must be delivered to the office. These items will be placed in the teacher's mailbox. We DO NOT allow parents to interrupt class to deliver homework or other forgotten items.

## Lunches:

School lunches are \$3.50. Please make checks payable to "CNS" and make sure your child's name AND room number are written on the memo line at the bottom of the check. Online payment is now available and this can be accessed by going to the FUSD website and clicking on the Child Nutrition Department in the department directory (under the "About & Departments" on the homepage.)

Please refrain from sending glass containers in your child's lunch. Glass bottles and bowls can accidentally break and injure students.

Emergency meals are always available for students who lose or forget their lunch or lunch money. Payment is expected the next day. Only two consecutive meals may be charged to your student's account.

Forgotten lunches should be brought directly to the office. Please make sure they are labeled with your child's name and room number and leave it in the large blue basket just inside the office. ALL STUDENTS SHOULD COME TO THE OFFICE TO CHECK FOR FORGOTTEN LUNCHES BEFORE GOING TO THE CAFETERIA.

## Morning & Afternoon Procedures:

Kindergarten students meet in the corridor on the side of the office facing the kinder playground. They are dismissed from class to the corridor for after school pick up. Parents must wait in the corridor instead of going to the classroom. Please check with the kindergarten teachers for more information on procedures. Grades 4-6 can arrive on campus at 8:10am and grades 1-3 can arrive at 8:25am. Students should not be on the playground until adult supervision begins. After the bell rings, all students line up behind their classroom number on the playground. All teachers will get their classes on the playground daily. On rainy days students will report to the Multi-Use Room until school begins.

In the afternoon, students in grades 1-6 will line up along the driveway on their room number. Students who are going home in a carpool should wait by the carpool sign at the end of the driveway. Students must be picked up on time! There is no supervision on campus after 3pm.

**FOR THE SAFETY OF ALL OF OUR CHILDREN, PARENTS AND VISITORS MUST SIGN IN AND GET A BADGE BEFORE ENTERING CAMPUS.**

**Restrooms:** Only Mission Valley students are permitted to use the student restrooms on campus. Adults who wish to use the restrooms need to go to the office and use the restroom in the nurse's room.

## Mission Valley Elementary

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### Absence Line

(510)656-2000

### Lunch Account Info

(510)656-2000 x34182

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