

Mission Valley PARENT BULLETIN

June 2017

Happy June,

It is hard to believe this is the final newsletter of the 2017-2018 school year. I want to thank all of our Mission Valley families for the welcoming I have received this year. I want to wish our 6th graders all the best as they transition to junior high school and am looking forward to seeing all of our returning and new students next year. A challenge for our students: Over the summer go out and do something kind for at least one other person.

Help wanted: Safety Patrol

We are looking for 3-4 volunteers to help with the morning and afternoon drop off and pick up for the 2017-2018 school year. As our school continues to grow, we have more and more students being dropped off and picked up each day via a motor vehicle and can use additional adult support. Student safety is a high priority and we are reaching out to our Mission Valley community for help. Please consider volunteering 30-40 minutes a day to keep our students safe. Contact Denise Mapelli at dmapelli@fremont.k12.ca.us if you or someone you know (over 18) is interested.

School Site Council Elections:

Congratulations Mandy Sahota and Anjana Kambhampati for being elected for the 2017-2018 and 2018-2019 school years. School Site Council meetings will be 9/18, 10/16, 1/22, 3/19 and 4/23 from 3:15-4:15. All are welcome to attend.

Your partner in education,
Denise Mapelli

Important Dates

Wednesday, 6/7:	7pm, Beginning Band Concert, Hopkins
Monday, 6/12:	Regular Schedule
Tuesday, 6/13- Thursday, 6/15:	Early Release Days. Grades 1-6 out at 1:10. PM Kinders 9:50-1:10
Wednesday, 6/20:	Office Closes for the Summer
Monday, 8/21:	Office Reopens
Tuesday, 8/29:	Maze Day, 8:15-11:30am and 12:45-3:15pm, MUR Kinder Meet & Greet, 1-1:30pm, room 6
Wednesday, 8/30:	First Day of 2017-18 School Year

Maze Day

We will be holding our Maze Day on Tuesday, August 29 from 8:15-11:30am and 12:45pm-3:15pm. You can come any time during these hours. We will be closed for lunch from 11:30am-12:45pm. The purpose of Maze Day is to give out classroom assignments to parents in a confidential way (rather than posting them). Also, school staff will receive all the important paperwork needed prior to school starting. When you return your completed paperwork, you will receive your child's class assignment! If you ordered a school supply kit from MVSA you will need to pick it up on this day as well.

A parent or legal guardian must be present in order to receive the classroom assignment. We will not take any paperwork or give out classroom assignments outside of the times listed above, so please schedule your vacation and work plans around the schedule listed above. Any families that cannot attend Maze Day will need to go to room 6 at 8am on the first day of school to turn in paperwork and receive their classroom assignment. If there is a large number of people we need to help at this time, it may cause your child to be late on their first day of school so please try to attend the Maze Day. Due to the nature of the event, we ask that you leave your child at home if possible. If you have any questions, you can contact the office or stop by on or after August 21st.

You will receive all the necessary forms via US Mail about a week before school starts so be on the lookout for mail from Fremont Unified School District!

Important Notice About Attendance on the First Day of School for 2017-18

The 2017-18 School Year begins on Wednesday, August 30, 2017. **All students are expected to report to school on the first day, Wednesday, August 30, 2017, unless they are ill. Students who have not attended the first day of school may be transferred to another school effective the second day of school if classrooms at the school of original enrollment are filled.** Parents must call in their child's absence and notify the school that their child is ill in order to save their seat. **Seats will not be held for students on extended vacations or other optional activities, whether or not the school is notified.**

Information for Incoming Kinder Parents

The kinder schedule will be posted outside of the school office during the last week of June. The schedule will show your child's initials and birthdate and whether they are in the AM class or the PM class. Classroom assignments will be given out on Maze Day. Please see article above for more details about Maze Day.

We will be having a brief kinder welcome meeting in room 6 from 1-1:30pm on Maze Day. This meeting is for parents only.

End of Year Medications at School

If your student has required medication or health services at school this year, all medication and medical supplies must be picked up from the school office on the last day of school! **Medications must be picked up by a parent or guardian** unless your student is authorized (current contract on file) to self-carry his/her medication. **Medications not picked up by 4pm on June 15 will be discarded.**

If your student is attending summer school the medication (to include the doctor's order) must be picked up the last day of school. Then it needs to be taken to the summer school site on the first day of summer school by the parent/guardian. **Please make sure the medication does not expire prior to July 31, 2017.**

Report Cards

If you are planning on not sending your student to school for any reason, in the next 2 weeks please make sure you contact the office at the number listed on the back of this newsletter. This is especially important if your child will not be at school on the last day because the office will need to know if you plan on bringing your child back to Mission Valley for the 2017-18 school year. **Please note that report cards will not be mailed home to students not attending the last day of school. Parents will need to pick them up in the office when we reopen on August 21st.**

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 15th, 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 7th 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.

WEB 7th Grade Orientation

The staff and students of Hopkins Junior High School invite you to our FIRST annual WEB 7th Grade Orientation

8:30 am - 12:30 pm in the School Gym
August 21, 2017 for students with last names beginning with A-L
August 22, 2017 for students with last names beginning with M-Z

The purpose of this orientation is to make the transition from elementary school to junior high school a positive one. Eighth graders will be serving as leaders and mentors to the seventh graders. Group activities are designed to encourage new friendships and answer questions about junior high school. **Wear comfortable clothes. Backpacks and school supplies are not needed.**

WEB: Where Everybody Belongs

If you have any questions, please call WEB Coordinators Amalia Kim, Meg Moore, or Katheryn Stoia at (510) 656-3500 Ext. 38108 or 38107, or via email at amaliakim@fremont.k12.ca.us, mmoore@fremont.k12.ca.us, or kstoia@fremont.k12.ca.us

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:

- **SCHOOL SUPPLY KITS:** Great News! This year MVSA is offering the SchoolKidz supply kit program. SchoolKidz offers pre-packaged, school supply kits filled with the exact supplies requested by your child's teacher. Kits are offered per grade level and arrive personally with the student's school, name, and grade. These kits are a cost effective and convenient way of purchasing your back-to-school supplies. Simply place your order by **06/23/17** to have all your child's necessary supplies. Orders can be placed online at www.shopttkits.com. Enter our school's account number 80302. **School supply kits must be picked up on Maze Day by the parent.**
- **MATH OLYMPIAD:** MVSA sponsored the Math Olympiad second year in a row and it was a huge success! More than 130 students registered and appeared for the test every month. To recognize the student's success, we organized our first ever Math Olympiad award ceremony this year! The ceremony was held in the MUR and will start at 6pm on June 1.
- **SIXTH GRADER POOL & PROMOTION PARTY:** The promotion party is on June 9 and the Pool Party is on June 12. We are calling on 5th and 4th grader parents to help out so that the 6th grade parents can enjoy the promotion party and take some pictures. Please sign up for Promotion Party: <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F4CA9AD28A3F58-6thgrade> and Pool party: <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F4CA9AD28A3F58-6thgrade>
- **SCIENCE OLYMPIAD:** Congratulations to Mission Valley Elementary School for an impressive performance at Bay Area Elementary Science Olympiad (ESO) 2017. A record breaking 39 teams from elementary schools all over the Bay Area participated in the event. Very proud of our MVE which was represented by whopping 6 teams across 4th, 5th and 6th grades and won prizes in all the 11 events. **Our 6th graders, Quantum Extremists, finished 5th overall.**

School Bus Fares 2017-18

In September of 2008, the Board of Education adopted Resolution No. 003-0809, which allows an annual adjustment of student bus pass rates. The table below outlines the rate adjustment for the 2017-2018 school year.

	2016-17	2017-18
Annual Round Trip*	\$654.00	\$704.00
Annual One Way*	\$370.00	\$398.00
Semester Round Trip	\$370.00	\$398.00
Semester One Way	\$209.00	\$225.00

*Parents have the option to pay for Annual Round Trip and Annual One Way passes in ten (10) monthly installments:

Annual Round Trip = \$71.00 Annual One Way = \$40.00

For more information contact the Transportation Department at 510-657-1450

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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