

Mission Valley Elementary



Family Newsletter

May 2020



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Mission Valley's vision is to unite parents, educators, and the community to motivate and prepare students to be life-long learners and responsible citizens.

~SPECIAL MISSION VALLEY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL RECOGNITION~

Honored Distinguished Schools Award Program 2020 Recipient

The program sponsored by California Department of Education and presented by California Casualty, recognizes outstanding education programs and practices.

Schools are awarded for closing the achievement gap and for achieving exceptional student performance.

Message from the Principal

"If you want others to be happy, practice compassion. If you want to be happy, practice compassion."

~Dalai Lama

Dear Families,

Last August when I returned to school from my summer break, I was so excited to begin the new year. We knew there would be big changes to the elementary grading process, we had new staff to welcome at MVE, and of course, welcoming back our students was the thing I was looking forward to the most. We have completed so much as a community this year and our students have been fortunate to have meaningful & fun experiences provided to them by the MVSA.

March 13, 2020 it was a difficult day, as we were not certain when we would welcome our dear students back on campus; the understanding was our students would be at home for a brief two weeks. As it turns out the two week break has now turned into many weeks.

Over the past weeks I have never been more impressed with the dedication and support our entire MVE team has provided our students and families. Our teachers have spent countless hours learning new systems, mentoring each other all in an effort to support our kids. The rest of our staff have been working behind the scenes on innovative ways to support and ensure the school is still functioning in this new remote environment. And you, our families, have been ever supportive as you are now thrust into this new Shelter in Place along with all of us and doing our best to help our students continue to learn.

I simply want to say THANK YOU to everyone for allowing us to support your child(ren) and for understanding that we are all doing our best to support OUR students while also remembering to take care of ourselves as well. To everyone, I thank you, and until we can be together again, take care and stay well.

Mrs. Denise Mapelli

Your Partner in Education,
Denise Mapelli, Principal



Featured Highlights-

- **TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK 5/4-8-lets show our teachers the LOVE!**
#ThankATeacher
- **Spirit Week was 4/20-4/24 [Photo's may be viewed HERE](#)**
- **Special message for you from Mrs. Langford our Library Media Technician**
- **New lunch drop off procedure**
- **Visit our Website for ongoing updates: <https://missionvalley.fremont.k12.ca.us/>**
- **VERY IMPORTANT-Always update office staff of NEW/CHANGED cell phone numbers, address changes**



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Visit Mission Valley and the MVSA parent club on the web at:
<https://missionvalley-fusd-ca.schoolloop.com/>

WE ARE IN THIS TOGETHER!



Message from the Library -Mrs. Langford

Au Revoir!

This is to let everyone know that I shall be retiring at the end of this school year.

I have been working in the library at Mission Valley since 2005, I can't believe it's been 15 years! I have always loved to read.

When I left college, I wanted to be a librarian, but this did not materialize until I started working in the elementary schools in Fremont when my children were of school age.

It has been one of the best times of my life working here; I shall miss everyone, the staff, the community and of course, the students who make me feel like a celebrity!

I know they always enjoyed their visits to the library

I wish everyone all the very best for the future!

Mrs. Jenny Langford -
Mission Valley
Library Media Technician

School Sites Remain Closed for Rest of the 19/20 School Year

Fremont Unified posts updates on the FUSD website frequently, [click here](#) to view the MVE website for Corona-virus updates and how they affect schools, students and families.

Report Cards & 6th Grade Math Placement Test

...more info to come!!!

Moving? Notify Office on Change of Residency

It is important for families who are moving out of the area, to a different attendance area or even unit # change, to notify the school office.

Email Kathy and Kenya and we'll help you with next steps.

Office staff check email remotely, Monday through Friday.

School Counselor Ms. Camarillo

Through my role as a School Counselor, I support all of our students in the areas of academic, social-emotional, and educational development through a variety of services.

Please visit my page for resources during school closure, which include information about the pandemic, how to support our kids, family activities for home, additional academic resources and supportive services during this time.

[Click here](#) for Ms. Camarillo's page on the school website.

Teacher Appreciation Week 5/4-5/8!

Let's be creative and more important, let our teachers know how much we appreciate their work with students, ESPECIALLY now that they have had to invent new ways to teach with distance learning in place.
#ThankATeacher



Parent Portal

The Parent Portal is a place to find lots of information and may be a place we use for 20/21 Maze Day. We encourage you to familiarize yourself with the process NOW so you will be ready for the fall and potential assistance with distance learning.

Some helpful tips:

- <https://fremont.illuminatehc.com/login>
- Parents need to enter their name exactly as it is shown in Illuminate and also use the email address in Illuminate.
- For further assistance, contact the school office staff who check email remotely Monday-Friday
 - ◇ Kenya Gunnell at: kgunnell@fusdk12.net OR
 - ◇ Kathy Kimberlin at: kakimberlin@fusdk12.net

Current 6th Grade Immunization Information

Pertussis Booster and #2 Varicella Required for 7th Grade – 2020/2021 School Year

All students entering the 7th grade in the 2020/2021 school year must receive a Tdap (Pertussis/Whooping Cough) booster and second Varicella (Chicken pox) immunization before entering school in August 2020.

Proof of the vaccine must include: Student's name, date of birth, vaccine name, date vaccine administered and name of the clinic, office, or doctor administering the vaccine.

Links with additional details:

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1dYIRFdQnVFW0wJeSFHSLx2Oef0HVc_AR/view

https://fusd-ca.schoolloop.com/pf4/cms2/view_page?d=x&group_id=1531973285707&vdid=i17a1x8c6yu

Maze Day for 20/21 School Year-Wednesday, Aug. 19, 2020

Maze Day is usually an IN PERSON process, but the process may change for this August 2020 to an online process. Currently, we have reserved the date of **Wednesday, August 19th** for maze completion, which may be in person OR online –TBD. Maze includes families completing required annual paperwork resulting in families receiving their child(ren) teacher and classroom placement. More information to come!

Music for Minors II (MFMII)

The MFMII staff continues to work from home and welcomes anyone interested in our program, especially our fall docent training class which will expand our program with new recruited **community volunteers** who commit to the training and sharing ½ hour weekly music lessons to students in their classrooms.

Here's a link to our fall docent training flyer which is also on their website <https://www.musicforminors2.org/>

https://www.musicforminors2.org/uploads/1/2/0/3/120386828/mfmii_training_flyer_2020.pd

NEW-Lunch Drop Off Process Change for 20/21

To ensure the safety of students, we are implementing a revised lunch from home drop off process for the upcoming school year. Instead of students spending their lunch time going across campus to the office to retrieve delivered lunches, families may drop lunch onto the lunch cart in the office, and the cart will be delivered to the MUR.

Details:

- Lunches shall be dropped off **no later** than 10:30am
- Lunch cart will be taken to the Multi Use lunch room by the Noon Duty Supervisors at 10:30am daily
- Students whose lunches are delivered after 10:30 will be invited to charge a school lunch