September 29, 2019

Dear Dana Families and Friends,

From last year...It is hard to believe that we are already through our first full month of school and are entering October. October is a fun filled and packed month for Dana students and the community. This week is our first session of 6th grade camp and we wish them the most wonderful camp experience. I know the students and staff alike will enjoy the great outdoors, fresh air, and fun activities.

We start the month with 6th grade camp and wrap it up with our awesome PTSA sponsored Spooktacular event. Thank you to our amazing PTSA that hosted its first Spooktacular meeting this past Wednesday. A special thanks to the parents that came out and already signed up to volunteer for the event. Please see below for more information and ways to volunteer at Spooktacular.

I wish everyone a wonderful week.

Take care, Kiana Clark

October Lunch Menu

Photo Retakes this Monday September 30 from 8:00-9:30am.

If you pre-ordered school pictures, they have been mailed and you should have receive them by Thursday, September 26th. Make-up/retake pictures are scheduled for **Monday, September 30th starting at 8 a.m.**, in the school library. Students that were absent on September 9th must come to have their picture taken.

Students who wish to retake their pictures must bring their picture package with them to give it to the photographer. Photo questions can be directed to JW Photography, 310-640-7212 or karen@jwpartypictures.com

Online Yearbook Sales Are Now Open at Yearbookforever.com!

We are currently offering an "early bird" price of \$34. Take a look at the <u>attached flier</u> for more information.

Order early, a limited number of yearbooks are available for sale. The <u>last opportunity</u> for the school to increase the order will be in mid-January. Don't miss out.

Match Club Informational meeting

7th and 8th grade Math Club will have their first meeting at lunch this Thursday in room 502. Please come if you enjoy math and problem solving. Math Counts Competition information will also be provided.

Free or Reduced Lunch Applications

As a reminder, students that qualified for Free or Reduced lunch status last year and have **not** submitted a lunch application for the 2019-2020 school year will have their status changed to full pay effective *Thursday*, *October 10*, *2019*. For further details please read the attached <u>letter</u> from our Food Services Department.

Dana Singers

Dana Singers will be meeting on Mondays from 3:00pm to 4:00pm in the Music Room, 302, at Dana.

Spooktacular - Save the Date!

It's almost time for Spooktacular! We are very excited for this annual community event. This year Spooktacular will be on Friday, October 25th from 5-8 pm on the Dana Middle School Campus.

This event wouldn't be possible without all of our amazing volunteers. Please click on the link below if you are able to to give a few hours of your time. We truly appreciate your support!

Parent Volunteer Sign Up link:

https://signup.com/go/anVaguT

Wiseburn/Da Vinci student Sign Up link will be sent directly to each high school. There will be an informational volunteer meeting on Wednesday, September 25th at Dana at 7:00 pm in the Room 201. If you are not able to attend, but would still like to help, you can send an email to danaptaspooktacular@gmail.com.

Join Dana PTSA Today!

Help us form a strong community of parents, students, and teachers, by joining Dana PTSA today! You can join online at https://jointotem.com/ca/hawthorne/dana-middle-school-ptsa or you can send in the flyer with your child to school. Our goal is 100% membership! You are not obligated to volunteer or come to meetings when you join PTSA, you are just showing your support of our school, teachers, and children!

Monday, September 30– Periods 1 through 6 – 2:45pm dismissal

This is ASB Officer Election Week at Dana. The Candidates will be in the lunch area during morning and lunch recesses today, Tuesday, and Wednesday to meet you.

Attention DMS Robotics Team. We will have a mandatory meeting today at 1pm. Also, please remind your parents about tomorrow's parent meeting at 6pm in PLTW, Room 203.

Interested in building a cool project with Chevron Engineers? Come sign up for the Wiseburn Engineering Hackathon. Space is limited. Please sign up in PLTW, Room 203 at lunch.

8:00am- 9:30am – Make up Photo time in the Library for students, teachers, and staff who missed photo day. Students who purchased photos and are requesting a re-take must bring their order back to the photographer at this time.

1:00pm- DMS Robotics Team mandatory meeting- 203

3:00pm- 4:00pm- Dana Singers- 302

3:15pm- 5:00pm- Girls Volleyball practice- gym

3:15pm- 5:00pm- Football Practice- field

Tuesday, October 1 - Periods 2, 4, 6 - 2:45pm dismissal

Robotics Team Reminder—Please see Mr. D today during recess to get information about the parent meeting tonight at 6pm in Room 203.

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2:50pm- 3:40pm- JC Bible Club- 705

3:15pm- 5:00pm- Football Practice- field

3:30pm- 5:00pm- Cross Country Invitational @ MBMS

6:00pm- Robotics Team parent meeting- 203

Wednesday, October 2 - Periods 1, 3, 5 - 2:45pm dismissal

Congratulations to students who signed up for the Chevron Wiseburn Engineering Hackathon on Saturday, October 5, 2019. Go to PLTW, Room 203 to see if your name is on the official list. You will need a permission slip signed by a parent/guardian to attend.

3:30pm- 5:00pm- Rip and Go Sports- Basketball courts (blacktop)

Thursday, October 3 - Periods 2, 4, 6 – 2:45pm dismissal

Congratulations to students who signed up for the Chevron Wiseburn Engineering Hackathon on Saturday, October 5, 2019. Go to PLTW, Room 203 to see if your name is on the official list. You will need a permission slip signed by a parent/guardian to attend.

ASB officer elections will be held in the library today. Students may come in to vote before school, during lunch recess, and after school until 3:15.

12:32pm-7th and 8th grade Math Club will have their first meeting -502

3:00pm- 4:30pm- Afterschool Play rehearsals- 705

3:15pm- 4:30pm- Cross Country practice- Dana black top

3:30pm- 5:00pm- Dana Girls Volleyball vs HVS- gym

Friday, October 4 – Periods 1, 3, 5 - 2:45pm dismissal

Please see Mr. D in Room 203 for information and permission slips for the Chevron Hackathon on Saturday.

2019-2020 6th grade Camp Session #1, (Team) depart

11:00 am – Students attending Sixth grade camp-session #1 will report to the MPR for check in. Refer to your packing list, don't forget bedding, a refillable water bottle, flashlight, and warm jacket! All needed medications must be turned in to the nurses office no later than Thursday, October 3.

6:30pm- Stargazing Night - Presented by WEF

Saturday, October 5-

9:30am- 1:30pm- Chevron Wiseburn Engineering Hackathon at DMS. 25 Chevron STEM professionals and 15 Da Vinci Robotics Team 4201 students will be working with Wiseburn and Lawndale students to solve the challenge, "Trapped on Europa." This event is sponsored by WEF Give 180.