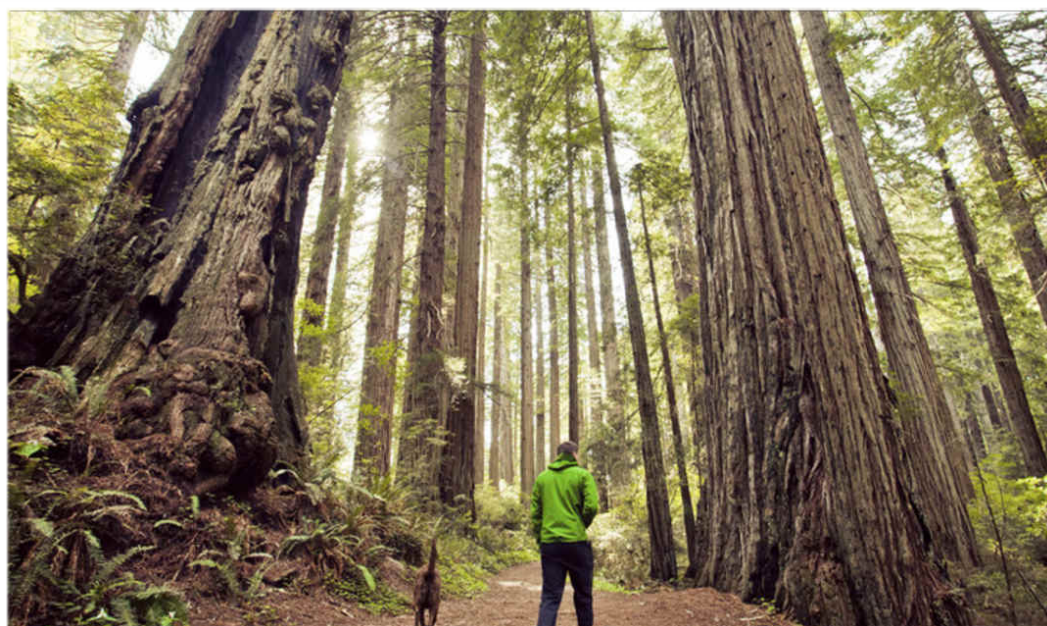


Paradise Valley Engineering Academy



California Dreamin'

Last Friday, we had an entertaining game of "How well do you know your community?", "Guess My Job", and I introduced September's theme of Taking Care of California. This month we will be discovering California through many different lenses. This first week I challenged the students to reduce their water consumption (5 minute showers), turn off electronics/ lights when not in the room, and reducing our plastic consumption. Next week we will discover our uniqueness which will include links to some virtual field trips to our state parks and museums. We will move into wildlife the third week and the fourth we will discuss how we all make up California. This month I encourage you to explore the reasons why you enjoy California and share that with your child.

Take Care- Amber

Upcoming Important Dates:

09/07/20: No School.
09/24/20: PVEA HSA meeting 7pm
09/25/20: PVEA Assembly 8:30am
09/25/20: PVEA Parent Chat. 9:30am

Parent Workshop 101

The following classes will be offered to PVEA parents on the following dates at 6pm:

09/08/20: CDE Dashboard (Student Achievement & Engagement) 6pm

09/09/20: Safety Plan and what happens in an emergency

09/10/20: Single Plan for Student Achievement (SPSA)

09/11/20: Budget

Parent Workshops

After speaking with numerous parents about what information they need, there was an overwhelming number of parents that did not know how schools are funded, how the money can be spent, and how goals are developed. We will be offering 4 nights of a Parent Workshop to get you all of the important information without overwhelming you with one meeting. The password for all of the meetings on zoom (regular version) will be PVEA. Please feel free to bring questions and ask for clarification during the meetings!

School Site Council

Please remember to fill out the parent survey sent out on Monday. People that have been nominated will be on a ballot that will be sent out on Friday. Please vote by Monday. The next School Site Council meeting will be September 10th at 3pm via zoom. We will be voting in officers and voting on the Safety Plan goals.

Values

As we are setting our school mission and values, I asked parents to chime in during the parent meeting on which values they felt were most important. We all know that the values listed were all important but we will be

focusing on a few. The top 5 values listed during the parent meeting and through the survey are: Integrity, Respect, Kindness/Compassion, Empathy, and Perseverance. Integrity has been the top value listed on the staff and parent surveys. These 5 values will be presented to the staff next week. Thank you for your collaboration in this process.

Distance Learning Help?

Please remember that if you need “how to” videos about the different learning platforms the MHUSD website has a “parents” link on the top right side of the website. That link will send you to a page that has tutorial videos. I am also attaching several PDF’s to this newsletter of resources that are available during this time in our community.

“Integrity is doing the right thing even when no one is watching” - C.S. Lewis

FAMILY CHALLENGE!

Thank you to those of you who participated in last week’s challenge! Please don’t forget to post your photos on our Facebook page @paradisevalleyelementaryschool

This week’s challenge: Reduce Consumption! What can we do to reduce our plastic usage? What other ways can we reduce our water and electricity usage?