Fenton STEM Academy: A Fenton Charter Public School 8926 Sunland Boulevard Sun Valley, CA 913 (818) 962-3636 FAX (818) 394-9885 David Riddick, Chief Executive Officer Jason Gonzalez, Chief Operating Officer			Public School un Valley, CA 91352 (818) 394-9885 ecutive Officer
Jennifer Miller	Jennifer Pimentel	Cecilia Quijano	Alex Muñoz
Director	Assistant Director	Assistant Director	Expanded Learning Coordinator

~ November 17, 2023 ~ Newsletter #13 ~

SPOTLIGHT ON STEM – Each week we will feature a science, technology, engineering, and/or mathematics related lesson or activity occurring at Fenton STEM Academy. In this section of the newsletter, you will find the most recent, innovative, and creative events and activities happening at STEM. This week we are excited to share a lesson that involved our fantastic first grade students.



During the week of November 6th to 9th, the Fenton Stem Academy was challenged with building a CD Balloon Racer out of common household materials. Our first graders undertook the challenge and engaged in the Engineering Process that took them through identifying a problem, brainstorming ideas, making a model, testing their model, and planning/sharing improvements. It was amazing to see these future engineers collaborating in teams to solve problems that led them to designing and building functional CD Balloon Racers. Great job first grade! If you need engineers to solve a problem, stop on by first grade and our future first grade engineers will lend a hand!

THANKSGIVING BREAK – Fenton STEM Academy will not be in session during the week of Thanksgiving, November $20 - 24^{\text{th}}$. We hope you are able to enjoy this time with your family and loved ones. We are thankful for the supportive and responsive parent community at the Academies. Thank you for your ongoing partnership!

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

- November 20-24 Thanksgiving Break (No School)
- November 27 Students Return from Thanksgiving Break
- December 4-10 Computer Science Education Week
- December 8 Spirit Day Assembly
- December 15 Minimum Day/Literacy Day/Pajama Day
 - (K-2-11:45a.m./3-5-12:05 p.m.)
- December 18-January 8 Winter Break
- January 9 Students Return from Winter Break