



Diablo Valley Montessori School

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Message from Jayne

Today's planned power outage went well! The PG&E crew took just over an hour to tighten up the power lines in front of DVMS. They are also monitoring our beautiful trees for future trimming. The Wildflower children had fun watching the work too!

As we get closer to summer, more projects are planned for the campus. Ideally most of the disruptive work will happen during the in-service days at the end of May but we anticipate a summer full of projects.

One project that we are very excited about is the beautification of the back hillside behind the Main and East Houses with an educational garden. Thank you to everyone who have already contributed to this effort with a Fund A Need and Paddle Raise at our Auction! Your generous gifts will be used to create this garden that will inspire generations of DVMS children! If you have not had a chance to contribute and wish to do so, please let me know.

March Madness

Congratulations to the March Madness winners Albert Liu and Denise Leung (Men's)

Bracket) and Alex and Stephanie Teece (Women's Bracket).

Thank you to all who participated in raising \$1,000 for Teacher Appreciation Week!

As always, if you have any questions, concerns, or comments, just give us a call.

With gratitude,
Jayne

DVMS Auction THANK YOU!

Wow! What an incredible night! The DVMS Auction did not disappoint. It was wonderful to see the DVMS community having so much fun! There is still time to sign up for some Pay-to-Play parties. Keep an eye out for an email from the Parents Club for the chance to keep the fun going.

We are so grateful for everyone's participation and generous contributions. In the coming weeks we will share the final results with you.

Thank you to the amazing Auction Committee led by Howli Pfeiffer and Jessie Dudum! This event would not have been the success it was without help from: Jessie Abhyankar, Lauren D'Orazio, Sara Sharp, Cayla Kitayama, Neev Schwiebinz, Casan O'Connell, Erin Ebe, Danielle Vandenberg, Elly Amiri, and Sarah Peterson.

The classroom teams created such beautiful projects. Thank you to the teachers and parent volunteers for these priceless items.





The Calm Empowered Parent Podcast - Vanessa Callaghan

Spring has sprung, and I'm excited to share an insightful and popular episode from my Podcast [The Calm Empowered Parent](#) - featuring Decluttering Expert and mother of 5, Krista Lockwood. In this episode, Krista shares invaluable tips and strategies on how to declutter homes quickly and effectively. By implementing these techniques, parents can reduce their household workloads, foster independence in their children, and create a more peaceful environment for the whole family.

Here's a glimpse of what you'll learn in this episode:

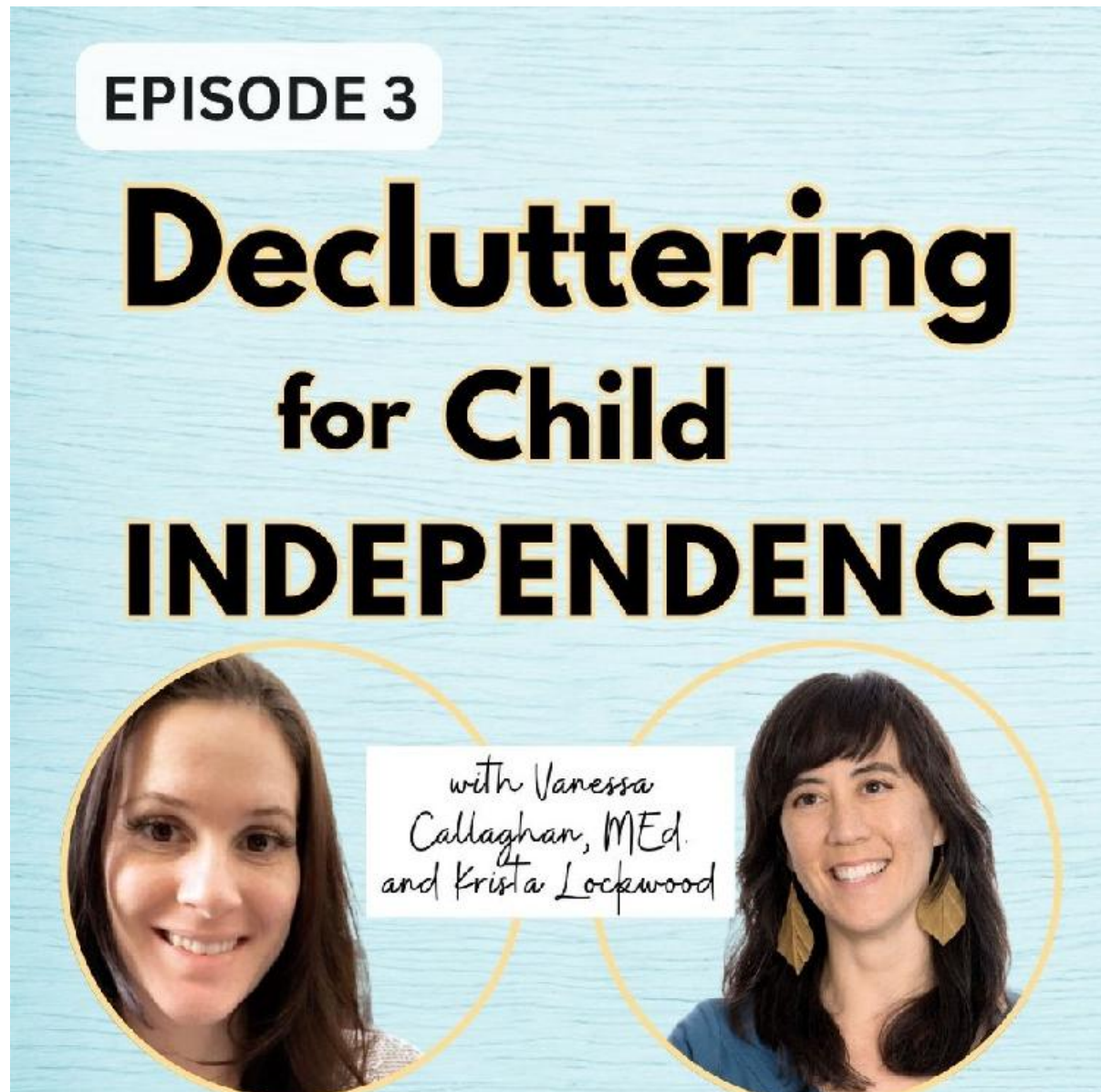
*Assessing how your child's environment may be contributing to household and behavioral issues

*Proven methods for creating reliable systems and reducing workload, overwhelm, and big emotions

*Addressing underlying issues that emerge during the decluttering process

*Embracing the lesson of 'less is more' and its impact on children in the home and classroom

Whether folks are parents, educators, or caregivers, this episode offers practical tools to simplify life and create a nurturing environment for children to thrive.



Important Dates!



May 3: May Day Celebration 10:00am

May 23: Last Day of School for 2023-2024

May 24 - 29: In Service Days. No classes for children

May 30: Infant Toddler House reopens

June 3: Summer Camps begin for Buttercup and
Preschool/Kindergarten

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