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Message from Jayne

Each year the DVMS Board of Directors sets the Strategic Plan for the school. This year, we focused on three areas: Community, Communication, and Facilities and Operations.

Our community is strong as we are now able to gather in person again. Parents have been coming back on campus to volunteer in classrooms, work on projects, and enjoy special events such as Parent Nights and the upcoming May Day. Extra events such as the Fun Run, Mom's and Dad's Nights out, Book Club, and of course last week's Auction are all opportunities to enjoy time together.

Transparency through increased communication has been a key goal this year. Our first ever Annual Report provided insight into the school activities with an overview of our financial position.

As a best practice, the Finance Committee initiated an independent financial review with an independent CPA auditing firm in late 2022. After an extensive process, requiring many long hours, the auditing firm return their findings. I am pleased to say that our financial position is strong and our internal processes reflect acceptable accounting standards. The full report is available in the DVMS office for review.

The strength of DVMS as a community and our solid financial position will allow us to continue updating our facility as well as enhance operations as we serve the children, families, and teachers. It is big, joyful work!

We are here for any questions, concerns, and comments! Just give us a call or email.

Have a great week! Jayne

Fiesta! An Amazing Auction

Wow, what an amazing Auction last Saturday Night! Cocina Hermanas was the place to be. The food was delicious, laughter never ended, and your generosity overflowed!

The evening capped off months of planning and hard work by our Auction Committee. We are deeply grateful for this dedicated team led by Jessie Dudum and Howli Pfeiffer! Thank you to: Jesse Abhyankar, Alana Cutler, Neev and Paul Schweibinz, Casan O'Connell, Chelsea Snow, Kathryn Lazarus, Danielle Vandenberg, Nicole Caldwell, Caitlin Pareenja, Kelley Larsen, Erin Ebem, Rebecca Adams and Room Parents who assisted with class projects. Thank you to all our teachers for guiding the children in creating beautiful art projects and live auction items.

Check your emails for last minute opportunities to join a Pay-to-Play party. The fun continues!



DVMS Food Drive



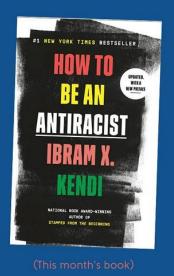
DVMS is proud to host a Food Drive, supporting the Food Bank of Contra Costa and Solano Counties. Bring your nonperishables to school April 24 -April 27 and place them in the bins located at each gate. Or, you can donate online to our virtual DVMS food drive: <u>click here</u>

Thank you so much for supporting our community and also teaching our children a wonderful lesson about the importance of helping others. Please reach out to Annie Myers (annieb@gmail.com) with any questions.

DVMS Book Club

Parents & Teachers, Join us again for Book Club on Wednesday, April 26th at 6:30pm @ DVMS.

Come to discuss the book and socialize with your DVMS community.



Important Dates!



April 26: DVMS Book Club 6:30 pm April 28: Wildflower Parent Night 5:00 pm - 6:00 pm May 5: May Day Celebration 10:00 am May 25: Last Day of School

May 26 - May 31: Teacher In-Service Days - No classes for

children

June 1: IT House reopens

June 1 - 2: Buttercup and PreK/K Summer Camp Teacher In-Service Days

June 5: First Day of Buttercup and PreK/K Summer Camp Session #1

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