



Diablo Valley Montessori School

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Message from Jayne

Conference week is going well! It is wonderful to see parents coming to DVMS for these important conversations. Thank you for accommodating the midday pick up times. The carpool process has been going smoothly! We appreciate your cooperation and attention to safety.

Last week I was so excited to tell you about the new window installation across campus. Well, the best laid plans don't always work out. Due to scheduling issues with the install team, we have to wait a little longer. Hopefully the work will begin soon.

One big project was completed on campus this week. The sewer lateral line for East House, (Daisy, Lavender, and Buttercup) was replaced. Aside from taking up a few parking spaces, it went well. Not every project is glamorous, but still important to keep our school running.

Parent Education Opportunity

Thank you to a DVMS alumni family who invited the DVMS Community to the first series of The Kindness Diaries at St. Stephen's Episcopal Church in Orinda on November 9th from 5-6:30pm. Pizza, bottled water, and childcare will be provided. This is a new parent series with topics covering Early Child Education. See attached flyer for

more information.

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

Have a great week!

Jayne

Get to Know Your DVMS Staff

- Getting to watch my class enjoy the environment I help create. It brings me so much joy to watch them explore in the classroom.
- Play with my 8 month old puppy Ruby. I also love crafting and sewing.
- I raise Stick Bugs and have a terrarium in my classroom and gifted the Stick Bugs that are in Outdoor Classroom. I am also the assistant teacher for Kindergarten Enrichment.



Carly Grote,
Lavender, Co-Head Teacher
& KE Assistant Teacher



Zoe Gwizdak
Sunflower, Assistant Teacher

- I love watching the children learn new things and being a part of such important milestones in their lives. It always brightens my mood when they're excited to be at school. My coworkers also make it very easy to enjoy the work day.
- I love to travel and spend time with my family, friends, and cat. I also enjoy taking pilates and dance classes.
- I used to be a rhythmic gymnastics/dance teacher for 6 years and I'm a college graduate, I even studied abroad in Florence for a little while.

Matti Haghighi
Honeysuckle, Assistant Teacher



- DVMS truly cares about the children as their own. I feel as though everyone is part of my family - the children, the staff, the parents - the love for all the children really makes me feel as though DVMS is my second home and I get so energized from working here.
- I love going for interesting walks, finding new trails/nature walks, and meditating in nature. I love seeing all the beautiful details in nature and taking photos of nature. I have a collection of beautiful photos that I like to capture from my walks. I love spending time with my family, having lots of dance parties, and making/eating delicious food.
- I lived in the UK for 26 years, and unfortunately, I never had the chance to meet the Queen. Fortunately, I was very honored to meet her even though it was in the US and not in the UK! I actually met her at our DVMS Auction Party!

Butterfly Fun Run

Thank you to everyone who came out to the Butterfly Fun Run on Saturday. It was a fantastic morning of family fun, fresh air, and friendly competition.

We had a fantastic committee who made this such a great event. In particular, Kevin Chew, our event chair, Jesse Abhyankar, Albert Liu, and Bryan Morgan who really put the fun in the Fun Run.

Congratulations to our all participants!

Fastest Stroller: The Morgan Family

Fastest Moms: Lea Wasserstein and Lucy Preciado

Fastest Dad: Roger Tanaka

Fastest Teacher: Marta Trujillo





Diaper Drive Next Week



DVMS is thrilled to host a diaper drive on October 17 - 21 benefiting local nonprofit Brighter Beginnings. Brighter Beginnings welcomes diapers of any size (unopened packages work too, just try to tape them shut). The most frequent size request is 4, 5 and 6. Brighter Beginning could also use hygiene products (baby wipes, lotions and soaps) and Pediasure. If you prefer, you can also donate online; [click here](#) for the Amazon wishlist.

Thank you for supporting this special DVMS tradition of helping other families in need. Please contact Annie Myers (annieb@gmail.com) with any questions.

Parents' Club Events

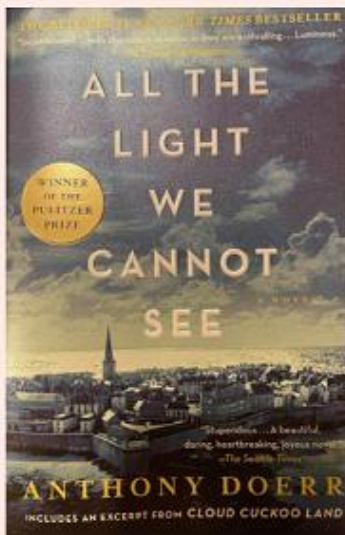
Join us at DVMS on Thursday, October 20 at 7pm for Book Club.

No matter how far you are in reading the book, come out for a social evening with DVMS parents and teachers!



PARENTS & STAFF,
PLEASE JOIN US FOR
THE FIRST BOOK CLUB
OF THE SCHOOL YEAR!

OCTOBER 20TH
@ 7PM



COME TO SOCIALIZE &
MEET MEMBERS OF THE
DVMS COMMUNITY!



Moms and Dads, get together and enjoy an evening out.



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JOIN US FOR DVMS PARENTS' NIGHTS!

- **MOMS' NIGHT OUT (@ LAFAYETTE PUBLIC HOUSE): WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 2 @ 6PM**
- **DADS' NIGHT OUT (@ HEADLANDS BREWERY): THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 10 @ 6PM**



Important Dates!



October 17-21: Diaper Drive

October 18: DVMS Board of Director's meeting 7:30pm at DVMS

October 20: DVMS Book Club 7pm at DVMS

October 31: Halloween Parade 10am

November 2: Mom's Night Out 6pm Lafayette Public House

November 10: Dad's Night Out 6pm Headlands Brewery

November 11: Veteran's Day DVMS Closed

November 17: Kindergarten at DVMS Parent Information Evening

November 21-25: Thanksgiving Break DVMS Closed

December 3: DVMS at the Warriors - stay tuned for more information soon

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