

Monte Vista

Paw Prints Newsletter

September 19, 2019

SCHOOL NEWS

Fire Up Your Feet, September 20 - Join families and friends by walking to school. Meet at Two -Strike Park and La Crescenta/Orange at 7:50am.

FLAG Parent Meeting September 19, 6:00 – Site administration and district personnel will present information on schoolwide data, programs and upcoming events.

School Newspaper Meeting - Friday, September 20th at lunch time (12:30) in the auditorium. Bring your lunch to our second newspaper meeting.

Dine Out Night Wed. September 25 - Enjoy a meal at Baja Fresh and the proceeds go to Monte Vista PTA. It's a win-win!

Spirit Assembly & Grandparents Day Friday, September 27 - Please join us for our monthly ceremony recognizing students. Also, please feel free to invite your grandparents for the day. We will acknowledge them, take a photo and give them a short tour if they would like.

Tile Making Thursday, October 3 - Please refer to the flyer in your student's Thursday folder for details and sign up form.

Save the Date for Cathy Kralik's Retirement Celebration – A special event to honor beloved teacher Mrs. Cathy Kralik is set for Thursday October 24 at 3:00. More info to come!

Absences – September is Attendance Awareness Month. It is important to establish habits where students come to school everyday. Research shows strong attendance results in academic success. We are monitoring absences and will be reaching out when it becomes “excessive.” Please send your child to school unless ill (fever, vomiting). A doctor’s note will be required after illness. Thank you for working with us to instill the importance of good attendance in our students.

Gardening Club

We are looking for volunteers to help in beautifying the front patch of the school. Now that the ivy has been cleared we are looking for gardening help in planting native and drought tolerant plants. If you would like to offer help, please contact Vatsala Oberman at mvgardeningclub@gmail.com Thank you.

Run Under the Oaks

The CV Chamber of Commerce is once again offering FREE MONEY to your schools! They are hosting their annual community 5K Fun Run and for every participant from your school, the Chamber gives you \$3.00! The school with the most participants is given an extra \$200.00. What a great way to have a fundraiser, run by someone else!!



All you need to do is promote it with your families and poof! Instant money! Last years' big winner was Rosemont!

[Flyer](#)

[Entry Form](#)

LIBRARY NEWS

UPDATE: 4th, 5th & 6th Graders -- we could use more book orders! Stuart Gibbs is the author of the *Spy School* series. The kids know and love his books! We could use your support. Most of his titles are \$10 and will be personalized with your name. The hardback books, and his new release, Charlie Thorne and the Last Equation, make

great gifts. They will also be personalized and signed. Orders accepted tomorrow, Friday, September 13! Thank you!!

Mac Barnett, one of our all-time-favorites is returning!!

Tuesday, September 24:

2nd, 3rd, and 4th grades will attend his assembly presentation, launching his new Mac B. Kid Spy Series -- Top Secret Smackdown.

(James Bond meets *Diary of a Wimpy Kid* -- totally smart and sidesplittingly funny!)

Families can pre-order a signed copy of his books - [Flyer](#). Money and orders due tomorrow, September 6th. Please return to classroom teacher.

Stuart Gibbs, author of the very popular *Spy School* series

Friday, September 27:

5th and 6th grades will attend his assembly presentation, launching his new book, Charlie Thorne and the Last Equation.

(The CIA forces twelve-year-old Charlotte "Charlie" Thorne, a rebellious genius, to use her code-breaking skills on an epic global chase to locate Einstein's last equation before dangerous agents discover it and unlock the solution to harnessing energy.)

Pre-order a personalized & signed copy of this new book -- or any of his other titles -- byprinting out the [order form](#). Money and orders due Monday, September 9th. Please return to classroom teacher.

Author visits are always very exciting and get our students fired up about reading and story creation. We are delighted to partner with Once Upon a Time bookstore to make this happen. We've got the very best authors coming to talk to our kids this month!!

PTA

JOIN THE PTA

Monte Vista, the race for 100% membership is on! Here are the results so far:

Araradian (156%), Blessinger (104%), Cicciarelli (109%) Doom (43%), Fong (74%), Hank (65%), Harvey (88%) Hong (104%), Kang (97%), C. Kim (84%), E. Kim (74%), H. Kim (96%), R. Kim (96%), M. Lee (56%), S. Lee, (90%), Manaka (85%), Nakano (73%), Nelson (92%), Oh (109%), Pardo (100%), Park (96%), Smith (64%), Stephan (142%), Tahk (114%), Vroman (54%), Weingarten (92%), Widholm (82%), Yi (104%), Yniguez

(58%). We have ONE MORE WEEK left in our membership drive! Let's reach our goal of 100%! ~ *Meghan Ulfeldt*

DOLLAR-A-DAY CAMPAIGN

As of last Friday, our 2019 Dollar-A-Day Campaign has raised **\$57,480!** Way to go parents!

However, there is only a week and a half left in this year's Campaign and we are still a good deal short of last year's whopping \$77,000+ mark.

*For those who have already given — **THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!** If you have not yet donated, please help our school continue to provide our students with:*

- enrichment programs (**art, music, P.E., computer, library**) and
- technology (**chrome books, interactive SMART TVs**)
- along with other programming we all know and love (**AR, Carnival, Science Fair, Assemblies, Monty's Holiday Shop to name a few**).

This year's incentive for those students in whose name the full \$180 donation is made is a customized Monte Vista umbrella — just in time for rainy season! But ANY AMOUNT you can spare makes a difference to our kids. Learn more [Here](#)

- Each *student* who turns in \$180 will receive a limited edition Monte Vista umbrella.
- Each *family* that contributes \$180 or more will be recognized on the Monte Vista website.

*To qualify for these incentives, please remember to remit your donation by **Friday, September 27, 2019.** - Una Chung-Iwasaka*

Thank you to everyone who has already joined PTA and donated to the dollar-a-day campaign! You can join and donate by returning the envelope from your first day folder (or [attached here](#)), or on-line at:

[https://jointotem.com/ca/la-crescenta/monte-vista-elementary-pta.](https://jointotem.com/ca/la-crescenta/monte-vista-elementary-pta)

PTA DINE OUT AT BAJA FRESH -- WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 25!

Let's enjoy a meal together at our 1st Dine Out of the school year! Join us on Wednesday, September 25, anytime between 4-9:00 pm at Baja Fresh in La Crescenta. You can dine in or take out, but you must turn in the Baja Fresh flyer when you order so our PTA will earn a portion of the sales. [Flyers](#) will go home in Thursday folders, and it is also attached below. Bring your Monte Vista spirit and a healthy appetite to Baja Fresh! ~ Margaux Chan

BOX TOPS

Monty's Box Top race is on! Now through October 25. Help your class win by scanning your receipts and turning in Box Tops. You can find them on hundreds of participating products.

NEW! Now you can scan your receipt and have your Box Tops automatically credited to Monte Vista. It's super easy - no more clipping and counting. See the attached [flyer](#) for more details. Use the attached tracking sheet for your receipts and then turn it in to your child's teacher for credit in the Box Top challenge!

We can also still accept the older style cut & save Box Tops. Every one counts!

Last school year, we earned \$1,200. They really add up! So start scanning and sending them in!

Grocery & Label Programs

Want to support Monte Vista while buying groceries at Ralph's, shopping on Amazon, getting fresh produce at Farm Fresh to You, or shopping at other local businesses such as Office Depot? It's as easy as enrolling your Ralph's card, following the Amazon Smile link, or mentioning Monte Vista at check out. For more information, see the flyer in next week's Thursday folder (or [attached here](#)) or check out the "Support the Monte Vista PTA" page on the Monte Vista Website at <https://www.gusd.net/Page/3180>.

Reflections Art Program

Do you enjoy art, music and dance, or have an interest in writing, producing films or taking photos? Then join us and have fun unleashing your inner artist with PTA Reflections! This year's theme, "Look Within," calls for your own unique interpretation through the arts. Submission guidelines and entry forms are in today's Thursday folders and [attached here](#). Turn in your projects by October 4. Winners will receive prizes and recognition at the November 1 Spirit Assembly, and will advance to compete at the Glendale Council level, and could even move on to the district, state, and national levels of the Reflections competition! Questions? Please email Audrey Lippert at montevistareflections@gmail.com.

COMMUNITY

Rosemont Middle School's Music Department is having their **11th Annual Pancake Breakfast Concert Saturday, October 5 from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m.** Rain or shine, diners will enjoy a breakfast of all-you-can-eat pancakes while enjoying an early morning concert. Tickets are \$5 at the door and are also being sold now by students in the music program. [Flyer](#)

CVHS Cheer Camp [Flyer](#)

Comedy Sportz

*Come on out to our next CVHS ComedySportz Match! Come watch two teams of our award-winning high school improvisers taking suggestions from YOU – the audience - and piece them together on stage! This is great entertainment for those who are looking for something fun to do on Friday nights! This is family-friendly & FUNNY for ALL ages! The match starts Friday, September 27 at 7:00 PM! We are located in the Underground Theater in front of CVHS and seats are **only** \$5.00 for students and **only** \$10.00 for adults!*

Rosemont Preserve Activities

Saturday, September 28th, 9-11am: Planting Demonstration with Roger Klemm - Join "Guerilla Gardener" Roger Klemm to learn how to plant native plants to attract more

butterflies to your garden. Participants will take home a pot planted with milkweed seeds!

The Rosemont Preserve is located at the top of Rosemont Avenue behind the chain link fence