

PARENT NEWSLETTER OF LAVEEN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL • MAY/JUNE, 2024

Dear Laveen Families,

Summer shouldn't mean taking a break from learning, especially reading. Studies suggest that most students experience a loss of reading skills over the summer months, but children who continue to read during the summer months will gain skills. **So, let's read!**

Efforts should be made during the summer to help children sustain reading skills, practice reading and read for enjoyment. **Here are a few family tips to make reading enjoyable for your children this summer:**



1. Read aloud together with your child every day. Make it fun by reading outdoors on the front steps, patio, at the beach or park. Also, let your children read to you. For younger children, point out the relationship between words and sounds.

2. Set a good example. Parents need to model reading for their children. Keep lots of reading material around the house. Turn off the TV and have each person read his or her book, including mom and dad.

3. Read the same book your child is reading and discuss it. This is the way to develop habits of the mind and build capacity for thought and insight.

4. Let kids choose what they want to read. Not allowing choice may discourage good reading habits.

5. Buy audio books, especially for a child with a learning disability. Listen to them in the car, or turn off the TV and have the family listen to them together.

6. Take your children to the public library regularly. The Cesar Chavez Library sponsors summer reading programs with easy-to-reach goals for school-age children. Check the <u>library calendar</u> for special summer reading activities and events. They also provide age-appropriate book lists for summer reading.

7. Make family trips a way to encourage reading by reading aloud traffic signs, billboards, notices. Show your children how to read a map, and once you are on the road, let them take turns being the navigator.

8. Encourage children to keep a summer scrapbook. Tape in souvenirs of your family's summer activities picture postcards, ticket stubs, photos. Have your children write the captions and read them and read them aloud as you look at the book together.

Thank you for your continued support of Laveen Elementary School! – Dr. Robert Caplinger, Principal

ADD US ON FACEBOOK

Please take a moment to **"add" us on Facebook** for reminders, announcements, videos, links, and event pictures. <u>https://www.facebook.com/laveenelementary</u>

PARENTVUE WEBSITE AND PHONE APP

ParentVUE is an easy tool to monitor your child's education. ParentVUE is a website that offers secure, private access to school information, including assignments, grades, progress reports, attendance, school calendar, and teacher contact details. The ParentVUE Mobile app uses the same user login as the web-based ParentVUE portal. <u>Click here</u> to access ParentVUE on your computer. **iPhone users**: <u>Apple Store</u>. Android: <u>Google Play</u>.

GOLDEN TRAY AWARD

Each week we are pleased to present the "Golden Lunch Tray Award" to classrooms that go above and beyond to keep the cafeteria clean. These students S.O.A.R. each day during lunch and should be proud of their high level of respect and accountability. Ask your child if his/her class has received the Golden Lunch Tray Award!



CONGRATULATIONS MR. JONATHAN!

Mr. Jonathan Clauss will be retiring this year after many years in our Little Hawks Preschool. Mr. Jonathan has touched many lives over his years here at Laveen and we are so thankful for his expert teaching, creative lesson planning, fun sense of humor, score keeping at athletic events and advising after school activities. He does so much for our kids and staff!

He has truly left his mark on our school! We will miss his weekly "color walks" around the school with his stufents. He is also a master storyteller and we hope he will drop by Laveen again to share his talents with new generations of little hawks! **Thank you, Jonathan!**



UPCOMING DATES TO REMEMBER

May 3		Student of Month Breakfast	May 13-17	AIMS Web Plus Testing (K-3)
May 6		NWEA MAP ELA Testing (3-8)	May 14	5th Grade Field Trip - Museum
May	7	NWEA MAP Math Testing (K-8)	May 15	Life Skills Water Day
May	8	Early Release/\$1.00 Dress Down Day	May 17	Band Field Trip - Organ Stop
May	9	NWEA MAP Reading Testing (K-8)	May 17	Life Skills Celebration Event
May	10	NWEA MAP Science Testing (4-8)	May 20	8th Grade Field Trip - Main Event
May	12	Happy Mother's Day!	May 21	Kinder & 8th Grade Promotions
May	13-17	8th Grade Washington DC Trip	May 22	Early Release & Last Day of School!

If you have questions about events or activities, please call our main office at (602) 237-9110, M-F 8:00AM - 4:00PM

FRY'S COMMUNITY REWARDS

If you shop at Fry's Foods Grocery store, please link your Fry's V.I.P. card to **Laveen Elementary School (Laveen Hawks PTO) organization number:** AK833. The Fry's Community Rewards program will automatically donate to our school on your behalf from each of your purchases!This will happen automatically and there is nothing else you need to do! Please visit: frysfood.com/i/community/community-rewards

8TH GRADE PROMOTION INFORMATION

We are very proud to celebrate our 8th grade students as they are promoted to high school! We are planning three very special events to honor their hard work at Laveen.

8th Grade Trip. All 8th grade students will join their teachers for a fun trip to the Main Event on Monday, May 20. Our Booster Club will cover the costs of this trip, including lunch. Permission slips have already been distributed. Please make sure they are returned next week!



8th Grade Promotion Ceremony Rehearsals. We will practice the promotion format with our 8th graders over two different days. On Friday, May 17 (in the AM) we will have a complete promotion run through with students and staff. We will review the procedures again on Monday afternoon, May 20 after the Main Event.

8th Grade Promotion Ceremony. Please join us on Tuesday, May 21 at 10:00AM for a promotion ceremony in our gym. Students will receive their promotion certificates and we will also be presenting some special achievement awards and announcing high school scholarship recipients. Refreshments will follow the ceremony. **Each student will receive tickets for five (5) guests**. Tickets may be picked-up by a parent in our main office starting on Monday, May 6. Questions? Please call us at (602) 237-9110. We will always try to accommodate special requests. **Congratulations, 8th Grade Class of 2024!**

KINDERGARTEN PROMOTION INFORMATION

We are also very proud to celebrate our kindergarteners as they are promoted to first grade!

Kindergarten Promotion Ceremony. Please join us on Tuesday, May 21 at 12:30PM for a promotion ceremony in our gym. Students will perform with their classmates and walk across the stage to receive their promotion certificates. Refreshments will follow the ceremony. **Each student will receive tickets for five (5) guests**. Tickets may be picked-up by a parent in our main office starting on Monday, May 6.



Questions? Please call us at (602) 237-9110. We will try to accommodate special requests. **Congratulations, Kindergarten Class of 2024!**

PRESCHOOL PROMOTION INFORMATION

Each classroom will host their own event and details will be delivered to parents by the classroom teachers. **Congratulations, Preschool Class of 2024!** Welcome to kindergarten!

HAWKS IN ACTION!

We love our Laveen Elementary School specials classes and extracurricular activities!



STUDENTS OF THE MONTH

Congratulations to our Students of the Month! These students are nominated by their teachers based on outstanding academic achievement. Students receive a certificate and free ice cream from Laveen's very own, Scooptacular! Students and their families will also be invited to a special breakfast. **Congratulations, Hawks!**

STUDENT	TEACHER	STUDENT	TEACHER
Jayden Vega-Gamboa	Jonathan Clauss (PreK)	Cruz Samaniego	James Carrethers (4)
Diana Hernandez-Lopez	Jhovana Bugarin (PreK)	Ben Macias	Dominique Mariscal (4)
Natalia Salgado Esquivias	Mercedes Jeffrey (PreK)	Marley Robles	Geraldine Rodriguez (4)
Alannah Jones	Austin Knolles (PreK)	Tatianna Swartz	Christian Villa (4)
Evelyn Zazueta Alvarez	Jeannette Craig (K)	Violeta Aguilar	Bernadette Carbajal (5)
Jaxon Carrethers	Isabel Hlebak (K)	Gael Moreno	Gabriel Duarte (5)
Maverick Jeffrey	Janina Perez (K)	Sebastian Yeager	Nick Plantz (5)
Nathan Desrosiers	Jessica Krantz (LS)	Isabella Ferace	Deanna Bleyl (6)
Raymond Gallegos	Mary Turner (LS)	Iliana Garcia Aguilera	Jessica Lozano (6)
Paul Luke Morales	Jennifer Veney (LS)	Toryn Wilson	Logan Wasie (6)
Marlene Calderon Alvarez	Sabrina Wyda (LS)	Tevin Stewart	Brianne Capono (7)
Juana Muchina	Sarai Covarrubias (1)	Ashley Ambriz Lopez	Crystal Codner (7)
Alejandra Vasquez	Sylvia Ramirez (1)	Roxana Alvarez Balverde	Cynthia Salinas (7)
Lucio Poland Martinez	Michelle Shields (1)	Kinjah-el Muhammad	Ken Cline (8)
Isabel A. Venancio	Catalina Koller (2)	Julian Alvillar	Erin Delaney (8)
Mia Valdez	Sara Lofton (2)	Kinjah-el Muhammad	Adrian Ruiz (8)
Lynexx Robinson	Gabriela Rocha (2)	Audrey Nelson	Alyssa Morrison (Music)
Noah Rodriguez	Joia Westwood (2)	Haley Maxie	Peyton Farina (PE)
Daniel Gaudioso	Tiffany Lorona (3)	Perla Antillon Padron	Andrea Smith (Art)
Ava Leverston	Michele Malone (3)	Brandon Lund	Luke Smith (PE/STEM)
Yaitza Ochoa Coronado	Melody Smith (3)	Aliviya Givens	David Wulff (PE)
Kingston Greer-Kendrick	Ashleigh Justice (K-3)	Candy Hernandez	David Morrison (Band)
Naomi Baldonado Tallabas	Monica Gallo (3-5)	JenCarlos Cardenas Aranda	Leah Hall (6-8)

DRIVELINE PARENTS OF THE MONTH

We have some great parents at Laveen Elementary that **S.O.A.R.** right along with their kids! We are pleased to showcase some amazing Driveline parents that have earned a special "Golden Driveline Number" for being **S**afe, **O**rganized, **A**ccountable and **R**espectful during drop-off and pick-up. **Thank you for S.O.A.R-ing, parents!**



TEACHER & STAFF APPRECIATION WEEK, MAY 6-10

Please join us in celebrating our amazing teachers next week during Staff Appreciation Week! The following teachers have provided Amazon Wishlists. Please click or copy/paste the links to find special ways to celebrate your child's teachers. **Items from their wish lists ship directly to the school on your behalf!** Thank you!

TEACHER	GRADE	AMAZON WISH LIST LINK
MS. BUGARIN	PREK	https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/2CFX7QJLSWOXM?ref =wl_share
MR. CLAUSS	PREK	https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/332VOFS6B8SA2?ref_=wl_share
MS. JEFFREY	PREK	https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/1BSBOBNPSHCRL?ref =wl_share
MR. KNOLLES	PREK	https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/249SREY9HLR8G?ref_=wl_share
MS. HLEBAK	К	https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/1BXO9G07ITL88?ref =wl_share
MS. CRAIG	к	https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/29XDYGSAECDEP?ref =wl_share
MS. PEREZ	К	https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/3TC5XVHMHNKPA/ref=nav_wishlist_lists_1
MS. RAMIREZ	1	https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/35ND7WDNMRCL?ref =wl share
COVARRUBIAS	1	https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/I46SHC6H2NSL?ref =wl_share
MS. SHIELDS	1	https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/1R5HSK88FQLSO?ref_=wl_share
WESTWOOD	2	https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/3LHMG97UFT2WP?ref =wl_share
MS. KOLLER	2	https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/1D28R846S1RWG?ref_=wl_share

MS. LOFTON	2	https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/289T7F1TI62AE?ref_=wl_share
MS. ROCHA	2	https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/1ITUE7K11YSHM?ref =wl_share
MS. MALONE	3	https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/3QAX61KVSWQR2?ref_=wl_share
MS. SMITH	3	https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/3BI8GTND7WZML?ref =wl_share
CARRETHERS	4	https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/2Q1VDZ01IBUFT?ref_=wl_share
MR. VILLA	4	https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/3VVUK3UW2LNWD?ref =wl_share
RODRIGUEZ	4	https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/23BNUZ6POGAS0?ref =wl share
MS. MARISCAL	4	https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/33Z3QLOHMMBUE?ref_=wl_share
MR. DUARTE	5	https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/RA6DHJVBIDX3?ref =wl share
MS. CARBAJAL	5	https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/15G59U1CDVO6F?ref_=wl_share
MS. BLEYL	6	https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/1WZ5BRM8CROGH?ref_=wl_share
MS. LOZANO	6	https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/5GIOFLKQPOMW?ref =wl share
MR. WASIE	6	https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/19RL1Q8BSK7XX?ref_=wl_share
MS. SALINAS	7	https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/2ABASIPHCER01?ref_=wl_share
MS. CODNER	7	https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/2P9X4KDU28UZH?ref=cm_sw_em_r_un_un_98KXREavzGFX6
MR. RUIZ	8	https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/14S0DUYMXVWOH?ref =wl_share
MR. CLINE	8	https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/13P9EXGAD0OVL?ref_=wl_share
MS. DELANEY	8	https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/303I0GYMCKGI6?ref_=wl_share
MS. KRANTZ	SPED	https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/3FV4K6V0RBEGO?ref_=wl_share
MS. TURNER	SPED	https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist up/ls/3A29QMK79AJZ?ref =list d wl lfu nav 8
MS. VENEY	SPED	https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/2F5G0XRC65556?ref_=wl_share
MS. WYDA	SPED	https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/2QVWHUOAPHEUF?ref_=wl_share
MS. GALLO	SPED	https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/1GS8D3OCWINDJ?ref =wl share
MS. HALL	SPED	https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/KQBTE04RQM6?ref_=wl_share
MR. L. SMITH	STEM	https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/3EMVYBX6ATQZK?ref_=wl_share
A. MORRISON	MUSIC	https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/1QWBAIQDMEUVB?ref_=wl_share
D. MORRISON	BAND	https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/25P97EBKB3TDP?ref_=wl_share
MS. ROMERO	COUNS	https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/2FPDIKC1Q5PP2?ref_=wl_share

HAPPY SUMMER, HAWKS!