



# Thursday, January 4th, 2018. Core value of the month: Hard Work

## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Happy New 2018!

Welcome back to school!

#### **NEWS FROM THE PTA**

**Lego Robotics** Beginners Course for **grades 3-5** registration is open. Meets Mondays Jan 22 thru Mar 12. Please return attached application to the front office.

Winter Food and Coat Drive - Congrats to all Monta Loma students & their families for donating over 2,000 pounds of food to CSA and collecting ALL of the brand new coats we needed for families within our own community!! Thank you to Student Council for collecting & tallying the items and bringing to the office. Thank you to teachers and front office staff for keeping track of the items donated and thank you to parent volunteers who coordinated and delivered the items to CSA. Top donor classrooms were Ms. Satterfield (Guerrero) with 219 and Mrs. Shellhammer with 201 items. Donations to Heifer International have been made on behalf of both classes. Great work everyone!

Is volunteering one of your New Year's resolutions? PTA has several autonomous volunteer opportunities as we gear up for the second half of the school year. Please contact montalomapta@gmail.com for more info.

#### **NEWS FROM THE DISTRICT OFFICE**

MV Parent University presents "Special Education Basics: Tips for parents on how to navigate the special education process", Wednesday, January 10, 6:30-8pm Crittenden Middle School, Doors open at 6 p.m. Come early to connect with resources!

Learn about: \* Special Education process \* Important terms \* Support at your child's school Question & Answer session with Special Education Director Gary Johnson

Provided: \* Interpretation (Spanish support), \* Child care, \* Transportation (Bus departs from Castro Elementary and Graham Middle at 6 p.m. and returns at 8:30 p.m.)

#### **NEWS FROM THE COMMUNITY**

MVLA Speakers Series presents "Cultivating Resilience from the Inside Out: Developing a Yes Brain in Children and Adolescents" by Dr. Dan Siegel Thursday, January 11, 2018 - 7:00 - 9:00pm, Los Altos High School Eagle Theater, 201 Almond Avenue, Los Altos, CA

In this presentation, Dr. Siegel will explore the nature of the changes in the developing brain and how they set the stage for childhood and adolescent mental, physical, and interpersonal well-being.

Audience: K-12 parents, educators, and other caretakers

Admission: Free

Register: <a href="https://mvla2017-2018-dansiegel.eventbrite.com">https://mvla2017-2018-dansiegel.eventbrite.com</a>

Thinking about how you can make a difference in the life of a student in our community? Mentor Tutor Connection needs **Mentors for High School students** and **Tutors for K- 8 students** in Los Altos and Mountain View schools. All volunteers must be high school graduates.

There is no obligation to sign up as a volunteer. You're welcome to just come and learn more about what we do.

Date: Wednesday, January 17

Time: 12:00 - 2:00 pm

Location: MVLA District Office - Board Room, 1299 Bryant Ave, Mountain View, CA

Register: REGISTER ONLINE

Questions: programs@mentortutorconnection.org

#### **MVEF NEWS!**

## Eat right and give back January 18th! Join us at Sweetgreen, located at 440 Castro Street

Starting off 2018 with a vow to eat healthier? Kick off the new year doing good for your body and good for the community! On January 18th sweetgreen will be donating 20% of your bill to the Mountain View Educational Foundation! There are some amazing choices, check out the menu at sweetgreen.com!

## Winter Gala and Raffle

Time to buy your raffle tickets!

Mountain View Educational Foundation has some amazing prizes up for grabs in this year's raffle.

First prize: Two premium tickets to the Shoreline Concert of your choice

Second Prize: Dinner for 4 at Quattro Restaurant Third Prize: A \$250 gift card to Cognition Cyclery!

Tickets are \$5 each or 5 for \$20. We are selling tickets at every school, to find out where to get your tickets send a note to <a href="mailto:hafsa@mvef.org">hafsa@mvef.org</a>. Interested in selling tickets? Our top two sellers get \$25 Amazon gift cards.

Our Winter Gala and Auction is February 10<sup>th</sup>. Check out the attached flyer or go to MVEF.org

#### **CALENDAR**

## Thursday, January 4, 2018

No Chess Club, sessions will resume on 01/18/18

Friday, January 5, 2018 - February 2, 2018.

Enrollment window for new students

confirmation of registration for current students both online

and

## Monday, January 8, 2018

Lego Robotics (Accelerated resumes) @ ML Computer Lab, 3:20 – 4:45 pm

## Tuesday, January 9, 2018

ML School Site Council @ ML Library, 4:00 - 5:30 pm

ML PTA Board Meeting @ ML Library, 6:00 - 8:15 pm

## Wednesday, January 10, 2018

ML ELAC @ ML Library 6:00 - 7:30 pm

## Monday, January 15, 2018

MLK Day, No school today

#### Thursday, January 18, 2018

5<sup>th</sup> Grade Field Trip to Cinemark Theater, 8:30am – 12:10 pm

#### Friday, January 19, 2018

ML Spelling Bee @ ML Library, 10:45 am – 12:15 pm

4th Grade Field Trip to Hidden Villa (Mr. Dechter), 8:30am – 2:00pm

### Monday, January 22, 2018

Lego Robotics (Beginner starts) @ ML Computer Lab, 3:20 – 4:45 pm

#### Thursday, January 25, 2018

6th Grade Information Night @ Crittenden and/or Graham, 6:00 - 7:20 pm

## Friday, January 26, 2018

ML Sports Day

4<sup>th</sup> Grade Field Trip to Hidden Villa (Ms. Frost and Ms. Perfect), 8:30am – 2:00pm

## **FLYERS**

January Menu

Lego Robotics

MVLA Parent Education, Cultivating Resilience from the Inside Out

MVLA Parent Education, Raising Digital Natives