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# Green Valley Newsletter 10/15/2023

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## Green Valley Elementary HOME OF THE COLTS

*Let's Stay Connected!*



### *Important Dates*

#### **DATES TO REMEMBER**

**Ongoing through Oct 18 @ 6PM: 24/7 ONLINE BOOK FAIR**

**Mon Oct 16: After School Spanish Enrichment begins**

**Tues Oct 17: 3:00-4:30PM Site Council Meeting in MPR**

**Tues Oct 17: 5:30-6:30 TK Information night (remote meeting, see below)**

**Tues Oct 17: After school basketball enrichment begins**

**Wed Oct 18: Photo Retake Day**

**Wed Oct 18: Run Club 1-1:30pm**

**Thurs Oct 19: 5:30-6:30 Kindergarten Information Night (remote meeting, see below for link)**

**Thurs Oct 19: After school flag football, sewing and Kindergarten girls lacrosse enrichments begin**

***Fri Oct 20: Lost and found pick up deadline. All items not picked up by 3:00pm will be donated to our sister school, Lockwood Academy.***

***Fri Oct 20: Last day to submit Art Reflections entry (see details below)***

**Fri Oct 20: The Great California Shake Out Earthquake Drill 9-9:30am**

**Week of Oct 23: Red Ribbon Week/Healthy Choices**

**Wed Oct 25: Run Club 1-1:30pm**

**Tues Oct 31: Halloween Parade at GV 8:20am** (see details below)

**Tues Oct 31: Halloween - using the "Adjusted Wed Schedule"**

- TK/Kinder dismissal at 11:30am
- 1st-5th dismissal at 12:50pm

**Wed Nov 1: No School**

**Thurs Nov 6: After school Black Dragon Chess enrichment class begins**

**GV Instructional Calendar for 23-24 school year available [HERE](#)  
GV Monthly Public Calendar available [here](#)**



Dear Green Valley Community,

*~Living in a state of gratitude is the gateway to grace~.*

Lately I find myself so incredibly grateful for the help of our PTA. Thank you dearly for being a part of making the Fall Festival event a cherished tradition at Green Valley. It does not go unnoticed and all too often I don't get a very special thank you out. You are valued and appreciated for being a part of our PTA.

Warm regards,  
Donna

SAN RAMON VALLEY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

# TK & Kindergarten Enrollment

We look forward to enrolling your child in our Transitional Kindergarten or Kindergarten program for the 2024-25 school year.

### = Registration Dates =

**Enrollment Window Opens**  
 Monday, November 13, 2023

**Enrollment Window Closes\***  
 Friday, December 15, 2023

\* Completed online enrollment applications must be submitted by December 15 to be included in the first round of confirmation of space at the resident school site. Online enrollment applications submitted after December 15 are received on a first come first served basis for space.

### = Age Guidelines =

**To be eligible for TK for 2024-25**  
 Your child must turn 5 years of age  
 on or between  
 September 2, 2024 to June 2, 2025

**To be eligible for KINDERGARTEN for 2024-25**  
 Your child must turn 5 years of age  
 on or before  
 September 1, 2024

**First day of instruction: August 14, 2024**

### 2024-25 information

#### Parent Information Nights


(Hosted via Zoom)

Zoom access links can be found on our TK/Kindergarten webpage

**TK Information Night**  
 Tues., October 17, 2023  
 5:30 - 6:30 pm

**Kindergarten Information Night**  
 Thurs., October 19, 2023  
 5:30 - 6:30 pm

TK/Kindergarten webpage info  
 Zoom links for Info Meetings  
 TK FAQ  
 Kindergarten Readiness  
 TK/Kindergarten Enrollment Quick Reference



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## 2024-2025 GREEN VALLEY TK AND KINDERGARTEN INFORMATION NIGHTS

**Transitional Kindergarten Information Night (remote meeting)**  
**Tuesday October 17, 2023 5:30 - 6:30pm**

Please click the link below to join the webinar:

**<https://srvusd-net.zoom.us/j/86246702328?pwd=eWl5c1pDZ1BUSU1TZXNSVjZscDhLZz09>**

Passcode: 132915

Kindergarten Information Night (remote meeting)  
Thursday October 19, 2023 5:30 - 6:30pm

Please click the link below to join the webinar:

<https://srvusd-net.zoom.us/j/81916239272?pwd=aStmeHpBQVlmdll2cDVoeGICdU4vdz09>

Passcode: 670552

# Green Valley





SAVE THE DATE FOR THE ANNUAL  
**GREEN VALLEY AUCTION**  
HOSTED BY THE GVE LEARNING FUND

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GLITTERING, GILDED, AND GLAMOROUS!

**What is it?** The Annual Auction is our biggest fundraising event of the year and will help fund critical needs in the classroom.

**Why go?** In addition to raising funds, it's a great opportunity to connect with the GVE community, make friends and have fun!

**We need your support!**

- **Donate:** We are looking for auction items and sponsorships. If you own a small business or have access to items/ experiences/ services, please consider donating! The bulk of our fundraising is from the auction & donations, so this is critical!!
- **Volunteer:** We need your help to make this an amazing event!
- **Attend:** Come, enjoy and bid on the auction! Tickets go on sale Nov '23

*Please contact: Jenny Oh & Julie Dickson*  
**AUCTIONGVE@GMAIL.COM**



## SCHOLASTIC ONLINE BOOK FAIR

*"Fall in Love With Books!"*

Now through October 18

All proceeds go to the purchase of new books and library supplies for our school library!

<https://www.scholastic.com/bf/greenvalleyelementaryschool10>

### **A Note from Brenda Dvorak:**

*Thank you to all the book fair volunteers that helped make the book fair run smoothly and successfully!*

*Also--we collected **\$1,267.42** for our ALL FOR BOOKS program that benefits our sister school (Lockwood Steam Academy) in Oakland, CA. Thank you to all the students & parents that donated money that helped us reach our goal of \$1,000 and pass it!*

**Thank you, Green Valley!!**

### 3rd Annual Storybook Pumpkin Contest Winners!

TK - Hall - Cal

K - Priess - Aaryk (Pigeon shown)

1st - Scallan - Quincy

2nd - Bering - Maddie

3rd - Dyer - Everly

4th - Alexander - Ava

5th - Omstead - Matan

**Congratulations!**

Winners received a \$15 certificate to spend at the book fair



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*Earn a*  
**CLASS  
PIZZA  
PARTY**

*You know you  
want some!* →

**CHARLESTON WRAP CONTEST**

**HIGHEST % CLASS  
PARTICIPATION WINS!**



This week, we are having another AWESOME Charleston Wrap contest!

The class with the highest % of student participation by *end of day, Friday, October 20th*, will earn a CLASS PIZZA PARTY! Participation means you have *registered and purchased an item!*

**Register, shop, win a PIZZA PARTY!!**  
**Charleston Wrap (organization #12221)**

OUR FUNDRAISER IS ENDING SOON! Share, shop, and support our school!!

## **2023-2024 Reflections Art Program:**

### ***EXPLORE THE ARTS AND EXPRESS YOURSELF***

The **Reflections Art Program** provides opportunities for recognition and access to the arts which boost student confidence and success in the arts and in life.



**There are Six Arts Categories** and any child from TK-5th grade can enter an original creation that fits the theme from one of the arts categories: **Dance Choreography, Film Production, Literature, Music Composition, Photography, and Visual Arts.**

Email [gvreflections23@gmail.com](mailto:gvreflections23@gmail.com) for more information on how your child can participate in this year's Reflections program!

**The deadline to enter is October 20th, 2023!**

## Green Valley's Annual Halloween Parade

Green Valley's annual parade is **Tuesday, October 31 at 8:20am** on the black top. You are invited to join in the fun and view our Halloween parade!

**Tuesday, October 31** is a Wednesday schedule and students will be released early:

Grade TK/K: 8:00 am - 11:30 am

Grades 1-5: 8:00 am-12:50 pm



Please note that there is **NO SCHOOL** on Wednesday, Nov. 1

**Below is some important information for you to know about our parade:**

- The students will parade around the blacktop and part of the field. Teachers will lead their classes around the route one time.
- We will open the parade with our TK classes, and close with our 5th grade classes.
- The blacktop will be taped off to preserve the parade route. We welcome our parent community to view the parade from the center of the blacktop as the classes walk around them. We ask that parents remain in the designated parent sections.

**Costume Guidelines:**

- Children should come to school in the morning dressed in costume. If the costume doesn't allow for comfort and free movement for PE, recess, and throughout the day, your child should bring a change of clothes in a bag. Label the bag with their name/teacher's name. **Masks may be worn during the parade only. Masks must be removed at all other times.**
- **Make-up:** **NO makeup should be brought to school.** Students who require make-up to complete their costume must come to school already wearing it.
- **Accessories:** **Any fake weapons such as plastic or metal swords, knives, spears, pitch forks, bloody or gory costumes, or with violent images should not be brought to school.**

Parking is an issue for the Halloween parade as many families will attend. **Please walk to campus if possible.** If you must drive, ensure that you park legally. Please remember...

- Always drive slowly and carefully
- Park in the **BACK LOT**
- DO NOT PARK** in any red curbed area or fire lane
- DO NOT PARK** anywhere where signs mark **NO PARKING**

Thanks for helping us to have another fun Green Valley School Halloween Parade!

## Announcing Colt Card Winners



**COLT CARD WINNERS, Oct 11th:**

First Grade - Roderick - **RORY** - Dependable and Achieving

Second Grade - Bering - **MADISON** - Confident and Achieving

Third Grade - Hasty - **CLAYTON** - Achieving

Fourth Grade - Ransdell - **REID** - Caring and Discovering



**Beet Pesto**

I wanted to highlight October for Breast Cancer Awareness month. Too often, I've been told of family and friends who have been diagnosed with breast cancer and my heart goes out to each one of them. To honor these beautiful ladies, I created this beet pesto which not only is pink in color to honor Breast Cancer, it also has properties to help towards the cancer.

Best,  
Sapna



Artist credit: Paddy Donnelly, <https://lefft.com/dyslexia-beach/>

## Dyslexia Simulation hosted by DDCA's Tri-Valley Support Group

In recognition of national Dyslexia Awareness Month, Decoding Dyslexia CA's Tri-Valley Support Group and the San Ramon Valley Council of PTAs' Exceptional Education Committee are co-hosting an interactive workshop that will help individuals gain a better understanding of and empathy for children and adults with dyslexia.

**Thursday, October 19, 2023**

**7:00 - 8:30 pm On Zoom**

Please [REGISTER](#) in advance and you will be emailed a unique link to join the meeting.

Dyslexia is a language-based learning difference that makes learning to read difficult. Participants will be guided through a series of exercises that simulate how those with dyslexia experience reading, writing and processing information in the classroom.

The experience is designed for adults, but families with older children may wish to participate together.

## Save the Date for Advocacy Day 2023 on October 27th!

Get ready for Advocacy Day 2023! We've all faced many challenges in our schools and communities recently. Recognizing that, our focus this year will be on putting children and families first by encouraging connection, community, and civility. We are hoping to help our families and schools come together so we can all help our children thrive. Because after all...it's about the kids.

**SAVE THE DATE!**

**OCTOBER 27, 2023**

SAN RAMON  
COMMUNITY CENTER  
8:30AM - 2:30PM

**Advocacy Day 2023**

**It's About the Kids**

Developing Connection and Community to  
Help Our Children Thrive

Keynote Address  
by California  
State  
Superintendent  
Tony Thurmond

Hosted by the Las Trampas Creek Council of PTAs, Pleasanton PTA Council, and the San Ramon Valley Council of PTAs



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