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Calendar

September 21, Monday

8:15 Assembly

September 23, Wednesday

7:00 COVID-19 Training

September 25, Friday

8:15 Chapel

9:30 5th-8th Meetup at C

September 28, Monday

8:15 Assembly (In-person and on Zoom)

8:15 In-Person Classes Resume

Jogathon Art Contest Submissions Due

October 7, Wednesday

12:30 Dismissal - Teacher training

October 18, Sunday

Jogathon

Birthdays

9/1 Cindy

9/3 Nicolas

9/7 Levi

9/7 Grace

9/9 Dylan M.

9/14 Mr. Gile

9/20 Kaylie Styadi

9/28 Aaron

9/30 Talon

Announcements

Waiver Granted - We received official notification on Friday afternoon that the County and State have granted us a waiver for in-person instruction for grades K-6! We will resume in-person classes on Monday, September 28. Distance learning will remain an option throughout the 2020-2021 school year.

At this time we are not allowed to bring back 7th and 8th grades. Ventura County must be removed from the COVID-19 watchlist for that to happen.

In order for your child to be allowed to attend in-person classes, we must verify that you have received training on our COVID-19 protocol and requirements. Please read through the information at lvaes.org/covid-19 and take the quiz using the link found at the top of the page. You must receive 100% on this quiz, but you may take the quiz more than once and refer to the website as you take it.

An optional virtual training and Q&A will be held Wednesday, September 23, at 7:00 p.m.

Zoom Meeting Links: Links to whole-school assemblies and chapel can be found on the calendar at **lvaes.org/calendar**. Please access whole-school meetings via the calendar to ensure that you have the right link.

Map Testing: Students did a great job at trying their best on the MAP tests last week. Unfortunately the MAP NWEA website was experiencing a lot of connection issues, but our students, parents, and teachers rose to the challenge. Thank you to everyone for your patience and steadfastness.

Jog-a-thon: Our jogathon this year will be held on October 18. Every year our students have the opportunity to fundraise for our school, making it possible for every child to be here, regardless of financial situation. This year especially we need your support! Please encourage your child to find sponsors from people they know, neighbors, and businesses. We especially encourage you to support your child in reaching out themselves, as this is an excellent opportunity to build leadership skills and confidence. You can find out more information and print off the fundraising forms at **lvaes.org/jogathon**.

We are still working on the logistics of this event, and we will keep you updated.

Jog-a-thon Art Contest: Each year we hold an art contest to design our

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jogathon t-shirts. Please visit <u>lvaes.org/jogathon</u> to view the guidelines. You may turn in a photo of your artwork using the link on that page, or you may turn in a physical copy in the office. The due date for all submissions is Monday, September 28.

Fall Fair: It has become clear that a thriving Fall Fair is not feasible this year, and it is with extreme sadness that we must cancel this event. However, PTO is doing an awesome job of trying to maintain a sense of connection at our school and will be planning more events that are fun and that work within our COVID reality. If you have any creative ideas and energy to help them come to fruition, please reach out to Dulce at **pto@lvaes.org**. Thank you Dulce and team for all that you are doing!

Securly: As we return to in-person classes, it is highly recommended that your child bring an individual Apple iPad (with Securly installed) on a daily basis. Unsupervised Apple iPads (meaning without Securly installed and managed by LVAES), non-Apple tablets, laptops, cell phones, and other personal electronic devices are not allowed out of backpacks on campus.

Have you had a chance to install Securly Home on your smartphone? This is a great tool to help keep your child safe and productive during these times of distance learning by staying informed about their iPad usage. Please reach out to Mr. Fox with any Securly challenges or feedback.

Please remember that iPads brought to school must have Securly software installed on them and be managed by LVAES. If you are leasing-to-own an iPad from LVAES, it is ready to be picked up. If you will be bringing your own device, please contact Mr. Fox to schedule a time to have Securly installed.

Attendance: Please remember that our distance-learning program requires that students complete assignments daily in order to be counted present. Attendance "in" school is still required by State law, even during the pandemic.

Principal's Note

I am so happy that we have been granted a waiver to hold in-person instruction. As many of us return to in-person classes, it will be amazing to see each other face-to-face again. I am excited about the thriving community that makes Linda Vista what it is, and I know that this community cannot exist without in-person relationships. And yet, we must remember that this privilege comes with great responsibility. We must each make the commitment and sacrifice required that will enable us to continue meeting in-person. We must commit to doing our part to keeping our community healthy and strong. Not many of our guidelines feel good, but they are also a necessary part in a much bigger picture.

Take the time to stay informed about our protocol and requirements, and please, keep your children home if you know that that is what the protocol requires.