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Greetings!

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Important Dates

- 11/6 Treasure Island, 6 pm
- 11/7 Treasure Island, 1 pm
- 11/9 Curr/Tech Com Mtg, 4 pm
- 11/9 Finance Com Mtg, 6 pm
- 11/12 Give To the Max Day
- 11/13 Miss Nelson is Missing, 6 pm
- 11/14 Miss Nelson is Missing, 1 pm
- 11/16 School Board Mtg, 6 pm
 - 11/23 11/27 -<u>No Sch</u>ool



DAVINCI ACADEMY OF ARTS & SCIENCE

What if you could help our school receive \$10,000 just by donating \$10 or more?! GiveMN.org will give you that chance on Thursday, November 12th!

We are hoping to AMP UP our Art Events, Athletic Activities, & Musical Programs throughout the school year!

HELP US REACH OUR GOAL BY VISITING OUR GIVEMN SITE TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE TODAY!

https://givemn.org/organization/Davinci-Academy-Of-Arts-And-Science





*use a QR Code App on your phone to scan this code & view our site on the spot!

PLEASE SPREAD THE LOVE & SHARE THIS LINK ON FACEBOOK, TWITTER, INSTAGRAM WITH YOUR FRIENDS & FAMILY WHO LOVE AND CARE ABOUT DAVINCI ACADEMY!

Print this flyer here and share it with friends and family or go directly to our GiveMn.org Webpage to donate.

Update on DaVinci Academy School Expansion Plan

If you missed the recent email regarding the expansion plan, a copy can be found on the school website here.

Lunch Program

Treasure Island Performances - Tonight and Tomorrow Only!!

Current Lunch prices including milk

Hot or Alt. Lunch:

- Full Pay = \$3.50;
- Free/Reduced = \$0.00

Vegetarian Lunch:

- Full-pay = \$4.50;
- Reduced-price = \$0.40;
- Free = \$0.00

A La Carte Items charged to ALL students:

- Milk-only = \$0.50;
- Pre-Ordered
 Extra slice of
 pizza = \$1.50,
- Emergency meals = \$3.50
- Extra Entree(Grade 6-8 only)= \$1.50

Go <u>here</u> to apply for free or reduced-price meals.



Early reviews are in on "Treasure Island" and the consensus is clear; this is a play that should not be missed! According to staff and students who enjoyed a preview performance on Thursday, "you will laugh from beginning to end!"

The play, performed by an amazing cast of over 40 second through fifth graders, is an adaptation of the classic pirate tale!

Show times are tonight, Friday 11/6 at 6 pm or, tomorrow, Saturday 11/7 at 1 pm.

General admission tickets are \$3.00, student tickets are \$1.00. Tickets available for purchase at the door.



More DaVinci Academy Theater Next Weekend - "Miss Nelson is Missing"

DaVinci Academy will present "Miss Nelson is Missing" on November 13 at 6:00 p.m. and November 14 at 1:00 p.m.

General admission tickets are \$3.00, student tickets are \$1.00. Tickets available for purchase at the door.

Miss Nelson can't control her crazy classroom because she's just too nice. But when she disappears, her replacement is the hard-asnails, detention-loving, recess-canceling, homework-overloading substitute teacher Viola Swamp! With the Big Test approaching, the kids suddenly realize how much they miss Miss Nelson and they'll do anything -- including hiring a private eye -- to solve the mystery of her disappearance and bring her back.

Library Donations Needed

(Miranda TenNapel)

DaVinci Academy students are voracious readers!



Our school library is in need of additional, current, books - especially easy-reader books (K-3). If you would like to donate new or gently used books, please drop them off in the school office clearly labeled as donations for the library and include

your name.

Please contact Miranda TenNapel, our school librarian, with any questions. Thank you for your continued support!



Middle School Science Fair (11/17) - Volunteers Needed

(Nicole Brown)

The Middle School Science Fair is less than two weeks away and this event needs your help! Thank you to everyone who has already committed to helping on that Tuesday; however, we are still in need of additional volunteers. We need people to assist with setup, project judging, and take-down. If you are interested and available, see below for task descriptions and then sign up using the link below.

Set-Up: Help set up and cover tables, set up and arrange projects from 7:00 am - 8:00 am

Judging: Judge student science fair projects based on set guidelines. Training will be provided. An engineering, science or technology background is desired but not required. Judges will need to be available from 8:15 am to 12:30 pm.

Take-Down: Help remove remaining projects and clear away tables and supplies immediately following the Science Fair (around 7:30 pm).

You can sign up by sending an email to <u>Lee Swearingen</u> with the task for which you would like to volunteer or use this HelpCounter with this direct <u>activity link</u>. You will be required to set up a HelpCounter login and password if you don't already have one.

If you have questions related to the Science Fair, please contact Nicole Brown directly.

Thank you for your consideration! We cannot put on this great event without your help.

Spaghetti Dinner & Silent Auction -

November 19

The annual PTO Spaghetti Dinner & Silent Auction will be held on Thursday, November 19 from 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm.



Ticket Cost: Adults \$8, Students and Children \$5. Pre-paid tickets purchased will have their name on a list at the dinner, no waiting in line to get your tickets at the event. Print this <u>flyer</u> for more information and to order tickets!

Back by popular demand, Culvers will be available at the dinner for \$2. Tickets purchased before dinner will receive a free Culvers ice cream. Pre-sale tickets ends Monday Nov 16th.



This is a family friendly event! MANY amazing silent auction items that you will not want to miss!! The students are helping to gather items for these baskets. Each donated item gets your name entered in to win a tablet; so check out this <u>letter</u> for suggested items by grade and

basket theme.

We are looking for volunteers to help make this a successful event. If you can help out, please sign up at SignUpGenius.com.

If you have any questions regarding the dinner or silent auction, please contact <u>Amy Block</u>.

Playground Equipment Drive during Spaghetti Dinner

DaVinci Academy always has a need for playground equipment, so clean out your garage and help our kids at the same time! Each new item donated will enter you into the tablet drawing described above (but used items are also greatly appreciated). A table will be set up to accept donations at the PTO Spaghetti Dinner. Please bring items to the event. A list of needed items is below. If you have an idea that is not on the list, please email Stacy King directly. Thank you for your generosity!!

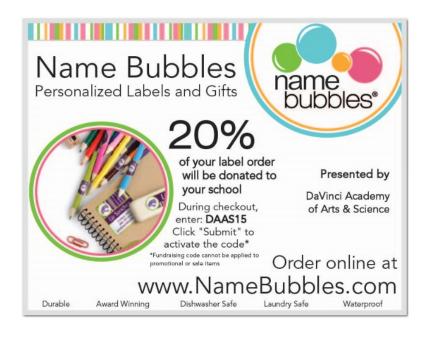
- Jump ropes
- Hula hoops
- Balls (soccer, basketball, foursquare, football, wiffle, Nerf)
- Sidewalk chalk
- Sandbox toys (buckets, shovels, molds, etc.)

- Snow toys (brick molds, plastic sleds, etc.)
- Baseball gloves
- Sport cones

Please Label All Apparel

Please label <u>all</u> apparel and items sent to school; this greatly improves the chances that misplaced items are returned to your student. Hundreds of items are discarded or donated every year because they are unlabeled and remain unclaimed for an extended period of time.

- a. Label all coats, hats, gloves, snow pants, boots, lunch boxes, water bottles, etc. Do NOT label school supplies unless instructed to do so on the supply list.
- b. Consider using pre-made labels such as <u>Name Bubbles</u>; they are dishwasher and laundry safe. Use code DAAS15 and 20% of your order will be donated to our school!



Emergency & Attendance Alerts via



To obtain information regarding DaVinci Academy's emergency messaging system, please click here. This is the most effective way to receive important emergency messages from our school. For now, we are reserving the SchoolMessenger communication system for these two needs: a) emergency/immediate alerts, and b) attendance alerts.

(Families new to DaVinci will not be able to sign up for School Messenger alerts until they receive an email directly from Mrs. Bacigalupo providing their Parent Portal account information.)

PTO News

Link here to the PTO website or download the most recent

newsletter (dated 9/24/15) for recent information.

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