Dear Silva Valley Parents / Guardians,

Welcome to October. This is certainly one of my favorite months of the school year with cooler weather and Halloween at the end of the month. Hopefully, parent teacher conferences went well this week.

WE NEED YOUR HELP - we need substitutes for teachers, instructional assistants and yard duties. If you are interested in earning some extra money a few days a week we could really use your help. It is almost a daily occurrence that we are short staffed; we just can't find anyone to sub for staff when they are absent. Please contact EDCOE for more information regarding subbing opportunities.

Thank you PTA for hosting the Fun Run this school year. We are finalizing the steps to upgrade the security camera system and the school marquee. PTA is still looking for assistance with the Harvest Festival in October. See the PTA section on our website for more information.

If your student is displaying general symptoms of COVID-19 please keep your student home and call to report the absence to the office. If your student has been exposed to a COVID-19 positive person please make contact with the school office or send an email to me as soon as possible. There are important steps we will need to take after consultation with our school nurse.

Beginning Tuesday, October 5th students will begin a new activity before school begins. Students are allowed on campus at 7:45 AM and instead of immediately lining up we have a new walking route for students. Once students come on campus they will walk the designated route until the bell rings directing students to line up on their designated class spots. Teachers will be instructing students of the new process beginning the last week of September.

Lastly, as expected, the traffic during pick-up and drop-off is very heavy. Your patience and cooperation is greatly appreciated immediately before and after school. Always pull forward before dropping off or picking up your student. By pulling forward you allow more cars to enter the lane, which reduces the traffic backing up at the intersection. Also, the bus area is a No Parking Zone from 7:30 - 8:00 AM and 2:30 - 3:00 PM.

Have a great October!
## October Calendar

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- **4 October**: Halloween
- **8 October**: Breast Cancer Awareness Day
- **15 October**: GATE Testing X-Country Finals @ 1pm
- **19 October**: Love & Logic @Blue Oak 6pm-8pm
- **22 October**: Costume Day (No Parade)
Parking Lot Safety & Etiquette

Hello Families,

We would like to remind parents to please be kind and patient with other drivers, and to also explain how the parking lot works.

1) Only one car at a time may enter the Enter Only driveway. Do not enter parallel to another vehicle, even if you are trying to access an unoccupied lane.

2) The right lane is for accessing the MPR parking lot, or for the pick up/drop off lane. **The right lane is the ONLY pick up/drop off lane.**

3) The left lane is for through traffic and main parking access ONLY. **DO NOT** let students exit your vehicle if you are in this lane! It is unsafe and disrupts the flow of traffic through the parking lot.

4) Be kind when preparing to exit the parking lot by taking turns merging. Only one vehicle at a time should be in the exit driveway.

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Independent Study Contracts for Absences

Students who are going to be out of school for **three or more** consecutive days for reasons other than illness or injury may be eligible for independent study. Independent Study Contracts may be issued up to two times in the school year. The length of an Independent Study Contract is not to exceed fourteen (14) school days per school year. There is specific set of district criteria for independent study. The criteria for approval include an acceptable reason for requesting the independent study and evidence that the student will work independently to complete assignments. This program requires a contract signed by the parent, student, teacher and administrator. The contract specifies the amount of work to completed, the amount of time to be spent each day, when the work will be turned in to the teacher, and how the work will be evaluated. An Independent Study Contract must be requested at least **one week** prior to the last planned day of attendance so that teacher can prepare materials for the student. Independent Study Contract forms are available in the school office.

Absences other than illness or injury that do not have an Independent Study Contract are considered unexcused. Three or more unexcused absences are considered a truancy. Please plan absences wisely!

Hands4Hope Warm & Fuzzy Drive Returns to Silva Valley

Hands4Hope and Silva Valley Elementary will kick off this year’s Warm & Fuzzy Drive on Monday, October 11th. The drive will run through October 22nd. Students are asked to bring in new and gently used items to keep those in need warm throughout the winter. Items needed include new socks, pajamas, hoodies, jackets, mittens, scarves, hats and clothes for all ages. Blankets are appreciated as well. Please make sure used items are clean and without holes or stains. You can deposit all items in the blue collection bins located in the front of the school. All the clothing that gets donated through Warm and Fuzzy Drive gets collected, washed, sorted, and then used for our Annual Hands4Hope Winter Boutique event. The clients (mainly families in need, foster children, and the homeless) are invited to “shop” for free. They come and pick out clothing that they like (usually about 7 items of clothing). Last year, we served about 350 people at the event. These people come from various non profits and agencies. We also served a lot of people from the Paradise fire. For more information, please contact us at yoko@hands4hopeyouth.org.
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 23RD
11AM TO 4PM
SILVA VALLEY ELEMENTARY
CARNIVAL GAMES, PERFORMANCES, FOOD & FUN!!!
LEARN TO PLAY CHESS!

Come discover the game of chess, and together we'll learn how to master openings, endgames, strategy and tactics. We don't just play chess, we LEARN chess!

No prior chess knowledge is required!

Why Chess Academy?

1. Chess improves memory, as you learn to recognize patterns and remember long variations in the game.

2. All our classes are led by instruction, with new lessons each week.

3. Free access to a kid-friendly chess website, where students can play & challenge friends at home.

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hello@dreamclasses.org
Firefly Art

Afterschool Art CLASSES

Let's learn to draw!

NEW SESSION STARTS SOON
SIGN UP TODAY!

HOW DO Firefly ART CLASSES WORK?

Classes are right on campus
Classes are held on campus, and start 10 minutes after the bell rings.

All supplies are provided
Classes are 60 minutes, and all art supplies are provided and included in the class fee.

A new drawing every week
Each week, your child will follow-along to create their very own masterpiece!

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dreamclasses.org
Surrounded by **LEGOs**, **K'Nex**, and **Solar-Powered Motors**, we are set loose each week to the task of a brand new building challenge. By building, testing, and rebuilding, we develop our **spatial reasoning**, get a better understanding of **structural integrity**, and almost in spite of ourselves, put some practical **geometry** to use. No matter how big the build, or how challenging the engineering concept, the #1 question our students ask is... "Wait, is class over already?"

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- **A brand new project every week**
  Instructors photograph your child’s projects for viewing online.

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Join us as we learn the LANGUAGE OF TECHNOLOGY

“My daughter absolutely LOVED it. I was really blown away by how much material they covered (...) while still managing to have fun too!”
Mary H. | Rocklin CA

HURRY!!
OUR CLASSES FILL VERY FAST

Prerequisites
None! This is an intro course.

Age Requirements
Open to grades 3rd - 6th
And computer-savvy 2nd graders

We offer Honeycode because our children need to be creators, and not just consumers of technology.

As our world becomes increasingly more tech dependent, the best way to ensure future success is for children to become tech-savvy today. However, we want our students to go beyond being able to teach us how to change the wallpaper on our iPhone! They need to learn the language of technology, so that when they grow up, they can create and contribute with the best of them.

See reverse for date and time information

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Parenting the Love and Logic Way®

Create a respectful, responsible and resilient family using loving, yet powerful tools.

Tuesdays // Oct. 5th – Nov. 9th // 6:15-8:00 PM

Location: Blue Oak Elementary School
2391 Merrychase Drive, Cameron Park

Registration Fee: $25 per household
No childcare will be available for this class

Please register me for the upcoming Parenting the Love and Logic Way® class!

Name: ____________________________________________________________
Phone: ___________________________ Email: ___________________________

Return registration and payment to your child’s school. Checks payable to Buckeye USD.
For more information contact facilitator Carin Chumbley at pearlsofparenting@gmail.com
Calling All Buckeye Artists!

The Buckeye Education Foundation Proudly Presents its Second Annual

Virtual Art Show!

This Year's Theme:
“What Lifts Me Up”

Let’s share what lifts us up! Let’s create art to show each other some of the good things that help to brighten our lives!

PRIZES AWARDED TO THE TOP SCORING ENTRY FOR EACH GRADE LEVEL, TK-8!

Judging will be done by members of our wonderful partnering sponsor,

The El Dorado Hills Arts Association.

Top scoring student artists will be invited to have their artwork displayed alongside professional artists at Stop #12 in the El Dorado Hills Arts Association’s upcoming 2021 Art Studio Tour on Oct. 2nd & 3rd!

Deadline to enter: Sept. 24, 2021

For complete rules and information, visit:
www.buckeyefoundation.org/events
SUNDAY
OCTOBER
3rd
10 AM
TO 1:00 PM

FREE!
BIKE RODEO

BOYS & GIRLS CLUB EL DORADO COUNTY WESTERN SLOPE • GO SAFELY EL DORADO COUNTY

No bike? No problem!
If you don’t have a bike you can still participate in this event! We will have bikes and helmets that children can borrow!

WIN A NEW BIKE!
Enter the raffle to win a BRAND NEW youth bike just by attending this event!

Join us for a morning filled with fun activities & challenges aimed towards improving your child’s bike safety! Professional bike safety experts will guide your child through the bike ABCs, riding courses, and more!

If you have a bike, please bring it (and your helmet!) with you.

BOUNCE HOUSE
SNOW CONES & POPCORN
HOT DOGS
ARTS & CRAFTS & GAMES

www.BGCE.org/events
Sunday 10/3/21
10:00am-1:00pm
This event is FREE & open to the public. Food available for purchase.

Funding for this program was provided by a grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety, through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration. Not a PPESD sponsored event.
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¡GRATIS!
RODEO DE BICICLETA
BOYS & GIRLS CLUB EL DORADO COUNTY WESTERN SLOPE • GO SAFELY EL DORADO COUNTY

¿No tienes bicicleta? ¡No hay problema!
¡Si no tienes una bicicleta, aún puedes participar en este evento! ¡Tendremos bicicletas y cascos que los niños pueden tomar prestados!

¡GANA UNA NUEVA BICICLETA!
¡Participa en el sorteo para ganar una NUEVA bicicleta para jóvenes con solo asistir a este evento!

CASA DE LA DESPEDIDA
CONOS DE NIEVE & PALOMITAS
PERROS CALIENTES
ARTES & ARTEÑAS & JUEGOS

¡Únase a nosotros para una mañana llena de actividades divertidas y desafíos destinados a mejorar la seguridad de la bicicleta de su hijo! Expertos profesionales en seguridad de bicicletas guiarán a su hijo a través del ABC de la bicicleta, circuitos, y más!

Si tiene una bicicleta, tráigala (¡y su casco!).

www.BGCE.org/events
Domingo 10/3/21
10:00am-1:00pm
Este evento es GRATIS y está abierto al público. Alimentos disponibles para su compra.

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