



UPCOMING PTA EVENTS

Oct 1	California Reads Begins
Oct 1	Applebee's Dine to Donate 11am-close
Oct 2	Student of the Month
Oct 6	PTA Board Meeting
Oct 9	Family Literacy Night
Oct 7	Walk to School Day
Oct 16	Fall Festival
Oct 23	Reflections Entries Due & Fall Fundraiser Kick Off
Oct 26-30	Red Ribbon Week

Dine to Donate TODAY!!!

Thursday, October 1 11am-close

***Must present flyer for Dunlap to receive 15% (sales include take-out)**

California Reads Read-a-thon STARTS LOGGING BOOKS TODAY!

Look for the new "Mustache" reading log in a backpack near you.

Fall Festival

It's almost time for Dunlap's Annual Fall Festival & Silent Auction set for **Friday, October 16th from 5-8 pm**. There will be food, prizes, entertainment, and lots more! Please mark your calendars for this fun, family event. Pre-sale tickets for wristbands are taking place now until October 9th. Please get your orders in, and we look forward to seeing you at the festival!

The order form below can be downloaded from the [Dolphin Pod](#) or from the [Dunlap PTA's website](#).

2015
FALL FESTIVAL & Silent Auction

Friday, October 16th 5:00-8:00 pm
*Food and wristband sales open at 5:00 - games open at 5:30

Come join your friends and family for a wonderful time at Dunlap's annual Fall Festival! Enjoy great food, and fun & games for all ages! **CASH ONLY** accepted for food, beverages, wristbands & tokens.

- * PAPA JOHN'S PIZZA
- * CA HOT DOG CO.
- * EFRAIN'S #2 TACOS
- * SILENT AUCTION
- * PHOTO PROP
- * DJ & MUSIC
- * CARAMEL APPLES
- * COTTON CANDY
- * NACHOS
- * GAMES & PRIZES
- * CAKE WALK
- * ENTERTAINMENT

Purchase your wristband(s) NOW and receive a discount! Wristbands allow students to play unlimited festival games throughout the evening. Please complete and return the bottom portion of this form to your child's teacher by **FRIDAY, OCTOBER 9th**.

Presale Wristbands are 1 for \$6 or 2 for \$10. Additional wristbands are \$8 each.
At the Door purchases can be made in Room 1. Wristbands will be \$8 and tokens 4 for \$1.

Presale wristbands can be picked up in Rooms K-1 and K-2 starting at 8:00 the day of the event.

Please include payment & make checks payable to: **Ralph Dunlap PTA.**

Parent's Last Name: _____ First Name: _____ Tel: _____
I would like to purchase: 1 wristband for \$6 _____ 2 wristbands for \$10 _____
Extra wristbands # _____ x \$8 each _____
Total amount enclosed: \$ _____

PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM TO YOUR CHILD'S TEACHER OR FRONT OFFICE BY FRIDAY, OCTOBER 9TH!

California Reads

***New this year....Theme: "Mustache"**

Prizes leading up to the gold medal this year will be mustache themed. Each year the Gold Medal winners will vote on the theme for the next year!

****Again this year....Classroom "Survivor" Games!**

Any entire classroom that has the **ENTIRE** class earn the gold medal will get to have their entire class participate in the end of the school year Classroom "Survivor" Games!

The California Reads information letter was sent home with each student today. Attached to the letter is the new "prize map" for this year, so your child can see which prizes they can earn by turning in their reading logs. Their first reading log sheet is also attached to the information letter. **Reading must be submitted on the new "mustache" reading logs.**

The main focus of California Reads is a six month school-wide read-a-thon starting on October 1, 2015, and ending on March 31, 2016. Students will earn prizes as they turn in reading logs to their teachers. Students who complete the program will earn a gold medal at a special Parent invited Award Assembly and will be invited to a Gold Medal Ice Cream party! **To earn a Gold Medal, lower graders must read at least 96 books, and upper graders must read at least 2,400 pages during the six month read-a-thon.** Participants may read on their own, with family or friends, or during one-on-one tutoring sessions. Listening to someone else read, in any language, also counts toward total books/pages read.

We understand that, as parents, you hold high expectations for the quality of education your child received during the school day. By encouraging your child to participate in the read-a-thon, you are expanding upon this learning and taking it into your home, multiplying the school's effectiveness. As we all know, parents are their children's first and most important teachers. Your involvement in the read-a-thon will help your child build literacy skills and develop a lasting love of reading. I look at this program as **parent driven** and teacher encouraged.

If you have any questions, please call or email Danielle Rivera (California Reads Coordinator) at 938-0751 or grdntools@yahoo.com.

Art Studio Wish List

- Graph Paper (100+ sheets per pack)
- Black construction paper

BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION!

Our first Box Tops competition ends **Friday, November 13th**. The class that brings in the most Box Tops will earn a Toy Zoo gift card for their teacher and a cool treat for themselves!

Family Literacy Night

Friday, October 9

Doors Open at 6:30 PM

Stories 7:00 - 8:30 PM

Ralph Dunlap Multiuse Room

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You can stay up-to-date on school events and other important information by visiting the PTA website at: www.dunlappta.weebly.com

2015-2016 Reflection Theme:

"Let Your Imagination Fly"

Submission deadline for Ralph Dunlap is October 23rd at Noon

National PTA Reflections welcomes all grades and abilities to explore and be involved in the arts. Annually, thousands of students will reflect on a common theme and create original works of art in the categories of dance choreography, film production, literature, music composition, photography, and visual arts.

National PTA's Reflections program encourages students in pre-K through grade 12 to explore and be involved in the arts.

The theme for the 2015-2016 school year is:
"Let Your Imagination Fly"

GRADE DIVISIONS. Students may enter in the appropriate division for their grade:

- Preschool through Grade 2;
- Intermediate: Grades 3-5;
- Middle School: Grades 6-8;
- High School: Grades 9-12;
- Special Artist: All grades welcome

There will be a Gallery and Family Art Night to see all the great works of art, along with the awards, on the evening of **November 5th, 6:30-8:00 PM**. For information in greater detail, visit California State PTA website at: www.capta.org. Under "Programs" click "Reflections". Feel free to contact your Dunlap Reflections Coordinators, Chrystal Trenado ChrystalTrenado@gmail.com or Angela Gudmunds agloans2@gmail.com. You can also check Dunlap's [Facebook page](#) (the Dolphin Pod) for regular posts about ideas, deadlines, and group Q & A's.

Finally, you are not limited to only one entry...you can do several in the same category or multiple entries in multiple categories! **Final submission date for Ralph Dunlap is Friday, October 23, 2015, at noon to the front office.**

Red Ribbon Week

Red Ribbon Week is October 26-30th. Each weekday will feature a different theme. There will also be a classroom door decorating contest. One winning classroom from the lower grades (K-3rd) and one from the upper grades (4th-6th) will get a Popsicle party.

Monday, Oct 26
Red Day
Wear as much red as possible to kick off the week!

Tuesday, Oct 27
Team Up Against Drugs Day
Wear team or sports jerseys

Wednesday, Oct 28
Our Future is Too Bright for Drugs
Wear Neon colors

Thursday, Oct 29
Put a Cap on Drugs Day
Wear a hat

Friday, Oct 30
Say Boo to Drugs
Wear **orange** and **black**

Walking To School Route

National Walk to School Day!

Wednesday, October 7

Please join in and meet other Dunlap families at any of these 4 locations to be part of Walk To School Day!

Our Open Art Studio is Unique

Did you know that Dunlap has the only open art studio in the Orcutt School District?

Our one-of-a-kind Friday Art Studio will be open most Fridays, in Room 23, for 1st thru 6th grade during lunch recesses. Our PTA- and school-supported art studio gives our kids the space and materials to explore and create as they choose to.

We can always use more hands in the art studio on Fridays. Parents, grandparents, aunts, uncle, etc., — you can help by volunteering on Fridays between 11:15 AM to 1:30 PM. No art experience required. Or you can donate store bought or scrap materials for arts and crafts. If you are interested in helping or if you have any questions, please contact Lisa Thornton at mail4thorntons@yahoo.com

We will be kicking off our See's Candies Fundraiser on Friday, October 23!

As in recent years, we will also have a Direct Donation option.

Dunlap Family Nights 2015-2016

- Sept 3 - Movie Night**
- Oct 9 - Literacy Night**
- Nov. 5 - Family Art Night**
- Feb. 19 - Hour of Code Night**
- April 15 - Movie Night**

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Get Your Pictures in the Yearbook!

The Yearbook Staff invites students and parents to submit photos for the yearbook. If you've got great photos of school and community events or you and your friends just having fun, we'd like to see them.

Our photographers can't be everywhere. Help us get as many photos as possible to create a terrific book everyone will want to have. Please send in your photos from the first day of school, Lunch on the Lawn, and remember to submit the upcoming Fall Festival photos.

Here is how you can submit photos online:

- Go to <https://images.schoolonline.com/login>
- If it does not automatically log you into the site, enter username: 403013623
- Browse to select the photo(s) you wish to upload.
- Enter information about the photo and provide contact information in case the staff needs additional information.
- Click "Save Details".

It's that easy! Submit your photos today! The last day to submit photos is 04/01/2016.

New this year...There is a new way to contribute to the yearbook! It is super easy and your photos automatically go to the yearbook site for submission. You can also send your Facebook photos easily now from your Smart Phone! The App is ReplayIt (Jostens) the password is Dolphins. Don't forget to label your pictures, let me know what grade your child is in.

How it works

1. Download the free app from the App Store or Google Play for your Android or iPhone. [Users must be 13+]
2. Choose or search for your school.
3. Create a username and password.
4. Simply click to upload new or existing photos!
5. Tag your photos and videos by event, by person or by activity.
6. Browse, like, and share photos that other users have shared.

FAQs

Q: Is ReplayIt safe?
A: Yes. We moderate all content to make sure what gets shared is totally safe and suitable for all ages. [Users must be 13+]

Q: Who can see our school's photos?
A: Only people registered with a valid email, and password can access your school photos. Additionally, some schools add a passcode for the entire school.

Q: Can I friend people?
A: Yes. Tag your photos and videos by event, by person, by activity (however you want them to be recognized and search for in the future.)

Q: Can I delete photos?
A: Yes, as an adviser you can delete photos and video.

Thank you, and enjoy the rest of the school year!

Sincerely,
Yearbook Adviser and the 2016 Yearbook Staff

The Yearbook Staff will review all photos and determine final yearbook content. We cannot guarantee that all submissions can be used in the book.

Heartfelt Appreciation from the PTA...

- Lisa Thornton wishes to give special thanks to Angela Gudmunds, Jinyoung Kim, Melissa Grimesey, Lori Cruddas, and Mr. Barry for helping to create the new Art Studio space in Room 23.
- What a great turnout for our first Lunch on the Lawn! We loved seeing all of the families enjoying the sunshine and eating lunch together! Thank you to Domino's Pizza and TNT's for bringing pizzas, drinks, and yogurt to our school for this fun lunchtime gathering.
- During our recent Room Parent Tea the Multiuse Room was abuzz with the various discussions about upcoming school and classroom events. Thank you to Cheryl Osburn and our Hospitality team of Courtney Grimes and Eimile Pay for putting together the tea.

"The Dolphin Pod"

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We invite you to join the conversation on the "The Dolphin Pod" on Facebook. Click on the Facebook icon above to be taken to Dunlap's Facebook group.

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