



UPCOMING PTA EVENTS

Nov 3	PTA Board Meeting
Nov 3-13	Fall Paper Drive
Nov 5 6:30 -8 PM	PTA General Meeting / Reflections Art Gallery/ Film Festival
Nov 6	Stand Up to Bullying Assembly Student of the Month
Nov 10	Chipotle—Family Night
Nov 13	Box Tops 1st Trimester Competition Ends
Dec 3-5	Scholastic Book Fair
Dec 5	Make & Take Craft Fair

CHIPOTLE FAMILY NIGHT
Tuesday, November 10
4-8pm

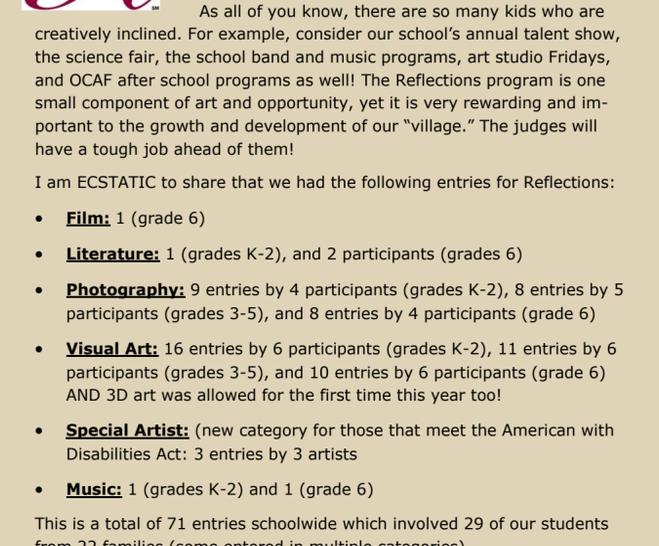
***Present paper or electronic flyer or mention Dunlap and we receive 50% (sales include take-out)**

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!

Dunlap Film Festival

Family Art Night Dunlap Elementary School
 Come enjoy films made by Dunlap students for the PTA Reflections contest and the 2014-2015 Digital Media Academy.

Films running throughout the event, Thursday Nov 5, 6:30-8pm



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2015-2016 Reflections Update

As all of you know, there are so many kids who are creatively inclined. For example, consider our school's annual talent show, the science fair, the school band and music programs, art studio Fridays, and OCAF after school programs as well! The Reflections program is one small component of art and opportunity, yet it is very rewarding and important to the growth and development of our "village." The judges will have a tough job ahead of them!

I am ECSTATIC to share that we had the following entries for Reflections:

- Film:** 1 (grade 6)
- Literature:** 1 (grades K-2), and 2 participants (grades 6)
- Photography:** 9 entries by 4 participants (grades K-2), 8 entries by 5 participants (grades 3-5), and 8 entries by 4 participants (grade 6)
- Visual Art:** 16 entries by 6 participants (grades K-2), 11 entries by 6 participants (grades 3-5), and 10 entries by 6 participants (grade 6) AND 3D art was allowed for the first time this year too!
- Special Artist:** (new category for those that meet the American with Disabilities Act: 3 entries by 3 artists)
- Music:** 1 (grades K-2) and 1 (grade 6)

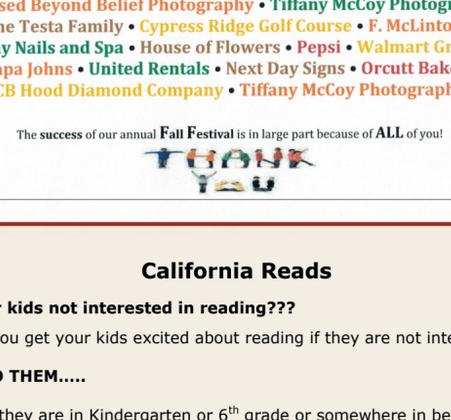
This is a total of 71 entries schoolwide which involved 29 of our students from 22 families (some entered in multiple categories).

Our Gallery will be held in the Multiuse Room on Thursday, November 5th (6:30-7 PM family art and gallery viewing); 7- 7:15 PM brief PTA Association meeting and 7:15 -8 PM will be the Reflections Awards. Regardless of whether your child participated or not, please bring them out to see what amazing things can be translated into ART!

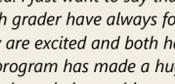
There will be 2 entries from each age category and art type that will proceed to the Council Judging. Council is an intermediary step between the Local PTA (Dunlap - Unit) and the District PTA (Santa Barbara County Schools). Typically, there are about 11 Units in our Council of which about 6-9 schools participate in the Reflections Arts Program. Council will be judging pieces this year and awards will be given to the school to celebrate with their artists locally. As this is a regrowth year for the Santa Maria Valley Council PTA, we have been informed there will not be a gallery this year in Mid-January at Orcutt Jr. High as in the past. Those who go on from the SMV Council judging, once again will head to the District PTA (Santa Barbara County) for judging and awards (typically in March in Los Olivos), then to the State PTA Conference in May.

Dunlap Families and especially PARTICIPANTS, thank you for making your mark! By letting your imagination fly each student will reflect and work on making their mark in today's world in their own unique and artistic way. This event gives purpose and lets the kids know, "what they do is important as creative individuals."

If you have any questions about Reflections, please contact Angela Gudmunds agloans2@gmail.com or Chrystal Trenado Chrystal-Trenado@gmail.com.



Make dinner a selfless act by joining us for a fundraiser to support Ralph Dunlap (Family Night). Come in to the Chipotle at **232 E Betteravia Rd** in Santa Maria on **Tuesday, November 10th between 4:00pm and 8:00pm**. Bring in this flyer, show it on your smartphone or tell the cashier you're supporting the cause to make sure that 50% of the proceeds will be donated to Ralph Dunlap (Family Night).



Ralph Dunlap Elementary School & PTA would like to **THANK** the following sponsors for their Generosity...

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Papa Johns • United Rentals • Next Day Signs • Orcutt Bakery
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The success of our annual **Fall Festival** is in large part because of **ALL** of you!



California Reads

Are your kids not interested in reading???

How do you get your kids excited about reading if they are not interested?

READ TO THEM.....

Whether they are in Kindergarten or 6th grade or somewhere in between, they will LOVE for you to take 20 minutes at bedtime each night and read a chapter book to them. Anytime they are reading on their own or listening to a book being read, it all counts toward California Reads! Also it is great if you pick a book to read together that is an AR book (accelerated reader) so they can take the AR test for the book at school and get the AR points. You can look up a book to see if it has an AR test available and how many points it is worth on the AR finder at <http://www.arbookfind.com>

I am currently reading to my 2nd grader "Hatchet" by Gary Paulsen, and to my 6th grader "Anne Frank - The Diary of a Young Girl". Ask your kids if they remember the "Gold Medal Award Ceremony" at the end of school last year where the winners got to walk the "Red Carpet" to accept their Gold medal.

I want to thank our California Reads Committee for their long hours of tallying and prize awarding, the following email is for you.....

Below is an email from a Ralph Dunlap mom. I am thinking that her kids remember seeing the Gold medal award ceremony at the end of school last year and want to "walk the red carpet" themselves:

"Last year was my kids first year at Dunlap and none of them really wanted to read or participate in the CA reads program, but this year all three are super excited. I just want to say thank you for running this program. My 3rd and 5th grader have always fought me on reading and now for the first time they are excited and both have told me that they enjoy reading now!!! This program has made a huge difference in our family. So thank you for all you do and give to this program! Have a good day!"

CA Reads' reading logs and the prize map have been uploaded and are available to print from the [Dolphin Pod](#) (under the "files" tab) and the [PTA Website](#). Find a good chapter book and start reading to your kids tonight!

~ Danielle Rivera, California Reads Coordinator

SAVE THE DATE

Dunlap's Annual
Make-n-Take Craft Fair
Saturday, December 5
9 am – 12 pm
Multiuse Room

Come for crafts, games & light refreshments

Art Studio Wish List

- Coffee filters
- Cotton Balls
- Scotch tape
- Pinecones
- Misc Christmas/Hanukkah/holiday items (stickers, ribbon, diecuts, or other small decorative things that can be used in crafts)

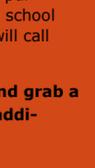
Fall Paper Drive

November 3-13

Bring in your reams of white 8 1/2 x 11 paper to the front office!



Reading is So Much Fun
You'll Get Goosebumps



Please join us at our Monster Fall Book Fair which features books and e-books as well as other items for all ages; there is truly something for everyone! Books make great gifts for the holidays as there is no better gift to give than the gift of READING!

Ralph Dunlap Scholastic Book Fair

Thursday, December 3—Saturday, December 5

Book Fair - Open for Purchases:

Thursday & Friday, December 3rd & 4th, 2:00-6:00pm

Saturday, December 5th, 9:00-Noon
(during Holiday Make & Take Craft Fair)

Also, visit our [online book fair](#) (open Nov. 18- Dec. 4) if you cannot attend in person or if you want to view additional choices. You may make purchases through the website, and the books will be delivered to the school (free shipping) in time for gift giving. Once the books arrive, we will call and notify you.

Students can also bring 50¢ any day during the Book Fair and grab a lollipop. If your lollipop has a colored dot on it, you get an additional prize!



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.schoolannualonline.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

- Download the free app from the App Store or Google Play for your Android or iPhone. (Users must be 13+)
- Choose or search for your school.
- Create a username and password.
- Simply click to upload new or existing photos!
- Tag your photos and videos by event, by person or by activity.
- 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 name, 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...

- We wish to express our sincere appreciation to the Nastaskin Family for their generous donation to the Dunlap PTA through our recent Membership Drive.
- Our Fall Festival Committee members, Claudia Fuson, Tara Hendricks, Gina Rea, and Torey Winn, wish to send a special thank you to United Rentals for donating the use of their lighting units this and last year. They delivered them to the school, picked them up and even ate the cost of the fuel so there was no charge to us. They also wish to send a shout out of thanks to Fins & Critters for their donation of 100 goldfish.
- Thank you to all of the volunteers who helped with Fall Festival this year — whether you volunteered in your child's class(es), donated items for the auction, or spent 12+ hours at the school setting up and taking everything apart at the end! Special thanks to Mike Syntsakos (our DJ) and to Jeremy Winn and Micah Fuson for positioning the lighting units and doing all the heavy lifting throughout the day and night.
- Angela Gudmunds, Reflections Coordinator, wishes to thank: Mrs. Craft for offering to host the Reflections film workshop this year; Ms. DelRio (Righetti HS Art Teacher) for hosting our Visual Arts Workshops twice this month; and Chrystal Trenado for jumping in to help coordinate Reflections this year. It's already been quite a bit easier!!!
- Our Walk to School Day Coordinator, Sarah Avila, would like to thank her "bus drivers": Claudia Fuson, Cassie Golden, Tara Hendricks, Veronica Leach, Melissa Nunez, Emilie Pay, Mrs. Meyer, and Mrs. Richards. We had close to 100 students walk to school that day!

"The Dolphin Pod"



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.

