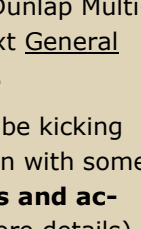


**UPCOMING PTA EVENTS**

Jan 21 6:30 PM	PTA General Meeting and Science Fair Kick Off
Feb 2	PTA Board Meeting
Feb 10 5-8 PM	Klondike's Family Night
Feb 12	Student of the Month
Feb 19	Family Night - Hour of Code
Feb 26	Jog-A-Thon Kick Off Assembly

**Art Studio Wish List**

- Pony beads (larger beads)
- Pipe cleaners (also known as chenille stems)
- Baby food jars



Please join us on **Thursday, January 21st at 6:30 PM** in the Dunlap Multipurpose Room for our next General Membership PTA Meeting.

After the meeting we will be kicking off our Science Fair season with some **science demonstrations and activities** (see below for more details).

*~Wanted~*

**Empty Oatmeal/Nut Cans (with lids) or Cereal Boxes**

If you have any empty oatmeal canisters, nut cans, or cereal boxes please bring them in to the Dunlap Office by January 29th. We are collecting them for a community service project -- the details will be announced in our February newsletter.



If you have any questions, please contact Veronica Leach, PTA President, at [crzytlk6@msn.com](mailto:crzytlk6@msn.com)



**MAY THE FORCES**

**BE WITH YOU**

**RALPH DUNLAP SCIENCE FAIR KICK OFF**

**THURSDAY, JANUARY 21, 2016**

**6:30 - 8:15 PM**

**DUNLAP MULTIPURPOSE ROOM**

Following a brief PTA General Membership Meeting we will have demonstrations and hands-on activities presented by Orcutt Academy High School Robotics and the Central Coast Science Project. Science Fair packets will be available and we can answer any questions our families might have about the upcoming **Science Fair on March 3, 2016**. You may also download a packet [here](#) on the Dolphin Pod.

Our 2016 theme is "May the Forces Be With You." We are encouraging students to come up with projects testing and demonstrating various forces in our universe. Examples include: gravity, electromagnetic (electricity and magnetism), buoyancy, aerodynamics, solubility, centripetal, centrifugal, torque, tension, friction, pressure, applied force (pushing, hitting a ball), etc. Forces are all around us so there is no limit to what you might find.

**FALL FUNDRAISER**

The 2015 See's Candies Fall Fundraiser was a great success!

The students brought in over **\$43,000** in candy sales and over **\$1,100** in direct donations! Amazing job, Dunlap families!

The 2015 Fall Fundraiser Prize Winners are as follows:

**Raffle Prizes -**

- **Direct Donation Raffle Prize (\$75 Toys R Us):** Layla Rose
- **Bronze Raffle Prize (Sony Headphones):** Aiden Montgomery
- **Silver Raffle Prize (Kindle Fire):** Rain Pintor
- **Gold Raffle Prize (Scooter):** Nicholas Davis
- **Platinum Raffle Prize (Fit Bit Flex):** Chase Cummins
- **\$1,000 Club Raffle Prize (iPod Touch):** Cooper Smith

**Grand Prize Winner -**

- **Wii U:** Angelina Barry



**Stay informed of upcoming PTA events by visiting our new website:**

<http://dunlappta.weebly.com/your-pta.html>

Forms, flyers, reading logs, etc., can be downloaded from there as well.

**Kids Can Code**

Dunlap Family Night

Friday, February 19

6:30-8:30 PM

Dunlap Computer Lab

Drop by anytime  
Parent supervision required

**Arts Attack**

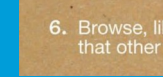
Our new art program needs volunteers!

Thanks to the generosity of the Orcutt Children's Arts Foundation (OCAF) we are able to bring art into our classrooms.

We have several parent volunteers currently coming into classes and giving art lessons but we need more volunteers to meet all of our classrooms' needs.

Arts Attack is a video-based curriculum with no special training required. Art experience is not necessary and supplies are provided. Watch, learn, execute. Volunteers can choose the class/grade they would like to work in. There may also be opportunities to co-teach with another parent -- get together with a fellow parent and share the work and the fun.

If you are interested in learning more about the Arts Attack program, we invite you to come and observe a session being taught by one of our parents/volunteers. Please contact Liz Herbstreith [lherbstreith@orcuttsschools.net](mailto:lherbstreith@orcuttsschools.net), Lori Bormes at 805-720-0923, or Eimile Pay at 805-264-5562 for more information and to figure out a day/time to observe. Thank you!



**Jog-A-Thon**

Ralph Dunlap's 2016 Jog-A-Thon will take place on **Thursday morning, March 24th**.

If anyone is interested in volunteering, please contact Lori Bormes at 805-720-0923.

Individual classrooms will also need helpers to count laps and donate water/snacks. Check with your Room Mom for more info.

**Ralph Dunlap PTA's Klondike Pizza Family Night**

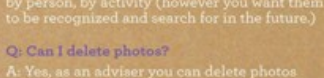
**Wednesday, February 10**

**5:00-8:00 PM**

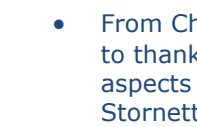
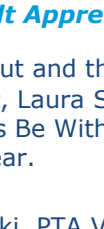
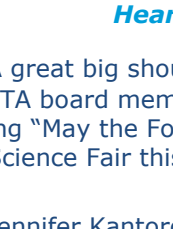
Our school will receive 15% of all sales (including take out orders).

During the evening we will sell raffle tickets (starting at just \$1 for a 50/50 drawing. Some of our amazing Ralph Dunlap teachers will be serving that night and the tips they receive will be divided among them for their classrooms.

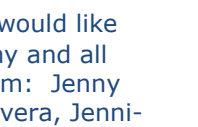
We thank you in advance for your patience -- only so many pizzas can be cooked at a time and delicious pizza cannot be rushed!



**Our second Box Tops competition ends Friday, February 19th.**



**California Reads**



Keep those reading logs coming in! We are halfway through our read-a-thon which **ends on March 31st**.

California 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 Dolphin and start reading to your kids tonight!

Students are awarded prizes as they turn in their reading logs and read toward earning a California Reads "Gold Medal" at a parent-invited award ceremony at the end of the school year. Lower grades (K-3rd) need to read at least 96 books and upper grades (4th-6th) need to read at least 2,400 pages to earn the gold medal. Students turn in their reading logs to their teachers.

Please let me know if you have questions [805-938-0751](tel:805-938-0751) or [grdntools@yahoo.com](mailto:grdntools@yahoo.com)

~ Danielle Rivera, California Reads Coordinator

**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**

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 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...**

- A great big shout out and thank you to former Dunlap parent and PTA board member, Laura Susan Thomas, for designing the amazing "May the Forces Be With You" graphic that will be used for our Science Fair this year.
- Jennifer Kantorowski, PTA Vice President/Assemblies, would like to thank PCPA for bringing "The Song of the Oak" to Dunlap for two lively performances in December. Members of the PCPA cast were recognized by our 4th graders from their recent field trip to see "Cinderella." How lucky we are to have such a fantastic performing group so near to us and available for our assemblies!
- From Cheryl Osburn, Fall Fundraiser Representative: I would like to thank everyone who helped with the fundraiser in any and all aspects because I could not have done this without them: Jenny Stormetta, Dale Hiramatsu, Sara Hiramatsu, Danielle Rivera, Jennifer Kantorowski, Claudia Miron, Michah Hendricks, Jennifer Kantorowski, Claudia Miron, Michah Hendricks, Jennifer Kantorowski, Melissa Johnson, Jin Kim, Torey Winn, Eimile Pay, Veronica Leach, Brandi Glynn, Leah Peralta, Dana Borsch, Carol Sutton, and Liz Herbstreith.

**"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.

