



| Upcoming PTA Events | |
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| Nov 30- Dec 3 | Scholastic Book Fair |
| Dec 2 & all Fridays | School Spirit Days |
| Dec 3 9AM-12PM | Dunlap's Annual Family Craft Fair |
| Dec 6 6:30 PM | PTA Board Meeting |
| Dec 13-15 | Penguin Patch Holiday Shop |

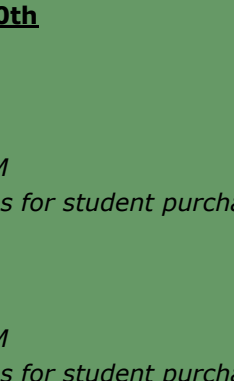
You can stay up-to-date on Dunlap PTA events and other important information by visiting the PTA website at:
www.dunlappta.weebly.com

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Parents and Grandparents:

If you can help out for a couple of hours during our Scholastic Book Fair which runs **this Wednesday through Saturday**, please contact Book Fair Coordinator, Brooke Souza at hrlsvr77@msn.com

Available shifts: after school on Wednesday, Thursday, & Friday; before school Thursday & Friday; and Saturday during the Craft Fair.



Please join us at our Winter Book Fair which features books, e-books, creative and fun gift items, posters, 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!

Scholastic Winter Book Fair
Wednesday, November 30 —Saturday, December 3

Book Fair - Open for Purchases:

Wednesday, November 30th

-After school until 4:30 PM

Thursday, December 1st

-Before school 7:45-8:45 AM
 -During recesses and lunches for student purchases
 -After school until 5 PM

Friday, December 2nd

-Before school 7:45-8:45 AM
 -During recesses and lunches for student purchases
 -After school until 4 PM

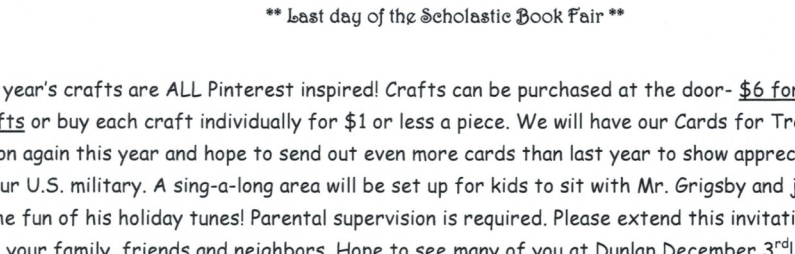
Saturday, December 3rd

-9:00 AM - Noon
 (Dunlap's Annual Family Craft Fair will also be going on this day)

Four more very important things to know!!!

1. The book fair helps raise money for our library. It is a wonderful cause, so please consider supporting it.
2. Several teachers will supply a "wish list" of books they would love to have donated to their classrooms. The lists will be available at the book fair. You can purchase these books as gifts for the classroom.
3. Students can also bring 50¢ any day during the Book Fair and grab a lollipop. If the lollipop has a colored dot on it, they get an additional prize.

4. Back by popular demand!! We will have **Smencils** (regular and holiday) for sale for **\$1 each**. 100% of the profit from the lollipops and Smencils will go to our library!!! The kids went wild for these last year. They will sell out!!! (Smencils pictured at right are not necessarily those in stock.)



You're invited to...

Dunlap's Annual Family Craft Fair

Sing along to the holiday tunes of our very special Guests

~ Mr. Grigsby & Nina Rynz ~

Saturday, December 3rd from 9-12pm (drop in anytime)

CRAPTS * Games * Sing-a-long Area * Refreshments * Wrapping Station

** Last day of the Scholastic Book Fair **

This year's crafts are ALL Pinterest inspired! Crafts can be purchased at the door- \$6 for ALL crafts or buy each craft individually for \$1 or less a piece. We will have our Cards for Troops station again this year and hope to send out even more cards than last year to show appreciation for our U.S. military. A sing-a-long area will be set up for kids to sit with Mr. Grigsby and join in on the fun of his holiday tunes! Parental supervision is required. Please extend this invitation to your family, friends and neighbors. Hope to see many of you at Dunlap December 3rd!



Penguin Patch® Holiday Shop

When: December 13-15
Where: Multipurpose Room

Time: 1:15-2:40 PM

A Holiday Shop allows students to shop for their family during school hours. At a Penguin Patch Holiday Shop, students can easily purchase five or six inexpensive gift items for their loved ones.

It's one of the few times \$10 is more than enough.

Please look for letters which will be coming home this week explaining more about the Penguin Patch Holiday Shop.

SEE'S FALL FUNDRAISER

Thank you, Dunlap families, for working hard on our fundraiser and getting all of your See's Candy orders in. A big THANK YOU to everyone who helped check candy orders!

See's Candy orders will be available for pick up on the afternoons of Wednesday, December 7th (for Grades K-3) and Thursday, December 8th (for Grades 4-6).

We will be sorting candies and filling orders on December 6th. If you would like to help please contact Tanya Dennett at Tanya.dennett@hotmail.com

Prize drawing information will be announced shortly.

Thank you for another successful fundraiser!!!



Sixth Grade Families



It is the time of the year to decide which **BABY photo** you would like in the Yearbook this year. Please submit your photos to the yearbook site. The deadline for photos to be turned in is **December 19th**. Pages will be put together over the winter break so please submit **BEFORE** Winter Break if you want your baby photo included in the yearbook. There are 2 ways to submit to the yearbook site. Please DO NOT send original photos, only digital form please. Also feel free to submit any photos you have of this school year to the yearbook. Do not forget to write who your child is when you submit.

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: 406433605
- 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".

You can also submit from your smartphone! Download the new FREE Yearbook App! ReplayIt by Jostens and send your photo to the yearbook that way. You can snap a picture of your photo with your smartphone/tablet and send it on over. Please send any and all school related photos to the yearbook. Our password if needed on ReplayIt is Dolphins.

1. App Store=ReplayIt (Jostens)
2. Search for Ralph Dunlap Elementary
3. Password=dolphins
4. Create account and share your photos!

If you can't submit digitally please contact JoAnne Davis (925-1456) as soon as possible.

Jog-a-thon News

Dunlap Families,

This Spring our PTA will be working with a local franchise group of APEX Fun Run whose program and fundraiser will take the place of our usual Spring Jog-a-thon fundraiser this school year.

This particular group we're working with have come highly recommended by other elementary schools in our area. All have had a wonderful experience using APEX's inclusive leadership program and have either doubled or tripled their net profit using this company for fundraising efforts.

We ask for your continued support and open minds when considering the change taking place later this school year. Thank you to all who came out to hear the special presentation on the APEX program at the last General PTA meeting.

Our PTA wishes to keep everyone informed on new opportunities and only want the very best for ALL Dunlap students. We invite anyone with further questions or who were not able to attend the presentation and would like more general info to please email Tara Hendricks (Jog-a-thon Chairperson) at jakentara@gmail.com.

- **APEX/Jog-a-thon Fact Sheet PDF is available [here](#).**

Parents,

If you are interested in volunteering in teaching or assisting **Arts Attacks lessons** please talk to your teacher(s) and let me know. We are always looking for new helpers. No art experience needed.

Lori Bormes
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Ralph Dunlap PTA's School Spirit Fridays

Wear your Dolphin shirt or blue and white **every Friday** & show your school pride.

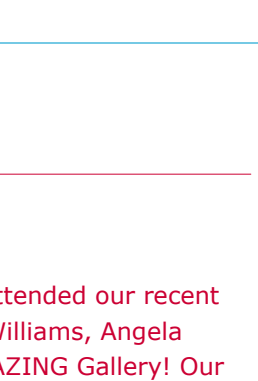
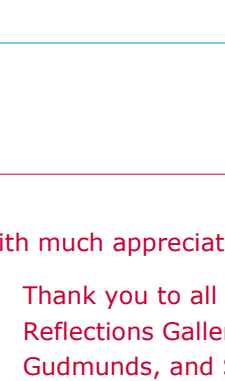
PTA Reflections Art Program

Update

Dunlap students participated in another successful Reflections Art Program. This year's theme was "What's Your Story?" Our students really used their imagination, creativity, and talent and came up with some fantastic pieces.

There were fifty-eight (58) entries in total. Twenty-two (22) of the entries are moving on to the next level of judging! Additionally there were six (6) Honorable Mentions. Those moving forward will be judged at the Santa Maria Valley Council level where two entries from each age category and art type will then advance to the Santa Barbara County "District" PTA Reflections for another round of judging.

A big congratulations to all of Dunlap's up-and-coming artists!



Continue logging your books/pages for the California Reads Read-a-thon

California Reads is a school-wide read-a-thon that runs from October 1, 2016, through March 31, 2017. Students earn prizes as they turn in reading logs to their teachers. Students who complete the program 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.

Dunlap Family Nights 16-17

Mark your calendars now! Dunlap has some great family nights planned for the 16-17 school year!

- February 24 Family Coding Night
- March 10 Spring Bingo!

All events are subject to change and require parent supervision. **PTA** everychild.onevoice.®



"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.

With much appreciation from the Ralph Dunlap PTA:

- Thank you to all of the wonderful Dunlap families who attended our recent Reflections Gallery. And a HUGE "Thank You" to Jamie Williams, Angela Gudmunds, and Sara Linderholm for organizing this AMAZING Gallery! Our Dunlap students displayed their wonderful artistic ability in many categories and PTA is so proud to be able to host this program that encourages, develops, and highlights the talents of our students.
- Our See's Candy Fall Fundraiser was headed up by a fantastic team led by Tanya Dennett who was supported by Amberly Readyhough, and Denna Baker. We extend deep appreciation to these ladies for taking on this committee and, also, thank Cheryl Osburn for assisting this team as she passed the baton to these new volunteers.