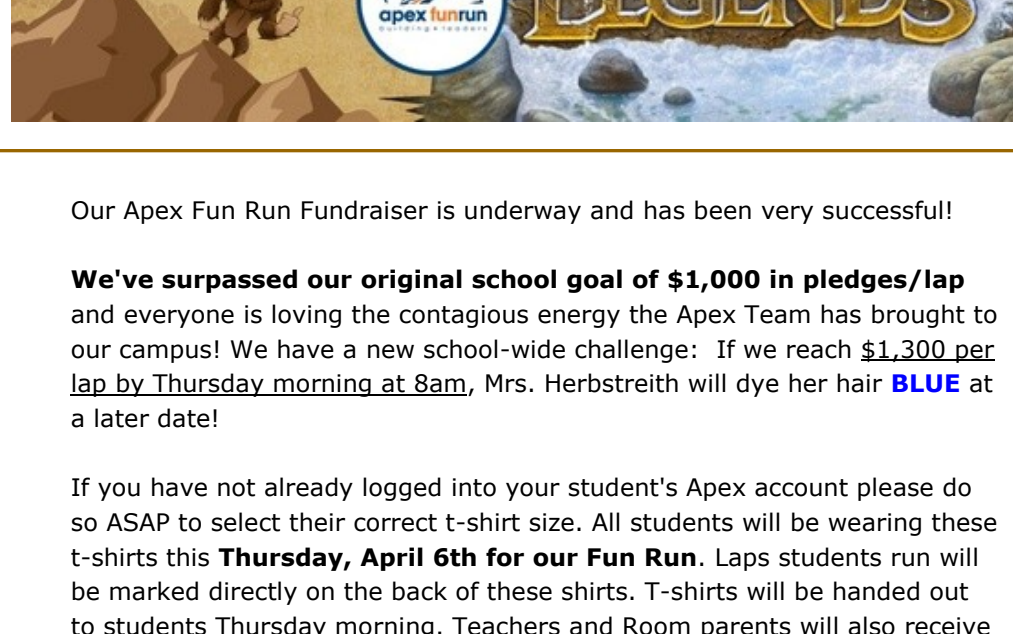


Upcoming	
April 6	APEX Fun Run
April 7	Student of the Month
May 1-5	Teacher Appreciation Week
May 2	PTA Board Meeting

We have surpassed our original goal of \$1,000 per lap in our Apex Fun Run Fundraiser!

We now have a NEW challenge:

If we reach **\$1,300 per lap**, by Thursday morning at 8am, Principal Mrs. Herbstreith, **will dye her hair BLUE** in celebration at a later date!!



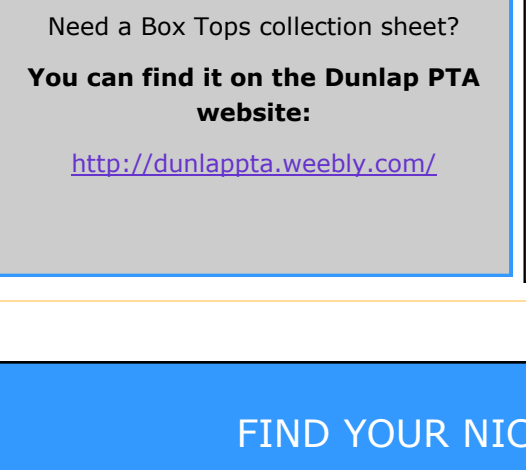
Our Apex Fun Run Fundraiser is underway and has been very successful!

We've surpassed our original school goal of \$1,000 in pledges/lap and everyone is loving the contagious energy the Apex Team has brought to our campus! We have a new school-wide challenge: If we reach \$1,300 per lap by Thursday morning at 8am, Mrs. Herbstreith will dye her hair **BLUE** at a later date!

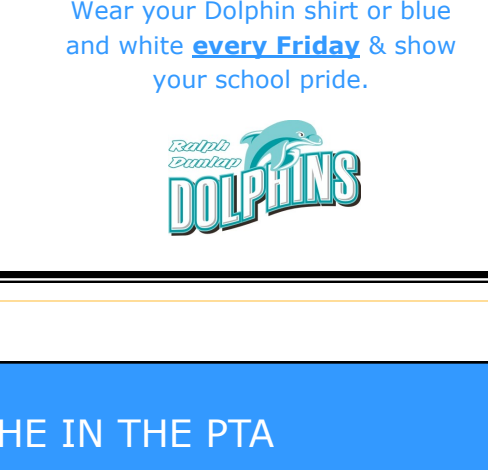
If you have not already logged into your student's Apex account please do so ASAP to select their correct t-shirt size. All students will be wearing these t-shirts this **Thursday, April 6th for our Fun Run**. Laps students run will be marked directly on the back of these shirts. T-shirts will be handed out to students Thursday morning. Teachers and Room parents will also receive lap counting materials Thursday morning. If you are counting laps for your child's class please arrive 15 minutes early.

- Run Times are listed below:
- 9-10am: Kinder, 1st & 2nd grades
 - 10-11am: 3rd & 4th grades
 - 11-12pm: 5th & 6th grades

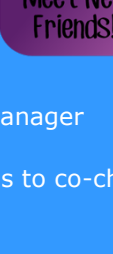
Students will run for 30 minutes on the hour. Our very own Splash the Dunlap Dolphin will be at our Fun Run Event along with a few other local community favorites- they will all be cheering our kids on as they run their laps! If there are any questions or your student has lost their Apex access code please email Tara Hendricks at jakentara@gmail.com. She is happy to help you or answer any questions you may have! Hope to see you there!



Dodgeball, Red Light-Green Light, etc. Dunlap students have had loads of fun playing with the Apex team members!



Darin' Aaron, Sunshine Sarah, and Swagger Jagger - sharing important character lessons & spending time outside with our students.



Looking for a PTA form?
Not sure of the date of an activity?
Need a Box Tops collection sheet?
You can find it on the Dunlap PTA website:
<http://dunlappta.weebly.com/>

Ralph Dunlap PTA's School Spirit Fridays
Wear your Dolphin shirt or blue and white **every Friday** & show your school pride.

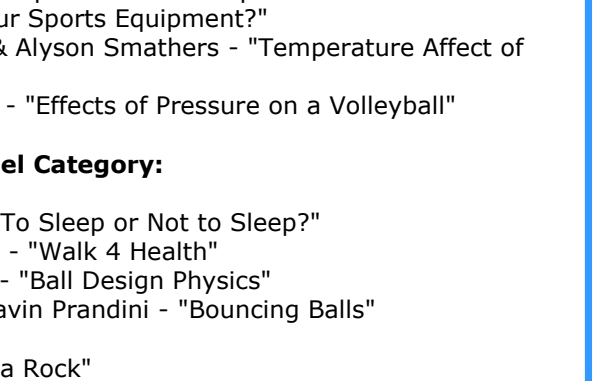


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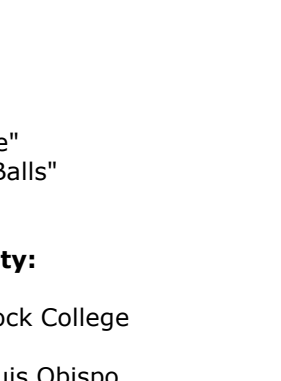
Do you like planning activities or events? Are you interested in becoming more involved in the behind the scenes workings of the PTA?

Ralph Dunlap's PTA will have several open committee chair positions for the upcoming 2017-18 school year!

- Open Committee Chair Positions
- Fall Festival
 - Science Fair
 - Hospitality
 - Open Art Studio
 - Sixth Grade Celebration
 - Honorary Service
 - Dolphin Pod/PTA Website Manager



- Additionally there are open positions to co-chair
- Book Fair
 - Jog-a-thon
 - Membership Rep
 - Merchant Rebates
 - Silent Auction



Our PTA has one CURRENT (2016-17) open position that we are hoping to fill:

- Sponsorships and Prizes

The Nominating Committee will be working to fill open positions during the next few months. If you are interested in a position or if you would like more information, please contact PTA President Veronica Leach, 805-451-1948 or crzytlk6@msn.com

SCIENCE FAIR RESULTS

We had another fantastic turnout on March 23th at our annual Science Fair. This year's theme was "Sports Science Synergy" or Science in Sports. In total we had more than 100 projects submitted by K-6th grade students! Congratulations to all of the participants. The projects were fantastic. We are proud of all of you.

Our 2017 ribbon recipients were:

Grades K-3 Demonstration/Model Category:
Best in Show
Carter Ortega & Carson Viker - "Walking Water"
Caleb Griffin & Hunter Hernandez - "Smokin' Sports"
Nicholas Davis - "Affect of Acid on Eggs"
Honorable Mention
Ava Mitchell - "Spaceballs"
Aubrey Reynolds - "Throwing Light & Heavy Balls"
Alex Greco, Matteo Christianson & Marcel Christianson - "Science of Spin of a Soccer Ball"

Grades K-3 Experiment Category:
Best in Show
Eryka Gudmunds - "Balance: How Does It Affect Your Game?"
Gracin Burton - "Golf Mania"
Honorable Mention
Chris Sullivan & Cody Sullivan - "Expensive vs. Cheap Soccer Balls"
Riley Alvaraz - "How Clean Is Your Sports Equipment?"
Destinee Licerio, Joshua Licerio & Alyson Smathers - "Temperature Affect of Tennis Ball"
Ella Baker & Elena Bouwmeester - "Effects of Pressure on a Volleyball"

Grades 4-6 Demonstration/Model Category:
Best in Show
Andrew Garcia & Ryder Poulis - "To Sleep or Not to Sleep?"
Abby Hernandez & Alizae Partida - "Walk 4 Health"
Benjamin Choi & Ethan Cloudus - "Ball Design Physics"
Noah Herrera, Adrian Meraz & Gavin Prandini - "Bouncing Balls"
Honorable Mention
Brandon Hawes - "How to Climb a Rock"
Charleigh Lathan - "Drag Race in the Water"
Cash Ventura & Piper Ventura - "The Baseball"
Ella Cope - "The Physics of Dance"

Grades 4-6 Experiment Category:
Best in Show
Steffanie Mendez - "Force Calculation of a Water Race Car"
Jenny Souza - "Effects of Drag on a Swimmer"
Kloie Hendricks - "Which Ball Can I Hit to the Moon?"
Kyle Munoz & Logan Zieliene - "Amazing Bat Devise"
Honorable Mention
Christopher Davis - "Kickin' It for Science"
Karim About El Kheir - "Keeping Up!"
Tyler Baker & Jake Mandu - "Soccer Physics Air Pressure"
Brandon Dennett & William Meyer - "Launching Sports Balls"
Eric Rodriguez - "Eating Effects on Exercise"

We had a fantastic panel of judges from our community:

Michael Ahler, Organic Chemistry Professor, Allan Hancock College
Tony Bravo, Chemistry Student, Allan Hancock College
Lizza Demsetz, Senior Lecturer, Physics, Cal Poly San Luis Obispo
Kim Ensing, Associate Dean/Athletic Director in Kinesiology, Recreation & Athletics, Allan Hancock College
Kelsey McDonald, Liberal Studies Student, Cal Poly San Luis Obispo
Pamela McDonald, Science Department Chair, St. Joseph High School
Alex Vega, Engineer, US Air Force
Judd Weaver, Engineer, Department of Defense
Ron Zammit, Physics Professor Emeritus of Sports, Cal Poly San Luis Obispo

~SAVE THE DATE~

SPRING FAMILY NIGHT

During our Open House on Wednesday, June 7th

- BOGO Book Fair
- Silent Auction
- Food

We are looking for volunteers to help plan and put on the silent auction. If you are interested, please contact CiCi Syntsakos at 805-588-6014

Open Art Studio

Dunlap's Open Art Studio is open most Fridays during lunch recess in Room 23 for 1st-6th graders, 11:30 AM to 1:10 PM.

The purpose of the art studio is give our kids the space and materials to explore and create if they choose to. Our kids create the art.

We are looking for a few more volunteers. VOLUNTEERS DO NOT NEED ART EXPERIENCE whatsoever! You do not have to participate in any art activities or teach art.

For more information, or questions, or to donate items, email Lisa Thornton mail4thorntons@yahoo.com. Thank you!



Buy Your Yearbook

Yearbooks are on sale online **while supplies last!** 56 color pages of your club's class, activities, and clubs. Don't miss out!

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Parents,

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

Lori Bormes
805-720-0923

DUNLAP FAMILY CODING NIGHT 2017

With much appreciation from the Ralph Dunlap PTA:

- Thank you to the following Dunlap parents who contributed art items for our OCAF basket: Angela Gudmunds, Miken Marquez, Shawna Matchett, Ana Sevcik, and Lori Bormes
- Our Science Fair Coordinator, Jennifer Kantorowski, would like to sincerely thank the many volunteers who helped make the Science Fair happen this year: Angela Gudmunds, Brandi Glynn, Channone Sheller, Jamie Williams-Nott, Samantha Castillo, Tara Hendricks, Lori Bormes, Christina Christianson. We also had invaluable help by a St. Joseph High School student volunteer (and Dunlap Alumnus) Emma Cosma. Thank you all!

"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.