#### O C T O B E R 2016

Insider

Allen Avenue Elementary – 740 E Allen Ave, San Dimas, CA 91773



## APEX Fun Run: help us raise money for our school

We are so excited to introduce you to this semester's only major fundraiser, the Apex Fun Run! The Apex Fun Run will last for 2 weeks and kicked off with a pep rally on Monday, October 3<sup>rd</sup>.

Please look for your child's Pledge Kit they received. Please feel free to visit <u>www.apexfunrun.com</u> to hear about this interactive program that helps schools all over the country raise money, while promoting leadership and fitness in the classes. This year's character theme is Apex Legends, where students will follow Tikes, Seeds, Specs, Jazz, and Wheels through the pages of their legendary adventure to discover JJ Cortez's hidden treasure. Along the way these five friends discover what it truly means to be a Legendary leader.

#### Save the Date!

#### Family Dinner Tues 10/11/16

Buy dinner from The Habit and dessert from Yogurtland, SD

#### APEX Fun Run Thurs, 10/13/16 Cheer on our students as they run laps to help our

school!

#### Red Ribbon 10/24-28/16

Keep an eye out for all the fun activities during Red Ribbon Week!

## The Fall Festival is Back!

On Friday, October 28<sup>th</sup>, our teachers and staff will host the Fall Festival. Game tickets go on sale at our online store on October 10<sup>th</sup>. Don't miss one of the most fun events of the year! See flyer at the end of this newsletter for more info.



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## School Happenings



Allen Avenue Eagles are always soaring to greatness – make sure to read our monthly newsletter to find out what is going on

## Yearbook Club

We are excited to introduce out pilot Yearbook Club members. They will be out on the school campus once a month taking pictures of Spirit Days. Make sure to get into the Spirit of things and dress up in the day's theme. Our young photographers will be on the look out for those best dressed. Make sure to order your yearbook now and don't miss out on all of their hard work.

From left to right: Randy, Innocencia, Vida, Alexa, Fergie



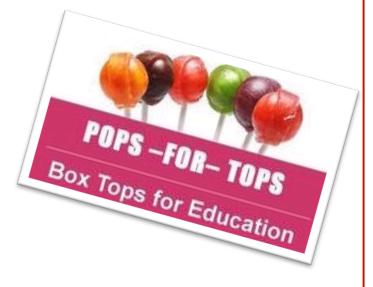
## Volunteers Needed

We need volunteers to help coordinate and run PTA events. Interested? Please email <u>allenavenuepta@gmail.com</u> for more information.

## Pop for Tops September Winners!

Thanks to all of you who have turned in your Box Tops. We have a total of 1,810 Box Tops turned in so far. This is \$181.00 in Box Tops!! **Congratulations to Mrs. Valderrama's** class for getting the most turned in during the month of September. Her class has won a bag of lollipops!!!

Each class total will continue to grow throughout the year. Remember the class with the most Box Tops turned in by the end of February will receive a Pizza Party as well as a bag of lollipops!



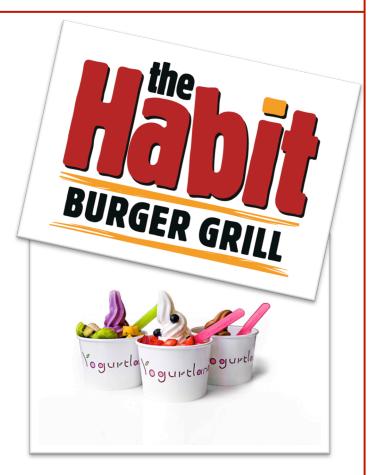
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## Family Dinner Night

Join other Allen Avenue families in dining at one of San Dimas's favorite burger places: The Habit on Tuesday, 10/11 from 4-9pm. Follow up with some yummy dessert next door at Yogurtland from 5-9pm. 15-20% of proceeds go back to the PTA to help fund all the fun activities we have planned this year. A win-win!



#### Kona Ice Days

Bring your reusable Kona Ice cup or purchase one for \$6 on any Kona Ice Day. Refills are only \$3!!! Our next Kona Ice visit is Friday, October 21<sup>st</sup>. See you there!



## Friday, Oct. 7<sup>th</sup>: No School

Reminder: no school on Friday, October 7<sup>th</sup> – enjoy the long weekend.

## Spirit Wear Day

Our next Spirit Wear Day is on Friday, October 28<sup>th</sup>. Be on the lookout for the Yearbook club photographers – they want to capture pics of students showing Eagle spirit!

## HELP US WITH OUR GOAL! 100% PTA MEMBERSHIP

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## Congrats! 100% PTA Membership

A big shout-out to Mrs. Spencer and Mrs. Hernholm's classrooms for reaching 24 PTA memberships each = 100% participation! Their classrooms earn a pizza party. PTA memberships go a long way by showing your support for PTA programs and it helps fund activities like field trips and assemblies. Thank you Eagle Family! It is not too late to join. Please send in your \$8 membership by way of cash, check or online purchase on our web store:

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## Allen Eagle T-Shirts & Sweatshirts

T-shirts are available for \$10 (youth) and \$15 (adult). Women's v-neck style available for \$15. Sweatshirts are \$25 each + \$5 if you'd like your name embroidered!!

Sizes S-XL, child and adult (extended sizes available upon request) – order forms available in the front office.

You can also order online at: https://allenavenuepta.myschoolcentral.com

## Box Tops: It's Hip to Clip!

Each Box Top is worth 10¢. Our goal is to earn \$1000 this year.

Check out the Box Tops for Education website to learn more about the program, enter sweepstakes and earn more Box Tops!

http://www.boxtops4education.com





## PTA Spotlight

## PTA Membership Drive Theme

This year's membership drive them is "Lend a Hand with PTA!" Join us as we start a fun-filled year for our Allen Avenue Students. Participate by paying for an annual membership, coming to an Association Meeting, volunteering for one of our events, and



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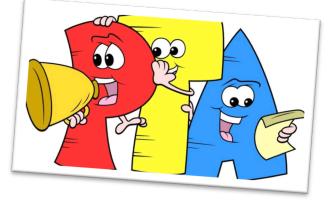
## Emergency Supplies Needed

Allen Avenue is in need of emergency supplies. If you or your business is able to donate tarps, an easy-up, foldable tables, gurneys, first aid supplies and/or batteries please contact the PTA at <u>theeageleinsiderpta@gmail.com</u>. Thank you!

## Picture Submissions for Yearbook

The Yearbook Team will be working all year long to create a yearbook. If you would like to know what we are doing, pictures we need, ask us questions, please join the "Yearbook Announcements" class on Remind. Download the app. Start the app and sign up for a "parent" account, then "join" a class by clicking on the plus sign. Or send a text to "@aayearbook" to 81010. The class name is: Yearbook Announcements The class code is: @aayearbook





## **PTA Memberships**

Did you know that field trips, assemblies, and AR shirts are made possible with your help? Help us keep these and many other events going by purchasing a PTA membership for \$8.00 each. Envelopes are available in the main office. Thank you for your support!

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## Art Expo: The Future through My Eyes

The Art Expo is back! Don't miss out on entering - your child can enter any of the nine categories offered. Please email allenavenuepta@gmail.com if you would like an entry form and rules sheet. Copies available in the school office too.



## 2016-2017 Theme:

## "The Future through My Eyes"

Students are encouraged to submit entries in one or more of these categories:

Drawing Painting Digital Design Collage Photograph Writing Dance Choreography Film Production Music Composition

#### Entries will be judged in the following grade groups:

TK, K & 1<sup>st</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Best Buddies (students receiving specialized services) Entry forms available in the front office. **Entries due: Thursday, November 10<sup>th</sup>, 2016** 

## Why Does the PTA Fundraise?

Parents: without your support, PTA would be unable to provide for all of the following fun, enriching programs and activities for our students. Thank you for all of the time and support you all give. It makes such a difference. Please check out the list below for a highlight of programs, gifts and activities we support throughout the year:

#### Student Welfare:

Walk to School Day Red Ribbon Week Disaster Preparedness

#### **Programs:**

Kinder Orientation Family Fun Nights Cans of Kindness/Turkey Trot Holiday Shoppe Art Expo Founders Day Sweetheart Dance Teacher Appreciation Week AR Reading Challenge

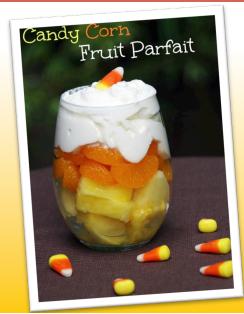
#### School Gifts:

AR Shirts (\$4000) 5<sup>th</sup> grade agendas 5<sup>th</sup> grade party – park and buses Student incentives at \$2.00 per student Character Building tags/carabineers Assemblies (\$3500) Field Trips (\$7500) Hands on History Field Trip (\$3000) Walk Through Histories Field Trip (\$800) Technology

#### Major Fall Fundraiser 2016:

#### Apex Fun Run!

Get set to have a blast with Apex and help raise money for our PTA too. Our Apex program is underway and our fun run is scheduled for Thursday, October 13<sup>th</sup>. Please check out <u>www.apexfunrun.com</u> and get your student signed up and emails sent out so we can raise money for our school!



## Kid's Korner

#### A tasty treat from Suburbia Unwrapped:

#### You will need:

- 2 (15 ounce) cans of mandarin oranges
- 3 cups fresh pineapple, cut into chunks
- 1 cup heavy whipping cream
- 3 to 4 tbsp. powdered sugar
- 1 tsp. vanilla
- candy corn for decorating

Read more at http://www.suburbiaunwrapped.com/healthy-halloween-dessert-candy-cornfruit-parfait/#yc5XCMqoxfz8d56E.99

## We Need Your Help!

Hello Allen Avenue Families,

We are looking forward to starting a fun new year at Allen Avenue. Our PTA Board has been busy planning and preparing this summer for some of the fun events we hope to host for the students. Our membership theme for the year is: Lend a Hand with PTA! Purchasing a PTA membership does not commit you to any activities or volunteering but we would be grateful for your help when you can lend it.

In order to continue with some of the PTA sponsored activities, we need parent volunteers to help organize the following:

- Art Expo
- Turkey Trot
- Holiday Shoppe
- Open House Raffle
- Family Fun Nights



We have "blueprints" for all of these activities so there is no starting from scratch. Our Board will also provide guidance and help. A lot of the planning and preparation can be done on your own time from home.

In addition to our PTA events, we need more of our parents to volunteer on the PTA Board. The following positions are open:

-VP of Ways and Means - help with fundraising efforts

-VP of Programs - oversee some of our programs and activities

-Parliamentarian - help keep our Board on track by making sure we follow PTA rules

If you are able to assist or are interested in finding out more information, please email allenavenuepta@gmail.com.

Allen Avenue PTA Board

#lendahandwithPTA Like us on Facebook: <u>www.facebook.com/AllenAvenuePTA</u> Follow us on Twitter: @AllenAvePTA



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## Principal's Dispatch: Back to School Safety Reminders





Allen Avenue Elementary School 740 East Allen Avenue, San Dimas, CA 91773 Debbie Grenier, Principal Phone: (909) 971-8202 Fax: (909) 971-8252

Dear Allen Families,

September 26, 2016

As the principal of Allen Avenue Elementary School, my number one priority is student safety. With this said, I am very concerned about the manner in which people are driving around the school zone and the disregard for the posted signs. I would like to review what the intent of the posted signs, red curbs and cross walks are for. I am sorry if I offend anyone, this is not my intent. However, there seems to be a significant disregard for these signs and the adults who are trying to reinforce safety on and around our campus.

#### Morning Drop Off Zone:

Intent - To keep a continuous FLOW of traffic, for students to exit the vehicle and walk onto campus What is it not - This is NOT for dropping off an adult to walk a student to class, while the driver waits in the car for the adult to return. It is also unsafe to drop students off in-between cars that are parked.

No Parking - If you park your car in this zone, it will either be ticketed and/or towed. License plates of parked vehicles will be reported to the San Dimas Sheriff's Department.

**RED Curbs** - This not a drop off zone or parking zone. Again, license plates will be reported and when possible, pictures of the infraction along with the license plate will be provided to the San Dimas Sheriff department.

**Crosswalks** - For pedestrians to cross safely. It is not intended to be a convenient location to park a car and block pedestrians from crossing safely. If this should occur, a picture (if possible), and the license plate will be reported to the San Dimas Sheriff's department.

No U-Turn - These sings are placed at Bayfield Dr. and Lyford Dr. to prevent a pedestrian from being struck in a crosswalk. It is also unsafe to make a U-Turn in the middle of the block during peak traffic times.

I am saddened that I need to send this letter, but we have had too many near misses of children and adults. I am amazed that safety is not a priority for some, and convenience, impatience or running late are the reasons for these near misses. My advice is to begin your morning earlier; students may be on campus at 7:50am or come for breakfast at 7:30am. I, along with my staff, will continue to be diligent in keeping our students safe and will also manage the angry adults who are upset at us for enforcing safety for the Allen community.

Thank you for joining us in keeping all students safe,

Debbie Grenier Principal

## PLEASE CHECK OUT OUR ONLINE STORE AT:

https://allenavenuepta.myschoolcentral.com/

You can purchase t-shirts, yearbooks, PTA memberships and more using your credit and debit cards and even your PayPal account. Please add in all family member names before making purchases. Go to My Account/My Family to make changes.







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I can smell autumn dancing in the breeze. The sweet chill of pumpkin and crisp sunburnt leaves. ~Ann Drake, 2013



#### Eagle Insider Submissions

If you have news or updates you want to submit for our next monthly newsletter, please email Rachelle Killackey at <u>theeagleinsiderpta@gmail.com</u>.

Submissions are due by the last week of each month for inclusion into the following month's newsletter.

Visit our school's website at: http://al.bonita.k12.ca.us

Visit our PTA page at: http://al.bonita.k12.ca.us/PTA/index.html

Visit us on Facebook at: https://www.facebook.com/AllenAvenuePTA

Visit us on Twitter at: https://twitter.com/AllenAvePTA

#### PTA Board

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The silent auction will accept cash or check only
Tickets will be available at the door $-4$ tickets for \$1.00
Child's Full Name:     Ticket Qty. (5 for \$1.00):     Amt. Enclosed: