

A Message from the Principal...

Dear Families,

During the month of October, the Ontario-Montclair School District will be launching a School Safety Campaign. Student safety is of utmost concern, so let's work together to model courteous and safe behavior for our students during arrival and dismissal. This is just a friendly reminder—please do not drop off students in the middle of the driveways or streets. In addition, students should always use the crosswalk when crossing the street.

In addition to arrival and dismissal safety, Vista Grande will send out weekly messages about a range of School Safety topics. Please look for the following upcoming messages.

- Week of October 1 Empowering Tomorrow's Leaders Through Safety Awareness Week
- Week of October 7- Walk/Bike to School to Raise Safety Awareness to and from School
- Week of October 14 School Safety Preparedness Awareness Week
- Week of October 21—School Safety Staff Personnel Appreciation Week
- Week of October 28—See Something, Hear Something, Say Something Awareness Week

Finally, Vista Grande will be hosting a Fall Family Community Event on Friday, October 4th. Please see the attached flyer for additional information on the event.

Thank you for your support and collaboration during School Safety Month! We look forward to a great October!!

Sincerely, Ms. Castillo

AVID TIPS FOR PARENTS

Encourage learning from mistakes or failure.

As a parent, it's important **to not** expect perfection and to allow your children to complete their own projects and work (please do not do the work for them), even if it does not meet your standards. For example, 4th-6th grade students should maintain their own AVID binders. Students are learning about organization, so parents, please do not throw items away.

If your child experiences a difficulty or failure, take time to discuss how it felt, what they may have learned, and what they might do differently next time. We want our children to come to us when they are struggling, and that can only happen if we acknowledge mistakes as true opportunities to learn.

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During the week of **October 21-25**, we will be participating in Red Ribbon Week. During this time, we will give friendly reminders to students on how they can be Safe, Respectful, Responsible, and Kind at all times.

During Red Ribbon week specifically, please speak to your child on how they can be safe and make good choices. Thank you for your support!

ATTENDANCE MATTERS Attendance Recognition for September!!

- Class Attendance Recognition for September— The following classes met and exceeded the attendance goal of 97.7% for September:
 - **Lite** 98.089%
 - o Hernandez 98.27%

These classes were awarded an extra recess for their outstanding attendance!!

SAVE THE DATE!!!!

Vista Grande will host Family Education Sessions during Coffee with the Principal

- Friday, October 18th—Parent's Role in Student Success
- Friday, October 25th—Eureka Math Strategies for Parents

Parent Calendar October 2024

| SUNDAY | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY |
|--------|---|--|-----------|---|--|--|
| | | 1 P.E. Day for 1 st -6 th Grade Minimum Day Dismissal TK/K @12:45 1 st -6 th @ 1:25 | 2 | 3 P.E. Day for 1 st - 6 th Grade | 4 Vista Grande's Fall Family Community Event 5:30-7 p.m. | 5 |
| 6 | 7 NO SCHOOL | 8 P.E. Day for 1 st -6 th Grade Minimum Day Dismissal TK/K @12:45 1 st -6 th @ 1:25 | 9 | 10 P.E. Day for 1 st - 6 th Grade | 11 | 12 Attendance Make Up Academy Basketball Tournament @ Wiltsey Middle School |
| 13 | 14 P.E. Day for 1 st - 6 th Grade | 15 P.E. Day for 1 st -6 th Grade Minimum Day Dismissal TK/K @12:45 1 st -6 th @ 1:25 | 16 | 17 P.E. Day for 1 st - 6 th Grade | 18 Coffee with the Principal @ 8:30 a.m. in the MPR—Parent's Role in Student Success | 19 Basketball Tournament @ Wiltsey Middle School |
| 20 | 21 P.E. Day for 1 st - 6 th Grade Red Ribbon Week | 22 P.E. Day for 1 st -6 th Grade Minimum Day Dismissal TK/K @12:45 1 st -6 th @ 1:25 | 23 | 24 P.E. Day for 1 st - 6 th Grade | 25 Coffee with the Principal @ 8:30 a.m. in the MPR—Eureka Math Strategies | 26 Attendance Make Up Academy |
| 27 | 28 P.E. Day for 1 st - 6 th Grade | 29 P.E. Day for 1 st -6 th Grade Minimum Day Dismissal TK/K @12:45 1 st -6 th @ 1:25 | 30 | 31 P.E. Day for 1 st - 6 th Grade | | |



Please join us for an evening of music, food, fun, face painting, games!! All children must be accompanied by a parent. <u>Students may not attend the event alone</u>.

- FREE Family Games and Fall Crafts—5:30 to 7:00 p.m. (Playground/Blacktop)
- o DJ Music/Family Dancing—5:30 to 7:00 p.m. (Playground/Blacktop)
- Food Vendors—5:30 to 7:00 p.m. (Blacktop) 10% of all food sales go to Vista Grande Field Trips (Accepted forms of payment--Cash, Venmo, Zelle, Credit/Debit)
 - Hot Dogs/Nachos
 - Handel's Ice Cream
 - Coffee/Boba Cart
- o Face Painting-- (Accepted forms of payment--cash, Venmo, Zelle, Credit/Debit
- Smencils/Glow Sticks for Sale—Cash Only