

VISTA GRANDE NEWSLETTER

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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 street or along the No Stopping Zone on Oaks Avenue. 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 3 See Something, Hear Something, Say Something Campaign Kick Off
- Week of October 10 Ride a Bike/Walk to School Day
- Week of October 17 School Safety Preparedness

Finally, Vista Grande will be hosting an in-person **Coffee with the Principal session on Media/Online Safety on Friday, October 14 at 8:30 a.m. in the MPR**. Please see the attached flyer for information on how to register for 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.

PBIS

During the week of **October 24-28**, 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, and Responsible 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

Way to go Broncos, we made it through month of September!! We hope you continue to practice responsibility by coming to school every day. Attending school regularly helps children feel better about school—and themselves. As the year goes on, our hope is that students continue to arrive on time and ready to learn. Just a friendly reminder, students are tardy if they are not in line at 8:00 AM. Thank you parents for helping our students get to school and making them successful.

Extended Learning Opportunities Program October Club Schedule:

Homework Clubs – Monday & Wednesday 2:40-4:00 Art Clubs – Wednesday 2:40-4:00 Dance Club – Thursday 2:40-4:00 Chess Club – Grades 3-6 Wednesday & Thursday 2:40-4:00 Chess Club – Grades 2-3 Thursday & Friday 2:40-4:00 Science Club – Monday 2:40-4:30 Kindergarten Gap

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday 12:45-2:40 Tuesday 12:45 – 1:25

Parent Calendar October 2022

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY 1 Attendance Make Up Academy
2	3	4 Minimum Day Dismissal TK/K @12:45 1 st -6 th @ 1:25	5	6 School Site Council Meeting 3-4 p.m. H5	7 P.E. Day for 1 st -6 th Grade	8
9	10 NO SCHOOL	11 Minimum Day Dismissal TK/K @12:45 1 st -6 th @ 1:25	12 P.E. Make Up Day for 1 st -6 th Grade	13	14 Coffee with the Principal @ 8:30 a.m. in the MPR P.E. Day for 1 st - 6 th Grade	15 Basketball Tournament @ Wiltsey Middle School
16	17 P.E. Day for 1 st - 6 th Grade	18 Minimum Day Dismissal TK/K @12:45 1 st -6 th @ 1:25	19	20	21 P.E. Day for 1 st - 6 th Grade Vista Grande Lights On Afterschool Showcase and Community Resource Fair 5-6 p.m.	22
23	24 P.E. Day for 1 st - 6 th Grade Red Ribbon Week	25 Minimum Day Dismissal TK/K @12:45 1 ^{st_6th} @ 1:25	26	27	28 P.E. Day for 1 st - 6 th Grade	29
30	31 P.E. Day for 1 st - 6 th Grade					

SEL

During the month of October, SEL instruction will dive into **Self-Management.** Students will learn how to control their impulses, manage stress, increase self-discipline, set goals, and enhance their organizational skills. One way you can encourage this skill at home is to...

• Help your student get organized

- A lot of stress can result in the mornings if students are unorganized. This morning stress can trickle into the day and have a negative impact on your child's learning. Have your student create a check list that they can review
- the night before school. The list can consist of all of the items your child needs for the following day. Ensuring that these items are in place and ready to grab will increase their organizational skills and alleviate stress on your child, as well as yourself.

Coffee with the Principal Friday, October 14 8:30-10:00 a.m.

Vista Grande MPR (in-person)

Please register by email: <u>jeneen.cuevas@omsd.net</u> or by phone: 909-988-2234



SOCIAL MEDIA

SAFETY & AWARENESS

Presented by Family & Community Engagement Parent Education Center

Presentation for parents to learn more about social media, cyber bullying and strategies to keep children safe online.

Friday, October 14, 2022 8:30 AM - 10:00 AM Vista Grande Elementary School



Please Contact Jeneen Cuevas at Vista Grande to register: jeneen.cuevas@omsd.net (909) 988-2234



SAVE THE DATE—FRIDAY, OCTOBER 21ST 5:00 TO 6:00 P.M. VISTA GRANDE LIGHTS ON AFTER SCHOOL SHOWCASE AND RESOURCE FAIR

(Additional Details Will Be Sent Out on October 11)

