



Principal's Message:

Spring break is finally here! The group of students that will be going on our school's mission trip will be leaving Sunday, March 17 and returning on March 24. I'm excited for them! I encourage you to join me in praying for their time together, serving God. Not only will they be helping out with some of the physical needs of Linda Vista elementary school, but they will be able to make connections with the children at this school as they will have opportunities to interact with them. I hope that you too will take the opportunity to incorporate some type of service project into your family's plans for spring break. Research shows that when we as families do service activities together, it makes a significant impact on the lives of our children. A transfer of values takes place, where our children better understand that serving others is also important to us. When the focus is taken away from self and placed instead on meeting the needs of others, it is beneficial to our young people. Not only will it help our children see people differently, the way God does, but it also gives them a feeling of satisfaction that can't be achieved by doing any other type of activity. In other words, God has created us to serve each other. We are blessed through this process. Doing meaningful acts of kindness, together as a family, make a difference! I challenge you to make a difference in someone else's life during the next two weeks. Enjoy!

Your partner in Christian education,
Joe Fralick

Make sure you have the upcoming **Academic Fair** on your calendar! All students in grades K-8 will be showcasing a special Social Studies / History project for this special event. Please look for specific information regarding your child's project from his/her teacher. The date is set for Thursday, April 18, in the PHAA gym, from 5:00-7:00 PM.



The office will be closed March 18- April 1. School will resume on Tuesday, April 2.

All golfers please save the date for our **18th annual golf tournament** which will be held on Friday, May 10, 2019 at the Dark Horse Golf Course. Come and enjoy a great day of golf and a chance to win several prizes, not to mention the proceeds will go toward supporting our school!



Change in Date: Our high school Academic & Sports Awards Night has been changed to Tuesday, May 28 at 6:30 pm.

Take a few extra minutes during the spring break to **collect Box Tops for Education** and return them with your student on April 2. Every dime counts.



Parent-Teacher Conferences will bring a half day on Thursday, April 18. Classes will dismiss at 12:10. This early dismissal will allow parents to meet with their child's teacher, have an early dinner and return to the school by 5 PM for the Academic Fair which will be from 5:00-7:00 PM.

PHAA Calendar At-A-Glance

- Mar 15** Quarter Ends
- Mar 17-24** Mission Trip
- Mar 18-29** SPRING BREAK
- April 1** NO SCHOOL
Teacher In-service
- April 2** 4th Quarter Begins
- April 2** Volleyball @ Woodland Christian
- April 3-9** Super Trip
- April 10** No School **HS ONLY**
- April 11** 3/4 Community Service
- April 11** Volleyball @ Encina Prep

Hot Lunch Schedule

Tuesday Taco bell
Sponsored by the Senior class

Wednesday Veggie Dogs \$5
Sponsored by the Kinder class

Thursday Musical Pizza
Sponsored by the music department

Student Art by: Kara Wareham



An after school Drawing Club for students in grades 6 to 12 is being started by



Mrs. Kuest, our elementary art teacher. If your child would like to learn

how to draw people or would like to hone their skills, this Drawing Club is for them. This four week class will cover correct proportions and shading in portraits of people starting with the head and moving to full body. Student can bring their own reference pictures and drawing materials, or use the ones provided. All proceeds from this class go towards the PHAA Art Fund. The group will meet on Thursdays from 3:30-4:30. The subject will be drawing people. The cost is \$10 per class (make checks payable to PHAA with Art Fund" in the memo line). If your child is interested in participating, just call the office at 530-885-9447 to reserve their spot.

Elementary students who have been at Pine Hills for more than a year have had a chance to participate in either our Home & School sponsored Jog-A-Thon or Read-A-Thon. This annual spring fundraiser helps to generate funds for a school wide facility improvement project. This year we are planning something different: **A Track & Field Fundraising Event** which will be held on April 19, 2019. Last year \$10,000.00 were raised for the purpose of remodeling our kitchen. This year's Track & Field Event will also be raising funds to help with the same project. Packets of information about this event will be sent home on Friday, March 15. We thank you in advance for your support of this fundraiser.

Student Art by: Mikey Quirarte



Studies show that the most impactful **mission trips** are those that return to the same location and develop a relationship with those they serve. This year we have the privilege of returning to Linda Vista Adventist Elementary where we had our mission trip in 2017. The 2 main projects we will be working on is putting up a fence and working in their small avocado orchard. Lind Vista is a small K-8 school in Oxnard California. Throughout the trip our group will be exploring in our worships what true mission is and how real service is needed. I am very much looking forward to the growth in personal relationships with our group between our school and theirs and most importantly to have an encounter with God. We are seeking tools to use for our trip. We need an auger for drilling holes, and drills with chargers for building the fence. Please contact DanaRae.

Our junior high basketball teams along with family and friends from our community showed up in our gym (about 150 people total) Saturday night, March 9 for a fun game of basketball with the boys and girls playing against each other. The best haystacks, west of the Mississippi were served for supper. In addition, a special video appearance from Xander Dawson was made. This fun event was also a fundraiser for the Dawson family, with a total of \$3,074.80 in funds raised! A huge thanks to Ariel Rodriguez for organizing this great event that was enjoyed by all!

The end of the third quarter will be on Friday, March 15th. For high school students, this 3rd quarter marks a half-way checkpoint and is not a permanent grade on their transcript. High school transcripts reflect the 1st & 2nd semester grades. Students in grades K-8 receive grades at the end of each quarter. For those students in grades 9-12, eligibility to continue to play boys varsity volleyball will depend on third quarter's academic and attendance performance...no D's or F's. Make sure your child is aware of this policy, especially if this could be a motivating factor for their academic improvement. Use FACTS to check on your child's progress. Teachers try their best to keep their grade-book updated on a regular basis...at the minimum once per week.

This year's **high school trip** will be leaving on Wednesday, April 3 at 7:00 AM and returning on Tuesday, April 9 around 5 PM. Wednesday, April 10 has been built into the high school calendar as a day to re-coup from the long trip, as we have school activities planned for Sunday, April 6. Our goal is for students to complete all work while on the trip, culminating in a major presentation which will take advantage of the equipment/technology at the La Sierra University Business Department. Additional information about the trip can be found on Google Classroom, such as a listing of what your child needs to pack for the trip. Please find attached the following information about our high school trip.

- Trip Permission Slip
- Student Guidelines Agreement
- Authorization to Dispense Medication Form
- Itinerary for high school trip

This information was given to the students on Wednesday and emailed again on Thursday. We noticed some date errors on the permission slip, which have now been corrected on the attached form. We are looking forward to a great experience!

No School on Monday, April 1st due to a staff in-service safety training event. Dave



Krussow and the safety committee are planning a morning full of practical training

for our staff members which will include a review of all the different types of drills that we do with our students, practicing these drills through dynamic simulations, review of first aid techniques associated with bleeding, some "fight" techniques that can be used when facing an intruder, along with a review and implementation of our school's reunification plan for emergency situations. We are so thankful for the efforts our staff and safety committee make to ensure our students are in the safest place possible.

From Bryan and Ruth Dawson

Hello Everyone!

The old adage is true; "No news is good news!" The past few days have brought no medical setbacks, but we have taken a few exciting steps forward. We've been so busy with Xander and life in general that there hasn't been a good time to sit down and write an update until now. Bryan and I have also been really exhausted and needed to prioritize our rest. We still have several miles to go in this marathon, and we don't want to run out of steam.

Xander has had a really good week. He lost a tooth while I was brushing his teeth one evening and he was so excited! His awesome night nurses Josh and Samuel wanted to do something special for him, so when Xander woke up in the morning he found a note from the "Tooth Fairy" with a five-dollar bill. Xander doesn't actually believe in the tooth fairy, but he was so grateful for Josh and Samuel's special efforts and played along. :-)

He began spending more time in his wheelchair, going for rides around the PICU halls and down to the playroom. We played a lot of games to improve his memory, concentration and fine motor skills, all of which look really good so far.

Xander had several visitors this week. His Auntie and cousins came out from Nevada, his friend Maddie and her mommy stopped by, the paramedic flight crew came with t-shirts that he put on right away and loves to wear, and he had more visits from Feather and a new therapy dog friend named Sassy. His classmates surprised him by coming to the hospital lobby, and we brought Xander down to meet them. He was so happy to see all of his friends and teachers again and can't wait to get back to school.

Dr. Evans from the pediatric rehab program at UC Davis stopped in to check on his progress. We're waiting for a bed to open there so he can transfer and begin intensive physical and occupational therapy.

Monday evening, Xander was transferred out of PICU to the regular Pediatric unit. He has more privacy now and, best of all, his brothers are able to come and visit him! He and Finn had a wonderful reunion on Tuesday, playing and snuggling together in Xander's bed. They have missed each other so much and we're very thankful that Xander can finally spend time with his brothers again.

From a medical standpoint, the only issues are Xander's feet, which are healing slowly but surely, and his GI system, which hasn't fully gotten back to normal yet and is not tolerating food well. He can eat little bites of fruit a few times a day, but prefers sipping smoothies and coconut water. The gastroenterologist is running some tests to check for bacterial interference, and we're working to improve his intestinal flora.

Since Xander's condition is no longer critical (PRAISE GOD!!!), we feel like daily updates are no longer necessary, and will most likely post once or twice a week unless something major happens in the meantime. We hope you will continue to pray with us and for us, and we will keep you all updated as Xander moves closer and closer to recovery. This has been an unbelievable experience, witnessing God perform a miracle for our son and reminding us what a mighty and marvelous God we serve! We are confident now that He will restore Xander to full health and we cannot praise Him enough. Thank you all so much for walking this road with us and caring for our sweet boy. We will be sure to update when Xander moves to rehab in a few days!

