

DUNN MIDDLE SCHOOL NEWSNOTE, 2011-12

January 30 - February 3



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Spaghetti lunch	Beef Taco lunch	Pizza lunch	Chicken Tender lunch	Sandwich lunch
Girls' tennis vs. SYVCA @ Dunn 3:45	Boys' b-ball @ Los Olivos; B 5:30, A 6:30 No Parent Meeting tonight – moved to Wednesday	Girls' tennis vs. Solvang @ Dunn 3:45 Surfing returns 5:15 8 th Parent Meeting 7:00-8:00 pm	Boys' b-ball @ Santa Ynez; B 5:30, A 6:30 Hike Club 2:45-5:30	

Athletics

- The DMS Girls' Tennis Team played well against Santa Ynez last week. It is amazing how much the girls have improved after only three weeks of practice. This week's matches are against Christian Academy and Solvang at 3:45 on Monday and Wednesday.
- The DMS Boys' Basketball Team lost to Christian Academy last Tuesday. Keep working hard, boys, and your day will come. This week's games are against Los Olivos and Santa Ynez on Tuesday and Thursday.

8th Grade Parent Meeting

The all-parent meeting originally scheduled for this Tuesday has been changed. It is now for just the parents of 8th grade students, and it has been moved to Wednesday to avoid conflicts with basketball games. This is an important meeting for 8th grade parents to attend, as we will be discussing the many special events coming up for your children at the end of their final middle school year. It will start promptly at 7:00 pm in the DMS assembly room.

Chess Tournament Results

We completed the final rounds of our annual chess tournament on Wednesday. Keaton Ochoa is this year's champion! The results are listed below, and there were a few highlights. A very close match happened between 1st and 2nd place contenders in the B tournament; Knox Clendenen check mated Pace Encell with just 15 seconds left on his clock. In the semifinals, Owen Andersen and Kaela Gaylord stalemated. The win went to Owen, who had only one second more on his clock than did Kaela at the time of the stalemate. Great chess season this year. Keep playing, kids!

A Tournament

1. Keaton Ochoa
2. Jason Feinberg
3. Chase Sater
4. Davis Kelly
5. Kylan Tyng
6. Owen Andersen
7. Cory Riley
8. Kaela Gaylord

B Tournament

1. Knox Clendenen
2. Pace Encell
3. Charlie Kulp
4. Lauren Wright
5. Henry Farrell
6. Mia Andersen
7. Alexander Jackson
8. Steven Weinstein

Sign Language Anyone?

Dawn taught sign language as an enrichment class during the second enrichment block. She must have done a terrific job! Since that time, several students have indicated they want to continue to learn more of this wonderful language. Therefore, we have contacted Sue Solomon, a deaf person who is expert in this language, and she would like to work with a group of students after school. She charges \$50/hour; this fee would be split evenly between all participants. We already know of three students who are interested. Please email me if your child would also like to learn sign language. Details will be determined once we identify the level of interest.

Upcoming Dances

- Student Government is petitioning for an extra dance again this year. The dance date would be Friday, February 17. This is the Friday immediately before the February break. Linda Smith is happy to put on this dance, but in order to do so, we need confirmation that at least 50 of our DMS students will be attending. To that end, your child needs to return a DMS Student Government created permission slip, signed by you, by this coming Tuesday. If we get enough permission slips, the dance will go on!
- The date and location of the Spring Dance have been identified. This slightly “dressier” dance will be on Friday, April 20, in the Dunn Library. Details will be forthcoming after more planning has been done.

Fun Run

The Santa Ynez Valley Charter School is hosting the Winter Chill Fun Run at the SYV High School on Saturday, February 4. Participants get a t-shirt for their efforts and a claim to victory if they do well. Adults can also run. Registration is onsite at 7:30 am. Runs begin at 9:00. The distance is ½ mile for kids up through 2nd grade and 1mile for 3rd graders and up. \$5 per child, \$10 per adult.

Talent Show

The DMS Annual Talent Show is coming up in two weeks! Plan to be there. Everybody has talent – comedy, acrobatics, music, dance, unusual skills, etc. Encourage your child to unleash a hidden, or not so hidden, talent. Encourage them to practice it. Being in the talent show is one of those carpe diem opportunities that your child should not pass up. 7:00 pm, Friday, February 10.

Answer to last week’s Riddle of the Week- Word Math

1. Male + UAL = A 'how to do' book **Answer: Manual**
2. A green fruit + AP = To suddenly come into view **Answer: Appear**
3. Female - MA = Was Victorious **Answer: Won**
4. Name for toilet - RIN = After agreed time **Answer: Late**
5. Flying vehicle - E = Strategy **Answer: Plan**

This week’s Riddle of the Week - Talent Show Line-Up

Gavin, Danny, Zander, and Stan teamed up with Galinda, Allyson, Sarah, and Deanna to sing songs at their school talent show. Determine which duo (boy-girl teams) sang which song, and who the partners were, using the clues below.

1. Zander was half of the duo that had a hit with the hip-hop song: "Dirty Pop".
2. The male half of the duo that had a hit with the rock beat "Welcome to the Jungle" wasn't Stan or Gavin.
3. Stan (whose partner wasn't Allyson or Deanna) wasn't the male half of the duo who had a hit with the reggae tune "Jamming".
4. Danny did not perform with Galinda or Deanna.
5. Galinda (whose partner wasn't Gavin) wasn't the female half of the duo who sang the country song "Man! I Feel Like a Woman!"

Duo	Song

Your Name: _____



Above: Kalena, Mia, and Kylan plan the scene they will reenact from "A Midsummer Night's Dream."

Below: Kaela continues to work on her serve long after practice is over.



Above: Davis S. scales the wall in Rock Climbing class.

Right: Robert takes his studies seriously, as he prepares for his social studies quiz.

Below: As the winner of this year's chess tournament, Keaton's name will be added to the Pancake and Pajama Day Chess Champion plaque.

Right: B Tournament champion, Knox, plots the demise of his opponent.



We have a new piano and drum set!
Above: Olivia H. and Jasper on trumpet.
Below: Ethan on drums.



Below: Paloma C. works her way through a logic puzzle in Chess and Logic Games class.



Below: Kayla P. reviews scientific notation, using current populations of various countries, in math class.

