# CVMS March 1, 2024 NEWS LETTER

## From the Principal

Good afternoon. Bobcat Families!

I had the honor of accompanying our school counselors and a handful of student ambassadors on a trip to four of our elementary schools this week to speak to the incoming 6th graders about CVMS. I couldn't be more proud of our Ambassadors who did an AMAZING job helping our prospective students understand what it means to be a Bobcat.

Next week, we will be celebrating Spirit Week at CVMS. Every day is something fun: a DJ, the Amazing Race, the Bobcat 500, and our annual Carnival! We are still looking for parent volunteers to help out with our Carnival on Friday, March 8. If you are interested, please contact us for more information!

Have a great weekend. Go Bobcats! Grrrrr...

Adam Bishop Interim Principal

#### **Upcoming Events**

3/4-8 Spirit Week (see ASB)

3/4-8 National School Breakfast Week

3/11 Late Start

3/14 Pi Day

3/14 Variety Show 5:30-7:30

3/15 ISPE Window Closes

Every Tues/Thurs

in the





### Donate to CVMS

Thank you to everyone who has already donated. If you haven't please consider donating to Carmel Valley Middle School! Every dollar helps support programs on campus!

cvmsptsa.square.site/fundraiser





# **ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE**

Over the past weeks, there has been an increase in the use of offensive and obscene language on campus.

We take the matter of language and behavior very seriously at CVMS, as we believe in fostering an environment that is respectful, inclusive, and conducive to learning for all students. The use of offensive language not only runs counter to the CVMS values we promote with students but it also negatively impacts the overall atmosphere of our learning community.

We understand middle school is a time of exploration and discovery for students, and they may sometimes test boundaries. However, it is essential for us, as educators and parents, to guide them toward making responsible choices with the language they use and the behavior they display.

We kindly ask for your support in addressing this issue at home by having conversations with your child about the importance of using respectful language and treating others with kindness and dignity. Reinforcing these values at home will greatly complement the efforts we are making at school to promote a positive and respectful environment.

Sincerely, Nathan Molina Assistant Principal

# **COUNSELOR'S CORNER**

Counselors spent the week focused on registraton! On Monday, we met with all of our seventh graders and expalined how to register for eighty grade classes. The AERIES online registration window for 7th to 8th grade registration closed Friday, March 3rd at 4:00. If you did not have a chance to complete online registration, we will complete it on our end based on the green course selection form that you have turned in. A reminder that those green course selection forms must be turned in ASAP and that the registration process is not complete until classes are filled in on AERIES and a copy of the green course selection form has been returned to the counseling office.

We had the great pleasure of visting our Future Bobcats this week at their elementary schools and have two more schools to go. We had such fun getting to meet our future Bobcats and sharing all about our Bobcat Community. For the first time, we took current CVMS students with us to share about middle school from a student perspective and they were simply amazing. Our student amassadors expertly explained about evertyhing from electives to lunch time choices and school activites. They truley exemplified the caring and positive attitude we work to create here at CVMS. We want to thank the following students for their participation: Avani Goyal, Declan Egner, Georgia Fuqua, Luna Jager, Gavin Umpstead, Kayla Pho, Aden Tull, Addison Patrick, Karrington LaTouche-O'Neill, Roman Soobben Emery Brecheen and Holly Rucks.

For our 8th grade familes, there are important meetings coming up this week at both CCA and TPHS. These events will explain the registration process, answer questions about course selection and provide valuable information for students and familes about transitioning to high school. We strongly encourage you to attend. CCA's information night will be March 6 at 4:00 and Torrey Pines will be on March 7 from 6-7:30. Please refer to the email you recently recieved from your high school for more details.







# **ASB & GENERAL NEWS**



#### **ASB Events.**

**Next Week is Spirit Week 3/4-8/24!** 

**The Carnival is on Friday, 3/8**. We are in **DESPERATE** need of parent volunteers .If you are available to help, please fill out this <u>survey</u>.

#### **Spirit Week Schedule**

**Rhyme Without a Reason:** A "rhyme without reason" costume can be any outfit that is fun, creative, and doesn't have to follow a specific theme or logic but you and your partner rhyme: Here is an idea to get you started: Wild West and Princess.

#### **Anything But a Backpack Rules**

8th Grade Panoramic Photo - was taken on Thursday, February 22 during PAW. <u>Here is a flyer</u> with the information to purchase one if you missed it.

Yearbooks!! We only have 75 remaining to sell - go to <u>Jostens.com</u> to buy yours today!

Yearbook wants your photos! We would love your Valentines and/or Boys and Girls Club sports photos! Please submit photos <u>here.</u> You can also email them to <u>cvyearbook@sduhsd.net</u>

**SD Gulls Hockey Tickets** - The Carmel Valley Middle School band will perform the National Anthem at the SD Gulls game on Friday, March 22nd. The game starts at 7 - doors open at 6 p.m. Tickets are \$20 each and 20% of the proceeds will be returned to the CVMS music program. Click here to get your tickets today or go to the <u>CVMS Webstore</u>.

**Senator Catherine Blakespear invites you** to learn more about the **Fentanyl Crisis** that is occurring in our communities a Town Hall she is hosting on Thursday, March 20, 6:00-7:30 PM at MiraCosta College, San Elijo Campus at 3333 Manchester Ave. in Cardiff by the Sea. Our best defense against this life-threatening drug is knowledge and prevention.

District Attorney Summer Stephan will be sharing information about efforts she and her colleagues at the county and in law enforcement are making to decrease the supply of this drug, hold dealers accountable and to educate young people about it. Our local Fire Chief, Josh Gordon will address the issue as first responders in our communities who come face-to-face with the consequences of this drug. Please RSVP

National School Breakfast Week - March 4-8

The theme this year is: "Surf's Up with School Breakfast. For more information click here.





# PTSA NEWS



Parents of 8th grade students, some of you may have already attended the high school tours with your students in preparation for next year. Here is a link with the high school selection and enrollment information & deadlines:

https://www.sduhsd.net/Parents--Students/Student-Resources/High-School-Selection/index.html

The CVMS PTSA Membership Drive has started! By joining the CVMS PTSA, your dues support our school and students. PTSA members can vote on the PTSA budget and PTSA Board Officers. Memberships are \$25 per person. Joining the PTSA does not mean you are obligated to volunteer or make other commitments at our school. To sign up for a PTSA Membership visit: PTSA Membership.

Shop to Support - In addition to our annual fundraiser that is coming up, there are other easy ways you can support CVMS every day. Shop these retailers and the CVMS PTSA receives donations when you make a purchase.

Ralphs Community Contribution Program – link your Ralphs card account and they will send a donation every time you swipe your card. <u>Click here</u> for instructions.

# **CVMS MUSIC BOOSTERS**



The Carmel Valley Middle School band will perform the National Anthem at the SD Gulls game on Friday, March 22nd. The game starts at 7 - doors open at 6 p.m. Tickets are \$20 each and 20% of the proceeds will be returned to the CVMS music program. Click <u>here</u> to get your tickets today.

Volunteers: The CVMS Music Boosters are always looking for volunteers to assist in making instrumental music available to all CVMS students for years to come. If you are interested, please take a moment to complete this <u>volunteer</u> form.

Please consider a tax deductible <u>donation</u> to our Music Department! Your generosity ensures a robust music program like no other for this year and beyond!



# **RESOURCES AND LINKS**

CVMS Website
CVMS Calendar
CVMS PTSA

CVMS Bell Schedule SDUHSD Website

Carmel Valley Middle School 3800 Mykonos Lane San Diego, CA 92130

Website: <u>cv.sduhsd.net</u> Phone: 858-481-8221 Fax: 858-481-8256

# REPEATED NEWS

**PE & Spiritwear:** PE clothing & spiritwear items are still on sale at the Finance Window or through the CVMS webstore link. New reversible sweatshirts in new colors are available.

#### **Carmel Valley Library Information**

February <u>Youth Buzz</u> 2024 Winter Reading challenge

Job Opportunity at CVMS: We have a job opportunity for a part-time Campus Supervisor at Carmel Valley Middle School. The hours are 11:06 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Monday-Friday.

Please visit the job posting for more information: <u>Click here</u>





# Message from the Superintendent's Office

#### Good Afternoon SDUHSD Community,

As we begin the second half of the school year, I extend my sincere appreciation for your unwavering support and involvement in our educational community. I am pleased to share that the SDUHSD District Office modernization project has reached completion. Our district office, located at 710 Encinitas Boulevard, is now open for operations from 8:00 am to 4:30 pm.

At our board meeting this week, we received an annual update from Pacific Trails Middle School and an overview presentation of the SDUHSD student performance data as summarized on the California Dashboard. Overall, we have a lot to celebrate.

- Our students continue to have high levels of academic achievement.
- Our high schools have very high graduation rates, and our middle schools have seen a decline in chronic absenteeism.

As we move forward and use the Dashboard to inform our Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP), we are going to be paying close attention to specialized student groups.

#### Additional Board Meeting Highlights

Aquatics Facility at Torrey Pines: The Board stated its intent to build an aquatics facility at Torrey Pines High School and directed the Superintendent to collaborate with staff and the community to present details about how to fund and accomplish this project.

Governance Handbook: This is a document that is agreed upon by the Superintendent and all five members of the Board of Education which outlines how the team will work together.

Approval of this handbook, a first for SDUHSD, is a reflection of the governance team's commitment to working effectively in a way that best benefits all students.

As Superintendent, together with the Governing Board, we are united in providing a high-quality education for each and every student to demonstrate academic growth and optimize individual potential.

Additional information on all items from this week's Board agenda can be found on the district website or directly here.

We appreciate your ongoing support of SDUHSD students and look forward to a successful second half of the school year together.

Sincerely,

Anne Staffieri, Ed.D.