

Dear Villa Families,

We were glad to see you last night at the Potluck Board Election event! Your eagerness and engagement with Villa is much appreciated! Remember to cast your vote before October 18th. We look forward to welcoming our New Board Members for this school year!

We are grateful to all the parent volunteers who helped us with purchases, laundry, telecom project, classroom prep, taking on room parent and the board roles, and for presenting classroom events at Villa! Thanks to the families who celebrated their child's birthday with book and monetary donation to the class! A special shout out will be sent to all the September helpers! Thank YOU!



REMINDERS: Every Friday is sharing day! Refer to the email with the Sharing Day dates and the letters to focus on for each week! Safety check – please do not use the school's western side driveway or the parking lot, all vehicles must enter and leave the driveway on McClellan closer to De Anza Blvd. not the Stelling Road. Hand Rails are for safety and not play structures. Remind children to not play on it during pick up or drop off. Please remember to SIGN IN and SIGN OUT every day! Walk your child on the ramp to the front door and leave out using the steps to help transition time run smoothly. We appreciate your cooperation!

SAVE THE DATES! October is action packed at Villa. Children are learning the “community and me” curriculum. We are lucky to meet our community members from the Sheriff's department, Library, Senior center, and our own Villa parents who will share their interests like safety, yoga, Diwali day, and art in the classroom.



Sneak Peek: Villa Students will visit the nearby Live Oak Senior Day Service Center for seniors on **Halloween Day, October 31st** from 9:30-10:00 am. Children will come to school at 9:00 am with their costumes on (if participating) in the morning. **ALL PM STUDENTS, PLEASE JOIN US for the MORNING SESSION!** Parents who are interested to join us to the senior center located at 20920 McClellan Road (inside our neighbor building at St. Jude's), please wait for us in the playground after drop off. Once we walk to the center, you can come in to watch the special performance by Villa Students at 9:30 am. Be courteous with photos and video taking during the walk, performance at the center, and during the walk back. Teachers will send home detailed instructions closer to the event date. Help us keep our children safe during the walk to and from Villa by being a walking chaperone. If you are interested to help, please inform your child's teacher.



We request you to be mindful of the costumes and preparing for the Halloween Day. Avoid unsafe costume choices or candies for treats. Instead, if you would like to share, please consider sharing a book, pencil or an art/craft item that children can enjoy safely.



REMEMBER TO PACK A SET OF CHANGE OF CLOTHES! After the performance children will change into their regular clothes for the rest of the day at school.

October 16th Monday- No School! SIS DAY-Staff In Service Day. Villa teachers will update their First Aid/CPR and Emergency training, and go through a very special hands-on training in “Lock Down Procedures” presented by Santa Clara Sheriff Department. We will conduct a trial lock down drill with children on the 18th and the Sheriff staff will be on site to evaluate our efforts and help us with their feedback. I request that you begin gentle conversations at home about stranger danger, warning signs that prompt staying safe and hiding quietly, reaching for help, and being vigilant at all times. It helps children a great deal!

October 4th – Sheriff visits Villa! Election Potluck!

October 9th – Yoga Day! 10:40 am. Children to wear loose fitting, comfortable, full length pants and tops, (no skirts or open toe shoes) is recommended for doing yoga poses!

October 10th – 10 am Librarian Visit

October 11th – Art Day! 10:40 am. Wear clothes that can get artfully messy! 😊

October 18th – Lock Down Drill Day!

October 19th – Deepawali at Villa! Festival of lights from India!

October 31st – Halloween Performance! 9:20 am walking to Live Oak Senior center for 9:30 am performance. Come in costume to school in the morning. PM students join AM session. No candies or unsafe costume choices. Refrain from masks and accessories for costume at school. **PLEASE PACK A SET OF CHANGE OF CLOTHES!** After the performance children will change into their regular clothes for the rest of the day at school. **LABEL EVERYTHING** - costumes and the change of clothes.



We will have a wonderful enriching curriculum and a fun filled month! Looking forward to seeing you all at the performance on the 31st at 9:30 am. Please plan for an hour's event from 9-10 am. Wishing you all a fabulous fall season and a safe Halloween Night!

Kindly,

With A Boo! A Trick! A Treat!

Geetha and the Villa Staff!

