

Del Mar News Flash

Weekly Del Mar Campus, PTA & Foundation News



We walk far together.

Key Dates:

Nov. 21-23
Thanksgiving
Break

Nov. 29
8:30 am
Parent Ed:
Parenting in
the Age of
Computers
and iPhones.
Bel Aire
Board Room

Dec. 4
6:30 pm
Parent Ed:
Preventing
Teen
Substance
with Dr. Matt
Willis

Dec. 4
Geography
Bee

Dec. 12
Music
Concert.
Assembly:
1:15pm,
Evening
concert:
6:30pm

Dec. 13
PTA Meeting

Dec. 14
School
Dance 6-8
pm

From The Principal

Dear Parents,

As we approach the Thanksgiving holiday, I wanted to express my deep appreciation to each of you for your commitment and contributions to our school community. Del Mar Middle School is a remarkable place and I feel blessed each and every day to work with your children each as they develop academically, socially and emotionally.

Attached find a letter co-sponsored by our PTA president and me; as well as an update from our Math department.

I hope you all have a wonderful Thanksgiving weekend filled with family, friends, light, laughter and gratitude.

With gratitude,

Brian Lynch
Principal

PTA NEWS



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To the Del Mar Middle School Community,

The Del Mar Parent & Teacher Association has one mission: To enrich the lives of our children and school Community.

During the most difficult times, when families are facing a medical or other personal crisis, the PTA can be called upon to lend support in the form of meal preparation, carpools, child care or companionship.

As parents & teachers ourselves, we understand the challenges that come with raising middle schoolers. Please consider reaching out if there is anything we can do to help your family during extremely difficult, personal circumstances that may arise for your family this year.

Warmly,

Tracy Cunningham
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Brian Lynch
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MATH NEWS



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MATH IN THE FALL – It BETTER involve some PUMPKIN IT!

MATH AT HOME - IXL

We are pleased to tell you that we will continue using IXL in our classrooms this year. IXL is a comprehensive learning program offering unlimited math practice across thousands of skills – all of which are aligned to the California Standards. One of the best things about IXL is that your child can access it from home, so you have a chance to see your child's progress!

IXL is designed to help your child learn at his or her own pace. The program is adaptive and will adjust based on your child's demonstrated understanding of the material. All results will be saved, so you can monitor his or her progress anytime by clicking on Analytics. For on-the-go practice, you can download IXL's free tablet apps for iPad, Android, or Kindle and sign in with your child's username and password.

LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES

Homework reinforces skills, concepts, and information learned in class. It encourages students to take initiative and responsibility for completing a task, and it is integral to the success in our middle-school math program. These learning opportunities will be assigned approximately three times per week.

Students will receive 2 points for HW turned in complete and on time. Students will earn 1.7 points for late, but completed homework. A zero will be recorded for any assignments left undone/not turned in.

Homework will not affect the academic grades. It is factored into "Habits of Learning" grade. Five to seven missing assignments will garner an N (needs improvement) in and 8 or more will warrant a U (unsatisfactory). For Del Mar Math Department's complete policies click here:

<http://usdmath.weebly.com/policies.html>

UPCOMING "STUFF"!

Math Help! Anytime – Just ask!

End of Trimester: November 2nd

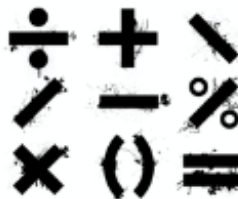
Conference: Week of Nov. 5th

American Mathematics

Competition:

This is designed to promote the development of problem-solving skills. It helps develop positive attitudes towards analytical thinking and mathematics. Students apply *classroom learned skills* to unique problem-solving challenges in a low-stress, friendly environment. Contact Dr. Gold if interested.

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TIPS for helping your child with math!

#2 – If your child is frustrated by mathematics, show him or her how to focus on **concepts** rather than **procedural knowledge**. This might help some students approach and solve problems in a different way—one that makes more sense to them.