



HIDDEN HILLS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

HOME OF THE HAWKS



HAWK NEWS ALERT March 18, 2022

Important Dates

- Mar 22 Staff Development Day (**Minimum Day**)
- Mar 22 **Prism Club Parent Info night**
- Mar 25 Fitness Friday @ 7:15am to 7:45am (on Blacktop)
- Mar 25 **HH Movie Night @ 7:30pm**
- Mar 28 6th grade Parent Info Night, WRMS MPR @ 6:30pm
- Mar 31 **Astronomy Night (7:30 - 9pm) On the Blacktop**
- Apr 4-8 Spring Break (**No School**)



Links to sign up in the flyer below!

Congratulations, Soaring Hawks!

TK - Syal

Kinder - Heba, Adeeb, Quest

First - Roland, Vismaya, Arjun, Makaio, Byron

Second - Pramiti, Hudson, Atharv, Arihant

Third - Amal, Leela, Mason, Tanvi

Fourth - Mateen, Ayushi, Mokshita, Aiden, Anvitha

Fifth - Gautam, Yatin, Vanna, Siddharth, Dylan

Soaring Hawks are caught being good for:
**Citizenship, Empathy, Fairness, Respect,
Responsibility, Trustworthiness**



March 22nd Staff Development Day

**Minimum Day
School ends at 12pm
No AM/PM schedule**

April 4th to 8th Spring Break (No school)

HH Family Astronomy Night

**When: Thursday, March 31st
Where: Hidden Hills Blacktop
Time: 7:30 pm- 9 pm**

More details in the flyer below!

HH Classified Employee of the Year!

Congratulations to Smitha Panchumathy, Office Assistant, for being selected the Hidden Hills Classified Employee of the Year!

HH SRVEF Shining Star!

Congratulations also to our night custodian, Franklin Bares, for being selected as our SRVEF Shining Star!

SQUARE 1 ART
IT STARTS WITH THE ART!



square1art.com/shop



**It's TIME to order...
ART KEEPSAKE MEMORIES!**

6th Grade Parent Info Night

March 28th, 2022

Windemere Ranch Middle School

MPR - In Person

@ 6:30pm

Save the Date!

Hidden Hills **PASTA NIGHT** and **AUCTION** will be held on April 22nd.



5th Grade Math Placement Test

[Link to the district Website](#)



Hidden Hills ED Fund is looking for a President and Vice President.



Join the team and help us create some amazing events to support our school

Prism Club at Hidden Hills

Parent Information Night



Parents, Families, and Friends of the LGBTQ+ Community

PFLAG will be on campus March 22nd for a Parent Info night.



PTA
everychild.onevoice.

Thank You to all parents who came to the PTA meeting.

Please like and follow

PTA Facebook Page

for updates and currents events in school.

<https://www.facebook.com/HHElementaryPTA>

FITNESS FRIDAY

Join us for Fitness Friday! Start your day with exercises and fun!

March 25th @ 7:15 AM-7:45 AM.

We will meet on the blacktop every other Friday. Please Register and fill out the Student Waiver in the flyer below.



Update

Congratulations to the 5th grade band students on a great performance at the band and strings festivals this past week! I encourage you all to sign up for band or strings in 6th grade since you have worked hard the last two years to earn your spot.

Now it is the 4th grade students turn to join in on the concert preparations. All 4th and 5th grade band and string classes will be preparing for a concert on May 26th. Please mark your calendars. The Concert will be held in the evening. Individual times of performance for each group is still being determined. I will share more specific details as they become clear.

Mr. Ehling. aehling@srvusd.net

News from Destination Imagination

We have good news to share with you that **Aditya V. (4th Grade) student from Hidden Hills Elementary won 2 awards at Best of the Bay Regionals - Destination Imagination on 27th Feb, 2022.**

The team is getting ready to go at the State level(Riverside) on 2nd April, and will continue to represent the Hidden Hills Elementary School!

The Magix7 team presented their solution under Technical Challenge - Daring Escape.

Challenge Link:

<https://www.destinationimagination.org/challenge-program/2021-22-challenge-previews/>

The team received 2 awards:

1. **1st Prize** for Elementary Level: Technical Challenge – Daring Escape
2. **Renaissance Award** - This award is given under Technical Challenge across Elementary, Middle, and High School Levels.



The Superstarz team from Hidden Hills was placed 3rd under the “Roll with It” engineering challenge at the Regional competition for Destination Imagination held in Pleasanton on February 26, 2022.

The team is comprised of:

Adhavan-4th, Aiyana-5th, Amritha-5th, Anushka-5th, Avni--5th, Chahana-5th, Diya-5th



They have advanced to the State level, which will be April 2, 2022 in Riverside, CA! Congrats All!

HIDDEN HILLS SPIRIT AWARD 21-22

goes to

Mrs. April Jaire

Kinder - 1st Grade Combo class



CAASPP Testing

Assessment window -April 11th to May 6th

Please read the letter below to better prepare your child for testing.

Children who are EL will taking the ELPAC Summative test.

**Assessment window : March 7th to April 22nd
More information to follow**

COVID TESTING is available only
at the SRVUSD Education Center
Monday to Friday 11:30am to 5:30pm
and Saturday 8am to 12pm.

➤ **SRVUSD Education Center, 699 Old
Orchard Drive, Danville**

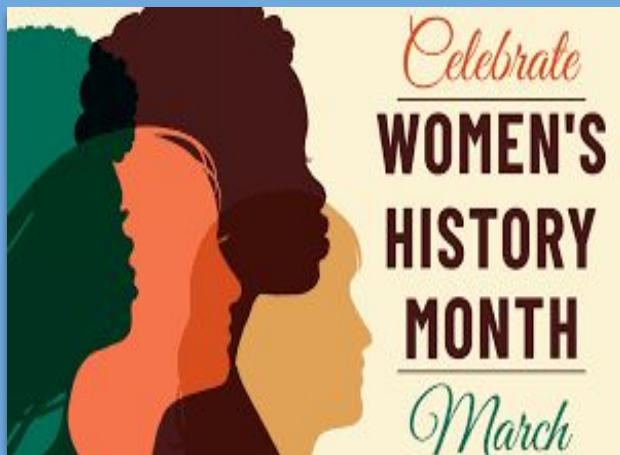
To sign up, please follow the
instructions posted on the district
website. (Pre-registration is required)

**Please DO NOT send your child to school if they
present the following symptoms**

*Fever, cough, shortness of breath,
fatigue/weakness, headache, body/muscle aches,
sore throat, stuffy or runny nose, new loss of
taste and smell, nausea, vomiting, and diarrhea.*

Symptom Infographic

If your child is sick and stays home or is sent home
due to illness from school, please do one of the
following in order
to return back to school.



Important Information and Resources

SRVUSD Instructional Calendar 2021-2022

Lunch Menu March 2022



**Parent Volunteers needed during
lunch time to help supervise
students and to distribute lunch.**

(must be approved and registered with
Be A Mentor
Volunteer Management System)

Signup Genius Link

Vaccine Status is MANDATORY. Please upload
a picture of your vaccine card to Be A Mentor.

Thank You for supporting Boosterthon Fun Run

We were close to reaching our goal of
30K! Final donations totalled:

\$26,640!

More details in the flyer below on how
you can use corporate matching!



WIN A FREE YEARBOOK!

Upload pictures to Treering for a chance to win a FREE
yearbook! A winner will be chosen on March 21st from
the class with the most pictures. Be sure to put them in
the correct folder and
add your child's name!

Requested Pictures: String, Band, Face Masks, Spirit
Days, ELAC fun, Class Projects, Siblings

Current top 3 classes are:

1st: Mrs. Johnson

2nd: Mrs. Montag

3rd: Ms. Ocampo

(Please only share school related photos. All others will
be removed.)

ORDER YOUR YEARBOOK!!!

Go to www.treering.com/validate

School's passcode: 1016019833804511

A tree is planted on behalf of Hidden Hills for every
yearbook purchased!

IMPORTANT DATES

Mar. 21st (extended) - Last day to submit pictures

Apr. 15th - Personalized pages due

Vaccination Status Update

Upload your vaccination status to Be A Mentor in order to volunteer on campus.

If you haven't uploaded your proof of vaccination, you will not be able to volunteer at school.

Making an Amazon Purchase?

Log into [Smile.Amazon.com](https://smile.amazon.com) and make your purchase. A small portion of purchase will be donated back to Hidden Hills Education Fund.

Every small amount counts.

Don't forget to choose Hidden Hills Hawks Education Fund at checkout.

Remember to always start at smile.amazon.com to support our school every time you shop!



Attendance News

Please call the attendance line @ 925-479-3898



School success starts
with attendance

SRVUSD Attendance Awareness

School Parking Lot Reminder

Only Hidden Hills staff members and auction winners may park in the front parking lot at arrival and dismissal times. Please allow enough time to park on the street during pick up and drop off. There are only two areas for pick up/drop off for Grades 1 - 5: carpool and blacktop. Only Kinder and TK students are allowed to be dropped off and picked up in the back parking lot along the curb. **Back lot parking spaces are for parents heading to the Growing Room only.** Thank you in advance for complying with our school rules.

Please follow the Law and all posted signs when turning into our parking lot.



There is NO left turn into the Hidden Hills Loop from Harcourt Way between 7:30 and 3:00

Independent Study Request for Pre-Determined Absences

An Independent study request can be made for minimum of 5 days and a maximum of 14 days. Students requesting 5 to 10 days of planned absence shall give 3 to 5 days notice prior to absence. Students requesting more than 10 days of planned absence shall contact the principal 5 to 10 days before the leave request initiates. Please contact your teacher or the school office to initiate a Independent Study Request. "No Student is entitled to a short-term independent study contract in excess of fourteen (14) instructional school days in a school year"

FORGOTTEN LUNCHES!

If you have a forgotten lunch, please drop it in the office **NO LATER than 10:45am**. Please clearly identify the lunch with **first & last name, grade, and teacher** before dropping it off.

Please remember this is only for the occasional emergency forgotten lunch and this courtesy is not meant for regular delivery. Students should bring their lunch with them each morning unless they plan to take the district lunch being offered in the MPR. Thank you.

The Crayon Initiative

The Crayon Initiative is a 501(c)3 non-profit that brings the joy of bright new crayons to kids in children's hospitals across the US. We do this by recycling and remanufacturing old crayons that would otherwise go to landfills. Our hospital partners tell us kids often take our crayons home—as a happy memory of an otherwise uncertain time. There is a yellow bucket in the front office of Hidden Hills where you can donate your crayons.





SAN RAMON VALLEY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

699 Old Orchard Drive, Danville, California 94526

Educational Services

www.srvusd.net

February 11, 2022

Dear Parent/Guardian/Caregiver:

Each year at our school, students in grades three through five participate in the California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress (CAASPP). This assessment window is scheduled for April 11th through May 6th. Each student will take these assessments on their SRVUSD issued chromebook. These chromebooks have been updated with the latest web browser that supports the State of California tests. Students will take the Smarter Balanced Summative Assessments for English language arts/literacy and mathematics. Fifth grade students will also take the California Science Test (CAST).

The Smarter Balanced Summative Assessments and the CAST are online tests that measure what your child has learned. The test results help our school understand what knowledge and skills students have mastered and which ones they may still need to learn. These scores allow parents and teachers to monitor student progress so we can help each student master the appropriate grade level academic standards. It's very important that each student takes the exam and tries their best. Overall, the CAASPP scores reflect on our students, schools and school district. Please click on this link for further information - [SRVUSD web site info click here](#).

You are an important part of your child's education. To help your child prepare for the test you can:

- Talk about the test with your child. Make sure they are not scared or anxious.
- Tell your child that they have learned the material in their classroom.
- Take advantage of the online practice tests if you so choose.
- Make sure your child gets a good night's sleep and a nutritious breakfast before testing.

To learn more about the Smarter Balanced Summative Assessments or the CAST, go to the California Department of Education Parent Guides to Understanding Web page at

<https://www.cde.ca.gov/ta/tg/ca/parentguidetounderstand.asp>.

You also can look at sample test questions on the practice tests, which can be found on the CAASPP Web Portal at

<http://www.caaspp.org/practice-and-training/index.html>.

If you have questions, please do not hesitate to reach out. Individual class testing schedules will be provided by your child's teacher as we get closer to the testing window.

Sincerely,

Melodie Huynh, Hidden Hills Principal

Counselor's CORNER

MARCH 2022

Ms. Hassay

Counseling Monthly Focus:

One of my favorite tools to use for self-regulation is the circle of control. It is an amazing way to encourage students to focus on what they can control and to let go what they cannot. For example, students are not able to control the questions on their upcoming test...BUT students are able to control how much they prepare themselves for it.



Let's CONNECT!



khassay@srvusd.net



"Worrying is like sitting in a rocking chair...It gives you something to do, but doesn't get you anywhere."



Dear Family,

Welcome to the Square 1 Art Fundraiser! Your student will be creating a very special, art masterpiece that you may purchase on unique gifts and keepsakes to enjoy for a lifetime! Every order made will help you preserve the special memories of your child's creative growth in a fun and inspiring way!

Imagine the excitement and fun of sharing your child's awesome art with family and friends! Be sure to make your order(s) by the due date provided by your Square 1 Art coordinator.

We look forward to an amazing fundraiser with Square 1 Art! Keep a lookout for more details about the fundraiser to come to you soon!

“My kids have been creating awesome artwork over the years; it's fantastic that this company provides a way to keepsake those creations! From coffee cups to ornaments, they really have something for everyone, but the best part is, it will have my kid's imagination with it.”

Tiffany, Parent, Rockford, IL



**HIDDEN
HILLS**

FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT

Friday, March 25 @ 7:30 PM
Hidden Hills Amphitheater

Bring your own lawn chairs and blankets ☺

\$5 per person - [Buy Tickets Here](#) !

Concessions - [Pre - Order Here](#) !

Fun Raffle Prizes - [Buy Tickets here](#) !



popcorn!
drinks!

DESPICABLE
ME





HH FAMILY ASTRONOMY NIGHT

Join us for a night of learning about the
wonders of the universe!

Thursday, March 31
7:30 PM – 9 PM

Hidden Hills Elementary Blacktop
****Stargazing**
****Oreo Cookie Phases of the Moon**
****Hot Chocolate and Marshmallows**



Brought to you by the Hidden Hills PTA and East Bay Astronomical Society

CORPORATE MATCHING PROGRAM FAQ

How can I see if my employer can match my donation?

After you've made a pledge, you'll see a search box to search for your corporation. If they match, you will also be provided additional information from the search results to guide you on what you'll need to do next.

Where should my employer send the matching gift?

This should go directly to the school. Please contact your employer for more information on how they can send the matching gift to the school's coordinator based on their corporate policies.

Will my student(s) receive a prize for the matching gift?

Unfortunately, no. Students will not be earning prizes for your corporate matching gift.

I want to see if my employer can match, but I've already made a donation. Is there a way I can still search for this?

Yes! Just go to <https://mybooster.com/v3/corporatematch>



How can I take advantage of Corporate matching gifts in my Booster campaign?

Corporate matching gifts, or employer matching gifts, are one of the most common forms of corporate philanthropy, and luckily, schools using Booster can easily take advantage of matching gifts with 360MatchPro by Double the Donation, the leading provider of matching gift and volunteer grant solutions to nonprofits and educational institutions.

What are employer matching gift programs?

Matching gift programs are hosted by companies to encourage giving by their employees. Through these programs, donors can make a donation and then submit a request to their employer, who will then match the donation if eligible.

How do matching gifts work with my Boosterthon campaign?

Step 1: After a donor submits their donation on the pledge form the donor will see the 360MatchPro plugin, which encourages them to check if their employer will match their donation.

Step 2: The donor can type in the name of their employer, and the streamlined search tool will then display a link to their matching gift submission form along with important program guidelines such as their match amounts, eligibility and more.

Step 3: The donor can select "Go to matching gift form" to easily submit their matching gift request to your school.

Step 4: Your school will then receive the matched donation directly from the donor's employer. This might be in the form of an online payment or check.

How will this impact my fundraising efforts?

This matching gift tool will help your school target match eligible donors without having to do any program research or outreach. This makes it a simple way to fuel your fundraising efforts without asking your contributors for greater gifts. **Plus, schools will keep 100% of all matching gifts!**

Happy fundraising!

How can I increase donations to my child's school fundraising campaign through employer matching gifts?

Employer matching gift programs provide a simple way to maximize fundraising impact on your child's school.

What are employer matching gift programs?

Matching gift programs are hosted by companies to encourage giving by their employees. If you qualify for a matching gift program through your employer, then you can easily double or even triple your next donation! Many donors have no idea they qualify for a matching gift program, so keep reading to find out how to check your eligibility.

How do I check my matching gift eligibility?

Step 1: After making a donation, you will see a search bar that says "See if your employer will match your donation!"

Step 2: Simply type in the name of your employer into the search bar and select it from the drop down menu.

Step 3: The page will then indicate if you qualify for a matching gift program along with next steps.

How do I submit a matching gift request?

1. If you qualify for a matching gift program, then you will see instructions to submit a matching gift request directly on the donation confirmation page.
2. Simply select "Go to Matching Gift Form" to begin the matching process.
3. Different employers use different methods for matching gift submission forms. The matching gift form link on your confirmation page will give you easy next steps to begin the process.

How will this impact my child's school fundraising campaign?

Employer matching gifts are a simple way to fuel fundraising for your child's school without having to give a greater contribution. Your child's school will certainly appreciate your doubled donation!

5th Grade Yard Signs



*Celebrate our children as they complete their
last year of elementary school!*

- ☀ weather proof corrugated plastic
- ☀ metal stake included
- ☀ fade resistant ink
- ☀ 36" wide x 24" high

\$17 if ordered by March 31st

\$20 if ordered after March 31st

Deadline to order is May 3rd

Customization available

\$5.00 additional to personalize with name

ORDER AT

WWW.APVISIONS.COM

ACCESS CODE: 22HHYS

All orders will be delivered to the school by May 13th for distribution.

**Late orders can not be accepted.*

SO MANY PLACES TO GET COVID-19 VACCINES



COVID-19 vaccines are **free, safe, effective** and available throughout Contra Costa County

HEALTHCARE PROVIDERS

Patients at these health systems can schedule vaccine appointments

- Contra Costa Regional Medical Center & Health Centers (<https://bit.ly/312dbcR>)
- John Muir Health (<https://bit.ly/2ZFo1VQ>)
- Kaiser Permanente (<https://k-p.li/3pKatTS>)
- Sutter Health (<https://bit.ly/3GsRDGy>)

PHARMACIES

- Costco (<https://bit.ly/3Gws14U>)
- CVS (<https://bit.ly/3pYxUsP>)
- Rite Aid (<https://bit.ly/3Ekorij>)
- Sam's Club (<https://bit.ly/3GtZi7B>)
- Safeway (<https://bit.ly/3nCOv4g>)
- Walgreens (<https://bit.ly/3nzVBEN>)
- Walmart (<https://bit.ly/312drlR>)

PUBLIC & COMMUNITY CLINICS

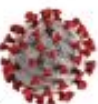
- Contra Costa Health Services (<https://bit.ly/3tx2vvG>)
- La Clínica (<https://bit.ly/3GueDF5>)
- LifeLong Medical (<https://bit.ly/2ZtINYN>)
- [MyTurn.Ca.Gov](https://myturn.ca.gov)

Don't see what you're looking for?

Find more vaccination sites near you at myturn.ca.gov or vaccines.gov
or call Contra Costa Health Services: 1-833-829-2626

Questions about the vaccines?

Talk to your healthcare provider for more information



The No Place For Hate® Promise

1

I PROMISE to do my best
to treat everyone fairly.

2

I PROMISE to do my best to be kind
to everyone — even if they are not like me.

3

IF I SEE someone being hurt or bullied,
I will tell a teacher.

4

EVERYONE should be able to feel
safe and happy in school.

5

I WANT OUR SCHOOL to be No Place For Hate®.

Have You Signed the No Place For Hate® Promise Yet?
Find out how from your school's No Place For Hate® committee.

ADL
Anti-Defamation League®





FITNESS FRIDAY

Join us for Fitness Friday! Start your day with exercises led by our PTA chairperson, Dinesh Kumar!

March 25th @ 7:15 AM to 7:45 AM

We will meet on the blacktop every other Friday.

In order to limit any possible COVID exposure and to assist with contact tracing, we must enforce the following guidelines this year:

- **All students who wish to participate MUST complete the registration form and waiver. Walk-ins will not be accepted.**
- **Parents and non-Hidden Hills siblings may not participate at this time. Please do not enter the blacktop with your student.**
- **Students may join this program at any time throughout the year as long as the registration form and waiver have been signed prior to the participation date (no later than the night before).**

*All other students who will not be joining Fitness Friday must wait outside of the gate until the staff monitor arrives at 7:45.

Fitness Friday student registration and waiver:

<https://forms.gle/vftaMphe2nhCnqHr6>

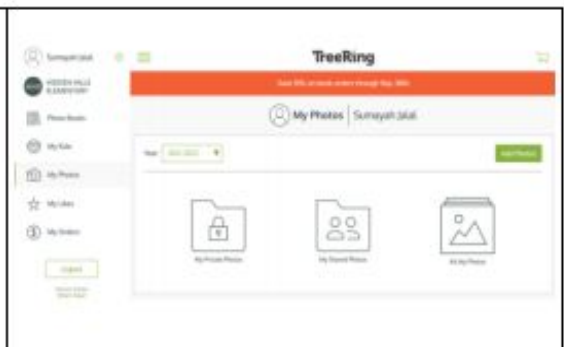
Thank you for your understanding. Hope to see you there!

Sincerely,
Hillary Wong
Hidden Hills Elementary PTA President

TREERING PICTURE UPLOADING INSTRUCTIONS

STEP 1: Add Photo

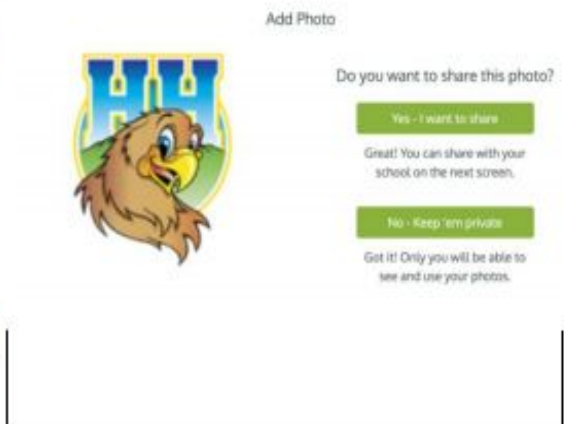
- Click on 'My Photos'
- Click on 'Add Photos'



STEP 2: To Share or Not to Share

- Selecting 'Yes – I want to share' enables them to be considered for the main shared yearbook pages *
- Select 'No – Keep 'em private' to use for your own personalized pages

**Only upload school related pictures for sharing. All non-school related pictures will be removed from the shared folder.*



STEP 3: Add to Class Folder

- Select your class folder
- Select 'Add Photo'



STEP 4: Add Child's Name & Tag Activity

- Add your child's name by clicking on the people icon
- Tag the activity. (standardized tags are: 1stday, classroom, siblings, halloween, boosterthon, funrun, blockparty, carnival, elac, wordsmatter, fieldtrip, music, pe, art, friends, project, crazyhair) **Click 'Done'**



STEP 5: Save