



## Sacramento Valley Charter School November Parent Newsletter

Dear Parents,

The 2020 -2021 school year will be historically unique and challenging for many reasons. It is not only COVID-19 that derailed our normal routines, but also several gigantic fires around us that engulfed thousands of acres of forest land destroying many lives, businesses and houses. To cope with so many problems involving job losses, business failures and school closures is not easy. It is sheer human resilience and courage that we are trying to stay positive and full of hope for a brighter future. Undoubtedly, it is a test of our human spirit and problem-solving skills. The younger generations in such times have shown their innovative spirit to shine over gloomy and dark recesses of our life. I am proud of our SVCS community and our partners who have accepted not only the challenge but have been demonstrating their willingness to support us through these difficult times.

October was a very busy month as we caught up with our curriculum pacing for concluding the first trimester of the school year. Due to the Distance Learning, although we experienced some hiccups, our teachers nevertheless worked extra hours to make online learning engaging for our scholars. This wouldn't have been possible without the parents' cooperation, patience and monitoring of their scholars at home. On behalf of SVCS staff, I profusely thank parents for their support. The virtual Halloween parade last Friday demonstrated our scholars' enthusiasm for school events. Parents and our scholars deserve a lot of appreciation for making it a great fun.

The first trimester will end on November 6<sup>th</sup>, and you will receive your scholars' report card. Parent-Teacher conferences are on November 12th-13th. There is no school for kids on these two days. Please make sure that you attend these meetings. Parents can prepare to share information with their scholars' teachers about things that may be affecting their child's behavior and progress. Teachers may ask if your scholars have a quiet place to work, if they like to read for fun and if they do their assignments without interruptions. Parents should take the feedback from teachers in a positive way and it should be interpreted only for the benefit of their scholars.

*Dr. Amrik Singh, PhD*  
Principal

**School Reopening Update:** We are all anxious about having schools reopen for in person instruction. Although Yolo County has been in the red tier for weeks now, the upcoming holidays may cause the number of cases to increase. If the number of cases keep decreasing and

the county supports the reopening of schools, SVCS tentatively plans to open for a hybrid phase in January 2021. We will keep you updated as more information is being released by the County.

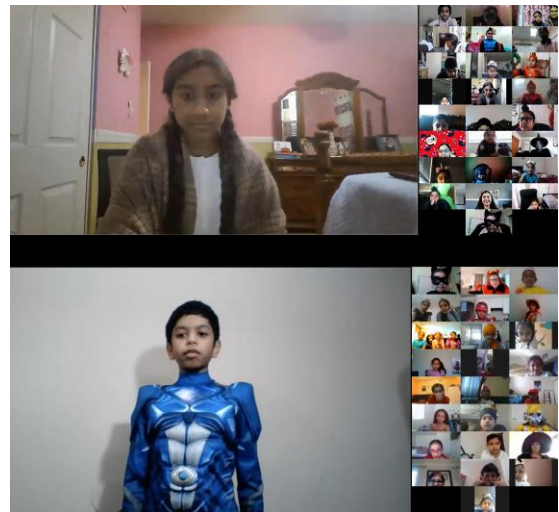
**Elections:** It is the responsibility of the American people to perform their civic duties such as electing government officials. This November 3<sup>rd</sup>, please vote and help shape this country into an even better place.

**Use Your Common Sense Day** is Nov 4th. The simplest way of celebrating Use Your Common Sense Day is by taking a little more time to stop and consider your options before acting on impulse.

**1<sup>st</sup> Trimester:** The first trimester ends on November 6<sup>th</sup>; report cards will be sent out through mail for parents to review them before the Parent-Teacher Conference.

**Book Lovers Day** is on November 7th. Celebrate this day by spending some time reading with your scholar. Reading is educational, informative and relaxing.

**Veteran's Day:** will be observed on Wednesday, November 11th, in remembrance of the many living and fallen soldiers who have served in the US military. There will be no school on 11/11.



*Amrit and Nikhil hosting the first Virtual Halloween event*

**Parent-Teacher Conference:** The regular parent-teacher conferences are scheduled for November 12<sup>th</sup>-13<sup>th</sup> for all parents. Please make sure you attend this really important meeting. There will be no school these days.

**The 41st Annual Yuba City Nagar Kirtan 2020** has been cancelled due to the COVID-19 Pandemic.

**Awards Assembly:** There will be an awards assembly on November 18<sup>th</sup>. Certificates will be delivered to the scholar's home before the assembly. Please share a photo of your scholar with the certificate with us. Teachers will be sharing the Zoom Link so you can join the assembly. The assembly will be broken down into the following grades:

**K-3rd @ 8:30am**

**4th-5th @ 9:20am**

**6th-8th @ 10:10am**

**Thanksgiving** will be from Monday, November 23<sup>rd</sup> through Friday, November 27<sup>th</sup>. There will be no school these days. Thanksgiving is a uniquely American holiday for families to gather and remember the many things to be thankful for over this year.

**EL Support Extended Hours:** Based on the recent survey sent to the parents of all EL students 82% of the answers indicated that you would have your EL student participate in the extended hours for English language support. SVCS is coordinating with the English Language Development teachers to create a schedule, more information about the EL program will be available soon.



*SVCS scholars engaged in the virtual Halloween event*

**Spelling Bee:** SVCS is officially enrolled in the 2021 Scripps National Spelling Bee program. Work with your scholar so that he/she can participate in this year's Spelling Bee.

**Social Media:** It is vital to the success and safety of our scholars that their actions on all social media platforms be monitored. Students may find themselves trapped in an unsafe environment that might compromise their ability to understand the complexity of social media.

**Donations:** SVCS always welcomes donations to help cover the many services we provide students. If you are interested in donating to SVCS, the office is open from 8:00am to 4:00pm to help you or you can visit our main website and on the bottom of the homepage use the DONATE link to make a donation using a Credit/Debit card: [Donate](#)  
In addition, the office can provide receipts/letters for donations, as they can be used for tax write-offs for the upcoming tax season.

**Attendance** is very important and should be taken very seriously. If your scholar gets marked as unengaged you will receive a call from the school at 4pm. If you experience a power or internet outage or your scholar has an appointment, please call the office to notify them.

**Internet Connection:** If you are experiencing hardship in providing internet connection to your kids to participate in distance learning, please contact the office immediately or our technology coordinator at [techsupport@sacvalleycharter.org](mailto:techsupport@sacvalleycharter.org).

**Free Dress Day** is on Fridays. Scholars are expected to wear their uniform from Monday-Thursday.

**Dates to Remember**

Tuesday	November 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Elections Day
Friday	November 6 <sup>th</sup>	End of 1 <sup>st</sup> Trimester (Report Cards)
Wednesday	November 11 <sup>th</sup>	Veteran's Day (No School)
Thu-Fri	November 12 <sup>th</sup> - 13 <sup>th</sup>	Parent-Teacher Conferences (No School)
Wednesday	November 18 <sup>th</sup>	Awards Ceremony
Mon-Fri	November 23 <sup>rd</sup> - 27 <sup>th</sup>	Thanksgiving (No School)