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Dr. Amrik Singh, Principal

Sacramento Valley Charter School Parent Newsletter

Dear Parents and Families,

Your scholar's success at school depends on many factors such as ensuring healthy breakfast, enough sleep, goal-setting, limiting "screen time", monitoring progress, teaming up with teachers etc. Parent partnership is the key factor in your scholar's education. We appreciate you for selecting Sacramento Valley Charter. We will make sure your scholar has a positive experience here. Thank you for sending your scholar to school in proper uniform daily. The regular attendance not only supports school funding but also keeps your scholar motivated and well-prepared for challenging tasks. To promote good study habits, set up a quiet space in the house where your scholar can do homework, and read for 30 minutes as a matter of habit. We are currently completing initial assessments to determine individual learning needs of each scholar. We may contact you to discuss your scholars' strengths and areas of concern on minimum days of September 26 and 27 between 1:00pm-4:00pm. Please cooperate with your scholars' teacher to stay involved in your scholar's education. As our scholars learn, compete, and excel, we are looking forward to parents' presence at our monthly award assemblies. If your scholar wins an award, you will get information from teachers.

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Labor Day: As a reminder, there is no school Monday, September 2nd, as it is Labor Day. Please enjoy your three-day weekend.

Afterschool: SVCS' Afterschool program starts on Tuesday, September 3rd. It will be Monday through Thursday, from 3pm to 5:30 pm. The monthly fee for the afterschool program is \$35 per week and is payable in the front office during regular office hours. School doesn't provide any transportation following the afterschool program, so it is important that parents pick up their children promptly by 5:30 pm.



Meet and Greet



Mr. Peace Assembly

PTO: Parents, please take part in our Parent-Teacher Organization. The next meeting has been scheduled for September 6th in the Multipurpose Room at 6:00 pm. Ballots will be cast, and new officers will be elected on that day. If you would like to run for office, please give your name to the front office by September 5th at the latest.

Interim Assessment: We are administering Smarter Balanced Assessments beginning from September 9th. It is necessary to expose your scholar to the rigor of online assessments so that they become confident for the end of the year tests. How your scholars perform on these assessments, we will share information with you.

ELPAC Initial: New students from other countries or students speaking languages other than English are tested for ELPAC (Initial) to determine appropriate support services for the success of our scholars. We are currently completing initial assessments.

Student Council Election: SVCS scholars experience how representatives are elected and how they form government. On September 19th, scholars will elect their government. The contesting candidates will present their speeches in an assembly on the 18th so they can convince voters of their qualification and skills.

Minimum Days, September 26th-27th: Please remember to pick up your scholar from your stop at the assigned time. Minimum Day schedule are posted on our website.

September, 24 Picture Day: Lifetouch picture day is coming up quickly this year. It will be on Tuesday, September 24th, starting at 9am. Parents need to make sure that their students are in uniform for this picture day, as the free-dress picture day is in the spring. Please make sure to have your payment and forms ready in advance. Forms will be sent out the week prior to photo day. Last year, we had several issues with photos relating to underpayment. The forms may note to include tax. Please take this into account when including payment with your forms, thank you.

No Bullying Assembly: This assembly will be on September 5th at 8:40am for grades K-4, and 9:30am for grades 5-8.

SWEAT Team: SWEAT Team will start their program in the first week of September.

Art: SVCS is adding a new program that will teach our scholars the basics of art. We have hired a fully credentialed art teacher, Ms. Hope Morrish. We welcome Ms. Morrish to our staff!

STEM: Mr. Turner, our new Middle School Science Teacher, brings a well-defined robotics program to our school. We want to ensure that our scholars take full advantage of the knowledge he brings in robotics and the hands-on experience they will receive in our new STEM lab.



First Day of School

Dates to Remember

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| Monday | Sep 02 | Labor Day (NO SCHOOL) |
| Tuesday | Sep 03 | After School Program begins |
| Thursday | Sep 5 | No Bullying Assembly in MP Room @ K-4, 8:40am 5-8, 9:30am |
| Wednesday | Sep 18 | Student Council Speeches @ 2pm in MP Room |
| Tuesday | Sep 24 | Lifetouch Picture Day |
| Thursday | Sep 26 | Minimum Day |
| Friday | Sep 27 | Minimum Day |
| Wednesday | Oct 02 | Awards Assemblies: K-4, 1:30-2:15pm 5-8, 2:15-3pm |

“Any book that helps a child to form a habit of reading, to make reading one of his deep and continuing needs, is good for him.”

– Maya Angelou