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Falcon Flyer
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It has been a great short week at Deerfield! We continue to be impressed with how hard our students are working and the effort being given to learning. Go Falcons!

Dates to Remember:

Monday, Feb. 15: No school - Presidents' Day

Friday, Feb. 26: School of Choice closes at 12 noon

Reminders:

- **No-Cost COVID-19 Testing:** Earlier this week, the district sent a communication regarding no-cost COVID-19 testing for students, staff and staff dependents. As a reminder, if you decide to utilize the district's testing program or any other testing service, please contact the office to let us know that your child will be absent due to testing and have your student remain home until the test results are received. Here's the [link](#) for more information.
- **Operation School Bell:** OSB is Assistance League of Irvine's largest philanthropy, providing clothing and school supplies for income-qualified students in the Irvine Unified School District. The program is a free, confidential clothing service for pre-kindergarten through 12th grade children in need. This year's program will run now through April 3. The OSB application process will be completely online. Click [here](#) to apply. Please contact Christine in the front office at (949) 936-5653 if you have questions regarding OSB.

- **Virtual Parent Night Hosted:** Deerfield is proud to partner with College Park and Greentree to offer a virtual parent night hosted by CHOC Children's Mental Health Education Program on Tuesday, Feb. 9 from 6:30-7:30 p.m. The topic is anxiety, depression and the impact of COVID-19 in children. Please refer to the attached document for the registration link.
- **Afterschool Enrichment Classes Now Enrolling:** IPSF's next session of ACE Online offers over 100 fun and engaging after school online classes for students in grades 1-8. We have added exciting new classes including Nintendo Gamemakers, Mystery Science, and Entrepreneurship, to name a few. Registration is now open, and classes will fill up fast! Here's the [link](#) to register.
- **School of Choice:** The window for School of Choice is now open and will close on Friday, Feb. 26 at 12 noon. This [SCHOOL CHOICE request](#) is for Deerfield Elementary School only. If you wish to pursue a school choice spot at ANY OTHER Irvine Unified School District school site, please visit www.iusd.org.

PTA Announcements:

PTA Parent Survey - <https://forms.gle/LcBoeSoErMZS7MURA>. Thank you to the 87 families that have already responded to the survey! To the remaining 600+ families, we care and want to hear your needs. Your feedback will directly impact our plans as we move to finish this year strong together! It takes 5 minutes of your time. Please respond by Wednesday, January 27! Thank you for sharing your voice!

PTA Donations - We would like to extend our gratitude and recognize two generous donations to our PTA from Deerfield families and companies. These funds will go towards upcoming student and teacher needs this spring. Thank you for your support and investment in our school community!

- The Wonderful Company Foundation Inc. who donated \$500. This donation was made on behalf of Dhiraj and Punam Chhajer, parents of Prisha Chhajer, IVA student in kindergarten.
- The Benevity Company also donated \$500. This donation was made on behalf of Deepak Malik and Rashmi Singh, parents of Hemakshi Malik, 3rd grade hybrid student.

Buy Your Yearbook for just \$20 Until Jan. 31! Just follow these simple steps below.

- 1) Go to www.treering.com/validate
- 2) Enter your school's passcode: 101601949358244 and create a login ID and password.
- 3) Purchase yearbook for \$20 by clicking on "Kid Yearbooks"
- 4) Create on your own two FREE custom student / family pages, which are printed ONLY in your book. Each additional two pages are just \$0.99. Custom pages are optional and due in March (not Jan. 31)!

For any questions, please email dfptayearbook@gmail.com

6th Grade Dedication Yearbook Pages - Due Feb. 15! 6th graders, don't forget to send in your responses for the dedication pages. Send responses to dfptayearbook@gmail.com with Dedication Page, Child's name, Teacher's name in the subject line. Please answer the three question below with one sentence each.

- 1) What is your favorite Deerfield memory?
- 2) Share your reflections on the quarantine and graduating while sheltering in place.
- 3) What do you want to be when you grow up?

"Six Feet Together" Yearbook Cover Contest - Due Jan. 31 - Our first place winner will receive a FREE Yearbook! For any questions or to submit online, please email dfptayearbook@gmail.com or turn in at the front office. See below for more details.

Rules:

- Original artwork only (no copies of posters or characters)
- Use 8 ½ x 11 inch white paper
- Artwork must have a vertical orientation
- Artwork must be in color with no 3D items affixed to it
- Theme must be written and featured as the title: "Six Feet Together"
- DO NOT write "Deerfield Elementary" or the year
- Write your name, Teacher's name, Parent's name and Parent's email address on the back of your artwork in pencil or email