

# DaVTA Newsletter

## Half Days on Thursday and Friday

This Thursday and Friday we will be having half days for parent conferences. Please be sure to pick up your children by 12:30. We will not have our normal study halls on these days due to the conferences. Thank you!

## Parent Conferences this Week

Our T2 Parent Conferences are going on this week. We are trying our best to open up the school to see as many parents as possible. Accordingly, appointments are on the following days:

- Kindergarten thru 6th Grades: By Appointment Only; Thursday-Friday from 1:30-6:00
- 7th/8th Grades: By Appointment Only; Tues.-Wed. from 3:45-5:30; Thurs.-Fri. from 1:30-5:30
- Administration: Drop-ins Welcome; Thursday-Friday from 1:30-5:30

All scheduled appointments should be made through the school's online booking system found at our PickTime site at [www.picktime.com/davincitree](http://www.picktime.com/davincitree).


## Mr. Russas Stepping Down as STEM Coordinator

Mr. Russas, the schools STEM Curriculum Coordinator (also known as our STEM Director) is stepping down from his position. As we reported several weeks ago, Mr. Russas was hospitalized with a life threatening condition. Since then, he has been released from medical care and is thankfully no longer in danger of dying. He and his children have had to move across town to be closer to family who can support him through his recovery. Sadly, given the requirements of his journey back to full health and his geographic distance from the school, he can no longer fulfill his duties to the school. Da Vinci Tree loves Mr. Russas and his family, and he has assured us that as soon as he is able he will be back to talk with the students and say his goodbyes.


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Choose a Service:

**PARENT TEACHER MEETINGS**

 In-Person Parent Teacher Conference  
20 mins

**ONLINE TUTORING**

 K-3rd Online Math Tutoring  
1 hr  
Sessions will most likely not last an hour, but more like 30 minutes. All sessions  
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Da Vinci Tree's remaining administrators have been working a lot of overtime to cover for the loss of Mr. Russas in the school's leadership. Since Mr. Russas was also the Testing Coordinator for the school, we are currently in the process of getting another coordinator into place and getting all of our state testing dates in-place for the AASA test. We thank everyone for their patience and understanding as we go through this process.

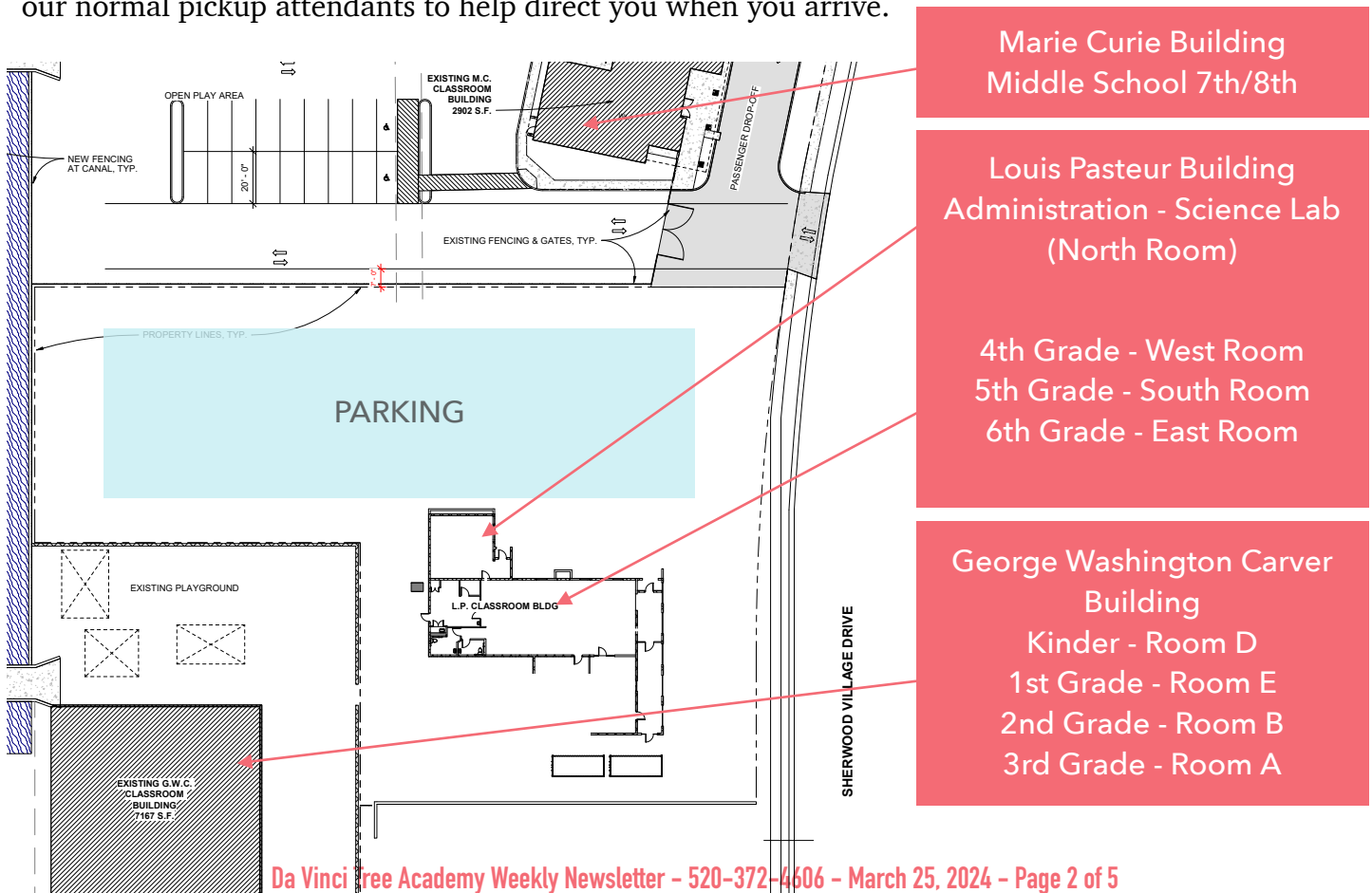
## Administrative Drop-Ins During Conferences

We know that several parents have expressed that it has been more difficult than normal to get ahold of school leadership recently. We can now share that that was not just a perception, but was in fact the truth due to our leadership team covering for the loss of Mr. Russas. In an effort to again make our leadership team as accessible as possible to the community, we are hosting our first Administrative Conferences this week.

Conferences are completely optional and do not require an appointment. Matt Roll, Da Vinci Tree's Founder and Principal, Yvonne Rodriguez, Da Vinci Tree's ESS Director, Jennifer Martinez, Da Vinci Tree's Front Office Administrator, and even Josh Barbero, Da Vinci Tree's Book Keeper and IT Coordinator will all be available to meet. They will be stationed in the school's Science Lab from around 1:30 - 5:30 on Thursday and Friday. Please come by if you have any questions or concerns or if you're just curious to meet them!

## Map of Campus for Conferences

Please use the campus map below to find your child's classroom for conferences. We will also have our normal pickup attendants to help direct you when you arrive.



# Trophy Challenge Round 2

Please do not forget that the Trophy Challenge Round 2 has already started! This challenge began on March 13th and is running until April 12th.

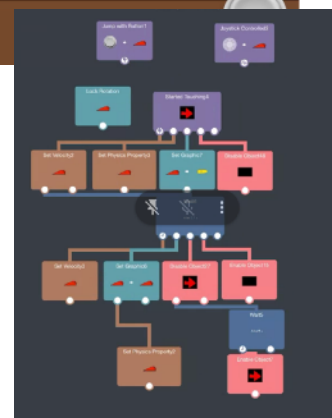
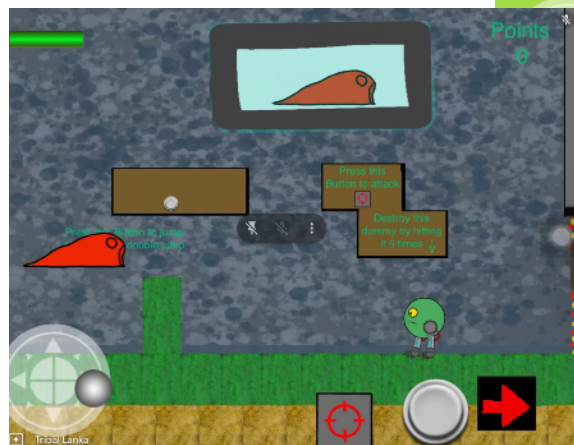
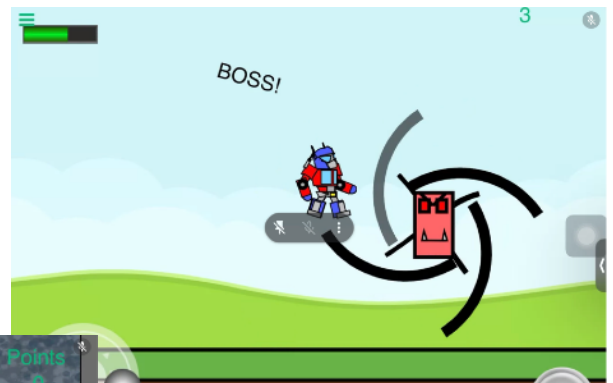
We fully understand that many parents are not fans of the Trophy Challenge. Honestly, **we aren't either**. The Trophy Challenge is set up to mimic the state's online AASA test that judges both our students and our school. It is the tool that we are using to better prepare our children for taking the test.

Later this week we will have a newsletter dedicated to Trophy Challenge Q&A and a how-to guide to navigating the interface to help you make sure your kids are getting their work done. Until then, we wanted to remind everyone of the updated requirements for Round Two.

Age Level	Number Needed for Grades per subject	Percentage of Class Grade per subject	Total Number Needed for Extra Credit per subject	Total Number Needed for Gift Card per subject
Kinder - First	1	10%	2	N/A
Second	3	20%	4	N/A
Third - Eighth	6	20%	7	13
Students with IEP/ 504 K-1	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Students with IEP/ 504 2nd	1	20%	2	N/A
Students with IEP/ 504 3rd-8th	2	20%	3	5

## Student Video Games

Recently our Video Game Design students completed their first full games! To celebrate their achievements, we wanted to post a few screen shots. All games are coded to work on a tablet or smart phone. Great work kids!



# A P R I L

## Da Vinci Tree Academy Breakfast Menu

M	T	W	T	F
Assorted Cereal Fruit of the day Juice Milk Variety 1	French Toast Fruit of the day Juice Milk Variety 2	Bacon & Egg Burrito Fruit of the day Juice Milk Variety 3	Danish Fruit of the day Juice Milk Variety 4	Bagel w Cream Cheese Fruit of the day Juice Milk Variety 5
Blueberry Muffin Fruit of the day Juice Milk Variety 8	Waffles Fruit of the day Juice Milk Variety 9	Egg, Potato & Cheese Burrito Fruit of the day Juice Milk Variety 10	Yogurt w Crackers Fruit of the day Juice Milk Variety 11	Egg & Cheese Muffin Fruit of the day Juice Milk Variety 12
Assorted Cereal Fruit of the day Juice Milk Variety 15	Pancakes w Sausage Fruit of the day Juice Milk Variety 16	Turkey & Egg Burrito Fruit of the day Juice Milk Variety 17	Bagel w Cream Cheese Fruit of the day Juice Milk Variety 18	Cinnamon Roll Fruit of the day Juice Milk Variety 19
No School 22	No School 23	No School 24	No School 25	No School 26
Assorted Cereal Fruit of the day Juice Milk Variety 29	Apple Filled Pancakes Fruit of the day Juice Milk Variety 30			

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## Da Vinci Tree Academy Lunch Menu

M	T	W	T	F
Chicken Patty Sandwich Corn Fruit of the day Milk Variety 1	Baked Ziti w Meat Sauce Carrots Fruit of the day Milk Variety 2	Cheese Quesadilla Refried Beans Fruit of the day Milk Variety 3	Turkey Hot Dog Green Beans Fruit of the day Milk Variety 4	Pepperoni Pizza Romaine Lettuce Fruit of the day Milk Variety 5
Cheeseburger Corn Fruit of the day Milk Variety 8	Mac & Cheese Carrots Fruit of the day Milk Variety 9	Chicken Fajitas w Tortilla Refried Beans Fruit of the day Milk Variety 10	Turkey & Cheese Sub Green Beans Fruit of the day Milk Variety 11	Pepperoni Pizza Romaine Lettuce Fruit of the day Milk Variety 12
Chicken Nuggets Corn Fruit of the day Milk Variety 15	Spaghetti w Meat Sauce Carrots Fruit of the day Milk Variety 16	Beef Picadillo w Tortilla Refried Beans Fruit of the day Milk Variety 17	Chicken Teriyaki w Rice Green Beans Fruit of the day Milk Variety 18	No School Lunch 19
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Hamburger Corn Fruit of the day Milk Variety 29	Chicken Salad Sub Carrots Fruit of the day Milk Variety 30			

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