

What is the Parent Club?

It is a group of parents who want to build strong working relationships between the parents, the school and the community, and provide enrichment programs to our students. It is separate from the school and is its own 501(c)3 nonprofit.

WHO IS IN THE PARENT CLUB? You! Every parent, grandparent, and guardian is part of the Parent Club.

WHAT DOES THE PARENT CLUB DO? The Parent Club raises money to provide the school with things that, due to funding shortfalls, it cannot otherwise afford.

WHAT ARE THESE THINGS? The Parent Club works to fundraise enough money each year to cover the cost of 3 aides, the art and music program, the computer program, the library, and life lab.

Why do we do this?

We do it to promote the **finest education possible** for the students at Happy Valley School. **The money we raise for...**

...**AIDES** decreases the student to teacher ratio, allowing for more individualized attention;



...the **COMPUTER LAB** allows our children to learn the skills they will need to be successful in the future;

...the **ART & MUSIC** program enriches our students' learning experience, and hones perceptual and cognitive skills;



...the **LIBRARY** connects kids with books which support their classroom work and enhances literacy;



...**LIFE LAB** provides experiential learning, hands on science, and a direct connection to the natural world.

How do we do it?

We do it by working towards 100% participation in our fundraising efforts. This begins with the Commitment Letter that families fill out at the beginning of the year. Families donate money and/or goods and services, volunteer, or both during events such as the **Kids Olympics & BBQ, Redwoods Dinner, and donation drives.**

And this leads to...

Happy Valley Elementary being a **California Distinguished School** and consistently in the **top 10% of the state** academically as measured by the API index!

What is the total budget?

School Budget: \$1 M*

Pays for teachers, administrators, office staff, books, utilities, and maintenance.

Parent Club: 75 - 100 K

Pays for 3 aides, Art & Music Program, Computer Lab, Life Lab, and Library

Endowment Fund: 35 K

3 aides

*These are approximate numbers

