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# Flower Valley Elementary School

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The PTA is a non-profit organization with a vision: ***Making every child's potential a reality.***

The PTA mission is to provide a powerful voice for all children, a relevant resource for families and communities, and a strong advocate for the education and well-being of every child.

## HANDS ON SCIENCE IS BACK!

Hands On Science, a MCCPTA-EPI program, is a nonprofit organization whose mission is to spark an interest in science and mathematics in children. The extremely popular after-school program for budding scientists will start registration soon, and classes kick off in January. Classes at Flower Valley are as follows:

**K-1 - Chemistry Detectives** – Experiment with mixtures, solutions, acids and bases. Learn how to waft. Make glue from milk. Concoct scented soap balls, bath salts and ink. Help solve the gold paper caper. Children become science sleuths with safe, common substances.

**2-3 - Chemistry Creations** – Your kitchen has a full laboratory complete with equipment and chemicals. How can you use chemical reactions to identify unknowns? Learn how to safely mix and measure to enjoy the magic of changing colors, liberating gases, and analyzing various antacids.

**4-5 - Your Own Mini-Lab** – Set up a mini-lab by making your own test tube rack as basic equipment. Make cheese, glue, play putty and more. Test for viscosity, solubility, acid/base reactions with safe stuff only. Use your skills to have fun with results.

Look for the registration form in your child's backpack later this month! Contact **Anusha Dharmasena** at [Anusha.Dharmasena@frb.gov](mailto:Anusha.Dharmasena@frb.gov) with questions.

## MAGIC IS COMING TO FLOWER VALLEY!



On November 9 at 1:30, the PTA will host magician Joe Romano who will perform his show, "Books: The Magic is Real!" This assembly is designed to ignite a passion for reading by bringing popular children's books to life through the art of magic and illusion. Please join us in welcoming him for our book fair kickoff!

Following the assembly, a flyer will be offered for anyone who would like to purchase a signed copy of Mr. Romano's book, "Magic Tricks to Fool Your Friends." The book sells for \$10 with \$4 of each purchase returned to the PTA to help offset the costs of future Cultural Arts performances.

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