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#### EMPLOYEE MAGAZINE

CHARTER SCHOOLS

Meet Our Student: Kelsey Bogner Groundbreaking Ceremony for the Magnolia Student Center News From Around Our Campuses and Departments



Daylight Savings Time begins Sunday, March 13th at 2:00 am. Don't forget to set your clocks ahead one hour before you turn in on Saturday night!

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In recognition of St. Patrick's Day on March

St. Patrick's Day



**Deuglas House** has been hired as the Human Resources Director for Springs Charter Schools. He feels honored and excited to serve Springs' employees, parents, and students, with excellence in this role.

Douglas was born and raised in Dayton, Ohio and has lived in Indiana, Washington, and California as an adult. He really enjoys learning and growing both personally and professionally and has been privileged to have a robust combination of education, work, and life experiences that will allow him to support all of Springs Charter Schools' stakeholders in a caring and competent way as the Director of Human Resources.



Douglas has a Bachelor of Arts in Criminal Justice with a minor in sociology from Anderson University, he attended Gonzaga University School of Law in 1996, he has a Master of Science in Counseling Psychology from Cal Baptist, he has completed 11 Master's level graduate classes (33 units) in Quality Assurance at Cal State University - Dominguez Hills, and has graduated from the Executive Leadership Development Program from Victor. In addition to his education, Douglas holds the following Human Resources Certifications: PHR (Professional in Human Resources), SHRM-CP (Society for Human Resources Management – Certified Professional), and SPHR (Senior Professional in Human Resources).

Douglas has a total of 20+ years of experience at the supervisory and management level in the private and non-profit businesses, including 8 years as HR Director. He has previously worked for Catholic Charities San Bernardino & Riverside Counties, Victor Treatment Centers & North Valley Schools, Loma Linda University Health Services, Olive Crest Treatment Centers & Olive Crest Academy, United States Army Reserves, and Military Policeman.

On a more personal note, his favorite hobbies include spending time and having adventures with his wife and two young boys, hiking, rock climbing, reading, wood working / DIY home improvement projects, and watching and/or attending any Ohio State Buckeyes sports (especially football & soccer) and Cincinnati Bengals NFL games. Here are pictures of the House Family, his most recent Do It Yourself (DYI) project (built in entertainment center and shelves), and Rock Climbing on Valentine's Day with his family.







CERT training is a commitment of 20 hours of training (must attend all 20hrs). There is no cost for the training. Only those who successfully complete the practical exercise with hands-on instruction in fire suppression, search and rescue, cribbing and medical will receive a certificate of completion and a free CERT kit. Class size is limited to the first 40 people who register.

CERT is about readiness, people helping people, rescuer safety, and doing the greatest good for the greatest number. CERT is a positive and realistic approach to emergency and disaster situations where residents will be initially on their own and their actions can make a difference. Through training, residents can manage utilities and put out small fires; treat the three killers by opening airways, controlling bleeding, and treating for shock; provide basic medical aid; search for and rescue victims safely; and organize themselves and spontaneous volunteers to be effective.

WHEN:	Mar. 11, 2016 5:30pm - 9:30pm Mar. 12, 2016 8:00am - 5:00pm Mar. 13, 2016 8:00am - 5:00pm	
WHERE:	<b>Woodcrest Library</b> 16625 Krameria Ave, Riverside, CA 92504	
WHO:	Open to the public	
Visit:	HOW TO REGISTER:	
	or call 951-955-4700	





This Training is sponsored by: Riverside County Fire Department - Office of Emergency Services

If you require a reasonable accommodation for this event, please OES at (951) 955-4700 no later than Sept 20, 2015 Alternative formats of this flyer are available upon request, at no cost.



## THE COUNTDOWN

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It's first and ten, do it again! Go! Fight! Win! These girls are ready for some football! Student Records and Finance scored with their Super Bowl spirit as they donned their team shirts and enjoyed a winning potluck! "I will return to being a lady when football

season is over! Maybe!" Go team go!

Sarah & Robert

proudly welcome sheir baby

## **Robert Walker Hutcheson**

February 4, 2015 9 lbs. 5 oz. - 22 in.





Warngr and Rachgl Graham wglcomg baby girl!

## **DADDY'S LITTLE GIRL**

#### Have You Heard?

Springs Charter Schools will have a booth at the Temecula Valley Balloon & Wine Festival.

We will need staff volunteers to run the booth for the duration of the weekend. The purpose of the event is to spread the word about all Springs Charter Schools programs. Come help us represent your program!

A volunteer shift gets you FREE entry into the event for that day. Come hang out with us for a bit then stay & play!

Questions? Contact Julianna Hubbell at 951-252-8888 or julianna.hubbell@springscs.org

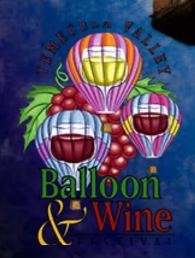
Visit www.TVBWF.com for event details

May 20-22, 2016 Here's how it works in 3 easy steps:

1. Click this link to go to our invitation page on VolunteerSpot: <u>http://vols.pt/z3VVz6</u>

2. Enter your email address: (You will NOT need to register an account on VolunteerSpot)

3. Sign up! Choose your spots -VolunteerSpot will send you an automated confirmation and reminders. Easy!





Springs Charter Schools will have a booth at the 2nd Annual Temecula Valley County Fair!

#### March 18-21, 2016 at Gallaway Downs 38801 Los Corralitos Road, Temecula, CA 92592

We need your help to staff the booths and provide interested families with insight and information about our school. If you choose to volunteer and your hours are over 40 for the week, you will get paid appropriately. Sign up at: http://vols.pt/26AVxM

Enjoy quality entertainment and concessions in a family-friendly environment to the benefit of local charities. For more information, please visit: http://www.tvfamilyfair.com



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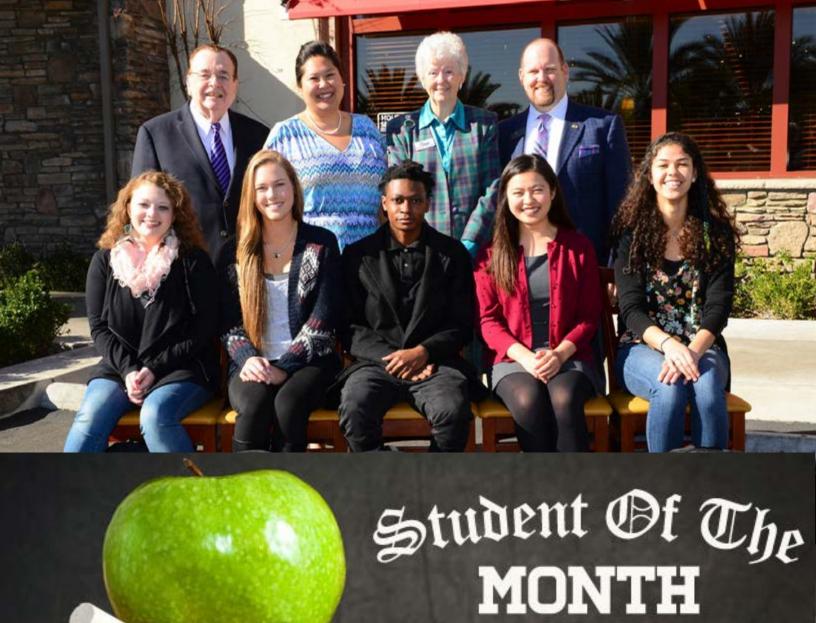
Can you believe we are already thinking about the 2016/17 school year? We want to provide you with some valuable information regarding Priority Program Transfers for returning Spring's students. The date for currently enrolled families to have priority in transferring their student(s) to a different program for the 16/17 school year is March 23, **2016.** Families that submit transfer requests prior to that day will receive priority into the requested program over newly enrolling students. Requests submitted after that date will no longer receive the same priority status. After March 23rd, our intake department will start "filling seats" in all programs until capacity is reached. They will start with those currently enrolled students who have requested a program change prior to March 23rd. After those students are placed into their requested programs, we will start placing new applicant students. We have started processing applications for the 16/17 school year on February 8, 2016. Programs will be filling up quickly. Please discuss that timeline with your families who may be considering a change for next school year.

IT and Facilities having a good time at the future site of the Magnolia Student center!



We have added an IT Tech I: Chris South. If you see Chris around, introduce yourself!
Edwin Cruz had his last day at IT on Friday, February 19th, and will be joining the United States Air Force. We wish him all the luck in the world!





On February 4, 2016, the Murrieta Chamber of Commerce High School Student of the Month Program was held and the students shown in the photo were recognized. Shown standing from left to right are: Paul Diffley, MVUSD Board Member; Jen Pham: SOM Chair: Margaret Jones, SOM Chair; and Patrick Ellis, Murrieta Chamber of Commerce CEO. Shown sitting left to right are: Kelsey Bogner (Springs Charter School); Jenna McKinnon (Vista Murrieta High School) Micah White (Creekside High School); Jessica Kim (Murrieta Valley High School); Emmanuel Coria Bugarin (Tenaja Canyon Academy) Photo credit: KC Photography

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Springs Charter Schools Senior **Kelsey Bogner** has maintained a 4.0 GPA in the independent study program. Kelsey is a perfectionist who has a great work ethic and who exhibits selfdiscipline in her studies. She has put in the effort and time it takes to succeed. Kelsey is interested in pursuing her education and a career in the medical field. Kelsey is known for going the extra mile. She has a great heart and character and she is loving and kind. Kelsey provides support to her friends and family. Although Kelsey has had to overcome several tragedies in her life, she said she has learned to be grateful for the support of her family.



Congratulations and appreciation goes out to all of our students that participated in this year's Homeschool Science Fair!

All 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place winners will be going onto the School Wide Science and Engineering Fair on February 19, 2016 in Temecula. Thanks to all of our judges for their hard work!

The following students received awards for their tremendous effort:

#### Seniors:

- Sable Hunt 1st
- Diego Barela -Honorable Mention
- Holly and Heidi West Honorable Mention Juniors:
- Grace Winterstrom 1st
- Cailin Schneider and Isabella Zuniga 2nd
- Rylan Boucher 3rd
- Beren Welter, Honorable Mention
- Matthew Camillieri Honorable Mention Elementary:
- Ephraim Stites 1st
- Leah Garza 2nd
- Emilee Douglass 3rd
- Achlys Cisneros Honorable Mention
- Fiafia Liaga Honorable Mention

amazing students and staff who made this event a success, and a special thanks to the very supportive and loving parents. We sure appreciate all that you have done to help these outstanding students

Thanks to all the

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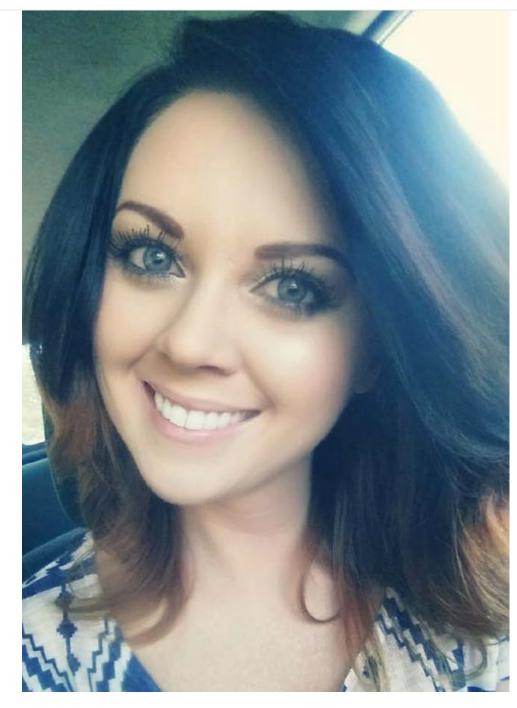




HOMESCHOOL "I CAN" ICE CREAM SOCIALS 2016 - WE CAN! Congratulations to all of our Homeschool students that have completed their "I CAN" tasks for our first semester. Each student is being rewarded with a new "I CAN" t-shirt, along with the opportunity to participate at one of our Ice Cream Socials. It's all about the fun, but mostly the ICE CREAM! Keep up the good work students!







The Homeschool Learning Centers would like to welcome Kate Austin as our Administrative Assistant. Kate has been working for Springs for the last year and a half at the Rancho Cucamonga Learning Center. The Rancho site will miss Kate. but they know that the learning centers will be gaining a valuable addition to the program. Kate can be reached at (951) 225-7754 or kate.austin@springscs.org

## CORONA STUDENT CENTER



We had one of our amazing students take 3rd place in the Spelling Bee. Congratulations Brian for doing such a great job!!!



Our January award winners are amazing students!

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## CORONA STUDENT CENTER

Miss Renee, our Cheer Coach, gave the Corona Coyote Cheerleaders their new pom-poms last week. Our cheer squad is for grades 5th - 8th. The girls are ready to cheer for the Coyote Basketball Team on March 12th. Corona Cheer Squad showing tons of SCHOOL SPIRIT! BLUE. SILVER. WHITE. FIGHT. COYOTES.



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January was an exciting month in Mrs. Wind and Whitlow's second and third multiage classroom. Students worked on personal passion projects over several months. Students selected a topic that they were interested in to research. Then, they searched the Internet, read books, watched videos, or conducted interviews to learn about their topic. Students practiced note-taking skills during their research and later used their notes to write about their topic. Many students even typed their own essays! Students also created a project of choice about their topic. Projects included PowerPoint, posters, timelines, models, flower arrangements, and an erupting volcano! Students presented their topic to the classroom and we were so impressed with the knowledge shared during these oral presentations! On January 20 we had a "Passion Project Fair" in our classroom and families were invited to view the amazing projects and to talk to our student experts. It was a great event. Our students are certainly passionate about their learning!

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#### Upcoming Event:

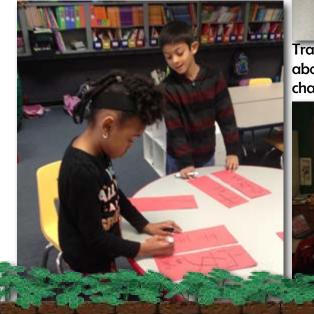
• March 12th is our big basketball tournament. Our students have been practicing really hard and they are ready to take you all down! GO COYOTES!!!!

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## CORONA LÉARNING CENTER

#### Hands on Science - students were able to touch real meteorites







Travel the Globe - students learned about Chinese New Year, wrote Chinese characters, and enjoyed some dumplings



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Thank you to Southern Utah University for speaking with our students about your aviation programs! Go T-Birds!





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Congratulations to our Science Fair Winners! Good luck as you represent Flabob Airport Preparatory Academy at the district level! Great job to all the students that participated. Winners will move on to the district competition.

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Congratulations History Day Competitors! Way to represent Flabob Airport Preparatory Academy and Magnolia Student Center proudly!



Super Bowl 50 - Denver Broncos vs. Carolina Panthers Football fans - Flabob Airport Preparatory Academy & Magnolia Leadership Club collected food for our local food pantry.

#### HEMET QUEST STUDENT CENTER

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River Springs Hemet students enjoyed a chilly day atop the San Jacinto Mountains on the Palm Springs Aerial Tramway. Our students 2-12 experience the heights of over 8,000 feet, the elements of rain, snow, sleet and degrees in the high 30's. Once we reached the top of the mountain the students and our attending families weathered the forces of nature and took the ½ mile hike into the beautiful rabbit trail meadow. What an amazing experience for everyone.





#### HEMET QUEST STUDENT CENTER



RSCS Hemet Seniors wore their best for a portrait photo shoot. These aspiring students show everyday pride on campus and have a bright future ahead of them.

AEG Foreign Exchange Student Program - Exchange students from China visited our Hemet Giriad High School site for 1 week. Together with our student ambassadors, they experienced a wonderful week of studies, field trips, community and basketball. Many genuine friendships were created amongst everyone and our school looks forward to the exchange students returning for another visit.



#### SHINE LEARNING CENTER



During the last week of January, iShine Learning Center students participated in The Great Kindness Challenge. Each class found some way to show kindness to each other. The kindergartners loved when the bigger kids came to read to them!

We also want to send a special congratulations to Santiago Zuniga for winning 1st place in the Homeschool History Day competition, 6th -8th grade division. Way to go Santiago!!!

### MAGNOLIA STUDENT CENTER

On February 19, 2016, River Springs Charter School held its very first Ground Breaking Ceremony of the new Magnolia Student Center site. The old YMCA building will be remodeled and house 650 students, including a swimming pool, basketball and racquetball courts. In attendance was our RSCS Board of Directors, Dr. Susan Rainey from RCOE Board of Directors and Riverside City Council members, Chris MacArthur and Mike Soubrious. Phillip Hermsmeyer was the emcee for the event. Dr. Kathleen Hermsmeyer gave a speech about the vision and mission of River Springs. Foundation stones were signed by current Magnolia students and were presented at the event. Overall, the ceremony was a beautiful celebration of all the hard work from many departments and personnel throughout the Springs organization. Thank you to all!





#### MAGNOLIA STUDENT CENTER















Dean Anderson in Ms. Zimmer's class is working on his cell project.





Magnolia had Super Bowl Food Drive. Broncos and Panther fans

had a competition who could bring in the most non perishable food items to help support our local food bank.

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Salvador Villalpando doing an awesome job presenting his Science Fair project to the judging panel.

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Our middle school students take great pride in being reading buddies to our Kinder and 1st grade students.

- Congratulations to Magnolia's Science Fair Winners Neina Allen, Pedro Maradiaga and Israel Coronado.
- Congratulations to Petey Cozzitarto in Mrs. Acin's 4th grade class. Petey won 2nd place at the district level History Day completion.

#### MURRIETA STUDENT CENTER

Murrieta students had a visit from Thunder to promote the Reading Rewards program.





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Murrieta's Spring Carnival is coming! Mark your calendars for <u>Saturday, April 9th at 10:00 a.m.</u> We will have vendors, games, prizes, music and much, much more! You do not want to miss this amazing event!



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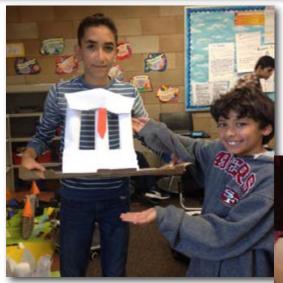
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Our January award winners are amazing students! Oceanside LC teacher, Ashley Cowden, organized a Love Your Body field day. Amy Head and the La Fuente staff teamed up and organized stations that were manned by volunteer Marines. students from La Fuente and the LC teamed together in relay races, obstacle courses, and feats of strength showing what it means to appreciate ones physical capabilities as well as the importance in working together as a team.

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Sixth graders creating Roman villages out of nothing but paper and paper clips for history class.



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Middle School students get to create a series of pieces from mediums of their choosing.

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PJ Day and Park Day. Everything a Kindergarten would want to have a fun time together.

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First grade students had a special guest parent come and talk about movement and energy. They were able to make "tsunami" waves and exercise at the same time!



Middle school students were whisked downtown in a charter bus to experience the brilliant opera, Tosca.









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Kindergarten students learned about how to care for their teeth.

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ORAA's PTA sponsored two Mad Science Assemblies for our students. The theme was "Spin, Pop, Boom". Students learned about crazy chemical reactions and the greatness of gravity.

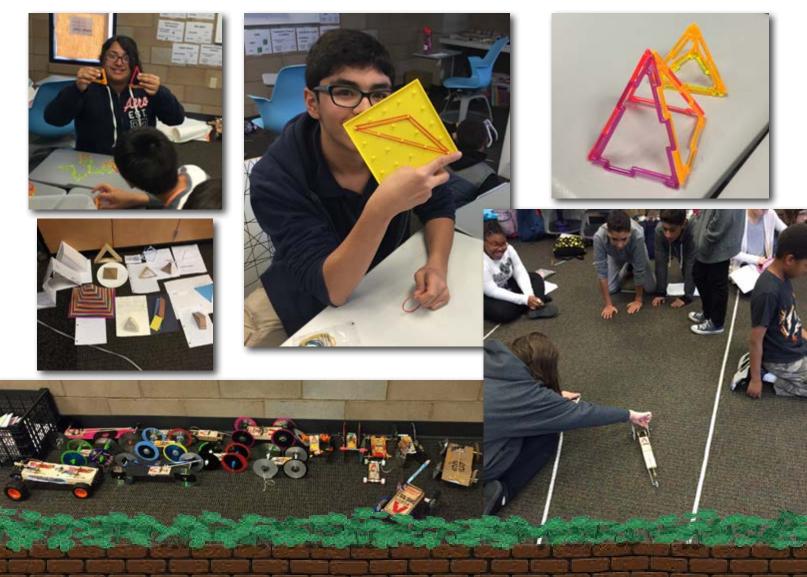
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Middle School students working with STEM kits and Didax manipulatives during Math. 7th graders all picked a triangle type that interested them and built a 3D version as well as a short write up that explains characteristics that make that triangle special. 6th graders all built there own mousetrap car over the weekend.



#### OTAY RANGH LEARNING CENTER

#### Otay Ranch Learning Center has been busy...busy...!



In Hands-On Math and Science class, Lego building inspires a future engineer. 1000

STEM Science class students investigate fingerprints to discover unique patterns such as those use in CSI investigations and explore a simple circuit to light a bulb.







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#### OTAY RANCH LEARNING CENTER

Celebrate drawing! Students created still life drawings in colored pencil or soft pastel chalk by using traditional flower vases and teapots as models, as well as some of their favorite objects from home.





Reading and Writing Fun Zone students read articles and books about polar bears, then made their own mini-books. In art class, students created a mixed media collage layered background, did directed drawing of a polar bear, topped off with student-made puffy white paint and of course, snowy glitter.

Students in Creative Crafts class had fun making Crazy pipe cleaner sculptures.



#### RIVERSIDE STUDENT CENTER

Riverside Student Center hosts the Riverside Youth Chess Association Tournament! There was a great turnout with students representing grades 1-11 from schools all throughout Riverside County. Our own Drake Board, Faith Nelson, and Verity Nelson represented Springs Charter Schools. Drake placed third in his division. It was a great success!



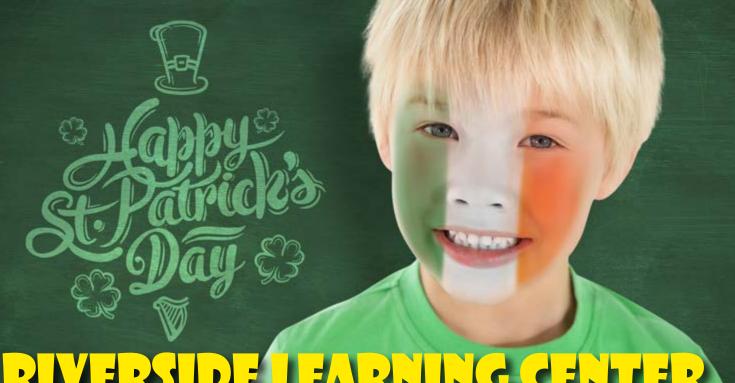


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Look at all the school spirit the Riverside Student Center has. Students dressed up in "Blast From The Past" attire!

While reading, **Vacation Under** The Volcano, in Mrs. Lyles' Magic Tree House class, students learned about the three different types of volcanoes. They made replicas of each volcano type of out clay.



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In Mrs. Lyles', Digging For Dinosaurs class, students learned about dinosaur egg fossils. They got their hands a little messy as they made paper mache dinosaur eggs. Once their dinosaur egg dried, students were able to paint them.



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Learning about 2 dimensional and 3 dimensional shapes is fun! Especially in Mrs. White's kindergarten class, Math Fun and Games.





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"hands-on." Students enjoyed learning about the different states of

matter.

We love kindergarten! In Mrs. White's, My Community class, students took turns being a chef. They got to make they own pumpkin pie pudding. Looks yummy!

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Fair night: Kent, Trevor, and Brailynn Cross/Coon worked hard on a Mexico project, winning 1st place!

#### Upcoming Events: • Learning Center Closed March 15th: **Teacher Conference** • Spring Break/Riverside **Student Center Closed:** March 21st-25th

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RRWA The students read The Great Gatsby, the broke up into committees and each committee had a different role to complete (i.e.- decor, food and drinks, music and entertainment, fashion, etc). The party was completely student generated and ran and the kids had a great time!!



#### TEMECULA STUDENT CENTER

Father & Daughter Dance





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Other Events:

- The 6th grade students in Mr. Rusnak's history class took part in a simulation of ancient India's Caste system. From Brahman to Untouchable, the students got to experience what it was like to belong to one of the different classes.
- Erika Zenner, Katherine Pangle, and Nikki Wakelin participated in a Spartan Race
- DVM and DVE held a science fair.

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Venture Online Mid Year Event to the San Diego Safari Park

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We had so much fun, thank you all for coming out! Next year we hope to get to know more of our wonderful families! Thank you also to our teachers for coming to California for this special event!

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