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INTERNAL NEWS BULLETIN

CHARTER SCHOOLS

Homeschool Events and Field Trip Opportunity

News From Around Our Campuses and Departments

Meet Our Students: Sarah Madden \cdot Kaylee Wilson \cdot Joelle Sanchez

Time For an extra Hour of Sleep



Daylight Savings Time ends on Sunday, November 1, 2015. Don't forget to set your clocks BACK one hour Saturday night and enjoy that extra hour of sleep!

Tuesday, November 11, 2015, is Veterans Day and is an official Springs Charter Schools Holiday with all Sites and Administration offices closed. Veterans Day is a symbolic day to honor and thank all who have served in the United States Armed Forces.

Reminders:

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- Support Staff meeting on November 9th from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
- Pay day is November 30th

To all our Springs Charter Schools employees and families. A reminder that all sites will be closed November 23rd through November 27th, and the Administration Offices will be closed November 26th and 27th. Enjoy this time with family and friends!

NOVEMBER IS TEACHER APPRECIATION MONTH AT THE AQUARIUM OF THE PACIFIC!

The whole month of November, the Aquarium of the Pacific is allowing school employees a \$5 admission with school ID proof, and their family and guest for only \$10.

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For more details click here: <u>http://www.aquariumofpacific.org/events/info/</u> teacher_appreciation_month/



IT and Facilities had a scary few seconds:





But we followed procedure... and all made it out safe!





Quick IT Tips:

• The log in for students trying to get into their Chromebook is their "Preferred" name from OASIS in the format: first.last@student.riverspringscharter.org. Their password is their local 6 digit ID+go

• Don't forget the Moodle log in for all students is also their Preferred" name from OASIS in the format: first.lastname. Their password is local 6 digit ID+go



Marigold Elizabeth Knapp born three weeks early on August 26th, weighting 5 lbs 7 oz, 18.25 inches. She is now up to 8 lbs :) Big Brother Parker adores her! Miss you all so much!

Summer Knapp

Student Of The MONTH

On October 1st, the Murrieta Valley Chamber of Commerce High School Student of the Month Recognition Program was held and the five students shown in the photo were recognized. Shown standing from left to right are: Sally Myers, Founder; Patrick Kelley, MVUSD Superintendent; Margaret Jones, Chair and Patrick Ellis, Murrieta Chamber of Commerce. Shown sitting left to right are: Amrik Kang (Murrieta Valley High School); Karma Richards (Murrieta Mesa High School); Joelle Sanchez (River Springs Charter School); Julianna Corona (Creekside High School); Kyla Vela (Calvary Murrieta Christian High School); and Jason Masanque (Vista Murrieta High School. Photo credit: KC Photography

Although River Springs Charter School Senior Joelle Sanchez is now an exceptional student, after failing several classes in her first year of high school, she questioned her ability to complete high school. When she started at River Springs, she worked hard to catch up on her credits and then she began to reach out and encourage other students who struggle in school like she did. Joelle has flourished in River Springs' independent study program. As a result of her hard work and determination, Joelle turned things around and she is now a straight A student who inspires other students at her school. Her goal after graduation is to attend college and become a veterinarian technician.



We are off and running with an awesome SPREE program this schoolyear! Homeschool families in San Bernardino, the Desert, and the Temecula Valley areas have had a great time getting out and enjoying these fun, educational workshops! Kudos to Jackie Hike as she continues to WOW our parents with the workshop "The Passion Driven Homeschool"!

Parents walk away extremely inspired and ready to use the information at home with their students. Dr. Seuss has been on board with the student workshops, and even the middle schoolers are having fun! You will not want to miss our "Cat in the Hat" parade performed by our toddlers at the end of each event! Thank you to all staff that has participated so far this year to make SPREE come alive. You are the magic!

REMINDER: Still to come...

SPREE Riverside on November 9, 2015 and SPREE Orange County on December 2, 2015

And don't forget...

Homeschool History Day Orientation on November 3, 2015 Homeschool Science Fair Orientation on November 5, 2015











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Sarah Madden, a student at the Corona Student center, entered the water for life picture contest. We are proud to announce that out of 2,500 students that participated Sarah is the winner! Her picture will go on the water bottles for a year in the city of Corona. She will be honored on November 18th at the Civic Center. We are so proud of you Sarah!

We are excited to share that we had our first Mosaic Parent Workshop of the year. Each month we offer different topics to help support our home educators. Our parents enjoyed learning about their own learning styles, exploring how their student learns, and the various ways they can design a creative homeschool environment that will enhance their homeschooling experience. Next month, we will be spending additional time on lesson planning and how assessment is an integral part of driving instruction.





The Corona Learning Center's Performing Arts classes are well under way! Students have fun choosing costumes and props for their improv scenes! Many classes are still available at the Corona Learning Center for grades K-8. To see the classes and enroll, go to Bookmart.

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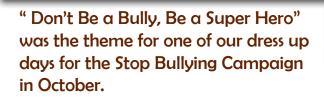
On October 1st, was Back to School Night! Mrs. Voechting welcomed families to our new site where they had the opportunity to meet their students'

teachers and learn more about the coming year.

On Tuesday, October 20th, Mrs. Voechting and Mrs. Cozzitarto hosted the 1st Principal's Chat for the Flabob Airport Preparatory Academy families. Parents had the opportunity to ask questions and learn more about the vision and goals for the coming year. Coffee and refreshments added to the gathering.



Millions of people worldwide practiced how to Drop, Cover, and Hold On at 10:15 a.m. on October 15th during Great Shake Out Earthquake Drills. It is estimated that 5.8 million students and staff participated in the Shake Out and Flabob Airport Preparatory Academy was part of this great event.



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Mrs. Martin helps the kids prepare their own meal at Lunch with the Principal.

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Our Hemet Quest students grades K-8 experienced a wonderful day at Riley's Farm in Oak Glen. Together we journeyed through several history stations and engaged in a re-enactment of the revolutionary war. This amazing tour was enjoyed by all!





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For October Anti Bullying Awareness Month, Mrs. Hovey (Asst. Principal) and Mr. Garcia (Custodian) wore "Friday" orange in support of "Stand Up Against Bullying" Our October Bullying Prevention Program: "Keep our school bully free!", "Power of a Friend - No Bully Zone!" Join us and together we'll "Stand Up Against Bullying".

United States Marine Corp Recruiters visited Hemet Renaissance Academy last month. The recruiters offered important enlistment, career and educational information to our high school students. Our site was honored to host our local officers and support our amazing men and women who serve our country. U.S.A.! Freedom!





Pajama Day and Pancakes for All! Hemet Renaissance and Learning Center enjoyed a pancake breakfast and their comfy PJ's on Wednesday, October 7th.

At iShine our youngest learners are really enjoying their Friday enrichment classes. In Magic Tree House, students are reading book #7, The Knight at Dawn. Taking a break from their reading, students got to design and build their own castle! Our Kindergarten Creative Craft students are getting into the season by painting pumpkins with balloons. How fun!

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On Tuesday, October 20th, Mrs. Voechting



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CONGRATULATIONS TO MS. ANU!!!! Our wonderful Ms Anu Crawford has become a US Citizen. She was sworn in on Wednesday, October 14th. She is now eligible for jury duty!!



Our Jersey Mike's fundraiser was a HUGE success! We raised \$1,298.00 to go toward our ASB general fund.

- Murrieta participated in the Great Shake Out on Tuesday, October 13th and Thursday, October 15th. Our students dropped, covered and held on and evacuated superbly!
- Our Smart Card fundraiser is running through the end of the week. If you need to renew your card or would like to purchase one, you can visit their website <u>http://shopsmartcard.com/</u> to purchase one. 50% of sales come back to our site!



Was there a heat wave even in beautiful Oceanside? Yes, and they made it a time to learn! The STEM Science class at the Oceanside Learning Center has been learning about the different types of energy, along with energy transference. The pizza box solar oven lesson required students to use the Springs POWER tool. After the completion of the pizza box solar oven, instead of testing the ovens efficiency with attempting to pop popcorn, the students voted on Smores! Yum!





The Teddy Bear Airlines and the first grade class at ORAA announce the departure of Teddy Bear Flight #1 leaving San Diego October 23! The stuffed animals boarded safely and plan a stop in Mexico City, Managua, Nicaragua and San Jose, Costa Rica! The project is one of our TPS Stem math projects which has included measuring, skip counting, adding and subtracting to 120.

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the middle school ELA class. This focused on sentence structure and detailed language.

This is a group project on shared writing in

Ms. Maguire's 5th graders showed their knowledge of plant and animal cells by making an edible cell.



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Ms. Maguire's 5th graders practiced grammar while performing in a Prepositional Circus.

Drip drip splash game kept us cool on the hot days in San Diego.



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Enjoying fun games on the field for PE

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Legos were used to create exponent towers.

Otay Ranch Academy for the Arts students and staff celebrating Peace Day. Each grade represented a color and the entire school got together for one GIANT Peace Sign. Middle School students used clay to create expressions in Math.

Legos were used to create fraction problems and spelled out the rule keep it, flip it, change it.



The Orange County Learning Center had a record number of families at Open House last month, as well as several families interested in homeschooling came to get information about Springs. Mrs. Hering looks forward to seeing some of her students' art for sale at next year's SIGO event!

The Orange County Learning Center has several classes with openings. To enroll, go to Bookmart.





October was a great month for the Rancho Cucamonga Learning Center. Our students celebrated our first Spirit Day dressed up as characters from their Favorite books and stories - and staff joined right in! Keep up with RCLC's news and events by visiting our RCLC Padlet.



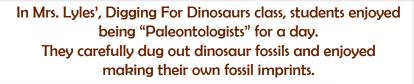




- Dapper Day (Dress your best) 11/10-13
- Ugly Sweater Day 12/15, 17,18
- Blast from the Past Day 1/19, 21, 22
- 100th Day (dress up like you're 100 years old) 2/10
- Sports Day 2/23, 25, 26 (Wear your favorite team's sports gear)
- Super Hero Day 3/15, 17, 18
- Crazy Combination Day (Mismatched/backwards clothes, crazy hair)



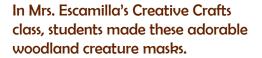




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In Mrs. Ivy's, Music class, student's had a great time learning how to play bells and read music.

In Mrs. Beilby's, Art Meet The Masters class, students made "story quilts" inspired by the artist, Faith Ringgold.

Student's in Mrs. Lyles', PE./Nutrition class, created balanced meals using the five food groups. In PE, students learned the importance of team sportsmanship and exercise through an exciting game of kickball.

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• International Talk Like a Pirate Day was celebrated with enthusiastic piratical phrasing and a crew of well-dressed buccaneers. Da Vinci Middle School Academy recently participated in two events celebrated around the world:



• To honor Peace Day, our students led games with elementary students in grades 3-5, including soccer, kickball, and elbow tag. Following our activity rotations, all participants formed a giant peace sign on the football field to show that we Stand Up for Peace.

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Second grade is learning all about plant life cycles. Today we did a 3 station activity morning to work with the life cycle of pumpkins. Students learned all about the stages of the pumpkin life cycle. Then they read about the characteristics of pumpkins. Lastly, we planted pumpkin seeds in cups and also right inside a pumpkin.



Team DaVinci Academy kicked off the Relay for Life fundraising year by participating in "Paint the Town Purple" at The Habit Burger Grill. Our team raised over \$200 for the American Cancer Society.



The Da Vinci Middle School Springs Has Heart community service club is currently participating in Socktober. We are collecting donations of items such as new socks, toothpaste, deodorant, basic first aid supplies, non-perishable singleserve food, and bottled water which will be packed into gallon-size ziploc bags to create care packages for the homeless. Participating families will keep the filled bags in their cars to be distributed to those in need.





The Elementary staff used hopscotch to practice using place values.



Student Spotlight Kaylee Wilson

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- 4th grade student
- Scega Gymnast Temecula
- Qualified to the TOPS National Camp
- National Olympic Training Camp
- One of 50 athletes from across the USA to make it to the team
- Will travel to Houston, TX in December to attend the TOPS National Training Camp
- Doing her classes with Venture Online Academy makes it possible to make this trip!



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TERAMURA, MYRNA	1
MAYNE, DANA	1
KAMEL, REHAM	1
TREJO, ANNA	2
OSTERKAMP, BARBARA	3
COX, KATHY	3
YOUSEFIAN, SHAHRAM	4
BOWDEN, HEIDI	5
DONAHUE, ALYCE	5
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PARKER, MIKE	13
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COTE, MARK	14
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LEDBETTER, CAROL	15
ALLRED, KRISTINA	18
ESSEL, DEBORAH	19
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FORBERG, LAURA	21
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YOUNKER, JENNY	21
NORMAN, JULIE	22
LUGO, MARY	22
WRIGHT-PODRATZ, AMY	23
BOZEK, COLETTE	24
MARTINDALE, MARLA	24
PANGLE, KATHERINE	24
HICKEY, JENNIFER	25
BAMBACH, KIMBERLY	25
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GESSWEIN, SANDRA	2011
HEIMBACH, KIMBERLY	2004
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HERRERA, IRMA	2002
HOLLISON, DEBORAH	2014
HUBBELL, JULIANNA	2013
KEMP, HEIDI	2013
LAWRENCE, MELISSA	2010

MAGNER, MELISSA	2003
MCCORMICK, KRISTINA	2012
MIDDLETON, AMANDA	2012
NED-PELT, TERICA	2013
PECK, STACEY	2006
RENTZ, PAMELA	2004
RUIZ, KELLY	2010
SAMUEL, LASHON	2006
SANCHEZ, TAMMY	2004
SMITH, SHANNON	2010
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