

Ocean Shore School Newsletter

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Note from the Editor

There appears to be no shortage of educational field trips this past month. These stories always make me want to be a kid again. Waking up (safely) under an octopus?! How cool is that? Many thanks to the teachers and parents who make it all possible, and also to the students, ombuds and teachers who have provided the fine submissions within.

-- *Shanti Cale*

CLASS ARTICLES

Connie's 3rd Grade Class

Our class went to Zeum for a Claymation Workshop on Friday, March 19th. In class, we learned about claymation and how a character's one movement can be five frames. We spent three weeks creating characters and a storyboard. We learned to work with our team members and how to revise our story. Did you know that the movie, Chicken Run, took 5 years to make?

Hank – My favorite part was seeing the films. My group's film was The Fruit Squad. My character was a flying watermelon. The other ones were a flying tomato, a flying mango and a French fry.

Joel – My favorite parts of Claymation at Zeum was moving the characters, filming and making my character.

Akira – I liked the part when we crunched into the tree in our film.

Emma Rose – My favorite part of being at Zeum was doing the animation. We had to move our characters a lot. I had a great time at the Zeum filming.

Ruby – Today we went to Zeum and I had a lot of fun! I liked when we were shooting the film with the characters.

Sean – I loved our trip to Zeum and the Claymation Workshop. I thought the films we made were awesome. It was a great field trip.

Robin – Today I went on a field trip. It was so fun. We made a movie for 15 seconds. First we got a wire and got clay called "guts". Then we put on the final layer. It was so much fun.

Gaven – My favorite part was moving the characters. I also liked making my bobsled.

Nikko – I liked making my claymation character.

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Dimitri – I liked shooting the video and making the claymation characters. It was fun!

Stephanine – I liked the “guts” - what you put in the inside of your character.

Patrick – I loved today’s field trip. It was fun because you press the space bar and you are shooting the film.

Andrea & Wesley – I liked shooting the film.

Maya – I learned that the film is hard to make because you move the characters bit by bit.

Belu – I loved the claymation studio.

Julian – It was an awesome field trip.

Submitted by Connie Tse

Helen’s Class Update

No monopoly here! All the kids are chugging along on the Reading Railroad and comin’ round the bend. In writing, the class is finishing up non-fiction and will be selecting the genre of their choice in the next cycle. From mid-April to mid-May, Helen will be team teaching a Response to Literature study for Writer’s Workshop with Candace, District Math and Literacy Coach. The kids are starting a Social Studies unit called “World of Work”, in which they will learn about wants and needs, goods, services, jobs and getting food to market. Weather is our current Science topic.

Everyone was thrilled to have Pacifica’s own “Officer



Buckle and Gloria” (Sgt. Wachtelborn and partner Tiger) come and read to the class for our Read-a-Thon kickoff!

We had a great trip to visit the Balcultha on a gorgeous San Francisco day. We learned about the hardships at sea, including the scourge of scurvy and the eventual discovery of Vitamin C as its cure. Keep eating those fruits and veggies, kiddies!

Submitted by Barbara Bualat

Claire’s Class Update

Ahoy, the children had a jolly good time on their journey to the Hyde Street Pier! They did some explorin’ on the great, grand ship, Balcutha, and joined the landlubbers on a tour around the Visitors Center. It was a fine excursion indeed! The wee ones also had a “green” theme day on the 17th where they be pickin’ up the trash and workin’ in the garden. The sprogs be workin’ in the classroom each and everyday learnin’ to spell new words and write fine sentences. They be workin’ on an animal report right now to show all the fine, good lessons they be learnin’ from Claire and Sandy. Aye, next stop, Spring Break!

Submitted by Megan Crombie

Sheila’s Class Update



Sheila’s class had their first overnight field trip at the Aquarium by the Bay in San Francisco. The kids will explain:

Blaise: Oh my gosh! I was excited to go on my first overnight field trip. We finally went to the school. We waited a little bit for Sheila to arrive. Sheila gave us the instructions and we were off! We finally got to the aquarium. We put our bags down and sat and talked about stuff (sharks). Later we had water and pizza. We talked more about pollution and more sharks what what they are. For a fact: Sharks have no bones. It’s cartilage. It was totally awesome learning all about this one marine animal. Finally we got to the tour. What was totally awesome is that nobody was there except us. We saw all kinds of animals like starfish and different kinds of fish....Did you know that some fish are OK living in trash? We also saw a video that proves sharks do not eat humans on purpose...

Chris: "I wish I could sleep under the fish every night"

Philip really liked the tunnels that were surrounded by fish, and other wildlife.

Charlotte: "Early in the morning I woke up and an octopus was spread out on the tube above me. It was

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really cool seeing all its suction cups sticking to the glass."

Zarah: "I loved seeing the octopus in the middle of the night laying on the tube right above where I was sleeping"

Submitted by Dariush Kayhan



Seva's Class Update

March has been a busy month for Seva's class. We've been reading the famous story "To Kill a Mockingbird" in literature class, as well as learning how to tell the slope of a line in math. In addition, for a class art project, we made models out of tape. We did this by covering a person in Saran Wrap, then covering them with tape, and cutting off the tape. The result is a human figure made completely out of tape.

In history class, we've been studying the Federalist and Republican parties, and we even had a class debate. Finally, in science class we've been learning about the elements and how atoms are made. It's been a fun month!

Submitted by 8th grade student Trent Tanzi

Announcements

Mark the Date

The meeting date for the final General Meeting has been changed to accommodate the district concert. The new meeting date is June 9, 7:00pm in the OSS multi-purpose room. Please mark your calendars now and save the date!

The Pacifica Museum Center

Located in the Little Brown Church, this historical museum will be an educational and event center for you, the entire community and visitors. It will be completed with pride because many are taking part in some way. Progress is being made, but we have a long way to go. So far we have reached enough funding for the architect, exterminator, insurance for five years, roof and gutters and the bell tower. This has been funded through volunteers, pro-bono work and paying for materials with the McCarthy/Kremer \$10,000 Challenge Gift. In this centennial year, there are plans for a city-wide 100th anniversary celebration in July - see you there!

Thank you,
Clorinda Campagna

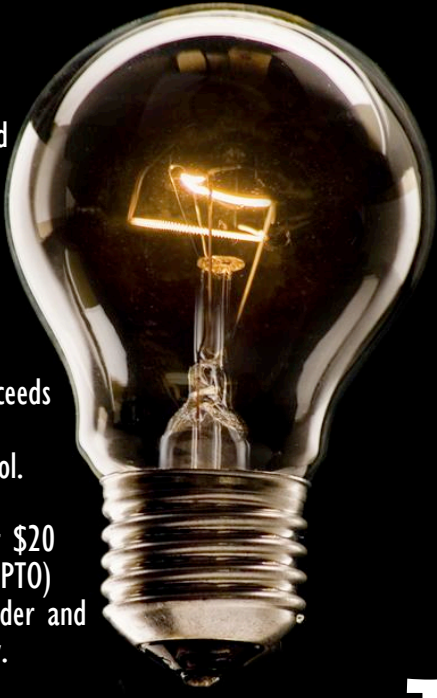
Children's Book Sale

Children's Book Sale will be help April 17, 9-2 at Starbucks in Linda Mar and Fairmont. Paperbacks \$1, Hard cover \$2, Videos \$1. To support classroom and school libraries, we have a PRE SALE event on April 15, 3- 4:30 at Linda Mar Educational Center Room 10. Please share this information with teachers and wonderful ladies (and gentleman) who manage your libraries.

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Get your 10% Solution card and save 10% every time you visit participating vendors around Pacifica...

100% of the proceeds benefit Ocean Shore School.

Leave a check for \$20 (made out to OSSPTO) in the Newton folder and start saving today.

**The
10% Solution**

Which vendors are signed up? Here is a current list, but more participants are added regularly:

Bay Coffee Company
Chit Chat Café
Columbo's Deli
DesignAVenues.net
Extreme Pizza
Go Sushi Japanese Restaurant
Good Fellows Pizza
Gorilla BBQ
Granucci's
Hot Red Masala, Indian Food
Luigi's Pizza
P-Town Café
Rainbow Island
Straw Hat Pizza
The Energy Drink Health Bar
The Green Enchilada
Upper Crust Deli
Viva Italiano
Acupuncture and Herbal Medicine
Amy Amber (Hair & Makeup)
Bella Luce Spa
Bella Nirvana Spa

Hair Techniques
House of Sun, tanning
Karma Wellness Boutique
Luce Bones, Dr. Cynthia Luce, Chiropractor
Morello Family Chiropractic
Pacifica Chiropractic
Serenity Studio, make up and skin care
The Hair Factory
Visions Seaside Spa
Coastside Critters, pet supplies
Curves
Family Martial Arts
Ground Up Fitness (ask for TJ)
Log Shop Surf Shop
Nor Cal Surf Shop
Ocean Yoga
Pacifica Athletic Center
Strongside Training Systems (Chris)
West Coast Thai Boxing
California Pacific Limousines
Caroline Totah Organizing Solutions
Extra Care Auto Care, Auto Repair

Fairmont Cleaners
Ken Seminsky, Home Repairs and Remodeling
James A Pugliese Painting, house painting
Jimmy the Printer
John the Sign Guy
Neat Yellow Cab Company
Running Water Design
Rosenberg Plumbing
One on One Tutoring
The Painted Siren - Tatoos
Ace Hardware Linda Mar
Anime Imports
Annabee's Doggie Boutique & Café
Gearhead Bicycles
Generations Baby Clothing
Linda Mar Florist
Pedro Point Sirens Coastal Gift Boutique
Silpada Designs Fine Sterling Silver
Stephanie Hamilton Designs (jewelry)
Vintage Cove