

pen Classroom



Playground Policy Update



The faculty and staff have been having many conversations in regard to personal responsibility on the playground. All attempts to help students clean up equipment after recess have been unsuccessful.

After our staff meeting this past Monday, we decided that equipment responsibility will fall on each individual classroom. Each classroom is currently having conversations about what equipment they want to have and how they plan to take care of it. All equipment will be labeled and stored within each room. Classroom teachers have committed to having regular conversations with their students to check in with how things are going during recess. You can help out by returning any miscellaneous equipment to the proper room.

Submitted by Penny

Upper Grade Explore Field Trips

Café Solstice

Recently an upper grades explore class named Foodie took a field trip to a place called Café Solstice. It is run by O.C. mom Erin Arrigo.

She served us delicious food and drink. The mango basil smoothie was delicious and better yet, vegan. We look forward to going back there again!



Written by Izzy Zahalak



Amazing Vegan Restaurant All-Chay Feeds Explore Class!

Do you live in Salt Lake City? Are you Vegan? If so, you know it can be hard to find vegan/vegetarian restaurants. Luckily, we have found an animal-friendly place to eat (even if you aren't vegan). What is this restaurant? All-Chay! It is an amazing vegan Vietnamese restaurant who are said to have some of the best pho around. The brother and sister opened the restaurant around a year ago.



They have

food that doesn't taste vegan or bland, it is flavorful and rich! "When we opened this restaurant we had to do a lot of repainting and fixing things," she told our explore class (elective) group on a field trip. As a class we thought it was the best vegan food you'll ever taste. Their family was also once an OC family and have a graduate from the Open Classroom named Trung! We hope you will visit All-Chay today!

Written by: Stella Bagozzi



Where have all
the jump ropers
gone?



submitted by
Penny



OC Music News

Thanks for checking out Music News. We hope to be a monthly resource for you to find opportunities to let your kids experience different types of live music and give you ideas for things to do around town. We hope to be able to highlight any performance by an OC student or parent especially, so if you know of any recitals or concerts please send them in to me so we can post them and build community support! E-mail all concert info to : estherlovestars@yahoo.com
Here's what we found for you to check out this March:

March 4th: Music Makers Playshop at Imagination Place. 4:00 to 6:00pm \$10 per child
Crafty music class. Your child can sing, dance, and build their own instruments, for children through age 10 and their parents.

March 5th: West Point Brass from WestPoint Military Academy at 7:00 LDS Assembly Hall FREE concert. Playing patriotic and contemporary pieces, and selections from West Side Story.

March 5th, 12th, 18th, 19th, and 26th: Park City Mountain Resort Spring Concert Series. Saturdays at 3:00pm.
All concerts are family friendly and free. For info on individual concert info check: www.parktymountain.com

March 6th: Madeleine Choir Founder's Day Concert @ Cathedral of the Madeleine 8:00 pm FREE. Tickets must be reserved in advance. Support our Avenues neighbors!

March 6th: Vedrana Subotic on Piano, Ralph Matson on violin and John Eckstein on cello. Libby Gardner Concert Hall, U of U School of Music. FREE 7:00 pm

March 6th: Wasatch Community Syphony Orchestra 7:00 pm FREE concert All Saints Episcopal Church 1710 Foothill Dr.
Spring Concert featuring Dvorak's New World Symphony

March 12th: St. Patrick's Day Concert. Cross Strung at Viridian Event Center in West Jordan, UT. Cross Strung is Utah's new and upcoming Bluegrass, Celtic and Contemporary folk band. FREE, family friendly concert. 7-9 pm

March 12th: Celtic Celebration in Ogden. Music and riverdance performances from The Dunmoor Lasses, Wasatch and District Pipe Band, and Celtic Beat. At Perry's Egyptian Theater 7:30 -9pm. \$12 Adults/\$10 Kids

March 17th: MUSIC ASSEMBLY AT THE OC! 1:00 PM STARRING: YOUR KIDS!

March 19: Harvest Home Musical Duo at Whitmore Library. 2-3pm FREE. Bring the family to enjoy celtic music with limericks and an Irish blessing.

March 19th: The Probably Untrue Story of Mary (who had a little lamb). Utah Symphony, 11:00am & 12:30pm, Abravanel Hall, Cost \$6-\$18.

March 23rd: Handel's Messiah. FREE, LDS Tabernacle, advance tickets are required, call 801-570-0080 fro tickets

March 24th: Good Friday Choral Meditation. Cathedral of the Madeleine 3:00 FREE

Enjoy these concerts! Let me know of any upcoming performances so they can be announced in our section!
<3 Music Committee

"Welcoming some new friends to the OC in James' class!

The Classroom Fish are in! We would like to invite All kiddos to feel free to come visit them, (at appropriate school hours) to take a peak! James' whole class has already worked as an excellent team to name them. There's "Brainy," a Red Cap Oranda, "Hot-Dog," a Blue Oranda, "King Big Eyes" a Black Moor, "Goldie's" a Red White Ryukin, and lastly "Flash," he's a Chocolate Oranda. See if you can guess whose name belongs to whom! These breeds of Gold Fish are very interactive and will follow your fingers if you drag them gently along the glass. Also a couple of them, "King Big Eyes," and "Hotdog," are from local Salt Lake City breeders. We have some new little snails too, however they are sometimes harder to spot. And lastly, remember not to tap on the glass when you visit as the fish are busy learning and being happy! James said he saw one sitting down to read a book the other day..."



Greetings everyone! Did you know the Open classroom is getting ready for our own sweet, tiny refugees? We recently found evidence of Fairies living around our school. A group of upper kids have decided to welcome them by making some homes. We will be setting up the houses in the front of the school and we are asking everyone to help create a space of magic for them. Flyers have gone out to each classroom. We're looking for little houses, painted rocks, or anything that will make the fairies feel at home. We will also have a mailbox set up if you want to send a message to them. Here are a few guidelines so it will all work well.

- 1) If you paint your name on your rock, please use a first name only. We want to keep privacy in mind.
- 2) The offerings need to be placed between the big tree right next to the gate (where the mailbox will be) and the first pine tree. We can set up along the fence before the hill starts sloping down. The grounds people are very excited for our forest, but want to make sure we don't have fairies living in the lawnmower zone.
- 3) Please be respectful to other peoples work. We don't all think or feel the same, but we all think and feel. Let's keep this sparkly.

Thank you everyone in advance for becoming involved in our community project.

- 4) Please, please, please...ask me or Maureen questions if you have them.
Ann/ Marilyn's aunt/ paige's class

upper kids: Aiden, Lyra, Sophia F., Siriah, Stella, Marilyn, Hank, and Tynan,



Come join us for

"The OC Fairy Forest"

As an Upper explore class, we are creating a community fairy forest. It will be placed in front of the school in the fenced area.

We want to invite each class to create additions to the forest by making items like:

- *little houses
- *painted rocks
- *little fairies
- *flowers or little trees
- *little animals



This will be an ongoing project. If you have any questions, please contact:

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