

THE OAK

The student-produced newspaper of



"By Kids for Kids"



Photograph by Jasper, 6th

Shout Out! by Everett, 2nd

I witnessed a wonderful act of kindness to report in our newspaper. Mr. J is getting married, so the kindergarten class made the decision to create videos to show how happy they are for him. The kindergarteners decided to put some crazy love advice in their videos and some of them put some really funny stuff in them! For example, some of them said to give their soulmates plenty of hugs and some of them even kissed the camera to show how happy they are for their teacher!

Think big. Start SMALL.



A Letter From the Editor by Zelda, 4th

Dear Readers,

I started The Oak so that everybody could have a chance to shine in front of the whole school. It was a difficult process but I was able to get 50 signatures. Then, I took the paper to Ms. Reinfeld who said it was a deal! So that's how I started the Oak. The first ever LES newspaper.

Los Encinos Safety Rules

By

Leo

1. No running on the play structure side

2. Wash your hands whenever the teachers say

3. Always listen to and respect what the teachers say



Joke by Jack, 4th

Q: What do you get if you cross a duck with a firework?

A: A fire quacker.



Photograph by Sabrina, 3rd

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What happens in 6th Grade by Isla, 6th



Photograph by Henry, 6th

Over the past few months, my class has studied early humans. We all chose different topics to learn about and gave presentations on them. I learned about early human tools. This taught me about how tools have evolved throughout history. For example, the first humans didn't even hunt. Yet as time went on, humans realized how important tools were for their survival. Tools helped them hunt, cook, build shelter, and make other resources.

Service

Learning

(Community Engagement)

by Maxwell, 5th

The first Community Engagement event we held was the costume drive. We collected over 150 costumes for LA Family Housing's Halloween carnival.

Next, the sixth-graders designed and built a Buddy Bench (two, actually). One bench is going to LAFH's playground in Pacoima, and the other one will stay right here at LES.

We also collected Halloween candy and made sweet care packages for the veterans at LAFH.

On Veterans' Day, grades K-3 decorated cupcakes red, white, and blue, and they made gratitude posters. Grades 4-6 were visited by Denise De Luna from LAFH and she talked to them about homelessness. Grades 4-6 also created wooden "welcome home" signs for LAFH because the veterans there are getting brand new homes.

Most recently, we held a canned food drive for non-perishables. The food went to the North Hollywood Interfaith Food Pantry. Barbara Javitz from NHIFP came to second grade and taught them about food pantries.

Holiday Workshop

by Ava, 2nd

In December the school will be doing holiday work shops. Holiday work shops is where kids donate board games for other kids at L.A. family housing. The board games will be wrapped, then the kids will write cards on the gifts. Then the gifts will be sent to the kids at L.A. family housing.

LES interviews the stars of the new movie, *Disenchanted*

By Campbell, 5th

Some reporters from the LES newspaper got the pleasure of interviewing Amy Adams and Maya Rudolph, the stars of the new movie, *Disenchanted*, the sequel to the 2007 Disney movie, *Enchanted*. Here's what they said...

LES: "What was your favorite thing about working with each other?"

Maya: "I wanted to be part of this movie because I wanted to work with her. I was in love with her singing and her voice, and I loved the character, Giselle."

Amy: "I've known Maya for a long time and I love her work. I've had so much fun working with her."



LES: "What is your favorite character that you've played during your career?"

Maya: "Playing Melvina in this movie was something I never got to do before. It's really fun and evil!" Amy: "I liked playing Giselle. It was really fun playing a Disney princess, and to see the evil side of Giselle in this movie."

You can watch the movie on Disney+ and other streaming services starting November 18.

(see *Disenchanted* next page)



Drawing by Everett, 1st

Disenchanted continued

By Morgan, Olivia, and Sadie, 6th

For Upcoming Events, Olivia, Morgan, Sadie, and Campbell interviewed Amy Adams and Maya Rudolph about their new movie, *Disenchanted*. We asked them many questions, and they gave us great answers! We talked about so many things and can't wait for you to read them!

What is your favorite thing besides acting? Amy sang, and sang karaoke. Maya said singing, drawing, and painting. Then we asked them when they knew they wanted to become actors? Amy said, "I didn't realize until later. I was first a dancer. I wanted to become a doctor but dancing became acting". Maya said, "I have loved it since I was a little girl."

What is your advice for people who want to act? Maya said, "Do school productions, give things a try."

The next question we asked Amy and Maya was: What is your favorite thing that you have ever acted in? Amy said she didn't have one, but she said she did love doing *Enchanted* and *Disenchanted*. Maya's favorite thing she has ever acted in is *Saturday Night Live*. She loved getting to do live performances! She said that just the process of doing it felt good!

Have you ever been in a Disney movie other than *Enchanted* and *Disenchanted*, and if not, what was your favorite Disney movie as a kid? Amy's favorite movie as a kid was *The Little Mermaid*. She recalled that she used to run down the hallways and sing songs from it. This was Maya's first live action movie. Her favorite movie growing up was *Cinderella*.

We learned so much about these amazing actors! Not only did they have so much to share with us, but they were also so kind to us! They answered all of our questions at once! It was such a great opportunity for all of us to meet them and we encourage you to watch *Enchanted* and the new movie, *Disenchanted*!

Short Story by

Sanaya, 2nd

The first thing you will notice about my school are the Red Gates- I think this is to signal a warm welcome to all the children and their families. Once you enter those Red Gates, it will look like you are transported into a magical place with it's beautiful Oak Trees and green grass. It will sound like a place where a bunch of kids are having loads of fun- laughing, screaming, cackling kids!

In our classrooms, we have our wonderful and kind teachers that are always helping us learn, they read to us, and sometimes play with us. They also help us make art, sing songs, play sports. I love our teachers- they make our days so much fun!

I also love all my friends in class. We are all different- I love math but some of my friends love art, some love soccer, some like to read. But we all always play together and help each other.

Everything about LES makes me feel happy, safe, and gives me freedom to try many different things. I love my school and can't wait for my sister to start coming here with me.



Drawing by Frankie, K



Comic by Dominic, 4th

School Spotlight

by Lucy, Noah and Daniel, 6th



Photograph by Jasper, 6th



Doc:

Q: What is the hardest part of your job?

A: Trying to be everywhere at once and keeping my eye on everything.

Q: Do you have a hobby or interest?

A: Doing or watching any sport and going to the movies.

Q: Do you feel like a friend and/or a mentor to the kids?

A: I feel like a friend and a mentor because I protect you guys on a daily basis and having fun with you guys makes my job more meaningful.

Mr. Myers:

Q: Why did you decide to move from Chicago to California?

A: On a negative-40° Fahrenheit day in Chicago, school was closed for the day. Mr. Beckmann offered me a position in 60° weather and I jumped at the opportunity. After looking into the school I decided to move here so I could work at LES.

Q: Why did you decide to become a teacher?

A: As a camp counselor I got to help kids and be an inspiration. I wanted to be able to do that all the time so I chose to be a teacher.

Q: Why did you choose to run a camp?

A: When I was a kid I loved going to camp and meeting new people. I wanted to give back and to make kids enjoy summer camp just as much as I did, and still do.

Basketball

by Duncan, 6th

The LES Eagles basketball program is going to start this February for all kids in 4th-6th grades. This program helps players increase their basketball skills in a league so they can accomplish their dreams! The Eagles will play against other schools in a league called the VISA league. This is an amazing program for kids who love to play sports, so it's a perfect opportunity for the kids.



Comic by Geffen, 6th

Field Trips



Photographs by Harper, 4th

Les
2nd Grade

K-Underwood Farms

1st-Tree People

4th-Watts Tower

5th/6th-Astro Camp

L.E.S. Students have been going on

many field trips and camps. Grade K went

to a farm and picked fruit and veggies.

Grade 1 went to Tree People. Grade 4

went to Watts Tower. Grades 5 and

6 went to Astro Camp. They had fun

on the rope course and Zipline. 2nd Grade

will go to the Natural History Museum!

Joke

by Aaron, 5th

Q: What do you call a neighborhood full of lions?

A: Mane Street!



Photograph by Olivia, 3rd

Los Encinos Eagles

By

Mia Avishay, Tabitha Levy, Decker Brown

E- Everybody will learn

A- Always feeling happy

G- Great teachers

L- Loving community

E- Everyone has grace

S- Students have fun!



Past Events

by Campbell, 5th

Harvest Festival: November 18

- Our whole community will be there
- Our special band will be playing
- Second grade is going to share a butterfly dance from Peru
- We will all dance a friendship reel
- We will all sing the Chumash welcome song
- We will eat lots of treats!

Winter show: December 14 - 15

- Let the Sunshine In
- We are going to be back on stage for the first time since COVID!

Birthdays by Callie, 2nd

Beatrice A. September Callie

Eli L.

Everett W.

Emmett G.

Noah T.

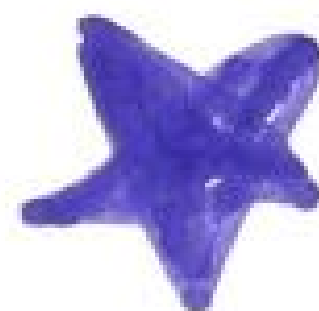
Leo B.

Sabrina B.

Noah S.

Cormac M.

Lola W.



Daniel S. October

Nora B.

Rio L.

Tabby L.

Everett F.

Sienna M.

Aurelia J.

London F.

Callan A.

AVA M.

Valentina S.

Grayson P.

MIS. Pinkus



Birthdays by Nora, 2nd

Aaron, E. November
Dominic S.

Brooklyn P.

Lily S.

Becky B.
Leandro M.

Sanaya D.

Nora P.

Sydney M.

Jake H.

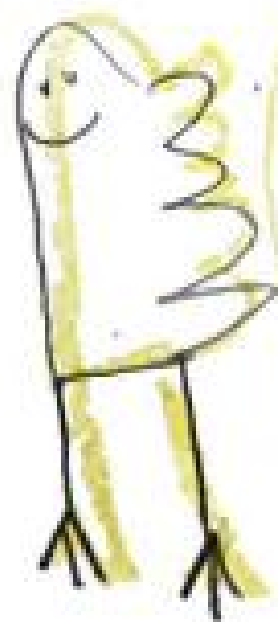
Leo K.

Ms. Son

Mr. Hutchinson

Mr. Park

Mrs Pennington



Nora

Zepp L. December
Adrian P.

Lana M.

Hannah W.

Christy H.

Penelope B.

Joshua W.

Lucia T.

Ben R.

Riley T.

Elizabeth R.

Miss.

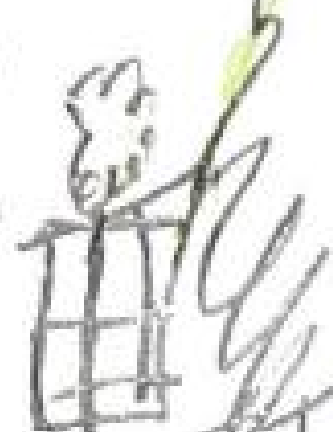
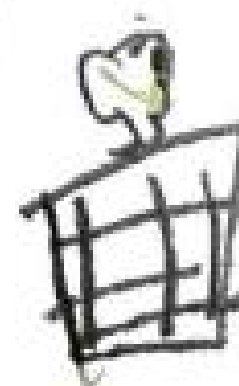
Coach

Ms. Coach

Jacqui

Costin

Anders
Ferry



Name: Mia 4th

My Word Search

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Oak tree



What Everest Does In His Free Time

by Poppy, 5th

Everest is a busy guy! We only see him Friday morning, but in reality he has a lot of things to do on the other days of the week. Not a lot of people know, but Everest is actually a comedian. He spends all week at a comedy club testing out his material for Friday; so when it's time for assembly, he can introduce a new joke to the LES community. He also loves going to other schools to see the other schools' mascots, because not only is he friends with them, he also tries to get jokes out of them. Everest is a school mascot, so he loves to read. His favorite book series is *Harry Potter*, because he loves Harry's pet owl, Hedwig; but he does like any book with birds in it! (Especially if it has jokes in it.)

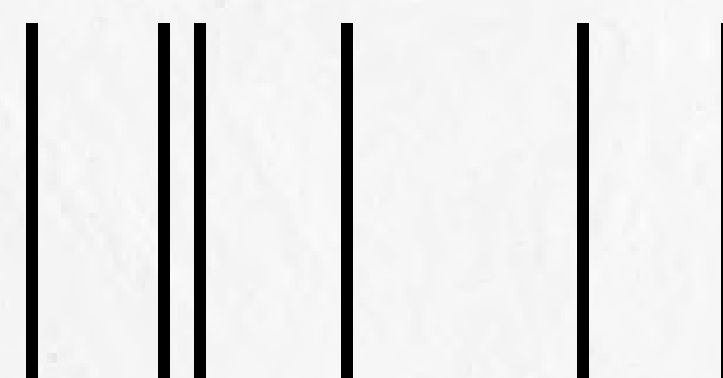
Joke

by Eli, 4th

Q: Where do surfers go to school?

A: Boarding school.

SEEYOU**SOON**



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Poppy, 5th
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Noah, 6th
Lucy, 6th
Duncan, 6th
Olivia, 6th
Sadie, 6th
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