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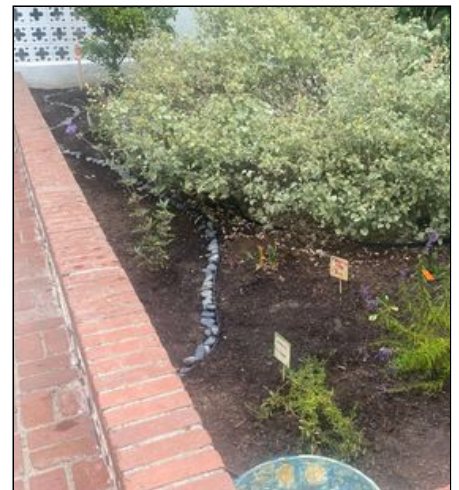


The Los Encinos School Newspaper
"By kids for kids."

How the Garden Grows

by 3rd Grade

After learning about water conservation on a field trip with Friends of the Los Angeles River, as well as studying the importance of native plants on a trip to the Chumash Indian Museum, the third-graders knew what they had to do to revitalize the California Native Garden (which is located just inside the red gates). Over the course of the past four weeks, students weeded, trimmed, tilled, and planted. With help from Ms. Valerie and experts at the Theodore Payne Foundation for Wildflower and Native Plants, the third-graders also added some mallow, gum, and sage plants. In the fall, they hope to continue this work by adding milkweed to support the local butterfly and bee populations. A few of the reasons why native plants are so important: They require less water and pesticides than lawns, they help prevent erosion, they reduce air pollution, they provide shelter and food for wildlife, and they promote biodiversity and stewardship of our natural heritage. Plus, native plants are beautiful! 🌿



Letter from the Editor

by Zelda, 4th

Working with the newspaper staff was one of my favorite parts of 4th grade. It means the world to me that my vision could come true. Thank you, Ms. Pinkus and Ms. Vaisman. Without you two, my dream would not be possible. I would also like to thank all the students who gave their work to the paper and were so excited to see it in print. Lastly, I would like to give a huge thank-you to Mrs. Reinfeld and Mr. Beckmann who took a chance on me and The Oak. 🌿



Road to Graduation by 6th Grade

As the sixth-graders prepare for their graduation from Los Encinos School, some of them pause to reflect on an early memory from their time here. The graduation will stream live on Wednesday, June 7th at 9:00am. Students in grades K-5 should log in to their classroom first and the link will be provided. Everyone else can join via this link: www.les-events.org/graduation.
Congrats, Class of 2023! 🌱



Sarah B.
"I remember El Capitan in 5th grade. The ropes course, staying up late, being with friends and making up skits."



Rio L.
"I started in 4th grade on Zoom. Everybody was really nice, but it was even better to see everyone in person!"



Declan W.
"I remember in 2nd grade, I always looked forward to the share experience every Monday."



Hunter R.
"One of my earliest memories is Go Noodle in kindergarten, where we danced to a video to 'get the wiggles out.'"



Geffen G.
I remember trying to high-five the Eagle at assembly, all crammed together at the flagpole, feeling a little claustrophobic, in a good way."



Luca M.
"I remember playing in the block room in kindergarten. So fun."

Meet You at the Meet by Sienna, 5th

A tradition at LES for fourth, fifth, and sixth graders is to participate in a track meet at Berkeley Hall every year. Students got to choose what events they wanted to do. They had to do at least two events. The events included dashes, one mile run, relays, shot put, softball throw, long jump, and high jump. Everyone had lots of fun. I recommend that when you get to fourth grade, you should go. It was a fun day! 🌿



Photo by Maya, 3rd



Good Sports by Jai, 3rd

This past month in PE, we have been doing golf, dance, and volleyball. In golf, Coach Terry and Coach Costin made some holes for both classes. We made pars 1, 2, and 3. In dance, Coach Terry played different songs and students used dance sticks to hit the ground in rhythm. In volleyball, the coaches have been teaching us to serve and hit the ball with our hands connected. We played games and practiced our positions. We had lines on the ground to know our positions and we rotated to try them all. I love PE because each month there is a different unit and I like trying out different sports. 🌿



IN THE SPOTLIGHT...

...with Mrs. Reinfeld (Head of School)

by Nora, 3rd

I interviewed Mrs. Reinfeld about school and her life. She told me that before she worked at LES, she was a principal for 10 years and before that, she was a teacher for six years.

Mrs. Reinfeld loves working with children and teachers. She thinks it's exciting to watch the students and faculty learn and grow together. She said our school is small, so she gets to know everyone who comes on campus. She said the most challenging part about being head of school is ensuring everyone is safe and feels a sense of belonging.

On weekends, she loves reading, traveling, and spending time with her family. She said, "It's never been the same day twice. Every day there's something new." 🌿



(above) Mrs. Reinfeld and Nora in Mrs. Reinfeld's office.

...with Mr. Davis (Music Specialist) by Ava, 1st

OAK: What do you love about working at Los Encinos?

MR. DAVIS: I like teaching the kids at Los Encinos.

OAK: What is your favorite song?

MR. DAVIS: "As We Ran" by The National Parks.

OAK: How did you get interested in music?

MR. DAVIS: When I was little, I went to a lot of concerts. 🌿



Kindergarten Corner by Max, K

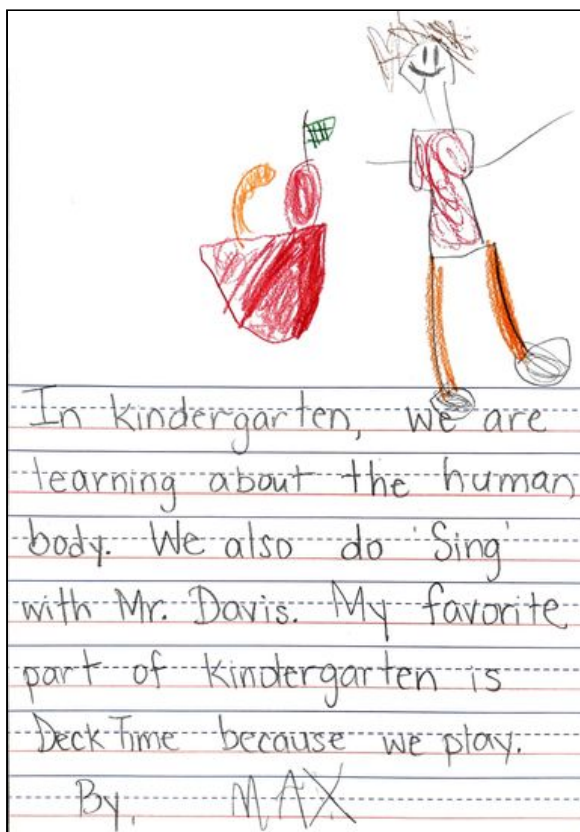


Photo by Allie, 3rd



Safety First by Cormac, 1st

It's helpful to remember these safety tips during recess and lunch recess:

1. No running near the play structure.
2. Supernova limited to 6 people, 2 pushes.
3. Walk and keep voice down, it echoes.
4. Pay attention to where you're walking.
5. No playing tag.

Follow these rules to avoid injuries!

If you DO hurt yourself, though, you can go see Yosselyn in the office and she will give you a Band-aid or ice, whichever's more appropriate. 🌿



Photo by Tyler, 3rd



Funny Pages

In June, the Virtue & Value is "Sense of Humor," so here's proof that Los Encinos School students have that sense and a whole lot more! (Punchlines on bottom.)

by Nora, 4th

What's a hot dog's favorite hair style?

by Ella, 2nd

Why is Cinderella bad at soccer?

by Adrian, 1st

Why was 7 sad?

by Sienna, K

Why did the donut want sprinkles?

by Evie, 4th

What's an eagle's favorite type of dog?



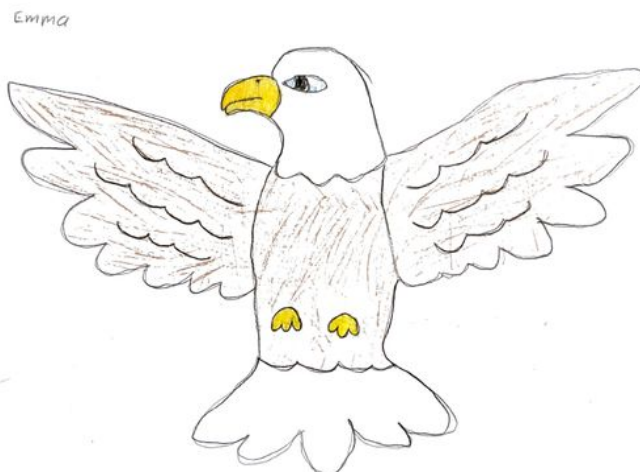
Drawing by Aurelia, 3rd

Puzzler by Isaiah, 3rd

There are people on a boat, but not a single one is on there. How is that possible? **Answer:** They're all married!



Drawing by Charlie, 4th



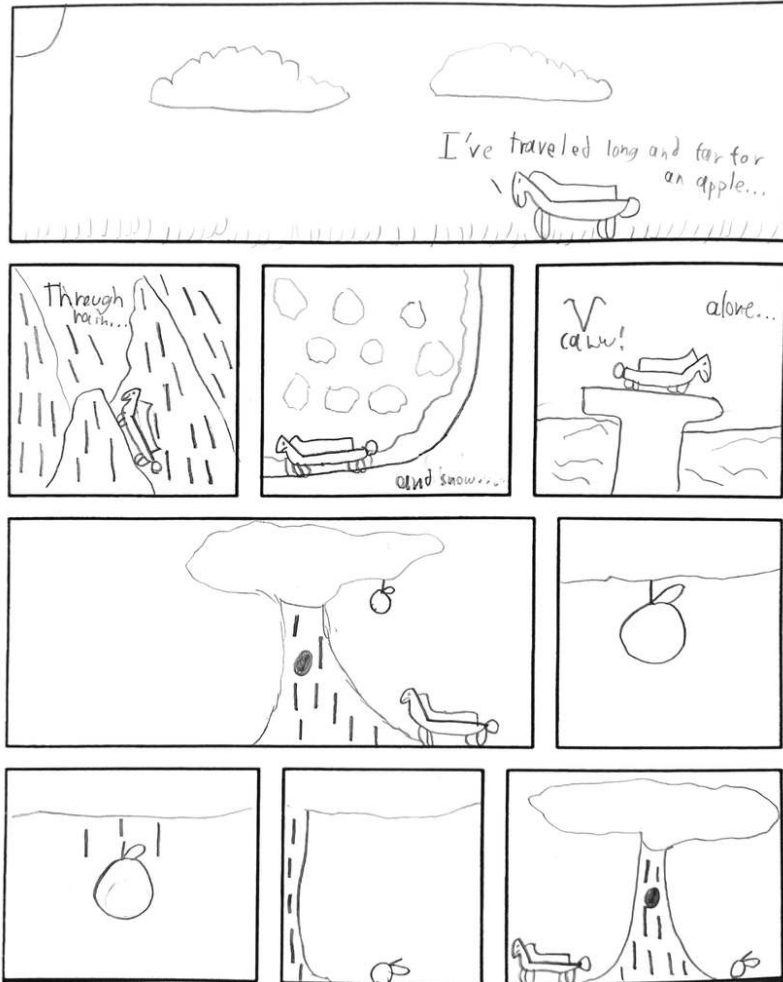
Drawing by Emma, 3rd

Punchlines: 1) Bun. 2) She runs away from the ball. 3) 7 "8" 9! 4) To be "sprinklicious." 5) bEAGLE!

More Fun Stuff

In Search of an Apple

Comic by Dylan H., 4th



Super Everest

Drawing by Lily, 3rd

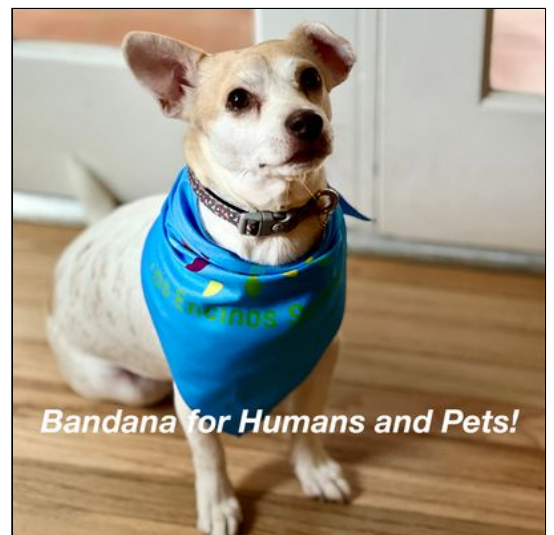


Made in the Shade by 4th grade

On May 19th, the fourth-graders held their first-ever 'Shade Sale' to support TreePeople and raised \$860! Can you rearrange the letters in the word SHADE and find a new word? When you do that to a word it's called an "anagram" (one solution is listed below).

S H A D E

Possible solution: "Heads"



Scout the dog says, "Order your Pet SpiritWear designed by the 2nd graders!"

losencinosschool.org/shop/pets

Even More Fun Stuff

Summer Camp at LES

Comic by Stevie, 3rd



Photo by Gus, 2nd



Photo by Beau, K

Puzzle by Emmett, 3rd
(Solution on Page Twelve.)

LES WORDSEARCH

"Things On Campus"

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P H C S U V N F M M S K K P R P D P L S
L F K P A R I S H H A L L Z A L B E G C
O A K T R E E A K B G Z C Y P A B T D I
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L J K W F U B W I K J O Q H F O E A R L

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PLAY STRUCTURE	PLANET BRAVO	MAIN OFFICE	ART
BASKETBALL	PARISH HALL	MAKER SPACE	PE
YOSSELYN	REINFELD	RED GATES	
EVEREST	SCIENCE	VIRTUES	
BECKMAN	VALUES	SHOO SHOO	
EAGLES	OAK TREE	LIBRARY	
GARDEN			

HAPPY BIRTHDAYS

April through Summer!

by Chloe, 1st



April:

Cade
Emma
Griffin
Maya S.
Isaiah
Callie
Chloe J.
Mia A.
Ethan D.
Maddy P.
Oliver P.
Levi
Sadie
Allie
Olivia F.
Maya P.

Mrs. Lotts
Mr. Blanchard

May:

Morgan
Aliana
Sarah B.
Henry
Felix
Pippa
Jacob S.
Ben B.
Geovanny
Aiden O.
Charlotte
Grayson H.
Lhasa
Evie

Ms. Grant
Mr. Davis

June:

Audra
Eli B.
Jett
Connor
Mia Y.
Dylan W.
Ben B.
Michael
Campbell
Stevie
Lorna
Wolfie
Zach P.
Miles
Hudson H.
Hunter
Olivia W.

Mrs. Cucco
Mrs. Birch
Ms. Marshall

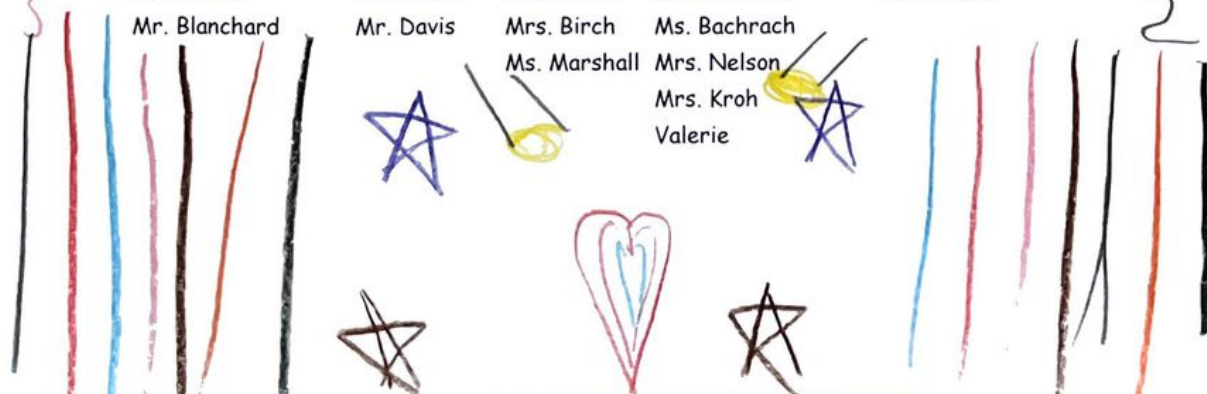
July:

Holt
Aubri
Poppy
Strummer
Ava S.
Lilah
Shawn
Clarence
Luna
Leo
Zoe
Nora B.
Max M.
Truman
Cassius
Jai
Chloe P.
Sophie

Mrs. Vaisman
Ms. Bachrach
Mrs. Nelson
Mrs. Kroh
Valerie

August:

Maro
Asher
Maren
Ethan
Teddy S.
Aiden E.
Ella W.
Dylan F.
Saint
Dylan H.
Maya R.
Decker
Cooper
Boz
Margot
Teddy
Sebi
Finn
Mrs. Seidel



Just Desserts

A Teacher Treat to Beat the Heat!

by Mrs. Vaisman & Ms. Pinkus

Frozen Berry & Yogurt Swirls

TOTAL TIME: Prep 15 minutes (+ freezing)

INGREDIENTS

- 10 plastic or paper cups (3 ounces each)
- 2-3/4 cups fat-free honey Greek yogurt
- 1 cup mixed fresh berries
- 1/4 cup water
- 2 tablespoons sugar
- 10 wooden pop sticks



DIRECTIONS

- 1) Fill each cup with about 1/4 cup yogurt.
- 2) Place berries, water and sugar in a food processor; pulse until berries are finely chopped.
- 3) Spoon 1-1/2 tablespoons berry mixture into each cup. Stir gently with a pop stick to swirl.
- 4) Top cups with foil; insert pop sticks through foil. Freeze until firm.

NUTRITION FACTS

1 pop: 60 calories, 0 fat (0 saturated fat), 0 cholesterol, 28mg sodium, 9g carbohydrate (8g sugars, 1g fiber), 6g protein. Diabetic Exchanges: 1 starch.



Have a favorite recipe or new feature you'd like to see in a future issue of The Oak?
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LES WORDSEARCH SOLUTION

P	H	C	S	U	V	N	F	M	M	S	K	K	P	R	P	D	P	L	S
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(See blank puzzle on page eight.)



Photo by Saint, 2nd