
May 2018

Olinda Elementary

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Mission Statement

Olinda provides a safe and supportive environment where all students can develop to their fullest academically, emotionally and socially. Our goal is to partner with parents and the community to ensure that all students are college and career ready.

Thank you to all the families for attending Open House and supporting your child's classroom. It was a successful evening with a lot of parent participation and an opportunity for students to show case their learning and their work.

Teacher Appreciation Week is May 7th-11th. Please make sure we acknowledge our teachers hard work and dedication to Olinda student's academic and social emotional success. PTA will be hosting a luncheon for teachers on Wednesday May 9th.

Thank you to Nicole Witt for organizing the Spring Fun Run event and to the PTA and volunteers for facilitating and supporting the event. It was great to see our Olinda students and families getting active and promoting health and fitness while raising money for the school.

This month our AAPAC will be supporting our Olinda scholars in an African Arts storytelling and dance workshop, provided by Nana Dictta Graves. The performing arts workshop will help Olinda Scholars increase their critical thinking capacity, develop their language arts skills through creative expression as they acquire new techniques on how to learn using the Arts. Students will present their stories through movement and dance on Friday, May 18th.

Olinda has earned our 3rd No Place for Hate banner for the 2017-2018 school year. The banner presentation will be held on May 31st at 9:15am in the courtyard. We are proud of our students for recognizing the importance of being an ally for themselves and others. As part of our final activity, classes throughout the month of May will participate in creating wishes that they have for themselves, their loved ones or the world. These wishes will be displayed on the trees in the courtyard. This activity is courtesy of Lori Thompson and we appreciate her support in engaging our students with this important message.

Our students in grades 4, 5, and 6 have been invited to attend and participate in the Annual Elementary Track Meet at De Anza High School on May 4th, 2018. Our students will be competing with all other elementary schools in the De Anza High School "family." The Track Meet will take place from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.



Thank you to the PTA for running the Scholastic Book Fair during the week of April 16th .

Olinda PTA Board Election for 2018-19 will be held May 24th. Nominations are needed for several board member positions. More information and nomination forms are available at: www.olindapta.org.

This month's social skill is friendship, the emotions or conduct of friends, the state of being friends. Please continue the discussion at home with your child regarding the importance of practicing this skill.

Upcoming Events:

- De Anza Track Meet; 5/4
- Teacher Appreciation Week; 5/7-5/11
- AAPAC Meeting; 5/8
- Teacher Luncheon; 5/9
- Progress Reports go home; 5/11
- Earth Day Assembly & Family Drumming Night; 5/11
- SSC Meeting; 5/17
- African Arts Dance & Storytelling Assembly; 5/18
- District Benchmarks begin; 5/21
- Volunteer Social; 5/24
- PTA Association Meeting; 5/24
- Memorial Day, No School; 5/28
- No Place for Hate Banner Presentation; 5/31
- Science Showcase; 5/31

Olinda will host a Science Showcase on May 31st from 5 to 6:30pm in the MPR. Students may work by themselves, with a group or a family member. Students may submit a new science display or model showing a science concept they learned this year, a formal science fair project that follows the scientific method, or a project they already completed this year. Please refer to the science showcase flyer for more details. Parent volunteers may connect with their child's teacher in regards to supporting a class project to present at the evening event.

Classes that successfully met their Accelerated Reader Word Count and Reading Minute Goals are:

Room 17 – exceeded goal by 281,875 words

Olinda's April Students of the Month

Rm. 20: Tommy Marion & Maya Zuckerman

Rm. 4: Joelah Broussard & Maria Curcino

Rm. 17: Kaden Ulrich & Harsamreen Sandhawalia

Rm. 8: Isaiah Victor & Jose Guilherme Lopes

Rm. 7: Emilio Dominguez & Jeremy Williams Jr.

Rm. 2: Joseph Santos & Sophie Sayyed

Rm. 18: Anh Pham & Karolina Martinez Mora

Rm. 16: Giselle Mendez & Antonio Gabriel

Rm. 13: Erin Enriquez & Esmeralda Garcia

Rm. 1: Aiyana Sa Pak & Emerald Lin

Rm 6. Josh Enriquez & Addison Stanley

Rm. 15: Amir Hernandez & Madeleine Dickinson

Rm. 5: Cyrus Naqvi & Samiya Talwar

Rm. 3: Avery Wyatt & Kennedy Marshall

Congratulations on your achievement!