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Welcome back to another new school year!

Superintendent Martinez begins this issue with her bio and message on pages 4 and 5.

Our popular student book reviews are included on pages 17-19. If your child would like to review favorite books, please email me for information. Be sure to enter the

word search contest on page 19 (all ages may enter).

This is our 16th year publishing the excellence from the Centralia Elementary School District. Thank you for continuing to include *School News* among your reading choices.

Our next issue is November 2. In the meantime, Happy Halloween.



## Be Water Smart

The Anaheim City Council approved moving from Level I of Anaheim's Water Reduction Ordinance to Level II, in response to the state's executive order regarding prolonged drought conditions in California.

There are some water waste activities that are prohibited, as well as an outdoor watering schedule limited to 3 days per week.

### Your Watering Days

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No sprinklers 9am-6pm, max 8 min/day/station. Effective May 2022.

### Water Saving Measures

- No irrigation runoff
- Hoses must have shutoff nozzle
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**Norma E. Martinez**  
Superintendent

Ms. Norma E. Martinez' work in education extends to 28 years of service, beginning as a bilingual instructional assistant, teacher, resource

teacher, master teacher, vice principal, principal, executive director, assistant superintendent, and now, proud superintendent of the very successful Centralia Elementary School District.

A consummate leader, Ms. Martinez leads by example encouraging all personnel to focus their energies on sustaining a safe, nurturing learning community that works positively to promote success for all students. Through her leadership, Centralia School District schools have received Gold Ribbon School awards, Distinguished Elementary Schools, Title I Academic Achievement awards, recognition for California PBIS (Positive Behavior Intervention Support), CBEE Star Schools, Scholar Schools and STEM Schools, and the coveted CSBA Golden Bell Award for our Neighborhood Resource Center which provides support to families in need.

Ms. Martinez grew up in Anaheim, graduating from Anaheim High School and going on to earn her bachelor's degree in sociology with a concentration in child development from Cal State, Fullerton. She now holds a master's degree in school administration from National University and a bilingual, multiple-subject teaching credential and a credential in school administration.



Ms. Martinez is a lifelong learner and has attended various Association of California School Administrators (ACSA) Academies, including the Superintendents' Academy. She is a dynamic and inspirational speaker, selected as the keynote speaker for the Annual California State Employees Association (CSEA) conference in Sacramento and the CSEA Para-Educator Conference, and as guest Norma E. Martinez SUPERINTENDENT panelist at the ACSA Superintendent's Academy.

In recognition of her community service, Ms. Martinez was awarded the Rotarian Leadership Award by Rotary District 5320 for "Service above Self" and the Paul Harris Fellow Award. She received the Leaders in Oral Health Community Award by the Healthy Smiles for Kids of Orange County organization and the Buena Park Soroptimists Integrity of Profession Award. She was also selected as a Woman of Distinction by Assemblywoman

Quirk-Silva in 2018. Giving back to community is a passion for Ms. Martinez. She has served on the Police Chief's Advisory Boards for both Anaheim and Buena Park. She is a member of the local Rotary Club, the Centralia Education Foundation, the Centralia Community Collaborative, CSUF College of Education Advisory Committee and the Buena Park Education Committee. She volunteers in our local community participating in the annual Holiday Giveaway, Silverado Days events, and Love Buena Park, just to name a few.

This year, Ms. Martinez launched the #NewBeginnings, #FreshPerspectives campaign to focus on the positivity of looking forward, building strong educational foundations and effective community connections.

## **NEW Beginnings with a Fresh Perspective, 2022-2023**

Centralia Elementary School District is proud to begin our 147th new school year, welcoming our families and staff back to an amazing year of NEW beginnings! There is much to look forward to in the 2022-23 school year!

## **100% Of Schools Recognized with PBIS Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports) Awards**

I am so pleased to inform our community that 100% of our schools have been recognized by the State of California as PBIS Platinum or Gold-level award winning schools! This special award recognizes the hard work of our school communities to provide positive places of learning for students. Our schools are places with structure and clarity of expectations for students. Our schools offer positive reinforcement and promote pro-social school behaviors amongst students.

## **Community Schools**

Centralia ESd is proud to share that three of our schools, Centralia, Danbrook and San Marino, have been selected as Community Schools for the next five years, receiving additional State funding to support their own social worker and community liaison team to enhance student well-being and increase family supports. Each of these schools is in the process of creating their own Resource Center as an oasis for addressing the needs of our families.

## **Cotsen Schools**

We are happy to share that Los Coyotes and Danbrook School staff have been selected as Cotsen Fellows and Mentors for the next two years. Through this program, our teachers will continue to deepen their knowledge of key instructional programming and will enrich our school programs by sharing what they learn with their students and colleagues. We are especially pleased to congratulate Ms. Liza Bernard and Ms. Ana Merino as Cotsen Mentors! Congratulations!

## **The Leader In Me**

The Leader in Me is an evidenced-based school program that builds leadership and life skills in students, creates high-trust school cultures and lays the foundation for sustained academic achievement. We are proud to announce that Centralia School is becoming a Leader In Me School! Great things await our Centralia Bees as they embark on this special journey!



## **Dual Language Immersion- Spanish**

After a pandemic pause in our planning, CESD is delighted to share that we have opened our first Dual Language Immersion program, with a focus on Spanish, at Centralia School. Already, two classrooms, one in kindergarten and one in first grade, are filled with eager alumnos (students) who are embarking on an elementary path of biliteracy. As always, the high caliber of instruction in our district is the hallmark of our expectations for success in our Dual Language Classes. As we continue to move forward, we expect to open Dual Language enrollment again for the 23/24 school year for grades K, 1 and 2!

## **Expanded Learning Opportunity Program (ELOP)**

Our ELOP program is off to a strong start in all our schools, enrolling eligible students to participate in exciting after-school learning programs, designed to enrich our students' school experiences.



## **New Beginnings/Fresh Perspective**

As we launch these many NEW programs across our schools, we are also welcoming principals new to their sites! With so much NEW, we are eager to embrace these opportunities with a fresh perspective and appreciate that we can offer dynamic programming and support to our schools.

On behalf of our Board of Education, I wish all our families a great year of NEW Beginnings and an optimistic and positive outlook for the 22/23 school year! It is indeed an honor to serve as your Superintendent!

## Uterine Fibroids are Common, But How Does it Affect Pregnancy and Fertility?



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Uterine fibroids are the most common noncancerous tumors in women of childbearing age. Approximately three million women in the United States have fibroids. Fibroids are made up of muscle cells and other tissues that grow in and around the wall of the uterus. Some women may experience symptoms if they have fibroids, such as:

- Heavy periods
- Feeling full in the lower abdomen
- Urinating often
- Lower back pain
- Reproductive problems

If a woman happens to experience symptoms of fibroids or if it is suspected that fibroids are present during a routine exam, tests may be ordered to help confirm the diagnosis, such as an ultrasound or an MRI.

Approximately 10 to 30 percent of women with fibroids develop complications during pregnancy. The most common complication of fibroids during pregnancy is pain.

Treatment for fibroids is decided on a case-by-case basis. It is based on the symptoms a person experiences, what is found during a routine pelvic exam, and the fibroids' size/shape/location.

During pregnancy, treatment for uterine fibroids is limited because of the risk to the baby. A treatment option for pregnant women is removing the fibroids during a C-section delivery. As this is a risky procedure, this is only done if necessary. The safest way to treat fibroids is to remove them before pregnancy or after the post-partum period.

If you're planning a pregnancy and have been diagnosed with fibroids or suspect you have them schedule an appointment with your doctor. Knowing if you have uterine fibroids before will help ensure that you and your baby are safe throughout the pregnancy.

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**Dr. Al Mijares**  
Superintendent

Back to school season has begun, and while the last few years have taught us valuable lessons about making predictions, it is noteworthy that this is the first new school year since 2019 to start without strict requirements for face coverings or contact tracing, bringing us closer to a more traditional school experience.

Moving forward, we must continue to be mindful of the less visible impacts of the pandemic, and our schools are well-equipped to do this. As students return, we know that many will be in need of accelerated learning, social-emotional interventions, counseling and access to wrap-around mental health services.

School employees who have been on the front lines also need support, stability and grace. And of course our families need expanded learning opportunities, robust communication from their schools and districts, and access to resources.

Certainly the last school year posed extraordinary challenges, and no two experiences were quite the same. Many of our students, families and school employees endured illness, disruption and personal loss on a scale that is unimaginable. Yet we also heard incredible stories of resilience, innovation and achievement in 2022.

At Westminster High School, for example, four students who were concerned about declining bee colonies were honored for their proposal to create a probiotic that can strengthen bees against insecticides. Earlier in the year, our own OCDE educators set up schools for about 60 newly arrived Afghan children whose families were forced to flee their home country after assisting U.S. troops or holding other positions that compromised their safety.

In districts and charter schools across the county, our students earned county, state and national recognition for devising solutions to real-world problems. They produced mental health videos, built highly innovative smartphone apps, designed electric vehicles, partnered with industry leaders for work-based learning opportunities, and expressed themselves through the visual and performing arts.

The success stories are too numerous to list here, but I would be remiss in not mentioning that two of California's five Teachers of the Year for 2022 were from Orange County, as were four of the state's top nine Classified School Employees of the Year.

Although this past school year tested us in so many ways, I am beyond proud of our schools for continuing to provide exceptional experiences for students and opportunities for them to shine. As we head into another fall, the sky's the limit on what we can accomplish together. Let's take care of one another and make it a great year.



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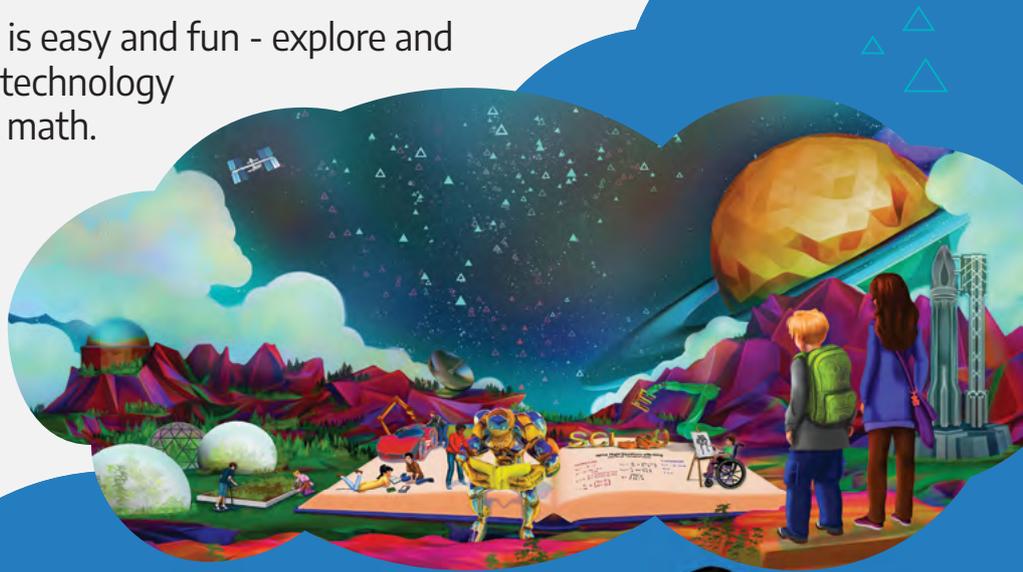
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# Buena Terra *Elementary School*

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**Bianca Marchese**  
*Principal*

I am honored to be the new Buena Terra principal. I am new to Centralia Elementary School District but not new to education. I started my career in the Whittier City School District where I served as a classroom teacher, instructional coach, and administrator. From Whittier City, I moved to La Canada Unified as a teacher and then Bellflower Unified as an assistant principal. I also worked at Teacher Created Materials, an international educational publishing

company in Huntington Beach. Most recently, I worked as a K-12 principal at Eastside Christian School in Fullerton. I am so excited to be back in public school and with elementary aged students.

I earned my BA in Liberal Studies from CSU, Chico. From Chico, I attended Biola University where I earned an MA in Education with an emphasis in Curriculum and Instruction and a multiple subject teaching credential. I earned my MS in Educational Leadership and administrative services credential from Pepperdine University. I completed all the necessary coursework for an Ed.D. at USC.

I am thrilled to be at Buena Terra School, a school known for strong community involvement, high academic achievement, and engaged students. I look forward to continuing to build on this strong foundation. I am ready to begin working for and with you to make the 2022-2023 school year the best year yet!

Follow Mrs. Marchese on twitter @bt\_eagles



## Fantastic Start

The 2022-2023 school year is off to a fantastic start. We have spent the first few weeks focusing on building cohesive classroom and school cultures. We have also reintroduced our PBIS expectations to all students and

they are looking forward to earning SOAR cards which can be redeemed for rewards throughout the year. Students have completed all their baseline diagnostic testing. The teachers at Buena Terra are working hard to roll out our new Twig science curriculum. The students will have many opportunities to complete hands-on investigations in addition to exploring the phenomena of the world around them.

The PTA has already calendared out all the fun activities planned for the year. The first activity will be our annual school movie night followed closely behind our Angels Baseball evening with students and families. Our school community is so excited to get this school year underway!



# Centralia Elementary School

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**Enrique Romero**  
Principal

It is with great pleasure and lots of excitement that we welcomed our students and families back. Our staff wholeheartedly believes that ALL students can learn at high levels and it is our goal to ensure that our children continue to receive a quality education in an environment that is safe and nurturing every day. We are committed to working in partnership with our families and community to support our children in reaching their maximum potential.

We are pleased to welcome our new principal, Enrique Romero, who comes to us with over 24 years of experience in education including 14 years as an administrator. He is honored to join the Centralia family and is elated and humbled to join such a caring and amazing district and school community. We are also excited to announce that we welcomed our first Dual Language Immersion Classes in kindergarten and 1st grade. It is an amazing opportunity available to students from across our district. We are thrilled to begin this journey and build an amazing Dual Language program we can all be proud of!

Furthermore, we are proud to announce that Centralia Elementary received a grant to become a Community School! The Community School model and mindset focuses on supporting the whole child, finding the resources and support our students and their families need focusing on academic, physical, and socio-emotional health. This is going to be an amazing school

year and our goal is to build more partnerships with our community to come together and support all students.

Follow Mr. Romero on twitter @ct\_bees

## Safe and Comfortable Environment

As we welcomed our students and families back to the 2022-23 school year, our teachers and staff here at Centralia Elementary School have focused on two things: 1) Creating a safe, supportive, and welcoming classroom environment for our students and 2) creating community within their classrooms so that the staff can connect with their students and the students with each other. Our school community understands that it is important to invest our time and efforts into building rapport with our students so that students feel safe and comfortable attending school and learning with their classmates. As we begin the new year, we are also excited to welcome our first two classes in the Dual Language Immersion Program! This

opportunity, which is open to all students in our school district, will empower our students to become Biliterate in English and Spanish as they enhance skills in the areas of communication, collaboration, creativity, critical thinking, civic engagement, and good character.

We are excited for the many new programs and opportunities that Centralia Elementary will offer this coming school year and are excited for all members of our school community. Here's to an amazing year! We are Centralia, We are Family! Somos Centralia, Somos Familia



# Danbrook *Elementary School*

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**Dr. Angelica Montelongo**  
*Principal*

It is an honor to introduce myself as the new principal of Danbrook Elementary School and to join this caring community. I arrive to Danbrook a seasoned elementary teacher and principal. This year will be my 25th year in education! I have served as an Instructional Aide, Teacher, Program Administrator, Assistant Principal, and the last 8 years as Principal. The varied roles through my career have given me the opportunity to support school systems

through different perspectives. I have worked throughout the Greater Los Angeles area, Bakersfield, and Las Vegas. I have had the pleasure of collaborating with diverse communities, including sites with large populations of English Learners, Special Education programs, and have led two schools with Dual Immersion programs.

Beyond work-related experiences, I have also developed my leadership abilities through education. In attaining my doctorate, I refined my knowledge of coaching, team building, and consulting. I have also had the opportunity to work with the private and public sectors and developed my leadership qualities.

I received my bachelor's degree from University of California, Santa Barbara, Teaching Credential from Cal State University, Los Angeles, and attained both my masters and doctorate from University of La Verne.



I look forward to building positive relationships with all Danbrook students and families and will continue to provide learning experiences that support students' academic and social-emotional needs. Alongside teachers, staff, and our community we will provide students with a safe, supportive, and engaging learning environment. Once again, it is a pleasure to join the Centralia Elementary School District!

Follow Dr. Montelongo on twitter @db\_dolphins.

## **Beginning of the School Year**

The beginning of this school has been fantastic! It has been such a thrill to see our students walk through our gates eager and ready to learn. We are also thankful to our families who have been supportive in transition the children back to a school schedule and learning mindset.

New to our school this year we have our new science adoption, Twig. We also have the reopening of our innovation lab for STEAM, the Cotsen foundation supporting teachers in instructional practices and professional development. In addition to the excitement during the school day, we have over 100 students participating in our Extended Learning program with students also participating in drum classes!

As the school year progresses it is our hope to support our students in academics and mental wellness through strong academia and enrichment programs.

Wishing you a wonderful school year!



# Dysinger Elementary School

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**Dr. Anissa Sorley Sequeira**  
*Principal*

I come to Centralia ESD with a heart for the childhood experience, public education, and building meaningful relationships. My nineteen years in education has allowed me to support students grades six to twelve from rich and diverse communities. I spent ten years as a classroom

teacher, nine as a site administrator, most recently serving as intermediate school principal. My educational journey includes attending Garden Grove USD, Ocean View SD, and Huntington Beach Union High SD. I graduated from California State University, Fullerton, the University of LaVerne, and the University of Southern California where I earned my Ed.D. degree. Each of these steps have fostered a strong desire to work hard for the betterment of public education and our children. I am committed to working together as a community and I strive to be a source of great strength and support for our Dysinger family.

Anissa Sorley Sequeira, Ed.D.

Follow Dr. Sequeira on twitter @dy\_dragons



## Excited to Be Back on Campus

Dysinger Dragons are excited to be back on campus and ready for action! We began the year with a collaborative

focus on acclimating and building positive relationships. Teachers facilitated campus tours and the understanding of what it means to be on F.I.R.E. In addition, our PBIS assemblies provided an opportunity for our students and principal to make connections between school-wide expectations and student success. During those assemblies students showed they are insightful, curious, and ready to learn. It is an exciting year that we have ahead of us. We are committed to fostering positive relationships with our students, community, and among our staff; in addition to placing rigorous and supported academic achievement as one of our top priorities. Dysinger Dragons can't wait to see what the year ahead of us brings and looks forward to showing our community that we are on F.I.R.E.!



# Los Coyotes *Elementary School*

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**Dr. Vicki Wong**  
Principal

Dr. Wong is serving her 4th year as the principal of Los Coyotes Elementary. Dr. Wong has a range of experience in education. She served as the Assistant Principal of Maie Ellis Elementary, a Dual Immersion, and Steven Covey Leader In Me school in Fallbrook Union School District. Before working in Fallbrook Union Elementary School District, Dr. Wong served three years as a program specialist for professional development in grades TK-12 in Saddleback Valley Unified school district. While working for Saddleback Valley Unified School District, she oversaw the MTSS grant and program, the After Extended Learning School Programs, and the New Teacher Induction Program. In addition, she was a classroom teacher for 14 years in both primary and upper grades.

After earning her bachelor's degree in Business Administration from Cal State University Long Beach, Dr. Wong obtained a master's in Education - Administration from Concordia University. Her passion for her students spurred her to further her knowledge in student learning, motivation, and child development - neurosciences. Dr. Wong earned her Doctorate in Educational Leadership - Educational Psychology from the University of Southern California in May 2019.

Dr. Wong believes all students have the right to high-quality instruction and a nurturing learning environment. At the core of her decisions is the desire to ensure that her students are supported academically, socially, and emotionally. She believes all her students are leaders and can develop the skills necessary to succeed in the global job market. Dr. Wong strives to build self-confidence, perseverance, and a positive mindset in her students and staff.

Follow Dr. Wong on twitter @lc\_coyotes.



## Student Goal Setting

At Los Coyotes, every student works with their teacher to set personal growth goals. These goals can be academic in nature or related to a character trait or life skill. To help our students with goal setting, we have them discuss their goals with their teacher and peers during the school day. We also ask our parents to partner with their children and teacher by supporting these goals in the home.

At Los Coyotes, we believe goal setting is important for these reasons:

- Provides a clear path to success
- Teaches time management and preparedness
- Increases motivation
- Tracks growth
- Gives focus and purpose
- Boosts self-confidence
- Develops perseverance

By asking students to talk about goal setting with their teacher, peers, and at home with parents, we empower our students to take ownership of their learning.

We look forward to celebrating with our students when they reach their goals!

# San Marino *Elementary School*

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**Dr. Omaira Lee**  
*Principal*

San Marino Elementary School began its AVID journey in 2017- 2018 and five years later is the proud recipient of the AVID Teacher Advocacy Award 2022 that was presented during the AVID Summer Institute in San Diego 2 on Tuesday, July 27th, 2022. The purpose of the award is to recognize and support outstanding California AVID teachers and site teams; and to celebrate, support, and encourage the implementation of AVID Schoolwide.

With that said, the San Marino Team has demonstrated excellent leadership, outstanding advocacy for their scholars and a stalwart determination to succeed in developing SMES' AVID program. The site team has had a consistent vision, commitment to being innovative and creative in our implementation of the AVID program which has allowed us to transform the support structures, communication and scholar success school-wide. The teaching and learning at San Marino is AVID strong, AVID minded, and College Bound!

Follow Dr. Lee on twitter @sm\_rams

## **Vision and Commitment to Innovation**

San Marino Elementary School began its AVID journey in 2017- 2018 and five years later is the proud recipient of the AVID Teacher Advocacy Award 2022 that was presented during the AVID Summer Institute. The award is to recognize and support outstanding California AVID teachers and site teams; and to celebrate, support, and encourage the implementation of AVID schoolwide. Additionally, San Marino hosted Back to School Night where the San Marino Team showcased students' AVID strategies posted throughout every classroom TK-6th grade and some of the school-wide instructional strategies. San Marino Team has demonstrated excellent leadership, outstanding advocacy for their scholars and a stalwart determination to succeed in developing SMES' AVID program. This school year is no different than previous years, SMES has a consistent vision, commitment to innovation, and creative in our implementation of the AVID program which has transformed the support structures, communication, and scholar success school-wide.



# G.B. Miller *Elementary School*

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**Robyn Yarbrough**  
*Principal*

Mrs. Robyn Yarbrough is thrilled to begin her fourth year as principal of G.B. Miller Elementary School. Prior to this, she was the principal of Los Coyotes School for eight years. She began her career as a classroom teacher in the Centralia School District in 1998 at Walter Knott School and worked as a Teacher on Special Assignment (TOSA) and Community Liaison at Danbrook School. This is her 25th year with the district.

Mrs. Yarbrough earned her bachelor's degree in communications and master's degree in Educational Leadership from California State University, Fullerton. She has had the honor of serving as a Mentor Principal and on the CSUF Education Administration Advisory Board. Under her leadership, her schools have won both the California Distinguished School, Pivotal Practice, and Gold Ribbon awards. They have also won numerous Positive Behavior Intervention and Support (PBIS) medals. The philosophy that permeates her decisions and actions is that a high-quality education is a fundamental right for every child and is a critical component in raising citizens who can effectively engage in a challenging society. To that end, it is the school's mission to provide the foundational learning upon which students will build. This year, Miller School looks forward to implementing the Twig Science program and enhancing their STEAM practices with a fully functioning Innovation Lab.

Ms. Yarbrough lives in Buena Park with her husband of 36 years. They enjoy traveling, and are diehard Dodgers fans, enjoying as many trips to Chavez Ravine as possible. She has two sons, a computer software engineer and a high school English teacher. Both sons graduated from CSUF as Titans. They share their home with assorted lost and found animals who all claim to be listed on the deed to the house.

Follow Mrs. Yarbrough on twitter @mi\_roadrunners.

## Exciting Opportunities

At GB Miller School, a new school year brings exciting opportunities for new experiences. While our focus is always on academic excellence, developing as a well-rounded individual is also of great importance. Roadrunners look forward to several programs this year. To inspire the artistic side of our students, the Meet the Masters program conducts artist study and training for all students that focuses on improving core art and fine motor skills, and increased art appreciation. Three artists are studied throughout the year. For sixth grade students, the PIY Program with the La Palma Police Department provides a process and motivation to make proper choices when faced with peer group pressure, and familiarizes them with general safety information. It's important to start the year out right, and we began with a very successful Implementation Day for PBIS, and Back to School Night which featured in-person presentations by all of our teachers.



**Mrs. Daileida, our TK teacher, has a full house for Back to School Night.**



# Raymond Temple *Elementary School*

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**Shawn Stuht**  
*Principal*

It is an honor to introduce myself as the new principal of Raymond Temple Elementary School and to join this caring community. I arrive to RT a seasoned elementary teacher and principal, serving proudly as Dysinger's principal for the last 7 years, promoting a strong culture of community and service to students.

I began my teaching career in the Centralia School District in 1991 and spent 24 years as a teacher before being promoted to principal. I earned a bachelor's degree in Child Development from Cal State University, Fullerton, a master's degree in Educational Leadership from Cal State University, Fullerton and Administrative Credential at University of California, Irvine. I am very much looking forward to joining the Raymond Temple Eagles community.

Follow Mrs. Stuht on twitter @rt\_eagles

## What's the Buzz?

The new school year is off to a great start. Raymond Temple is a-buzz with new staff, science curriculum, and schoolwide recognition awards. Raymond Temple welcomes many new staff members who will enrich the already outstanding school climate.

Raymond Temple has earned the prestigious 2022 Green Ribbon School Bronze Award. Sustainable practices continue to be incorporated by Raymond Temple staff and students, which enhance the school environment, while promoting lifelong green strategies and educating students about careers and environmental sciences. The three school gardens are buzzing with bees pollinating

the flowering plants, which harvest an abundance of seasonal fruits and vegetables, such as zucchini, brussels sprouts, tomatoes, watermelon, peppers, and strawberries. The newly adopted science curriculum will allow extended opportunities for the gardens to enhance science standards education.

Raymond Temple also achieved the 2022 Platinum PBIS Award for exceptional efforts in Multi-Tiered System of Supports to provide academic and social emotional supports for student success. A year long school wide focus is to identify student individualized needs and to put systems in place to allow every child to achieve to their fullest potential.



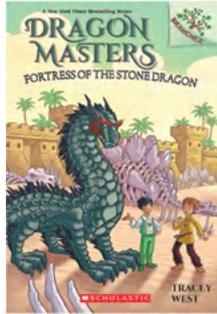
## Daniel's Review



Daniel H.

### Dragon Masters

In *Fortress of the Stone Dragon* (*Dragon Masters* #17) an evil wizard named Astrid is trying to rule the world and someone must stop her! Dragon Masters Drake and Mina, with their dragons Frost and Worm, must get to another Dragon Master, Caspar, and his dragon Shaka (the Stone Dragon) to get help to defeat Astrid. This story had a lot of action, dragons, and magic. I really liked this book because it was fun to read. You should read this too!



Daniel is in third grade and he likes to spend time with his family playing board games, reading, and playing sports like tennis, basketball, and bowling.

## Yoona's Review



Yoona C.

### Mysterious Secrets

Title: *Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets*  
Author: J. K. Rowling  
Harry Potter lives with his uncle and aunt and their child still for the summer. He meets Dobby when he was in his room



pretending to not exist. Dobby says not to go to Hogwarts, but Harry refuses. Then, Dobby causes trouble, and his Uncle blocks the window that was in his room. But, Ron and his brothers come to take him to their home. After a few days, it's time to go to Hogwarts. There is a problem at Hogwarts. The chamber of secrets has been opened, but no one knows who. Then, Ron and Harry overhear Ms. McGonagall saying that there was a sign saying "Her skeleton will lie in the chamber forever." Ron and Harry plan to go to the chamber of secrets. Do you want to know what will happen next? Then, explore this book!

Yoona is a 4th grader. She likes to read books and create stories. She also enjoys playing soccer.



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## Taegyung's Book Review

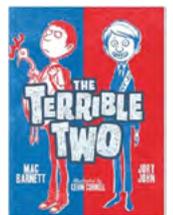


Taegyung K.

### April Fools! Or not...

Title: *The Terrible Two*  
Author: Mac Barnett and Jory John

Everybody is someone at school. Miles Murphy is a prankster. But he is not just pulling a few pranks.

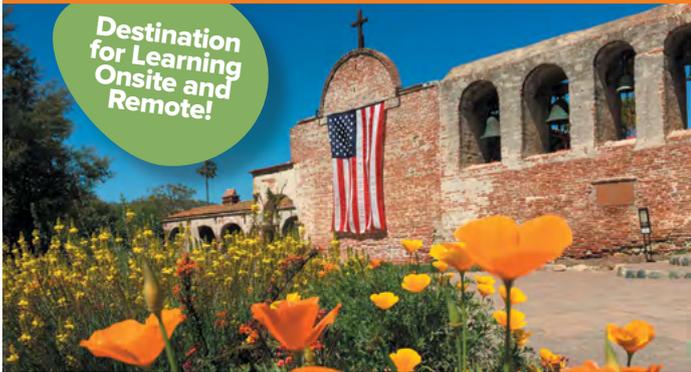


He is the school's grand prankster. But when he is forced to move to Yawnee Valley, he knows that he will lose his title as his school's jester. After he moves, he wants to make a comeback. But to his surprise, on the first day of school, someone had moved Principal Barkin's car on the front stairs of the school. What this means is that this school already has a prankster. As he is the new kid, Principal Barkin introduces him to Niles Sparks, the school helper. At first Niles seems like any school's goody two-shoes, but as Miles learns about Yawnee Valley's prankster, he realizes that some people might not be who he thinks they are. It takes two to accomplish something, but is that two terrible enough?

Taegyung K. is a 7th grader. She loves reading books and writing her own stories. Also, she likes to draw and play video games.

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## Aubtin's Review



**Aubtin M.**

### Teamwork

Title: *Thomas & Friends –  
Day of the Diesels*

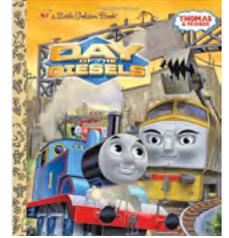
Author: Christopher Awdry

On the Island of

Sodor, Thomas the tank  
engine and Percy the  
small engine are best  
friends. When Belle; the  
fire engine comes, she

becomes Thomas's new friend. Percy  
feels very left out. Percy goes to the  
Diesel Works to see if the Diesels want to  
make friends with him. Percy leads the  
Diesels to the Steam Works, when he  
discovers that Thomas is held prisoner in  
the Diesel Works. What will happen to  
Thomas? Will Percy save him? I  
recommend you read this book to see  
what happens.

I learned about friendship, teamwork  
and cooperation from this book. I hope  
you will too. You will find great  
pictures in this book.



Aubtin is a 1st Grader. When not playing,  
Aubtin does writing, reading and drawing.  
He also likes sports, swimming, and music.  
He cares a lot about his family and friends.

## Leadership Word Search Contest

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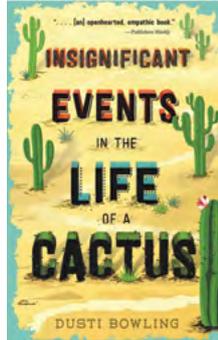
## David's Review



David H.

### Perseverance and Friendship

*Insignificant Events in the Life of a Cactus* is a great book about perseverance. The main character, Aven, was born without arms and becomes friends with Connor, a boy who has



Tourette syndrome, and Zion, a boy who gets teased for being overweight. They are all trying to help each other survive middle school while being different. The author has a humorous writing style. I recommend this book to anyone who wants a heartwarming and uplifting read. Enjoy!

David is in fifth grade and he loves to read and play piano. He likes math and activities such as tennis, basketball, and bowling.

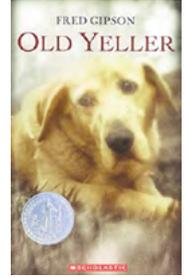
## Kailani's Review



Kailani T.

### Hardest Decision to Make!

*Old Yeller* by Fred Gipson is about a stray dog and his relationship with the family who found him. Travis is a 14-year-old teenager who is left in charge of the ranch while his father travels to a different city. Travis meets a stray dog who steals his meat one morning and really dislikes that dog. However, Travis's little brother (Arless) wants to keep the dog. Mom lets the dog stay. The family calls him "Old Yeller". Mom's decision to keep the dog makes Travis even more upset since Travis is supposed to be in charge of the ranch while dad is gone. Will Travis and Old Yeller ever get along? Will the stray dog ever win Travis's heart?



There is a lot of feelings, tension and excitement in this book. Reading this book taught me that there will be many difficult life decisions to make when I grow up. I give this book 5 stars.

Kailani is a 5th grader who loves to read. When not reading, Kailani likes to play with her brother, jump on the trampoline, listen to music, and ride horses.

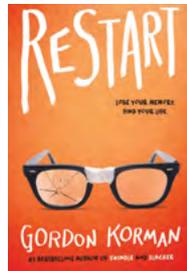
## Sourish's Review



Sourish M.

### A Second Chance, Something Everyone Deserves...

"I remember falling" says the first line of the book *Restart* by Gordon Korman. It describes the reminiscence of the main character Chase Ambrose who has an accident that changes



his life forever. The way the author has displayed this character is incredible. He writes the story from each character's own point of view which projects a movie inside the reader's head as if they are experiencing it live. Every character plays a role in the main character's life, Shoshana Weber, Bear Bratsky, Aaron Hakimian, Brendan Espinoza, Kimberly Tooley, and Joel Weber. Chase was a bully who would torment others, but when he got amnesia, he changed for the better. The readers may be entertained by the amusing moments in the story such as the time when Brendan drove a tricycle through a carwash! Chase received something rare to everyone, a second chance and that should be deserved by everyone!

Sourish M. is a seventh grader who is enthusiastic to learn more and experience new things. He likes Science and Reading, plays soccer, basketball, guitar, and has fun with friends and family. Sourish loves to spend long hours coding and expanding his experiences by traveling with his family.

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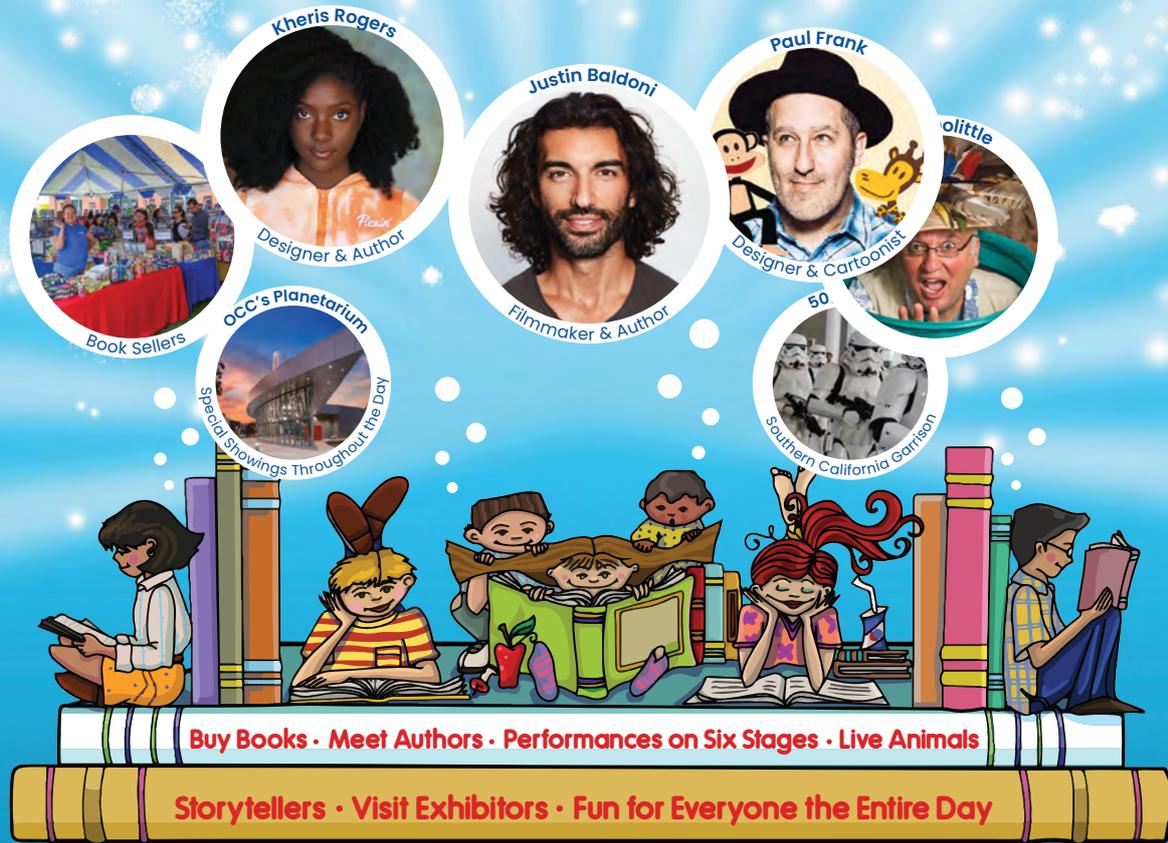
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