



Orengo School Times



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A Message from our Principal, Mr. Bishop

Dear Students and Parents:

Monthly we include classroom lessons and activities centered on specific themes.

February's school themes include Patriotism and Friendship. Reinforcing these at home and asking your child what they are doing to increase these traits is helpful.

We encourage you to visit Orengo at any time and continue to check in with your child's teacher or specialists.

Feel free to call me or talk with the office staff should you have any questions.

We appreciate your involvement.

Tim Bishop and the Orengo Team

ORENCO STUDENTS ENRICHED BY ART

Orengo students share in learning about famous artists in our ongoing art literacy program. This year classrooms have come to life as they are learning about some of the famous artists and their techniques. Our many thanks to all the parent volunteers who help with this program. Orengo students gain a greater appreciation for art through this program. Thank you to Linda Dowling Wu and Jana Jenkins for organizing this program for our students. The student recreations of the work by Kadinsky will be displayed throughout the building.



POPCORN, POETRY AND POP

Students and parents are invited to join us for a special night of reading and poetry April 16th at 7:00 p.m. in the gym. We are hoping to have a book for every child to take home. A donation box will be located in the office for any "gently" used or new books you would like to donate.

SCIENCE FAIR AND SPAGHETTI DINNER

Just a reminder that the spaghetti dinner and science fair will be February 19th from 6:00-8:00 p.m. The cost for dinner is \$1.00 per person. Over a hundred science displays and the school choir and band will be featured.

ORCA LIVE

Parents can check out our school-wide broadcast of Orca Live on our website: www.hsd.k12.or.us/orengo. You will see special highlights of the week and school events that take place throughout the month. You will view why all the students see this as a highlight of their week.



UP-and-COMING

Mark your calendar for these events:

February 16th
President's Day—No School

February 19th
Science Fair/Spaghetti Dinner, 6:00-8:00 p.m.

February 27th
Spirit / Orca Day
First/Second Grade Assembly, 9:15

March 2nd
"I Love a Book Parade", 1:30

March 10th
Booster Club, 2:30
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First Grade



What a busy year we have had with our fantastic first graders! All have been learning to read and write at amazing leaps. We began the year learning about our school and how to make this a great place to be.

Next came a special friend, or should we say enemy, Mr. Germ. The students learned about cleanliness, good hygiene and nutrition.

During December we visited many countries learning about winter celebrations from around the world .

This past month we focused on the important lesson we learned from Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. celebrating physical differences and showing respect to others.

With the science fair coming soon we have been learning about matter, focusing on the areas of solids, liquids and gases. Please plan to attend the school-wide science fair on February 19.

On February 27 we will join the second graders in a poetic and musical celebration in honor of Dr. Seuss's birthday. On March 2 we will join the whole school to celebrate Read Across America Day in the annual Love a Book Parade.

This spring we are going to be working hard to learn about the wetlands. The kids will be making a power point presentation using the information they gather for their very first research report. We will be going on a field trip to a wetland's area.

