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There's a New Vice Principal in Town!

By: Taylor Jane Dela Cruz

Mrs. Bond is the new VP at Stone Lake Elementary school! She came from Arnold Adreani Elementary where she was for 3 years out of her 16 years in education. Mrs. Bond always wanted to be a teacher because she loves spending time with little kids.

Mrs. Bond has a wife, Stephanie, who has been a P.E teacher in our district, and two sons, a 16-year-old Kyle, and a 13-year-old Jackson.

Mrs. Bond's favorite hobby is hiking. She loves to exercise, and in her opinion, it is relaxing and calming. Her favorite sport is ice hockey. Mrs. Bond thinks that the Colorado Avalanches are good players, and she loves the suspense in watching them. Mrs. Bond's favorite restaurant is Mikuni, because she loves sushi.

Mrs. Bond wants the whole school to know that she lives her life to be a kind person, and she loves to spend her life as herself. Mrs. Bond wants all of the Stone Lake Hawks to do the same!

If you see Mrs. Bond, be sure to wave a friendly hello!



Mrs. Bond

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Mrs. Viducich's Special Ed Class

By: Daisy Bevens

Hello hawks, recently I interviewed Mrs. Viducich on her amazing Special Ed class.

Mrs. Viducich has been working with Special Ed students for over nine years! She wanted to teach Special Ed because she wants all kids to love school. Her favorite part about teaching Special Ed is making learning fun and the hardest part is navigating the challenges some of the students struggle with.

Right now Mrs. Viducich's class is working on writing informational sentences and learning about their hydroponic garden.



Mrs. Viducich in the G wing.

Did you know they have a class pet lizard called Mushu who visits every Friday? The class feeds him the plants they grow from the hydroponic garden.

I asked her students Jacob, Kno'zayiah, and Declan what their favorite part of school was. Jacob answered that he loved leveled activities (depending on their behavior they get different activities), brain breaks, and Science. Kno'zayiah answered that she loved recess time. Finally, Declan answered that he loves art.

Have a great day hawks, and next time you see a Special Ed class be sure to wave hello!



Mrs. Viducich's leveled activities chart including "In-Training", "Ready To Fly", "Amazing Sidekick", and "Super".

Hawks Talent

By: Eve Murdock

So many gymnasts practice hours each week perfecting routines and working on new skills. Today, you're going to learn about Mikayla Del Gavio, who did a gymnastics routine in our school's 2022-2023 Talent Show!

Mikayla started gymnastics at two years old. That means she's been doing gymnastics for 9 years! Her inspiration is Gabby Douglas and Simone Biles.

You might think taking a dance class for 2 hours is long, but Mikayla goes to gymnastics for four hours a day and sixteen hours a week!

Mikayla's favorite skill/event in gymnastics a Roundoff Back-handspring Back Tuck. That's very impressive!



Mikayla Del Gavio

Mikayla's favorite event in gymnastics is bars.

I had a great time watching Mikayla in the 2022-2023 Talent Show!

Wild About Learning

Primary Classrooms

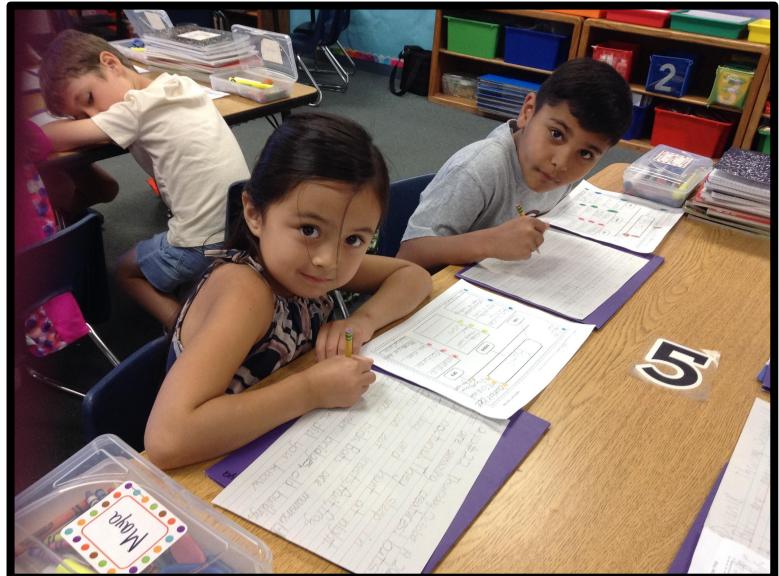
Mrs. Alarcon's Hawks!

By: Sofia Lobo

Hello Stone Lake! I interviewed Mrs. Alarcon's class to find out what they have been doing in their classroom. The first graders are working on writing assignment about bats!

They are writing about bats because they are learning about nocturnal animals and animal structure and defences.

Mrs. Alarcon says that the hardest part about it is writing a good conclusion. The most fun part is putting the graphic organizer into action.



The students working on their project.



The class wotking on the project

It's the perfect season for learning about bats and nocturnal animals. The first graders are having a lot of fun learning interesting facts about bats!



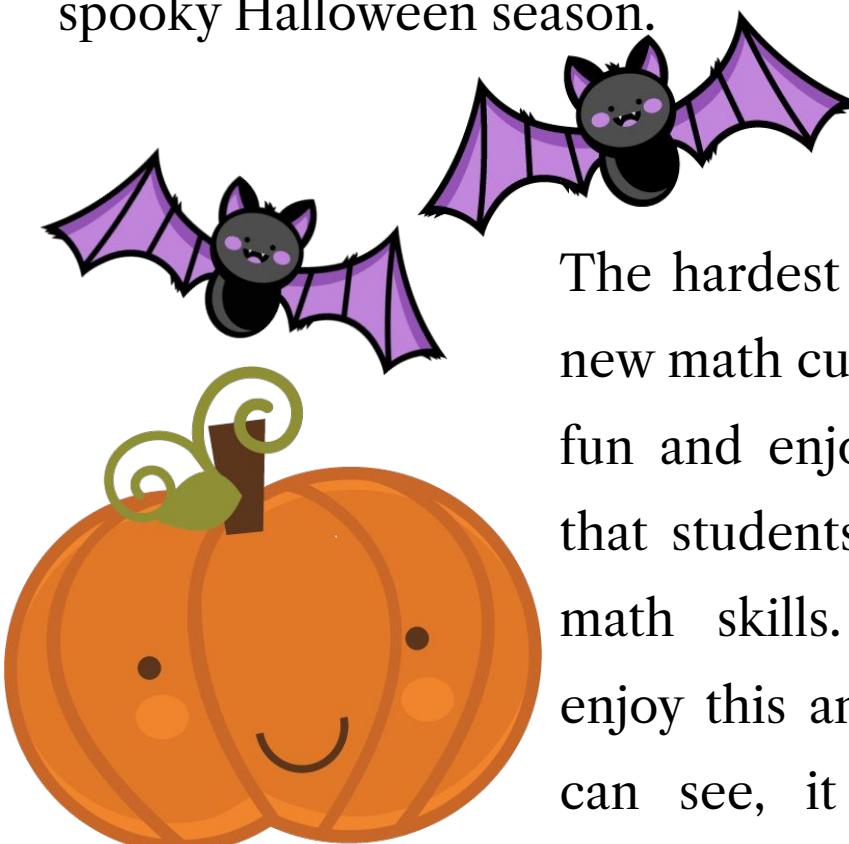
Wild About Learning

Primary Classrooms

Spooky Learning in Mrs. Mellinger's Class

by Jensen Chau

Good day, Hawks! Have you ever wondered what Mrs. Mellinger's class has been learning about? Well, you're in luck! I interviewed Mrs Mellinger and here's what she had to say! Her class is currently learning about bats and math! They're learning about the bats for the spooky Halloween season.



The hardest part about this lesson is the new math curriculum. However, the most fun and enjoyable part of this lesson is that students are improving reading and math skills. Mrs. Mellinger's students enjoy this and have tons of fun! As you can see, it would be an outstanding experience to be in Mrs Mellinger's class. See you next time!

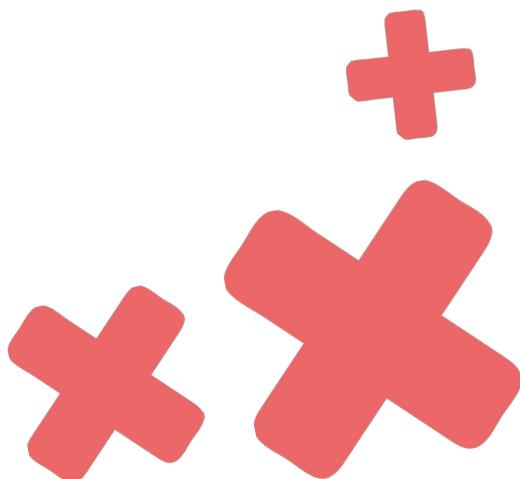
Wild About Learning Primary Classrooms

Wild about Learning with Mrs. Trujano By: Liam Nguyen

Welcome Hawks, today I interviewed Mrs. Trujano to find out what she is teaching, and her replies were unbelievable.

Right now her class is learning about multiplication and division. The really hard part of this lesson is doing both at the same time. Especially remembering and learning different strategies.

The best thing about this lesson is seeing the kids learn it. The worst thing is at the beginning when it's tough for them, and there are 7 different strategies they can use.



The easiest part of math is when the kids memorize it and make games doing it. It's on the easier side because its hard to begin with and easier when you keep doing it.

Later Hawks!

Stone Lake Staff

All about Ms. Erika

Ms. Erika has been working at Stone Lake for 9 years. She used to be an Office Assistant, but now she is our wonderful new secretary. What Ms. Erika loves most about working here is being able to connect with everyone, but she isn't a fan of watching the 6th graders leave at promotion.

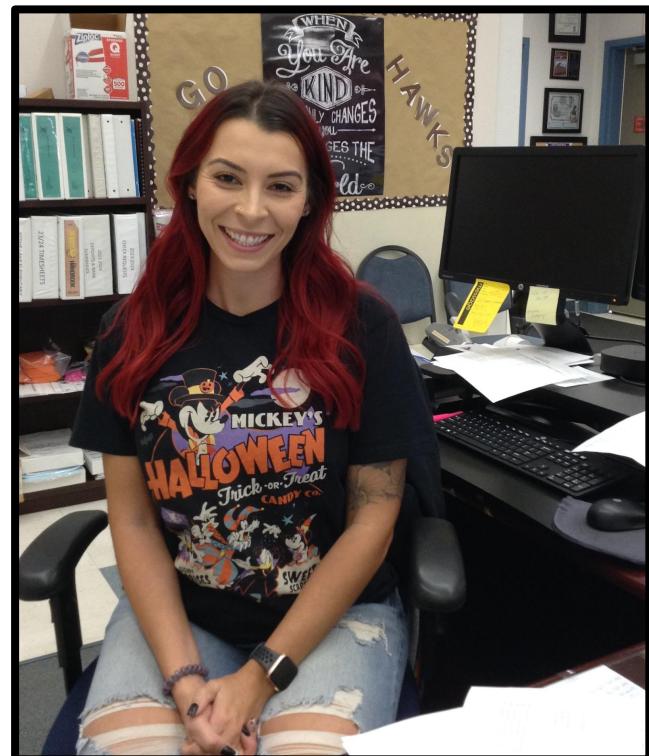
Ms. Erika's favorite spot on campus is the blacktop because she loves watching all the kids have fun at recess. Speaking of spots, her favorite vacation spot is San Diego. She especially loves the San Diego zoo.

Ms. Erika's favorite memory of working here is throwing Cheeto Puffs at Mr. Beard for the Fun Run! If Ms. Erika wasn't working at Stone Lake, she would want to be a hairstylist. As a kid, she wanted to be a pediatrician.

Before she came to Stone Lake, Ms. Erika worked in the office at Pinkerton Middle School. She also worked at Laguna Creek High School.

It was a pleasure interviewing Ms. Erika.

By: Mikayla Del Gavio



Ms. Erika at her desk

Ms. Erika's favorites

Fav food: Pizza and Tacos

Fav color: Blue

Fav sport (to watch): Basketball

Fav sport team: Kings

Fav hobby: Working Out

Fav holiday: Fourth of July

Fav candy: Most types of fruity candy

Fav animal: Elephants and Dolphins

Stone Lake Staff

All About Ms. Angie

Many of you know Ms. Angie and see her in the office every morning. For the ones who don't know her, that's ok because I got a chance to interview her!

Ms. Angie has been working at Stone Lake for 6 years! Ms. Angie's favorite thing about working here at Stone Lake is getting to know everyone. She especially loves seeing her coworkers everyday! I asked Ms. Angie what her least favorite thing about working at Stone Lake is, and she said she doesn't have one because Stone Lake is so awesome!

Ms. Angie's role in the office is a School Office Assistant! I asked Ms. Angie what was her job before this one and she replied "I worked the same position as I have now, but I worked at Joseph Kerr Middle School."

It was so fun and interesting interviewing Ms. Angie! If you see her, do me a favor by saying hi!

By: Jenna Kabir



Photo Of Ms. Angie

Some of Ms. Angie's Favorites

- **Sports Team: Pittsburgh Steelers**
- **Movie: Good Fellas**
- **Food: Mexican Food**
- **Treat Or Dessert: Anything Chocolate**
- **Holiday: Christmas**
- **Animal: Dog**



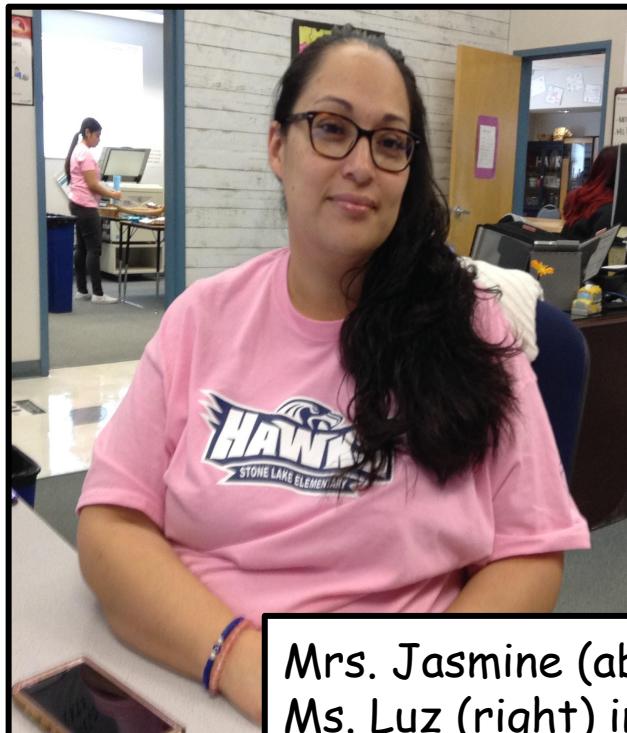
Stone Lake Staff

Mrs. Jasmine

By: Stephanie Chan

Hello Hawks! You might know Mrs. Jasmine but you might not know this! Mrs. Jasmine has been part of our Stone Lake staff for almost two years. Mrs. Jasmine is the school office clerk and is forty-two years old, has four daughters and a husband.

Did You know? Mrs. Jasmine's favorite hobby is arts and crafts, her favorite color is blue and pink, her favorite food is Thai food.



Mrs. Jasmine (above) and Ms. Luz (right) in the office.

Miss Luz

By: Mia Batovac

Hello fellow Stone Lake people, I'm Mia Batovac, and I am here to tell you a little bit more about our amazing office clerk Miss Luz.

Miss Luz informed me that she has 3 brothers and 2 sisters. She is the youngest one in her family. Miss Luz has 1 cat named Lola. Her favorite part about her job is getting to see all of you and getting to meet new people!



The Nuts & Bolts of Stone Lake

Fire Drills

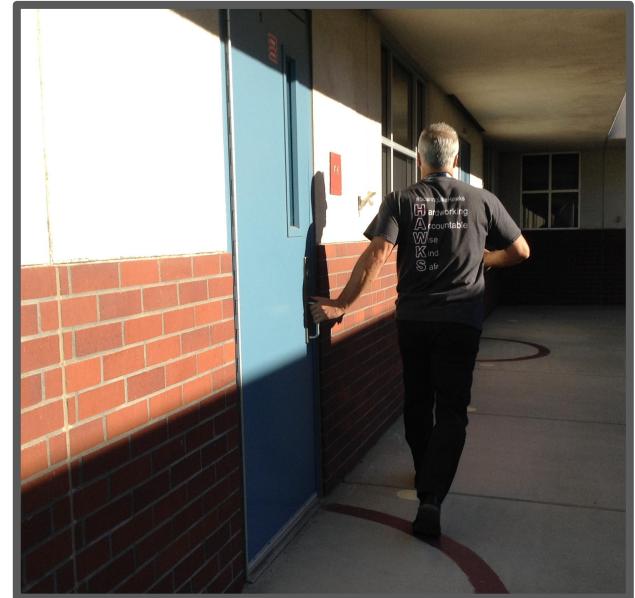
By Liana Llamas

Recently, I interviewed Mr. Beard about Stone Lake's fire drills. I was fortunate to follow him, and I saw first hand how he handles our fire drills.



Mr. Beard locking the doors that aren't locked.

When it's time for a fire drill, Mr. Dave gets the alarm ready by using a key to release the loud noises. Mr. Beard walks around the whole school checking if all doors are locked. If not, he will lock it. Mr. Beard also communicates with every teacher responsible for each wing.



Mr. Beard checking all the doors..

You might be asking yourself why do we even have fire drills. The answer is simple, The law requires schools to do it monthly as a practice for real ones.



Mr. Beard at the control panel..

Rainbow Club

With Mrs. Bohlmann

By Sophia Wagner

Some schools have many clubs, but here at Stone Lake there are only a small handful of them. One of these clubs is Rainbow Club. If you don't know much about it, now's the perfect time to explore it!

Last year, in May, Rainbow Club was founded by Lilah Cassman, who is now a sixth grade student in Mrs. Houston's class. It is supervised by Mrs. Bohlmann. Members eat lunch together and talk about ways they can improve our school. Many students in Rainbow Club have formed friendships across the tracks, with those who are very different from one another.

In Mrs. Bohlmann's own words:

My biggest hope for Rainbow Club is that students feel that it is okay to be themselves. We are all unique.



Mrs. Bohlmann holding
the painted Rainbow Club sign

Members are expected to be kind to everyone and be welcoming to diversity. They spread anti-bullying messages, and they talk about growth-mindset and ways to handle stress.

The Rainbow Club hopes to raise money to buy a buddy bench for our school. They will be selling Y-ties, colorful, elastic shoelaces that don't need to be tied and are \$5 a pair.

You might wonder, why is it so important to have Rainbow Club at Stone Lake? Well, students of diversity and students who identify as LGBTQ deserve to feel safe in a supportive environment.

Rainbow Club is something you won't see at every school, but having it at Stone Lake is important to not just members, but many other students at large.



Mrs. Bohlmann

Fog Willow Farm



with Mrs. Wong

By: Natalia Hernandez Buggs

This month Mrs. Wong and Mrs. Kanemoto went to Fog Willow Farms. This is a 10+ year long field trip tradition at Stone Lake. I interviewed Mrs. Wong about her experience.

On the field trip students got to learn about farm life visually and physically. Children were able to pet goats and watch Mrs. Wong feed two incredibly strong baby cows with a large milk bottle.

The kindergarteners also learned about solids, liquids, animals in their habitat, and the effects that weather can have on a place with growing nature, like a farm.

I asked Mrs. Wong what her students enjoyed best, she said that they expressed extreme joy during pumpkin picking and the bumpy bus rides!

If you didn't know, Mrs. Wong used to work with Farmer Joe's wife. If you visit the farm's website, you can see that they specialize in "entertainment" meaning Fog Willow Farms is equally as educating as entertaining.

I asked Mrs. Wong what her students enjoyed best, she said that they expressed extreme joy during pumpkin picking and the bumpy bus rides!

with Mrs. Kanemoto

By: Sophie Rodriguez

Hello Hawks! Do you like going on field trips? Last month our kinder friends in Mrs. Kanemoto's class went to a place called Fog Willow Farm!

The class went on a bumpy hayride, pet a tortoise named Jelly Bean, pet bunnies, watched little piglets play, and picked out a pumpkin to take home! They learned a lot about every animal there.

Two things Ms. Kanemoto found most interesting was being able to bottle feed a calf and pet animals in the petting zoo. In two words it is both interactive and exciting!



Fire Department Visit

Ms. Tucker's Class

By: Rosalea Ortega

Have you ever wondered about the day in the life of a firefighter, and what they do in a real emergency? If you have, ask the 1st graders because they know all about it!

Recently, I got to interview Mrs. Tucker about the Cosumnes Oaks Fire Department's visit to our school. They taught the kids having an escape plan, the fire gear, & truck. They helped them understand its very important to know where to meet or go to if there is a real fire. The kids also got to take home a firefighter sticker and hat.

The favorite part of the visit was timing the firefighters to see how quickly they could put on their gear and just seeing the fire truck in person. Overall, the fire department visit was a great time for Mrs. Tucker's class.



*Above: Students inside the firetruck.
Right: Mrs. Alarcon with her class.*

Mrs. Alarcon's Class

By: Emma Estrada

Did you know that Mrs. Alarcon's class saw real firefighters? Well neither did I until I went to interview Mrs. Alarcon about this memorable visit. When the 1st graders heard the firetruck was coming, they were ecstatic! The thrill of seeing a real firefighter and being able to look up close at the firetruck got the kids very excited.

The fire truck is from the Consumes Department Fire Station 74. While the firefighters were there, they taught the kids about the trucks, the parts of the trucks, the tools that the firefighters use, and the hoses. The best part for the kids was learning the difference between a fire engine and truck, and when they saw a firefighter's gear. The lucky kids even got to go into the driver's seat!

Mrs. Alarcon rates the firetruck visit with a 10/10. She says it was very informative and engaging, as well as kind people that were open to lots of questions. The students would rate the visit with a 20/10. Very fun visit. I hope you enjoyed this article about firefighters.



Third Grade Field Trip

Mrs. Trojano's Class

By Sofia Lobo

Mrs. Trojano's class went on a field trip to the EGUSD central kitchen on November 3rd! They went there because the kids could learn about nutrition and to learn where their food comes from. Their favorite part was the taste testing and the tour in the freezers.



Cookies!



EGUSD kitchen

The third graders especially loved the part where they learned that the cookies are made with applesauce and not extra sugar!

This sounds like a great field trip third graders!

4th Grade Field Trips!

By: Mikayla Del Gavio and Jenna Kabir

It was a windy, cloudy and chilly morning with Ms. Starke's class at 8:10 am. They were headed to Fog Willow to visit the Gold Bug Mine. It took an hour to get there.

The two classes were in 4 different groups with 4 different activities such as visiting the museum and gift shop, going to the stamp mill, visiting the gold mine, and the blacksmith, which was Ms. Starke's favorite part. Her class got to keep a spoon from them.

The kids favorite part was the gold mine. The kids learned how gold was first discovered, they learned about different kinds of rocks, and they learned how the 49ers dug gold. The whole trip ended around 2:30. They had an amazing time.



Ms. Starke's class at the gold mine.

By: Taylor Jane D. and Stephanie C.

Mrs. Torres' class went to the Gold Bug Mine on October 26th, in Fog Willow. They felt excited on the way there, so much that everyone was screaming and singing. They felt tired and happy on the ride home.

Students learned that the gold rush started in 1848, and they got to pan for gold and experience some times of the gold rush - *through history!* They enjoyed the time when a room became pitch black, and everyone was laughing. That was mostly their favorite part. On a scale of one to ten, we asked how would they rate this field trip, and they immediately said 10!



Mrs. Torres' Class at the Gold Bug Mine.

The Fall Festival



By: Camille Taylor

Many students had a fantastic time at Stone Lake's Fall Festival! There were many different costumes like an angel, wizard/witch, a doctor, a princess, and Darth Vader!

Many students said their favorite candy from the Trunk or Treat were Kit Kats or Jolly Ranchers.

Thank you PTO for organizing this fun event for Stone Lake!



OUR SCHOOL'S ANNUAL PUMPKIN DECORATING CONTEST



By: Lucy Smoldon

Have you ever wondered about our annual pumpkin decorating contest? Well I spoke with Mrs. Kanemoto to find out more.

Mrs. Kanemoto said that about 90 people voted on their favorite pumpkin.

The pumpkin that won was the ice cream cone created by Special Ed and Levels classes. Their prize is a lunch provided by our lovely PTO!



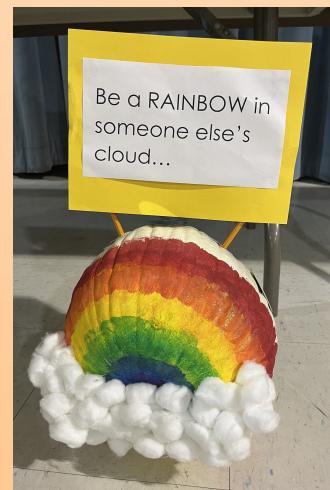
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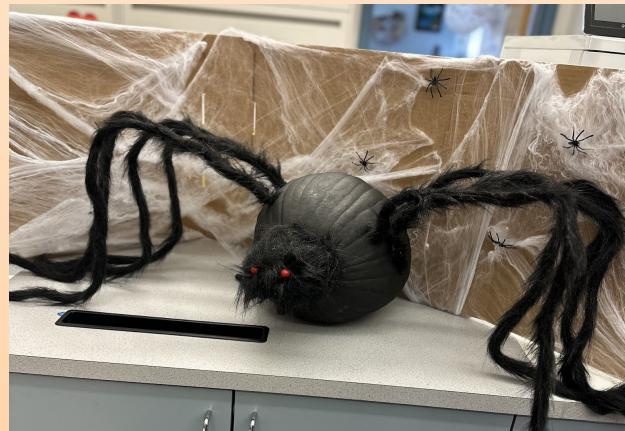
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4TH GRADE



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1ST AND 2ND ABSS



KINDERGARTEN



3RD GRADE



5TH GRADE



Multicultural Festival: Fashion Show

By: Andelyn Estelle

Stone Lake had an amazing Multicultural Festival on October 5th. I interviewed Mrs. Wong to learn more about it and the fashion show.

It took about 2 months to organize the Multicultural Festival, and about 40 kids participated! There were many different countries represented. For example, China, India, Romania, Vietnam, Guatemala, Mexico, and Nicaragua.

Some of the many clothes represented were, Cheongsam from China, Ao Dai from Vietnam, Sari from India, Hanbok from Korea, and a cowboy outfit from Mexico.

I asked Mrs. Wong what made the clothing unique. She said that there were many different colors, designs, patterns, and more!

I loved seeing the diverse outfits from each country, and I hope to see more next year!



Photos from the fashion show above.

Multicultural Festival Dancers With Mrs. Alarcon

By: Lana Alwaheb

Hello fellow Stone Lake people! After many years, we were finally able to host our Multicultural Festival with crafts, all sorts of foods, games, and most importantly, dancers!

I interviewed Mrs. Alarcon to get to know more about the dance segment. According to Mrs. Alarcon, our wonderful dancers came from a couple of Sacramento companies. They were meant to represent the many communities we have in Stone Lake.

They performed several dances including Irish, Chinese Lion, Japanese, Mariachi, and Taiko drummers. Most of these dances were performed from Pleasant Grove High School.



Different cultures from the dance show!



Mrs. Alarcon at the performance. :)

The show in total was about 1 hour and 15 minutes long. Which was perfect to get a true feel of the show and all the memorable parts. Mrs. Alarcon enjoyed how everyone was welcoming the cultures simply because of how the dancers were proudly embracing who they are.

It was incredible that the dance show showcased different cultures, and everyone had fun and felt represented. The performances were located in the MP room except for the Taiko drummers & Mariachi who were on the outdoor stage..

If you couldn't tell, our Stone Lake Multicultural Festival had an amazing dance show this year!

Multicultural Faire:

Yum!

Food

By: Zoe Tan and Antion Walker



Did you go to the Multicultural Faire? Well, we interviewed Mrs. Glaeser to learn more about the food served there! Some of the countries represented were Mexico, Romania, China, and Japan. A few of the dishes at the event were chicken and waffles, boba, and mexican popsicles. Mrs. Glaeser said she tried chicken and waffles, which was served on a cupcake with a tiny piece of waffle and chicken, drizzled with syrup.

Mrs. Glaeser also told us how most people liked the food there, and that the school had ran out of food before the had event ended. She recommends people to try everything new they come across.

I hope this article has inspired you to come to the Multicultural Faire next year, and to try some foods from different cultures.



Dishes from the Multicultural Faire



Ms. Glaeser helping out with dishes

Multicultural Decorations

By: Dhiviksha Vasanthakumar

We all loved the multicultural fair. The performances, the food, the activities, and as a final touch the decorations.

The decorations were very nice, but everyone wondered who did it. Well it was none other than Mrs. Wong and Mrs. Alarcon! They encouraged teachers to have their students create multicultural art.. Here is what some classes did:

- **Mrs. Alarcon -**
Mexico: Dia de los Muertos
- **Mrs. Moore -**
Kente cloth weaving
- **Mrs. Goodwin -**
Leaning Tower of Pisa
- **Mr. Vazquez -**
Mexican folk art birds
- **Mrs. Lunsford -**
German hats



Mrs. Alarcon's Class



Mr. Vazquez's Class



Mrs. Goodwin's and Mrs. Moore's Classes

Turkey Trot

By Ameena Hamedzai

Last year, Mr. Beard gave Mrs. Hermann an idea. It was to have a Turkey Trot, and now the Turkey Trot has returned to Stone Lake Elementary! For those who don't know what the Turkey Trot is, it's a grade level run where students compete to win a turkey!

Unfortunately for the kindergarteners, only 1-6 graders can participate in the turkey trot.

To win the turkey trot, you would need the fastest time running the 0.38 mile long course.!

This year, boys **and** girls are able to win first place medals! When you see the winners, make sure to say congratulations! For the rest of you, have a great day and always remember to be **Hardworking, Accountable, Wise, Kind, and Safe!** Have a great day!

Grade	Boy Winner	Girl Winner
First	Noah	Tiffany
Second	Timothy	Joelle
Third	Cameron	Brooklyn
Fourth	Devin	Aubrey
Fifth	Jalen	Sophia
Sixth	Kyle	Lucy



6th Grade Winners!

Turkey Trot Photos!



Turkey Trot Photos!



Kids In The Quad

What is your favorite food at Thanksgiving?

By: Natalie Tupaz and Stephanie Chan

Anthony 1D



My favorite food for Thanksgiving is pumpkin pie!

Sabrina 2B



My favorite food for Thanksgiving is chicken!

Lucas 3B



My favorite food for Thanksgiving is turkey!

Sophia 4B



My favorite food for Thanksgiving is turkey!

Stephen 5B



My favorite food for Thanksgiving is turkey!

Lylah 6D



My favorite food for Thanksgiving is mashed potatoes!

Comics

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