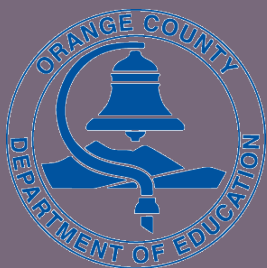


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## A Note from the Principal: From the desk of Jane Doney

Happy Autumn, CHEP Families!

"I'm so glad I live in a world where there are Octobers." — L.M. Montgomery, *Anne of Green Gables*

I hope you are having a great beginning to this new year! It has certainly been a busy one! We have already enjoyed pancake breakfasts, Chik-fil-a lunches, a beach day, picture day, and many wonderful classes! There is much more ahead, so please be sure to check the newsletter for updates and information on what is going on at each of our sites. Spaces can fill up quickly, so don't delay when signing up!

As we look to the year ahead, I hope you will savor the time that you are able to spend with your children, as their parent and their teacher. I also hope that you will reach out to other CHEP families so that you and your student can make friends and become invested in the community of CHEP. Each site has a parent group; you will be hearing from the leaders of each in our next newsletter. In the meantime, if you are interested in becoming more involved, be sure to ask your CHEP teacher about how to get connected with your site's parent support group! The more, the merrier!

As always, thank you for entrusting us in partnering with you to educate your child. We love what we do and we are grateful for the opportunity to work alongside you and support you in this important season of your child's life!

Warmly,

Jane

# Program News



## Variety Show Auditions

TK-8<sup>th</sup> graders  
CHEP –Central's Large Classroom  
Monday, February 2  
Beginning at 10:00 a.m.



Please call Judy or Cindy at CHEP Central (714) 327-1010 to sign up for a time slot

All of our talented CHEP students will have the opportunity to showcase their abilities at EXPO! If you have a talent that you would like to share, we would love to have you participate in the Annual CHEP Variety Show at EXPO on Tuesday, March 31 between 4:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m. **All participants must audition in order to be part of the show. Auditions will only be held on Monday, February 2 from 10:00 a.m. till 2:30 p.m.** The show's categories are: dance, comedy, poetry, instrumental, or singing. **Please note that no lip-syncing will be allowed.** If you are interested in being a part of the show, be sure to sign up for an audition time. Also, see flyers at your CHEP site for more information.

# Field Trips

## Catalina Island Marine Institute (CIMI)

Grades 7-8

Wednesday, May 20 – Friday, May 22, 2015

Cost \$260.00

Deposit \$60 upon sign-up

Spaces are limited to 30 students

Contact CHEP Teacher, Kerrie Schulze,

CHEP Central, to sign up.

Email: [kschulze@ocde.us](mailto:kschulze@ocde.us)

Phone: 714-327-1011

CHEP students in grades 7 and 8 have an outstanding opportunity this year to participate in CIMI's outdoor science camp on Catalina Island at Fox Landing for three days and two nights, May 20-22, 2015.

CIMI offers an exciting program of marine biology and island ecology through hands-on experiential science activities in a beautiful natural setting. Expert instructors provide students with activities that will increase science literacy and promote an excitement about science.

A variety of experiential marine science labs focus on fish, sharks and rays, invertebrates, marine mammals, plankton, algae, and island ecology. Fun field activities include snorkeling, kayaking, an island ecology hike, and a night snorkel, among other program events.

For a more in-depth description of CIMI activities and information, visit their website.

[www.guidediscoveries.org/cimifoxlanding.html](http://www.guidediscoveries.org/cimifoxlanding.html)

## Mommy and Me

Each month we focus on a thematic topic, and creative teaching ideas are shared at our meeting prior to the corresponding field trip. The teaching ideas are geared for K-3<sup>rd</sup> graders. Students of all ages are welcome to attend Mommy and Me field trips.

November's thematic unit will be on *Inventions*. The *Graber Olive House* is a historic facility in its 120<sup>th</sup> season! Graber olives grow on a 185-acre ranch in California's central valley near Porterville. They're carefully harvested and are trucked south to Ontario, California, home of the Graber Olive House. Every autumn, the Olive House turns into a beehive of activity as the olives are cured, sized and canned using the same machines and recipes invented by the original Mr. Graber over a hundred years ago.

### GRABER OLIVE HOUSE

K-3<sup>rd</sup> graders (older students welcome)

Meeting at CHEP-North

Wednesday, November 5, 1:30 p.m.

Field trip

*Tuesday, November 18*

10:30 – approx. 11:30 a.m.

Cost: FREE- Bring home-baked goodies for Olive House Staff



# CHEP Central

## Signing Up for Classes at Central

For sign ups, please call the front desk (714) 327-1010 or Email [izeller@ocde.us](mailto:izeller@ocde.us) or [cwilliams@ocde.us](mailto:cwilliams@ocde.us)

## Grade Level Block Classes

Students have the opportunity to attend grade level block classes at CHEP Central. Students may choose to attend one or all classes. Block classes meet 3 weeks each month and do not meet during turn-in week, the first week of each attendance month. Other classes, including Art and Spanish, will meet during turn-in week. Please see class schedules below for the different grades, days, and times. Class calendars are available at the site.

## Middle School Academy Tuesdays

Tuesdays, November 4 and December 2

Grades 7-8 Cooking with STEAM  
(Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Math)  
9:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.  
Teachers: Alyne Cronin and Julie Neiswonger

Tuesdays, November 25 and December 9

Grade 7 Short Stories and Writing  
9:30 a.m. – 10:55 a.m.  
Teacher: Cheryl Taylor

Grade 7 Math and Technology  
11:05 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.  
Teacher: Kerrie Schultz

Grade 8 Math and Technology  
9:30 a.m. – 10:55 a.m.  
Teacher: Kerry Schultz

Grade 8 Short Stories and Writing  
11:05 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.  
Teacher: Cheryl Taylor

## Fifth and Sixth Grade Wednesdays

Wednesdays, November 5 and December 3

Grades 5 and 6 Cooking with STEAM  
(Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Math)

9:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Teachers: Alyne Cronin and Julie Neiswonger

Wednesdays, November 12 and December 10

Grade 5 Math and Technology

9:30 a.m. – 10:55 a.m.

Teacher: Kerrie Schultz

Grade 5 History and Language Arts

11:05 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Teacher: Celia Endsley

Grade 6 *Summer of the Monkeys* and Writing

9:30 a.m. – 10:55 a.m.

Teacher: Cheryl Taylor

Grade 6: Math and Technology

11:05 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Teacher: Kerrie Schultz

## Kindergarten and First Grade Thursdays

Thursdays, November 6, 13, December 4, and 11

Calendar Time with Miss Judy

12:30 p.m. – 12:45 p.m.

Language Arts, Math, Science, Art, and Music

12:45 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Teacher: Robin Roberson

## Second, Third and Fourth Grade Thursdays

Thursdays, November 6, 13, December 4, and 11

Grades 2 and 3 Math and Science / Whiz Kids  
9:30 a.m. – 10:55 a.m.

Teacher: Jaycie Cerbin /Cathy Marshall

Grades 2 and \*3 Medal Readers

Teacher: Celia Endsley

11:05 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Grades \*3 and 4 Step Up to Writing

9:30 a.m. – 10:55 a.m.

Teacher: Peg Broyles

Grades 3 and 4 Math and Science / Whiz Kids

11:05 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Teacher: Jaycie Cerbin /Cathy Marshall

\*Students in grade 3 will sign up for either 2-3 Medal Readers block day or 3-4 Step Up to Writing block day.

## Creative Writing

Grades 3-8

Wednesdays, November 12 and December 10

12:45 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Parent Instructors: Britten Swingler and Sandra Bilcor

Explore your creativity! This class offers fun ways to write, the tools you need, and individual help. Class limited to 15 students. Please commit to regular attendance through semester 1.

## Band at Central

Fridays

Beginning Band

8:30 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.

Advanced Band

9:30 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.

Violin Class

11:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Instructor: Mr. Uy Vu

## Spanish Classes

Wednesdays, November 19 and December 17

Grades TK – 4

9:30 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.

Grades 4 – 8

10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

## Presenters' Club

Grades K-8

Wednesdays, November 19 and December 17

12:45 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Parent Facilitators: Brit Swingler and Sandra Bilcor

Don't miss this once a month opportunity for your student to experience public speaking! Our easy-going atmosphere makes it comfortable for students to share a summer trip, a book they have read, a school project, or a Lego creation. Come for a visit, whether or not your student plans to present. Questions: [britton@swinglerfamily.com](mailto:britton@swinglerfamily.com)

## Choir at Central

Fridays

Grades K-4

9:45 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.

Grades 5-8

11:00 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

Instructor: Mr. Harrison Zierer

## Let's Go Skating

Wednesday, December 10

Fountain Valley Skating Center

9105 Recreation Cir, Fountain Valley

2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

\$5.50 per skater for entrance and skates

Save these dates for more skating: Wednesdays, February 4, April 15, and June 3

Contact Liz Curtis, Parent, with questions (707) 319-5406

# CHEP Central

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## December Art Classes

No art classes in November. Come to the Art Fair November 20!

Instructor: Vanessa Householder

Choose one class a month.

Contact the front desk to sign-up.

Tuesday, December 16

Grades 6-8

9:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

Grades K-2

11:15 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

Grades 3-5

12:30 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Thursday, December 18

Grades 3-5

9:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

Grades 6-8

11:15 a.m. – 12:45 p.m.

Grades K-2

1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.

## CHEP Central Art Fair

ROCKIN' AND ROLLIN' THROUGH THE FIFTIES

Thursday, November 20

4:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

CHEP Central is about to 'Dance the Night Away.' Poodle skirts, bobby socks, hula-hoops and Elvis are just a few of the trends that made the 50's memorable. In addition to all the 'cool' art, there will be games, food, the ever-popular cake walk, and a prize store where you can redeem game tickets.

Want to earn extra tickets? Bring your project(s) to the downstairs mounting station and attach a label. Monday, November 17 (on or before date) = 5 tickets.

Tuesday, November 18 = 4 tickets

Wednesday, November 19 = 3 tickets

Thursday, November 20 = 2 tickets

It's not too late to create! Project categories include, but are not limited to, drawings, painting, sculptures, craft projects, photography, and poetry etc.-just about anything works.

Want to incorporate the 50's theme into your lesson plan? Ideas are available in the lobby. See you at The Hop!

# CHEP North

## Art Classes

Fridays, October 17 or 31 (same project);  
December 5 or 12 (same project)

K - 8

9:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. or

10:45 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. or

12:30 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.

## Picture Make Up Day

Monday, October 27

9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

No appointment is needed.



## Spanish

Mondays  
Grades TK – 4  
9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.  
Grades 5 – 8  
10:15 a.m. – 11:15 a.m.

## Choir

Mondays  
Grades 5-8  
9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.  
Grades TK-4  
10:15 a.m. – 11:15 a.m.

## TK, Kinder Kamp & First Grade Follies

Tuesdays, November 4 and December 2  
TK-Kinder: 9:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.  
1<sup>st</sup> Grade: 11:00 a.m. – 12:30 a.m.  
FIELD TRIPS  
Tuesdays, October 21, and November 18

## TK-K-1-2 University for Parents

Tuesday, December 9  
6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.  
No child care  
Contact paraeducators to sign-up.

## 2/3 Club

2/3 CLUB  
Tuesdays, November 25 and December 9  
10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

## California Club

Grade 4  
Wednesdays, October 22, November 5, and  
December 3  
10:30 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

## Walk Through the Ancient World

Grades 4 – 8 Required pre-program meeting:  
Thursday, October 16  
10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.  
Program: Friday, October 24  
9:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.  
Cost: \$10.00 per student  
Contact Brigette Brink at (714) 245-6456 to  
register and receive a part.

This is a presentation designed to allow students to actively participate in a lively retelling of the Ancient World's history. Through the use of games, acting and storytelling, history will come alive! Students will receive short parts to memorize and enact. Costuming according to the era is strongly encouraged. Invite friends and family to attend the program.

## US Kids

Grade 5  
Thursdays, November 6, and December 11,  
1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.  
Teacher: Denise Smith  
Contact paraeducators to sign-up.

Join us as we explore our 50 states! Our class will include ancestor interviews, state reports, and state floats as well as U.S. history and geography activities.

## Ancient Civilizations

Grade 6  
Thursdays, October 23, November 6, and  
December 11  
12:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.

## Geography Class

Grade 7 ONLY  
Thursdays, October 23, November 20, and  
December 18,  
1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.  
Teacher: Denise Smith  
Contact paraeducator to sign-up.

In affiliation with the Richard Nixon Library and Museum, we invite our students to prepare for the 7th Grade Geography Challenge test. Parents are encouraged to attend our first class to hear the program presentation by a library docent. Students with a perfect score on the final test will be honored at an award ceremony which will be held at the library in April.

## Oceanography

Grades 5-8  
Friday, October 31  
10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. OR  
12:30 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.  
Teacher: Cris Hatfield  
Sign-up with Paraeducators

Enjoy learning about Ocean Life and Characteristics, and get inspired for our Ocean themed upcoming Art Fair too.

## Science TBD

Grades 6-8  
Thursday, November 20  
10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.  
Teacher: Cris Hatfield  
Sign-up with Paraeducators

## Beyond the Solar System

Grades 4-8  
Thursday, January 8  
10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. OR  
12:30 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.  
Teacher: Cris Hatfield  
Contact paraeducators to sign-up

We'll leave the solar system behind to learn about stars, constellations and galaxies. Students will make their own star finders.

## Upper Grade Math

Wednesdays  
General  
9:00 a.m. - 10:15 a.m.  
Algebra Concepts  
10:30 a.m. - 11:45 a.m.

## CHEP North Art Fair

Sail into Art  
Thursday, November 13  
4:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Families and friends are invited to join us as we celebrate the creativity of our students! It is now time to begin planning your art projects which may include drawings, paintings, sculpture, Lego creations, sewing, photography, etc. Come and enjoy a fun-filled evening of special crafts and activities, along with delicious refreshments, as we honor our CHEP students' talents. Entry information will be available at the site beginning in October.



# CHEP West

## West Picture Make-Up Day

Monday, November 3

9:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon

All grades – siblings and families are welcome and no appointment is necessary.

## TK/K Club

Mondays, November 3, 10, 17, December 1 and 15

NOTE: No class on Nov. 24 and December 8

11:00 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

Teacher: Sandra Lewis

Contact paraeducators at 714-245-6480 to sign-up.

November Theme: Reptiles and Amphibians

December theme: Fairy Tales. All TK and K students are welcome to come join in the fun!

## First and Second Grade Class

Mondays, November 3, 10, 17, December 1 and 15

NOTE: No class November 24 and December 8

9:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

Teacher: MJ Roberts

Contact paraeducators at 714-245-6480 to sign-up.

Come and have fun as we learn math, science, reading and more.

## Third and Fourth Grade Block Classes

Thursdays, November 13, 20, December 4, 11, and 18

NOTE: No class November 6 and 27

12:45 p.m. – 2:15 p.m.

Science

November 20 and December 4

Teacher: Laura Terlizzi

Social Studies/Writing

November 13, December 11 and 18

Teacher: Sandra Lewis

Contact paraeducators at 714-245-6480 to sign-up.

## Fifth and Sixth Grade Block Classes

Thursdays, November 13, 20, December 4, 11, and 18

9:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

Science

November 20 and December 4

Teacher: Laura Terlizzi

Journey through India

November 13, December 11 and 18

Teacher: Alison Wilson

Contact paraeducators at 714-245-6480 to sign-up.

Come learn about this unique subcontinent's geography by creating a 3D map and other hands on activities.

## American Girls

Grades 3-6

Thursdays, November 13, December 4 and 18

11:00 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

Teachers: Gayle Haugh and Dyanna Espinoza

Contact paraeducators at 714-245-6480 to sign-up.

Please read *Meet Josefina* in preparation for our December 4 meeting where we will begin a study of America's Southwest Frontier. Bring your book and remember, your *American Girl* dolls are always welcome to come!

## Stock Market Game Class

Grades 5-8

Tuesdays, November 4, 18, December 2, 9, and 16

NOTE: No classes on November 11 or 25

11:15 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

Teacher: MJ Roberts

Contact paraeducators at 714-245-6480 to sign-up.

## Seventh and Eighth Grade Block Classes

Wednesdays, November 12, 19, December 3, 10, and 17

NOTE: No classes on November 5 and 26  
Computer Lab - open for middle school

## Middle School Math Projects

Wednesdays, November 12, December 3 and 10  
8:30 a.m. - 9:45 a.m.

Teacher: Kristy Kazmark

Contact paraeducators at 714-245-6480 to sign-up.

This project based math and science class will support topics in Pre-Algebra and Algebra.

## Cooking Class

Wednesday, November 19; December 17  
8:30 a.m. - 11:30 noon

This class is taught in conjunction with the Math Projects Class. We will be cooking various recipes approximately once a month using math and science concepts taught during Math Projects class. Students not regularly attending Math Projects class may not participate in cooking class. Cooking is a very popular class, so please sign up for the Middle School Block classes.

## Middle School Art

Wednesday, December 3

10:15 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

Teacher: Dyanna Espinoza

Contact paraeducators at 714-245-6480 to sign-up.

## Join the PTO!

Help support the CHEP WEST Mustangs by joining PTO. Our PTO was very active last year and provided the site with supplies for the teachers and school, as well as hosting holiday parties for the students. If you have any questions please contact us at: [CHEPwestpto@hotmail.com](mailto:CHEPwestpto@hotmail.com)

## Yearbook Class

Grades 6 - 8

Wednesdays, November 12, 19, December 3, 10, and 17

11:45 p.m.-12:45 p.m.

Parent Facilitator: Jennifer McDuffie

Contact paraeducators at 714-245-6480 to sign-up.

Come get involved as we create our yearbook for 2014/2015. Students will help design pages for the many classes and activities throughout the year.

Any questions, please contact Jennifer McDuffie @714-307-1606 or [faerymcduff@msn.com](mailto:faerymcduff@msn.com)

## Art Classes

CHEP West - See block schedule for middle school art classes at West.

Mondays, November 3, 10, 17, 24, December 1 and 15

Grades TK - K

12:30 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.

Grades 1 - 2

10:45 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Grades 3 - 4

9:00 a.m. - 10:15 a.m.

Grades 5 - 6

1:45 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Instructor: Ms. Vanessa

Contact paraeducators at 714-245-6480 to sign-up.

## Short Stuff

Wednesdays, November 12, and December 10

10:15 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

Teacher: Gayle Haugh

Contact paraeducators at 714-245-6480 to sign-up.

In "Short Stuff" we will explore short but famous documents, short stories and the like. Come for the fun!

## Spanish Classes

Tuesdays, November 4, 18, 25, December 2, 9, and 16

NOTE: No class on November 11

Grades TK – 4

9:00 a.m. – 9:45 a.m.

Grades 5 – 8

10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

Instructor: Murney Blades

Contact paraeducators at 714-245-6480 to sign-up.

## Music Classes

Tuesdays, November 4, 18, 25, December 2, 9, and 16

NOTE: No class on November 11

Grades 5 – 8

9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

Grades 2 – 4

10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

Grades TK – 1

11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Instructor: Harrison Zierer

Contact paraeducators at 714-245-6480 to sign-up.

## Band Classes

Fridays, November 7, 14, 21, December 5, 12, and 19

NOTE: No class on November 28

Contact paraeducators at 714-245-6480 to sign-up.

Beginning Level

1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.

Instructor: Uy Vu

## Winter Wonderland

Wednesday, December 17

Grades TK-8

1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Don't miss out on the annual PTO Winter Wonderland Celebration. Enjoy food, fun games, and crafts!

## Santa Workshop

Monday, December 1 – Friday, December 5

9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Stop by the PTO's annual Santa's Workshop during the first week of December. Gifts will be available to purchase for family and friends for the holidays. All items are \$5.00 or less. Donations of gift items or gift wrapping supplies gladly accepted and may be dropped off at the site at any time.

## CHEP West Art Faire

CHEP West Country Faire

Thursday, November 6

4:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

Come and join us at our CHEP West Country Faire where we will celebrate the wide range of artistic talents of our West students! Enjoy an evening of art, games, connecting with other West families, and eating yummy food prepared by our amazing PTO. We are seeking entries such as drawings, paintings, sculptures, crafts or unique items that showcase our talented students. Please submit your entries to your CHEP teacher by Monday, November 3rd. See you there!