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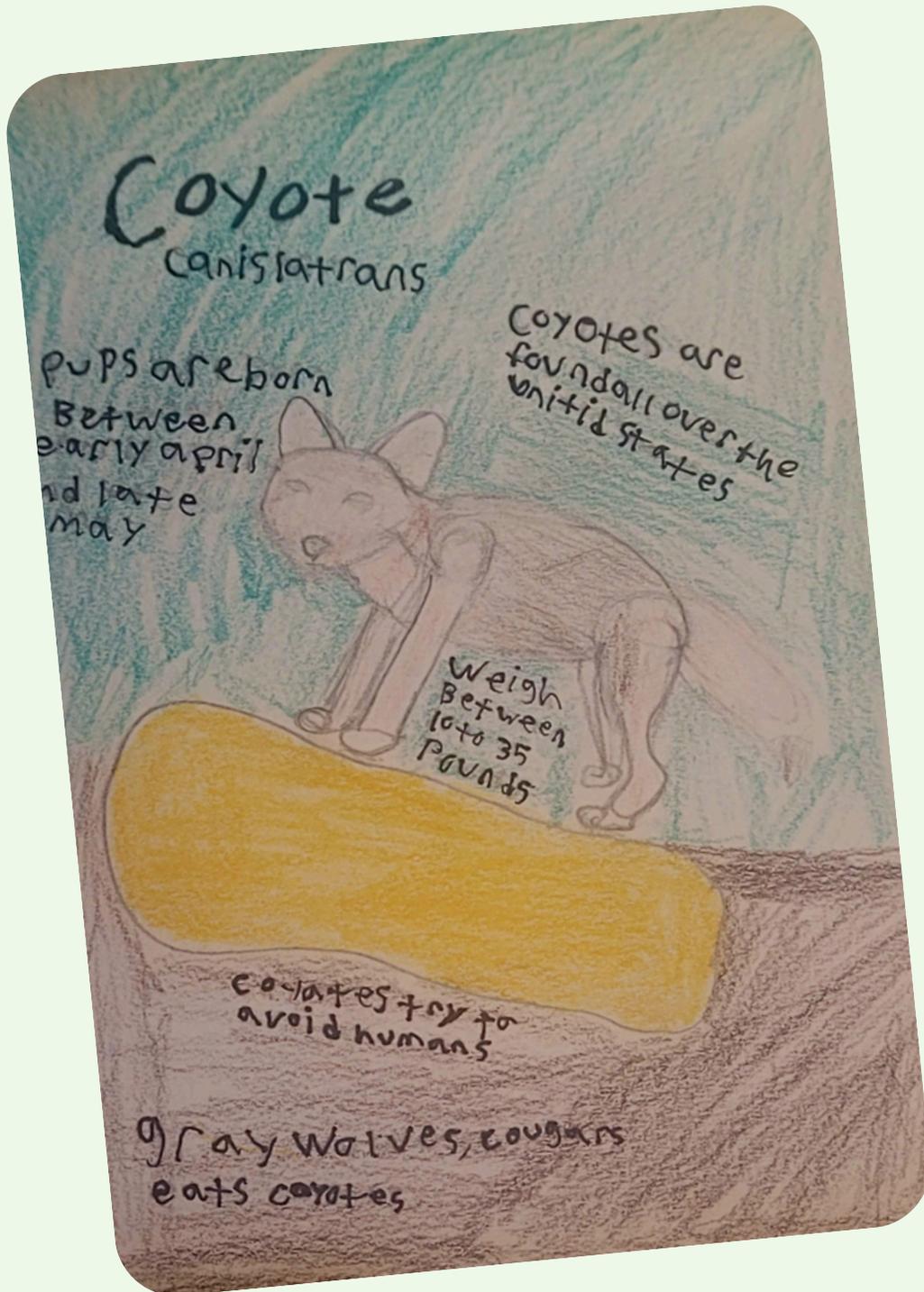
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# Nature Quote

“And the Earth, We spread it out, and cast therein firmly set mountains and We have made to grow therein of all beautiful kinds; to give sight and as a reminder to every servant who turns to Allah.”  
Surat Qaf [50:7-8]

# Nature Journaling Gallery



Featured  
Artist



Nur Diyana  
Age 10



Ryeann Ali  
Unit Studies

May 19, 2024  
My favorite day at Unit Studies

I have many favorite days at Unit Studies but one just stood out to me. My favorite day at Unit Studies was the day Ms. Sama showed us her new game. I had so much fun being the director for the game. The game was hard but in a way that I liked. Us moving as pieces was so much fun! I love Ms. Sama's class.

Ms. Deborah's class was amazing! For her class we had groups and I was with Abdul Rahman, Fatima, and Yaseen. Ms. Deborah made three stations. For the first station we pretended we were cooks and I used a mortar and pestle to grind acorns and turn them into meal but, I couldn't find enough acorns to do that so I just crushed a few. The second station is where you are supposed to make a mini log cabin out of sticks we were doing so good but then I put one more stick and it fell. Last we made a log cabin out of plastic sticks and logs.



The final class was art, my second favorite class. Again we were split into groups and I was with Meryam, Amanah and Asma. I enjoyed making little thank you canvases for the teachers. I let the brush tell me where to go. Painting is one of my hobbies so it was nice to do it. Making a parrot was easy even and I loved decorating it.



Thank you AWI teachers for making Unit Studies happen!

# Would you rather gather

Introducing a fun new page to the newsletter. Now get to know what the community thinks about things and what they prefer!

take the quiz!



Maryam Memon

Mugworts Middle School

5/31/2024

# My Year at Mugworts

My year at mugworts was amazing, adventurous and very educational. Our wonderful teachers each brought to class plenty of things to learn and new activities. They made learning fun and hands-on.

I really enjoyed History with Ms. Sarah. It used to be my most dreaded subject but she brought History class to life for us. First we learned about the Roman Empire, who they were fighting and how it was split into the Roman Empire and the Byzantine. We learned about how it fell due to the population being too big and hard to maintain.



Next we did Islamic Spain. We learned how the muslims took over Spain and the way the empires functioned. Then we went on to Africa where we learned about Ghana, Songhia , and Mali Empires. It was amazing to learn about one of three kings who was the richest man in history and how he was super generous, Mansa Musa. Then we did ancient China where we did The great wall, the silk route and Marco Polo. Ms.Sarah really made it fun for us and made me like history. She brought games and activities to make us enjoy learning.



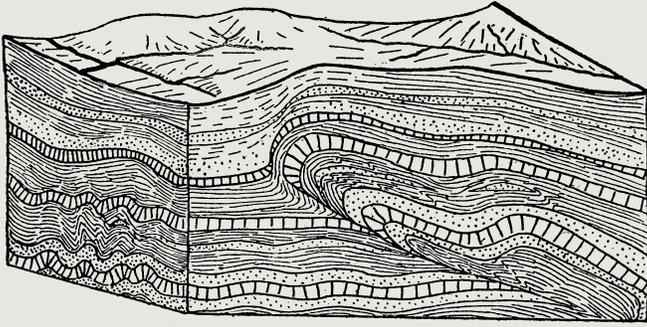
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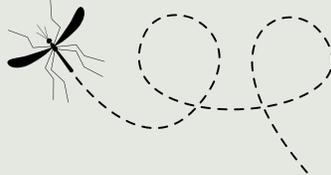
With Ms. Xylia we did ethnobotany, the study of herbs and plant medicine. She showed us plants and the ways they will help. We got to make syrups and oils to give certain vitamins. We learned about the different types of leaves and why they are different.

She showed what makes up a flower and what people use certain plants for. In class we made a lot of stuff to bring home and share with our families. We got the chance to learn unique things most kids do not get to learn.

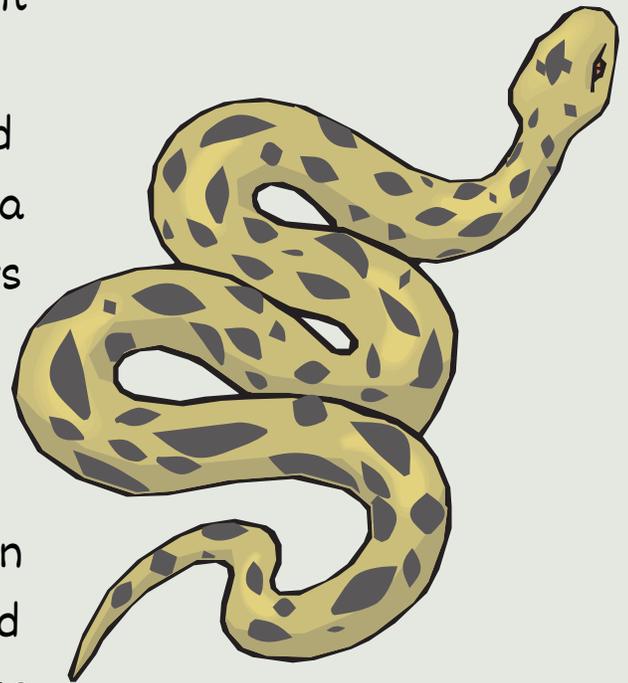




For science we had Ms Sama. We did a lot of different fields starting with Geology, where we learned different types of rocks and how they are made. Then entomology, the study of insects and invertebrates and how to identify them. The different types of antenna, wings, legs and abdomens of insects. We tried to figure out how to catch a mosquito egg and see its different stages. We found where they like to lay their eggs when we went to a different park and saw its different stages.



Then we did Ecology where we learned about ecosystems. Animals are made for different ecosystems and they belong there. For Ornithology, the study of birds, we learned to identify the birds' calls as in if you hear a certain sound it means there are predators or they are happy etc. Lastly, we did herpetology, the study of reptiles and amphibians, and found some reptiles. We learned the 6 things that make a amphibian and learned about the western fence lizard and the gopher snake. With Ms. Sama we also went on fun hikes and found interesting birds.



An experience I can share is on our last day.



We were finishing our last unit in history, pirates. We got into 4 groups and each painted a flag.



Two of the groups joined together and we played dodge ball. But with a twist. We used wet sponges. We all had pirate names and played for a while. Then teachers asked some questions.

All the teachers made it fun and welcoming. I made new friends and had fun learning in the outdoors with my classmates. I loved that everything was hands on and am excited for next year.



# Adventures In Mentorship!

Mentorship is great. I love it so much because we always go on such cool adventures. I enjoy mentorship because I get to do such cool things and learn awesome stuff too. I used all five of my senses, I saw different living creatures, and I developed a stronger relationship of trust with my classmate. I have fun drawing and in fact Miss Sama taught me how to draw.



## Experiences With My FIVE SENSES

One time, we hiked and saw a river under the freeway. It was memorable because it was so beautiful and sounded so peaceful like a waterfall.

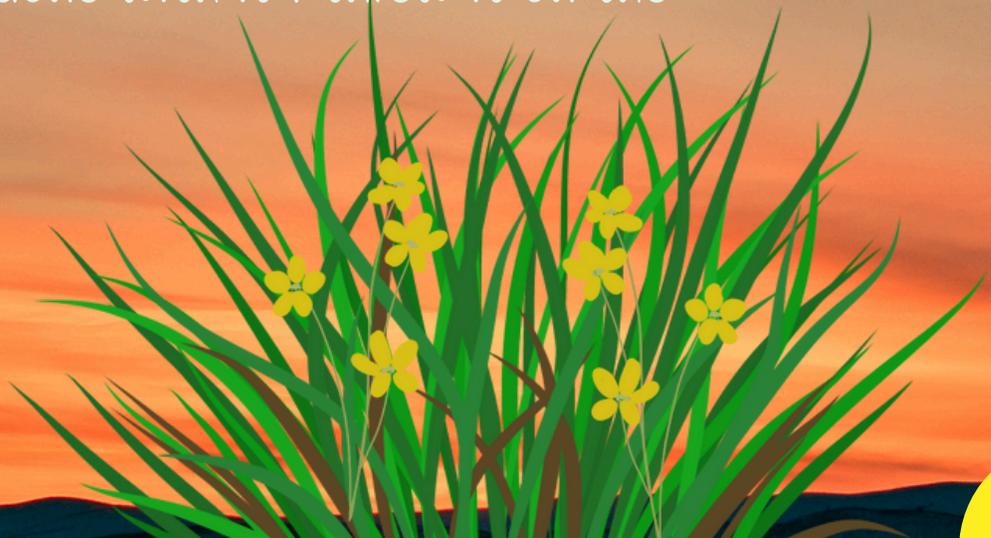
We saw a mountain lion paw print.



We also touched an alligator lizard that was under a pile of oak leaves. Ibrahim, my classmate, picked it up, and I touched it too. It felt scaly.



I ate lemon grass which tasted like sour candy. On the top of the stem there was a beautiful yellow flower. It was so sour that when I was done with it I threw it on the ground.



## Experiences With My FIVE SENSES

I also love Mentorship because whenever my mom is driving to the spot we meet, we always see a beautiful landscape and feel a breeze.

Another time, there was a beautiful river and the water was washing everything down the river. The boys in our class [Danny, Hussain and Hamza] had fun throwing their backpacks and as a result, their stuff got washed down the river too. We even had fun putting rocks to go across the river to get to the other side. Then Miss Sama made a string out of yucca and it was very strong, so she gave it to me.



# LIVING CREATURES

In the most recent class, we went to a park that had so many cool things to discover. One time Ms. Sama said, " I wonder if there could be a salamander since this is its habitat?" When she picked up a log, under the log was moist dirt and leaves. She removed some dirt with her hand, and there was a slender salamander! It was so cute!



# RELATIONSHIP WITH CLASSMATES

In that class we also increased our trust in our classmates. Nur Diyana and I both took turns blindfolding each other. The whole point of doing that was to have trust in your partner. So I "kind" of trusted her after that because she was kind of good at guiding me. It was such a cool adventure and experience.

## HOMEWORK/DRAWING

I also love doing the homework because you get to draw and I love drawing. I get to research the facts. I love researching because I get to learn and benefit from it. I also use it to implement those facts and maybe even teach it to other people. Miss Sama taught me how to draw the landscape. She said I did good and I was proud of myself.

### Conclusion

As I said before, Mentorship is so great. I think it is the best outdoor activity class I have ever had. So far what I've learned is that when I go outdoors, I just take a moment to enjoy the sight and take a breath. I remember Allah, and that He is the One who created all of these magnificent, breath-taking creations.

# House Drinks

## FOX FANG'S SNAZZY PARTY JUICE

1. One cup of watermelon

2. Some Ice



3. Half cup of apple juice



4. frozen berries of your choice



{blender is needed}



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# Black Cats

by Fatima  
Mohammad



I'm a black cat with amber eyes

Every time a human sees me they point and they cry

Bad omens destruction catastropheeee!

They are ignorant as can be!

I'm the same as a white cat, soft and sweet

I'm always kicked out and left on the street

In return, ignore them, I melt into the night

Ghosting in and out of sight

I am mysterious

Imperious

Silent and sly

I am innocent, yet the humans still cry

OH NO! HOW TERRIBLE! DESTRUCTION AND DOOM!

I wish they would just disappear, just like that—BOOM!

But no, they stare

They whisper and glare

I turn my back and stalk away

Leaving them to wonder the tragedy that awaits in their day

I'm no bad omen, no terrible sign

No revelation nothing divine

I'm a simple feline, trying to get by

Yet the humans don't know that, they make me sigh



# Boys Leadership Campout (That's way too long) Joshua Tree, CA

## Pre-arrival:

I woke up at my grandparent's house in Corona. I checked the time—6:30— I think I have time to sleep a little longer. Next thing I know, Aunt Sama knocks on the door to wake me up. I overslept, and had to leave in 10 minutes.

I arrived at Zachariya's house at 7:40, and the rest of those who came to carpool with us slowly started arriving. Me, Zacharia, Issa, Ismael, and Ibrahim all crammed into Br. Jameel's truck, and we were on our way. Joshua Tree was a good 2 hours away.



## Introductions:

They had booked multiple campsites, all surrounded by giant rocks. We all gathered around in a circle, and we all introduced our names, and some form of media we had watched recently. The catch was, we also had to say what the people who went before us also said. I was near the beginning so it wasn't so hard.

Next, we got to meet up with our teams. Mine was Redwood Raven, with Safi, Azai, Ismael, and Omar as our leader. We set up camp using Azai's 6 person tent, which thankfully was the same tent that I had. I somewhat remembered how to do it so we were the first people to finish it. Then we had lunch. I had tuna and a couple of eggs, but when I left it for a bit to check out the campsite, I found it being attacked by bees. I didn't know bees liked tuna. Or eggs.





## Navigation Workshop:

Our first actual activity of the trip was the Navigation Workshop. It was led by Br. Harris. He gave us topographical maps, which show the elevation of a given area, and showed us how to read it. Then, we figured out how to find our location based on a map with a compass. He told us to hold on to our maps for the hike the following day.



## The Gift Exchange and Jummah:

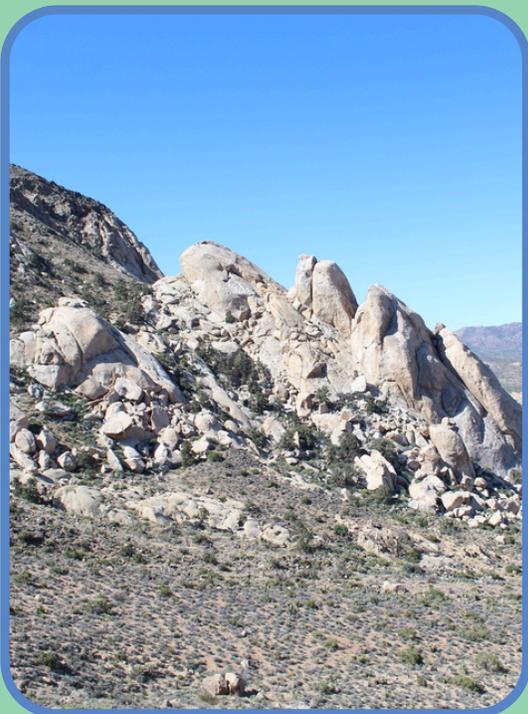
We all put the gifts we brought on the table, and got in line based on the last letter of your first name. I was close to the back, however I somehow managed to get a pickleball set. Afterward, we had a khutba by Omar, and a prayer led by Issa.



## The First Hike:

We set off across the small road, opposite of our campsite, and entered the trailhead. There were the usual Joshua trees that I had gotten used to seeing during the long drive.

There were lots of vegetation, as well as more gigantic rocks which we climbed in between and over. I brought my camera with me, and was snapping photos of everything. We arrived at a spot where there were—take a guess—more big rocks. But even bigger this time (wow so cool.) We all sat down and relaxed for a bit, while some, including me, climbed the rocks. The rocks were perfect for climbing, with plenty of grip and handholds. Then we headed back, because it was time for the first proper meal of the day: The Redwood Raven prepared dinner.



# Stovetop Pizza:

Which brilliant genius had the idea to make pizza without an oven?  
(Oh yeah that was me.)

Our group all brought ingredients for the pizza. We used pita bread instead of dough so it didn't have to be baked. I had an idea to boil the tomato sauce first, so that the cheese melts. Didn't work. The first few pizzas were cold, so we found a solution.

And by solution, I mean Br. Jameel's blowtorch. It actually kinda worked; the cheese melted and the pizza was at least somewhat warmed. But the process of making it was still chaos. People running around trying to grab tomato sauce and cheese while multiple pieces of pita bread were burning on the stoves.

But by the end, I think at least the customers enjoyed their pizza, even if it was not that hot. Mission accomplished?



This is a  
blowtorch

# The Campfire Mafia:



It was time for the first campfire skit. Oh wait, we can't have one without a campfire. That's why we had our fire building workshop, led by Br. Jameel.

He showed us how to build fires, the order of what to put in the fire first, and what type of wood was best for what cases.

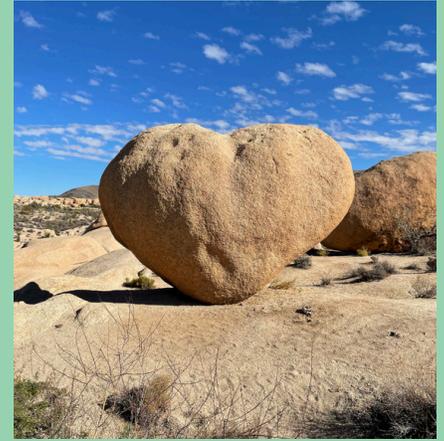
THEN it was time for the campfire skit, led by house Fox Fangs. Issa was the proctor/storyteller whatever it was called. I became the mafia at one point, but it was short-lived.

After we went to our tents to sleep, we spent the night trying to ignore the howling winds which shook our tent like crazy, with the only things holding it down were our bags and ourselves.



# The Heart Rock:

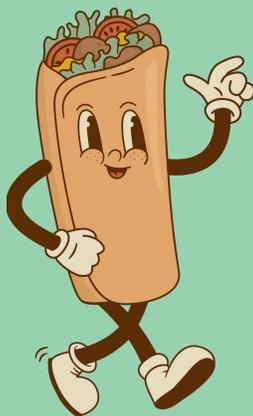
I decided to go on the morning run. We crammed into Br. Harris's van, me squished in the front seat with Ibrahim, and drove over to the Heart Rock trail. It was a nice hike. We jogged for maybe almost half a mile to the famous rock, only to find that yes, it was shaped as a heart, but it wasn't as big or as grand as we thought.



We went rock climbing across some sketchy looking rocks, with tight squeezes and small ledges with drop offs that weren't terribly high, but enough to make us suffer without dying if we ever fell.



We then headed back, with Adam and I near the head of the group, but I guess we made a wrong turn and got somewhat lost. When we found the group again, we were told that Br. Harris went looking for us. We yelled his name out and waved until he saw us, when I realized that I forgot my water bottle all the way back at the Heart Rock. I waited for Br. Harris, then we went all the way back to grab it, then ran all the way back to the car.



I was dead tired when we returned back to camp. The first breakfast of the camp was made by the camp leaders. They made breakfast burritos which in my opinion, was the best meal of the entire trip.



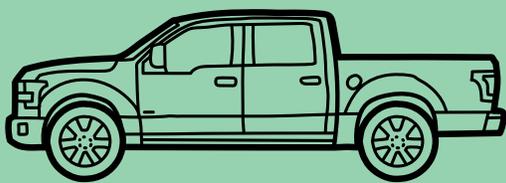
We drove to the next hiking spot, Ryan Mountain. I had looked at hiking trails in Joshua Tree, and this was apparently the most popular one, so I was excited. It was a 1.5 mile hike to the top of the mountain, with astounding views worth the rigorous hike. Before we started, we used the small bathroom at the trailhead (This was a big deal because the one at our campsite was filled with bees.) We started hiking, and 20 minutes into the hike me and Zachariya were far behind the group, as I was already tired from the morning hike. We weren't in the back though, as there were a couple more people out of sight behind us. Although there were steps carved into the mountain, it didn't make it any easier.



I snapped a few more pictures as we hiked, and just went at our own pace. The winds as we got higher were crazy. We pulled out the maps that were given to us the day before to see if we could find our location, and the spot we decided that we were at was barely halfway through the hike. By the time we had reached the group, who had stopped to find their location on the mountain, Br. Harris came and showed us our actual location, which was even further back than we thought. By the time he was done, the group had disappeared again.

By the time we made it to the top, everyone was relaxing. Standing by the side of the mountain, the winds were so fierce that I could literally lean forward and not fall off the mountain. We found where our campsite was relative to our location with the map, then started back down. By the time we reached the bottom, we were beat.

We got to ride in the back of Br. Jameel's truck however, so at least we got that.



# Burgers:

House Fox Fangs made burgers. They were delicious.



# Knots:



We had a knot tying activity led by Br. Adeel. Knots are one of the most important things when surviving the wilderness, (And honestly are fun to tie.)

He taught us multiple stopper knots, as well as knots to tie to other things. He then had a challenge between two houses, to see who could tie one of the knots first. I represented house Redwood Ravens, so he told us to tie a clove hitch. Luckily, I managed to tie it quickly enough, winning our team 10 points.

# Spoon Carving:

House Fox fangs led a spoon carving activity, led by Ismael Fazlani. It was honestly really enjoyable, and I would do it again.



# Instant Noodles:

If I learned anything from this camping trip, it's to think smarter, not harder. That's exactly what house Sagebrush Stewards did. For their meal, they literally brought instant noodles. Yeah, you heard me right. At least they made their own, uh, "garlic bread."

Issa was the first to taste test it (Respect+). Somehow he happened to grab the one piece that apparently had fallen into the sand and for some reason, put back in the plate. The garlic bread was hard with what appeared to be olives spread on top (Forgive me if I'm wrong.)

Issa almost died after eating it, and I can imagine this was probably a traumatizing experience for him. They even somehow messed up on the noodles, which I didn't even think was possible. There were clumps of the seasoning in certain areas and parts of the noodles didn't even have any flavor, and it was cold. At least once I was able to get used to the garlic bread, it actually wasn't too bad.





# Photography:

For Redwood Raven's activity, me and Omar both presented on photography. My presentation skills weren't that great, but we managed. We then had a contest on which team could take the best photo.



# Evening Program:

A scientist in the park was giving a presentation about the Joshua Tree.



We hiked for a few minutes to reach the amphitheater, where she presented on the history of Joshua Tree and the tree itself. It was an interesting enough presentation, with nothing crazy happening (Or was there...?)

# The Campfire Mafia x2 (+S'mores):



Before going back to the campfire, me and a few other kids went climbing the rocks around the campsite in the dark. We did this basically any time we weren't doing anything. When we got back, we had s'mores, and I did the most amazing job as storyteller when playing mafia and definitely didn't forget how the detective role works and basically told him that every person he pointed at was the mafia.

## Pancakes

I almost missed Fajr that morning. Afterwards, I decided to skip the morning run and go back to sleep. When I awoke, the leaders were making pancakes. Somehow the organizers always had the best meals.



## The Soccer Tournament



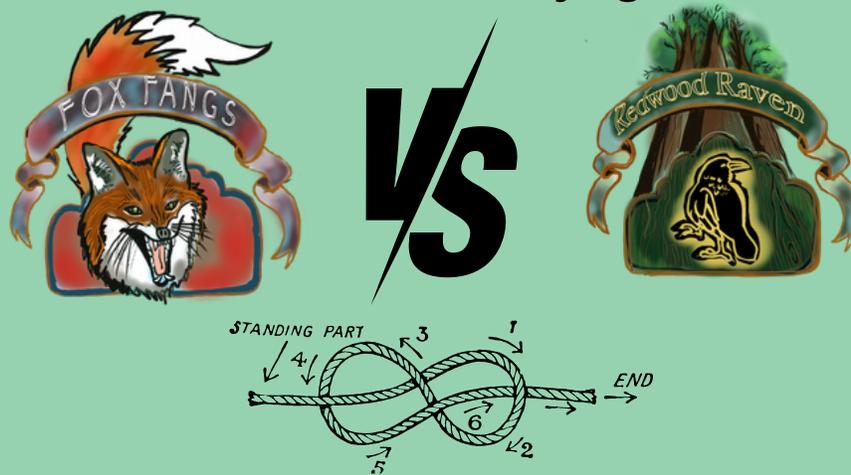
To round it off, we had a soccer tournament by house Sagebrush Stewards. Each house is split into teams of two, and whichever team wins the tournament, the whole house wins as well. I teamed with Azai, and we lost both games. We were actually pretty decent, but we got unlucky in both games. One time, we both needed one more point, and Azai yeeted the ball towards the other goal. It hit the defender, and it somehow went flying over his head into our own goal.

# House Points



We then judged the photos taken by the other teams. It was close, but Sagebrush Stewards barely edged Fox Fangs out, winning a few extra points. We then had the winners of the House Tournament announced.

They did a vote on who made the best meal. Somehow, All the kids decided to troll and vote on the instant noodles being the best, winning them points. They then factored in extra points, by helping out, including the 30 points won by Safi, who was on our team, for being the best helper. They also included points for winning the photography tournament. In the end, it was a tie between Fox Fangs and Redwood Ravens. As a tiebreaker, they had a contest.... Knot tying.



My team elected me to do it, as I had won during the first contest. The other contestant was Issa. I conveniently had two pieces of rope in my pocket, as I had to tie down our tent the previous night so it didn't fly away. We were told to tie 3 different types of stopper knots on the rope, and so we began. I began with the first one, a basic overhand knot. Then, a double overhand. Finally, the figure 8 knot, winning us the House Tournament.

I honestly felt kind of bad though, as Fox Fangs probably should have won from the best leadership, and if the vote was done fairly, should have won from the best meal.

We all got to choose from different prizes, starting with my house as we won. One of the prizes was a random mug that was found lying around, which I actually chose. It didn't really matter who chose first however, as there were enough prizes for everyone anyways. We had a circle for each person to give a closing statement, a few last words, and we loaded the cars and left the camp.



## Hadley's

On the way back, we stopped by a plaza with a place called Hadley's. Apparently they sold the world's best date shake, so I had to try it. It was honestly pretty good for a date shake, although I'd rather just have a regular vanilla one. I went over to Chipotle with a couple of people. Before leaving, we all said our good-byes, then hopped in the cars to set back towards home.

I really enjoyed this trip. It was the first time I had gone on a camping trip without family, and it was actually really fun. I learned a lot, and I'm sure everyone else did too. Thank you Br. Adeel, Br. Jameel, and Br. Haaris for organizing the camping trip and giving us such a great time. This was probably one of the most memorable experiences I've ever had!





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# Niyah Maneksha

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Last Thursday, mentorship took place at Marshall Canyon Trailhead, which I think is now my favorite trail.



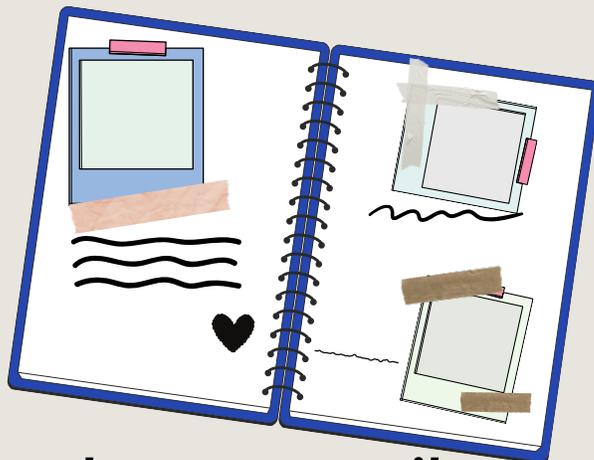
We started off hiking through a whispery forest area (I'm positive that the trees were whispering about us), and quite a couple of strenuous climbs uphill. To top it off, Ms Sama cooked mallow that we had collected earlier, but my favorite part was a spot of some serious mushroom inspections.



When we arrived in the parking lot, Ms Sama gave us pictures from the beginning of the year. I eagerly went through the pictures and was quite startled. I looked a billion years younger in all of these pictures.



“Huh. And I thought I looked old then.” I thought to myself. I began taping everything into my mentorship notebook.



Obviously being just about the most easily distracted chatterbox on earth, I got sidetracked listening to everyone else talk and doing quite a bit of talking myself. I ended up having to finish it for homework.

We started hiking through a forest-like area and I soon became absolutely positive that the trees were whispering.



Probably about how rude we humans were, interrupting their peace. It was not windy at all as far as I could notice, but all the same when everything and everyone was still and quiet, I could hear leaves ruffling.

We continued hiking until we got to an open space that was filled with mallow and tumbleweed. Ms Sama told us that it was a boys versus girls competition to see who can collect more mallow. As I went around collecting mallow, my shoes did an equal job collecting tumbleweed in them. The boys won much to my disappointment.

For the last couple of classes, Yusuf was usually in Ms Sama's "series" but this time Ameen was. All I can say is that I don't think that I can look at sap again without thinking about cleaning dirty ears!



We went until we got to an area that looked as steep as a mini roller coaster uphill.



At first I was very excited and bouncing to go up that hill but in less than 5 seconds I wasn't! I definitely felt the workout in my legs. I think I will stick to tree climbing for now! After we climbed up all the hills for around 30 minutes, we decided we wanted to go back down to sit and eat by the stream. It was far too steep for me to run down the whole way as I usually do, and I felt it was too steep to walk too. So I slid down the whole way. Yes I know, my poor clothes!



When we got down, I opened my lunchbox and started to munch. I love the sound of water, and the weather was a satisfying



combination of wind and sun. Ms Sama started cooking the mallow. It soon looked like spinach! She gave us crackers to eat it with. It wasn't bad, but I think my favorite is stinging nettle still!



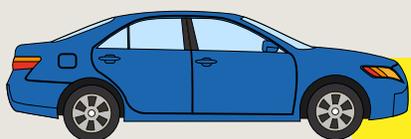
We started heading back, and on the way stopped to inspect some mushrooms. I think that mushrooms look ADORABLE.



I don't know if Ms Sama plans to make us laugh so much every time but she does.



When I got in the car I pulled out my mallow cracker and handed it to my mom. Let's just say that I was being very nice and I "saved it" for her!



# HOUSE SCOREBOARD

Scoreboard reset for the School Year



UPDATED 6/5/2024- Scoreboard has been reset for 2024 - 2025 Schoolyear



## HOUSE CUP WINNERS

2023- 2024 FOX Fangs (Tournament) Emerald Owl (Year Community Game Changers)  
2022 - 2023 - FOX FANGS  
2021 - 2022 - FOX FANGS

## Did you know?

*You have to fill out the form to earn points for volunteer days, leading hikes, and other things. The points won't get added unless you fill out the form!*

*Only actions worth 5 or more get displayed on the house scoreboard even though the points will be added.*

Learn more about how the houses earned these points

Get House Points

CLICK HERE



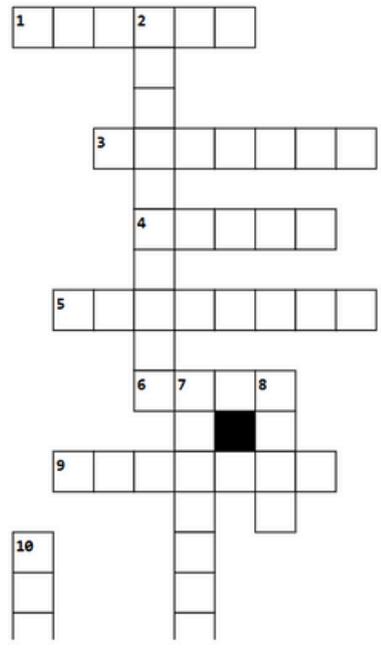


# CROSSWORD

# CORNER



## Spiders

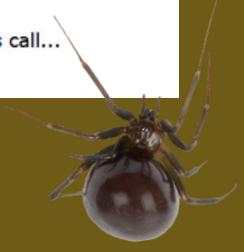


### Across

- 1. spiders carry this in their fangs or jaws
- 3. they spin webs to catch...
- 4. spiders have.....eyes
- 5. their silk is strong and ...

### Down

- 2. these are finger like glands located beneath their abdomen.
- 7. spiders belong to a class of animals call...
- 8. spiders build their homes out of...



# Coming Together for a Cause: Building a Water Well in Cambodia

In a world where community and compassion can drive significant change, a group of dedicated students has come together to make a difference. Throughout the school year, these students have been earning points through various academic and extracurricular achievements. Instead of using these points for personal rewards, they decided to pool them together for a greater cause: building a water well in a village in Cambodia.



# The Power of Collective Effort

The initiative began with a simple idea: to teach students the value of giving back to those in need. By converting their earned points into monetary contributions, the students were able to raise a substantial amount of money.

This collective effort not only fostered a sense of unity among the students but also highlighted the impact of working together towards a common goal.



Cambodia, a country known for its rich history and culture, faces significant challenges when it comes to access to clean water.

Nearly 3.4 million people in Cambodia do not have basic access to safe drinking water<sup>1</sup>. In rural areas, the situation is even more dire, with many communities relying on contaminated water sources.

The lack of clean water leads to numerous health issues and hampers the overall development of these communities.



With the funds raised and with the help of their teacher, the students partnered with a local organization specializing in water projects. The organization helped identify a village in dire need of a clean water source. The construction of the water well began, bringing hope and excitement to the villagers. This well would provide safe drinking water, improve sanitation, and reduce the prevalence of waterborne diseases.

This project taught the students invaluable lessons about empathy, teamwork, and the importance of giving back. They learned that even small contributions, when combined, can lead to significant change. The experience also broadened their understanding of global issues and the importance of sustainable development.

The water well in Cambodia stands as a testament to what can be achieved when young minds come together for a noble cause. It not only provides a vital resource to the village but also serves as an inspiration for other communities to take similar initiatives. The students' efforts have shown that with determination and compassion, we can make the world a better place, one step at a time.



Our students earn points year-round through taking AWI classes and they get to buy cool stuff at the end of the year celebration or they can save up and buy a well. This year, two students had an idea to go around and petition other students to donate some points so they could all pitch in and pay for a well.

## Service over consumerism.

We hope this is the message that these kids leave with.

So proud of our students for stepping up to use their points for solving problems

Name	Points
Ali Hamade	10212
Muhamma & Muallim	165
Waleed	53
hussain ali	2500
yusuf motala	1000
isa dada	4
Nur diyana dada	2,000
Ramadan Almzain	63
Niyah M.	200
RYAN	335
Esteng M.	64
Saffiya R.	1,000
Mohammad A	1,000
Ibrahim b	15,200
Mustafa Syed	20
Daniel Jazairi	755
Ahmad muallim	



The signatures of the kids who donated points for the well

\*\*\* We added the name, Ali Hamade, to the pictures. Sorry it didn't make it onto the actual well. You were the first to donate ALL your points and then when you got more points, you donated ALL of that, too! And we want to acknowledge this. A Big Thank you to ALL students who helped out!



# 2024-2025



- Holidays
- Semester Begins/Ends\*  
\*Mentorship Exception
- Summer Camp
- END OF YEAR STORE DAY/ CELEBRATION
- Make-up Week
- ★ Drop Date No fees
- ★ Drop Date 75%
- ★ Drop Date 50%
- ★ No refunds after this date
- OVERNIGHT
- Skate Night
- Community Dinner/Iftar

Theme: Resilience

**JULY 2024**

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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Theme: Reflection

**AUGUST 2024**

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Theme: Purpose/Intention

**SEPTEMBER 2024**

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Theme: Self-discipline

**OCTOBER 2024**

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Theme: Good Manners

**NOVEMBER 2024**

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Theme: Friendship

**DECEMBER 2024**

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Theme: High Ambition

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Theme: Patience

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Theme: Humility

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Theme: Honesty

*April*

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Theme: Compassion

*May*

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Theme: Gratitude

*June*

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Calendar 2024 - 2025

# SAVE THE DATE

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ART & WILDERNESS INSTITUTE COMMUNITY

5 YEAR ANNIVERSARY GALA

NOVEMBER 10 2024

Save the Date

Skate Night

Scholarship Fundraiser

Thursday, December 12, 2024  
4-6pm

UNFORGETTABLE MOMENTS ON THE TRAIL!  
FATHER AND DAUGHTER CONQUERING  
MT. BALDY TOGETHER, ONE STEP AT A TIME.

FATHER/DAUGHTER BACKPACKING

Oct 10-11, 2024  
Mt Baldy  
Ages: 8+  
\$220/person  
(After 2 enrolled, 50% off)

[www.artandwildernessinstitute.com](http://www.artandwildernessinstitute.com)

SAVE THE DATE

FAMILY CAMPING TRIP

JUNE 13-15 2025  
Big Bear, CA  
\$160/person  
After 2 enrolled, 25% off  
under 3 yrs free

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Mother and Son Camping

Save The Date

Mother & Son moments  
Adventures in the heart of Sequoia  
camping, bonding, and exploring

May 2025  
Sequoia  
Ages: 8+  
\$300/person  
(After 2 enrolled, 50% off)

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# Summer Camp

## Highlights

CAMP

### Nature builders Summer Camp:

“We studied animal homes we found in nature and we build them out of stuff we found out in nature. That was the funnest part.”

### Fantastic 5 Summer Camp:

“The 5 senses summer camp was VERY FUN! Because we got to smell stuff in nature, taste stuff in nature, feel it and smell it... it was really cool.”

- Iman A. (8] yrs old)



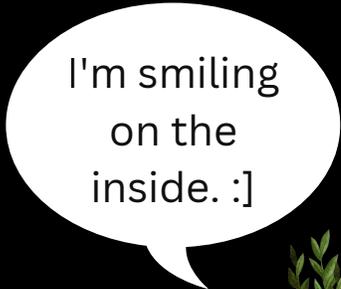
### AWI in partner w/ ICOI

### Kids Summer Camp

“Best summer camp ever! Nature related activities, robotic class and jujitsu all in one!”

- Maryam A. (8 yrs old)

SAVE THE DATE



5 YEAR ANNIVERSARY GALA



NOVEMBER 10

AWI Newsletter Summer 2024

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# MOUNTAIN

\$10,000



- Honorable mention in banquet multimedia presentation
- Complimentary booth
- Acknowledgement during program
- Social media mention and story
- Logo on banner
- Complimentary Day Hike with an AWI Naturalist
- 2 tables for 16 guests
- AWI sweatshirt
- Logo in Email Marketing for Gala



# FOREST

\$5,000

- Acknowledgement during program
- Social media mention and story
- Logo on banner
- 1 table for 8 guests
- AWI sweatshirt
- Logo in Email Marketing for Gala



# TREE

\$1,000

- Social media mention and story
- Logo on banner
- 4 complimentary banquet tickets
- AWI sweatshirt
- Logo in Email Marketing for Gala



# SEED

\$500

- Social media mention and story
- 2 complimentary banquet tickets
- AWI sweatshirt
- Logo in Email Marketing for Gala





# 5 YEAR ANNIVERSARY GALA

## CULTIVATING STEWARDSHIP

NOVEMBER 10  
2024

YORBA LINDA  
COMMUNITY CENTER

### BECOME A SPONSOR



FOREST

TREE

SEED



Welcome back to  
outdoor learning!

# Fall 2024



**Registration  
Is  
Open**

## Class Schedule

Limited Space available

Enroll soon to reserve your spot

### Monday

- Monday Unit Studies (TK/KG)
  - Monday Unit Studies (1st-2nd)
  - Monday Unit Studies (3rd-5th)
- 
- Redwood Raven Preschool & Kindergarten (M/W)
- 
- Emerald Owl Preschool (M/W)

### Tuesday

- Redwood Raven School (1st-2nd) (TTH)
- Redwood Raven School (3rd-4th)(TTH)
- Mugworts Middle School (5th-6th)
- Mugworts Middle School (7th-8th)
- WOW - The Wonders of Words! (K-4th)
- Cooking w/ a Master Arabia Chef Participant (Bi-Weekly)

### Wednesday

- Wednesday Unit Studies (TK/KG)
  - Wednesday Unit Studies (1st-2nd)
  - Wednesday Unit Studies (3rd-5th)
- 
- Redwood Raven Preschool & Kindergarten (M/W)
- 
- Emerald Owl Preschool (M/W)
  - Tales & Trails (All ages)
  - Alphabet Soup Stories (Ages 5-7)
  - Bushcraft and Survival Skills (ages 8-18)

### Thursday

- Redwood Raven School (1st-2nd) (TTH)
- Redwood Raven School (3rd-4th) (TTH)
- Farm Animal Care and Science (Age 6+) (Monthly)
- Clay-mazing Creations (Bi-Weekly)

### Friday

- Friday Unit Studies (TK/KG)
- Friday Unit Studies (1st-2nd)
- Friday Unit Studies (3rd-5th)
- Tales & Trails (All ages)
- Alphabet Soup Stories (Ages 5-7)

### Saturday

- Hiking Adventures (All ages) (Bi-Weekly)
- Nature Tots OC (ages 2-5) (Bi-Weekly)
- Nature Tots IE (ages 2-5) (Bi-Weekly)

### Sunday

- Woodshop (At least 8 yrs) (Monthly)
- Intro to Aviation (ages 13-18) (Bi-Weekly)



FOR MORE INFORMATION, VISIT OUR WEBSITE  
AT [WWW.ARTANDWILDERNESSINSTITUTE.COM](http://WWW.ARTANDWILDERNESSINSTITUTE.COM)

# Check out our Fall Classes

**Nature Tots** is a bi-weekly parent and child-led educational program. Fostering nature connection and family bonds through stories, crafts, and hands-on learning.

**Fall 2024**

**Nature Tots**

WITH MS. KAREMAH Inland Empire

Saturday 10am - 11:5am  
Ages: 2-5  
\$210

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**NATURE TOTS**

**ORANGE COUNTY**

Fall 2024

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**ENROLL NOW**

Saturday 10am - 11:5am  
Ages: 2-5  
\$210

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**HIKING ADVENTURES**

FALL 2024

Join our monthly hiking Adventure program, blending outdoor recreation with expert-led exploration.

Experienced naturalists guide participants through scenic trails, unveiling the wonders of nature.

Learn about local plants, animals, and ecosystems while improving fitness and life skills like teamwork and leadership.

Suitable for all ages and abilities, this program offers an unforgettable outdoor experience.

**MONTHLY ON 2ND SATURDAYS**

**AGES 4+**

**PARENTS ATTEND FOR FREE**

**\$240**

**VARIOUS LOCATIONS IN IE & OC**

**7 AM - 10 AM**

DATES: SEPT 14  
OCT 12  
NOV 09  
DEC 14

Embark on a journey of discovery and adventure in nature with us!

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**Art and Wilderness Institute**

**REDWOOD RAVEN PRESCHOOL & KG**

**FALL 2024**

Classes Starts: Monday, August 26, 2024

**RR SCHOOL (PRESCHOOL) (KINDERGARTEN)**

WITH MS. WENDY, MS. KAREMAH

Redwood Raven Prechool is a weekly 2-day outdoor nature-based program designed to provide young children with a unique and exciting learning experience.

The program combines play-based learning with age-appropriate science and nature lessons, allowing children to learn through hands-on experiences and discovery.

Redwood Raven Campus Walnut, CA  
Monday & Wednesday 10:00am-1:30pm  
Ages: 5-6  
\$1000/Fall 2024

LIMITED SPACES AVAILABLE

FALL 2024 IS NOW OPEN: ENROLL SOON

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**Art and Wilderness Institute**

**REDWOOD RAVEN SCHOOL**

**Fall 2024**

Classes Starts: Tuesday, August 27, 2024

**RR SCHOOL (1ST-2ND) (3RD-4TH)**

Redwood Raven School is an outdoor K-4th program that provides students with an immersive and engaging learning experience in the natural world.

With a focus on hands-on, project-based learning, students will explore the environment and develop a deeper appreciation and understanding of the natural world.

Redwood Raven Campus Walnut, CA  
Tuesday & Thursday 10:00am-1:30pm  
Ages: 6-9  
\$1500/Fall 2024

LIMITED SPACES AVAILABLE

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**Art and Wilderness Institute**

**5th-8th Grade MUGWORTS MIDDLE SCHOOL**

Final student enrollment will be upon AWI approval.

Weekly day long program for 5th-8th graders geared towards enriching students in arts, nature, and being environmentally conscientious citizens.

Various Locations in Orange County  
Tuesdays | 10:00am-2:00pm  
Ages: 10-14  
\$1040/Fall 2024

Mugwort's Middle School Program offers hands-on, multidisciplinary learning in the field. Students embark on a transformative journey covering diverse topics: Civics, Conservation Biology, Plant Medicine, Environmental Ethics, and Endurance Building. In Civics/Government, they explore environmental policy's intersection with governance, empowering them as informed citizens and change advocates. Conservation Biology delves into ecosystems and biodiversity, emphasizing habitat preservation. Plant Medicine uncovers medicinal plants' ecological and cultural significance. Environmental Ethics prompts critical thinking on nature's stewardship. Endurance Building activities foster resilience and teamwork in natural settings. Through outdoor adventures, the program instills environmental appreciation and equips students for leadership.

LIMITED SPACES AVAILABLE

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**TALES & TRAILS**

EXPLORING THE ART OF CREATIVE STORYTELLING, WRITING, AND ILLUSTRATING IN THE BEAUTY OF THE OUTDOORS

Share your story.

**WEDNESDAYS OR FRIDAYS**

9:30-11:30 AM  
VARIOUS OC PARKS

**ALL AGES**

**\$390**

The class is divided into three themes: Inspired by Nature, Inspired by Art, and Inspired by History.

We will hike in various locations in OC, explore, learn, and be inspired by the natural environment, art, or history of the area while learning basic story writing and storytelling skills.

Students will learn the structure and elements of creating an engaging story with intriguing character development, gain confidence and self-regulation presenting stories with peers, learn basic acting skills using voice, breath, and evoking emotion; improve fine motor skills through fun and creative drawing, craft, and handwriting projects; strengthen their immune system and physical fitness while hiking in various historical and natural areas of Orange County.

The course has an added benefit of fostering the development of a peaceful, quiet, mindfulness practice out in nature. Each child must enroll. Parents and children under 3 are free.

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**ALPHABET SOUP STORIES**

WITH MS. DEBORAH

**FRIDAY AUGUST 30, 2024**

**WEDNESDAY AUGUST 28, 2024**

**12-2 PM**

VARIOUS OC PARKS

**AGES 5-7**

**\$390**

We will work on developing reading and hand writing skills through fun and engaging, whole bodied, gross, fine, and sensory motor activities that help the brain and body feel ready to read and write - and be happy and excited to do so!

**THIS CLASS IS DESIGNED FOR BEGINNING AND EMERGING READERS AND WRITERS.**

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**ART & WILDERNESS INSTITUTE**

**WOW!**

**THE WONDERS OF WORDS!**

FALL 2024

**TUESDAY**

Various Parks in OC  
9:30am-11:30pm  
Grades K-4th  
\$390/FALL 2024  
Each child must enroll.  
Parents and children under 3 are free.

Classes Starts August 27, 2024

Travel to the past on adventures in ancient times! Scramble up paths to sandstone caves, trek down trails to find clues, explore ancient cultures, their architecture and artifacts, and discover archaeological treasures! Learn how people once lived and how to decode their ancient, mysterious script!

"Wow - The Wonders of Words" is designed for emerging readers and writers to experience a deep and wonder-filled dive into the fascinating history of ancient cultures and their writing based on some of the great Wonders of the World!

Fall semester, we will focus on Old World Wonders, cultures, and written languages, including the cave paintings of early hunter-gatherers, cuneiform of Mesopotamia, hieroglyphs of Egypt, and more!

**WORDS**

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# CLUBS

## 2024 - 2025

CHECK OUT OUR EXCITING LINE-UP OF STUDENT LED CLUBS




# JOURNALISM CLUB

AGES 10 +  
\$100.00 ANNUAL FEE

STUDENT LED CLUB BY:  
LEENA AHMED  
CLUB ADVISOR:  
SHAMA HUSSAIN

**CLUB MEETS:**  
1ST SUN EVERY MONTH  
SEPT 8 2024 - MAY 4 2025  
TIME: 2:00 - 4:00PM

Take your writing to the next level in Journalism Club.

We will publish the Art and Wilderness Institute Newsletter "The Explorer" every 2 months and bring our writing to the forefront.

Club members meet on Zoom once a month and is assigned different stories to work on in a group shared Newsletter account.

We will bring in guest Journalists and writers to enhance our writing skills and go on field trip to cover an event as field Journalists as well as an organized Behind the Scenes Tour at a Wildlife Center.

<https://www.artandwildernessinstitute.com/>

## TEENAGE GIRLS HIKING CLUB

As we get used to the comfort of our homes and the stress of school and our daily lives, it's important to take some fresh air and explore the nature around us even in our local cities. Hiking on trails allows us to learn about nature with its abundant plants that line trails and get a taste of another reality we forget exists at times.

Every meeting we'll explore a different trail nearby and learn how to connect with nature and our environment. It's also a great way to connect with other girls and enjoy the early mornings we often take for granted.

**Club Meets:**  
2nd Sat/Sun every month  
Sept 14, 2024 - May 10, 2025  
8am - 10am  
Girl 16+  
\$125.00 Annual Fee  
Orange County Hiking trails



Student Led Club by:  
Nadia Rizvan  
Club Advisor:  
Aysha Kazi



## Phoenix RISING

Join our club and come along with us on our adventures of bonding through sisterhood while spending time hiking together, enjoying bonfire nights, reflecting through halaqa time, and many more exciting adventures. This club is designed for girls/ladies 12 and up. Here, we will support each other, chat together, and explore nature. We will interact through fun activities based on everyone's interests and hobbies.

**Club Meets:**  
1st Friday of each month  
Ages: 12+  
6pm-9pm  
\$250  
Various Locations in OC

**SEPTEMBER 06 2024 - MAY 02 2025**

Student Led Club by:  
Fatima and Nura  
Club Advisors:  
Sarah Hafez & Mediha DiMartino

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## CARE TO QUILT

**Club Meets:** 3rd Sundays of each month  
• Open to ages 10 - 14  
• Sept 22, 2024 - May 18, 2025  
• 10am - 12pm  
• \$100 Annual fee

PLEASE JOIN OUR CARE TO QUILT CLUB, WHERE MEMBERS WILL PUT THEIR HANDS, TIME, AND SKILL TO GREAT USE, WORKING ON BASIC BLANKET QUILTING. YOU DON'T HAVE TO KNOW HOW TO SEW OR QUILT. JUST A PASSION TO LEARN AND BE PART OF SOMETHING SPECIAL.

EACH MONTH WE WILL FOCUS ON CREATING QUILTS, WITH THE HOPE THAT IT WILL BRING, COMFORT, JOY, AND RELIEF TO THOSE WHO NEED IT THE MOST. AS A CLUB WE WILL DECIDE ON A COMMUNITY, CAUSE, OR ORGANIZATION WHERE WE CAN DONATE OUR QUILTS TO.

THE QUILT MAKING PROCESS HAS MANY STEPS, SO THE MORE HANDS THE BETTER!

STUDENT LED CLUB BY:  
NASEERA HUSSEIN  
CLUB ADVISOR:  
CARLA TAYLOR



**TEMECULA**

[HTTPS://WWW.ARTANDWILDERNESSINSTITUTE.COM/](https://www.artandwildernessinstitute.com/)





# Join a Club!

## 2024 - 2025



**JOIN OUR**

# ORIGAMI CLUB

SEPT 14, 2024 - MAY 11, 2025

**CLUB MEETS: 2ND SATURDAY OF EACH MONTH**

ORIGAMI IS THE JAPANESE ART OF CREATING A SCULPTURE OUT OF A FLAT PIECE OF PAPER USING DIFFERENT FOLDING TECHNIQUES. WE WELCOME BEGINNER AND INTERMEDIATE PAPER FOLDERS.

REGISTER NOW AT [WWW.ARTANDWILDERNESSINSTITUTE.COM](http://WWW.ARTANDWILDERNESSINSTITUTE.COM)

Student Led Club by: Ismaeel Fazlani  
Club Advisor: Amina Khan

**\$175 / PERSON**

**AGES 9+**  
**10AM - 12PM**  
**INLAND EMPIRE**

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**THE CROW SOCCER CLUB**

JOIN OUR BOYS SOCCER CLUB FOR SOME BONDING, TEAM BUILDING, RESILIENCY OUTDOORS & SOCCER!

Club Meets: 3rd Friday of every month  
Sept 20 2024 - May 16 2025  
Open to ages: 9-12  
Time: 4 - 6 pm  
Location: Various parks in OC  
\$75.00

Student Led Club by: Adam C. & Zakariya Q.  
Club Advisors: Syma Aslam & Rabeeya Qureshi

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**CAREER PATH AHEAD**

**JACK OF ALL TRADES CLUB**

AGES 12+

Meetings are held the 2nd Thursday of the month.

STUDENT LED CLUB BY: KALISE VALVERDE

In a world with so many career paths and hobby choices, it can be hard for one to decide their interests. In this club, you can explore different professions/hobbies that you may enjoy. You'll learn about careers in the medical field to professions in the creative industry. Each meeting will have a different focus and exposure to a different potential Career Path.

CLUB ADVISOR: KIRSTON VALVERDE

DATES: 08/28/2024 - 05/19/2025  
6:00pm - 7:00pm  
Orange County

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\$25/ Person

# KIDTOGRAPHY SOCIETY

AGES 8+ \$200.00

A PHOTOGRAPHY CLUB

CALLING ALL SHUTTERBUGS AND BEETLES!

JOIN OUR KIDS NATURE PHOTOGRAPHY CLUB WHERE YOUNG BUDDING PHOTOGRAPHERS CAN EXPLORE THE WONDERS OF NATURE THROUGH THEIR CAMERA LENSES.

MEMBERS CAN LEARN ABOUT COMPOSITION, LIGHTING, ANGLES, AND STORYTELLING THROUGH THEIR PHOTOGRAPHS, FOSTERING CREATIVITY AND A DEEPER CONNECTION TO NATURE.

THE CLUB PROVIDES A SUPPORTIVE AND ENCOURAGING ENVIRONMENT FOR KIDS TO EXPRESS THEMSELVES ARTISTICALLY AND DEVELOP A GREATER APPRECIATION FOR THE WORLD AROUND THEM.

CAMERA PROVIDED FOR MEMBERS ONLY OR BRING YOUR OWN\*

CLUB MEETS: 1ST SAT OF EVERY MONTH  
SEPT 7, 2024 - MAY 3, 2025  
3PM - 6PM  
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STUDENT LED CLUB BY: IBRAHIM DADA  
CLUB ADVISOR: AMINA MUSTAFA

**BOLD AND BRAVE BUTTERFLIES**

Club Meets: 3rd Saturday of each month  
Ages 8 - 11  
\$230.00  
10 am - 1 pm  
Sept 21 2024 - May 11 2025  
South County/ Irvine

A safe space where young girls learn emotional regulation coping strategies through teamwork, creativity and bonding.

In this day and age where anxiety and mental challenges are on the rise, we invite girls to learn the importance of self worth, coping mechanisms to deal with variety of emotions, and building trust between one another through resilience, exploration and friendship.

Each month we focus on a branch of wellness by presenting one concept per month paired with activities and girl bonding. The monthly 3 hour meetings will include 15-30 minute discussions followed with games, activities, and much needed outdoor play!