

PROGRAM INFORMATION FOR OLINDA FAMILIES

Trimester 2 - January 12th - ~~March 12, 2010~~

The PTA-sponsored programs in Trimester 2 will offer students international languages *via* Mandarin Club and Viva el Espanol, Cooking & Art Around the World, Dance and PlayWell TEKNologies (Legos). This school year, some of the Olinda teachers will be assisting the PTA and afterschool instructors by overseeing the classes and dismissing the students. However, we still need parent volunteers and classes will be cancelled if we do not have enough parents. We appreciate your support and encourage you to volunteer your invaluable time. **Please keep in mind, you must have a volunteer badge in order to be in the afterschool classes. If you are able to volunteer, please fill in your info on the Registration Form. Depending on how many volunteers sign up, we would like to divide the group of volunteers into two groups who will each assist for four weeks.** This is far less parent volunteers and time that was needed to assist with programs last school year. Program updates are on the school's website www.olindaschool.com where you will also find a link to the district's volunteering requirements.

We will also be implementing a new disciplinary procedure this school year. A disciplinary slip will be issued to a child who has disruptive behavior in an afterschool class. Please note that if your child receives a disciplinary slip, it needs to be signed by a parent/guardian and brought back to the next afterschool class. After three occurrences, the child will not be allowed to return to class for the remainder of the trimester and a refund will not be issued. Also, if the parent/guardian of a child is consistently late to pick them up from an afterschool class that will also be grounds for dismissal of a child from programs this trimester.

The attached registration form must be used for all programs. Trimester 2 programs dates January 12th - March 12th. **Black out dates: February 15-19th**

Please read the description and details of the classes on the following pages. Starting times and locations vary. The location of most classes will be announced during the first week back from our holiday break. Please inform your child of the classroom they will need to go to for their after school class. Please note that payment is due upon registration of a class. If you register your child in a class and do not hear from us, then your child is in enrolled in that class. Kindergartners must be picked up from school at 11:50AM and brought back to Olinda for an afterschool class unless they attend Olinda YCARE.

For questions regarding enrollment, please direct them to Vanessa Williamson @ vanessawilliamson@olindapta.com or 510-708-5749. As always, we welcome your ideas and questions concerning the programs offered, our teaching artists, and appreciate your feedback. Thank you for your enthusiasm and your support of Olinda's PTA-sponsored enrichment programs for our children.

Olinda Elementary School PTA

COOKING & ART AROUND THE WORLD

Two classes in one! Each week the children will visit the following places around the globe:

Week One - North America (Native Americans)

Recipe: "Banaha Choctaw," Corn Shuck Bread

Art Piece: Miniature Ceremonial Button Blankets (design samples, felt, glue gun, buttons, fabric paint, toothpicks)

Week Two - Argentina

Recipe: "Chipás," Little Cheese Buns

Art Piece: Goucho's Leather Medallion with Traditional Designs (design samples, leather, string, hole punch, scissors, sharpies)

Week Three - Greenland

Recipe: "Nässelsoppa," Nettle Soup

Art Piece: Tupilaks Magic Soapstone Charms (design samples, soapstone, carving tools)

Week Four - Afghanistan

Recipe: "Halway-e-Zardak," Carrot Halwah

Art Piece: Traditional Pressed Tin Carving (design samples, tin plates, pressing tools, foam core, sharpies)

Week Five - New Guinea

Recipe: "KauKau," Sweet Potato Dish

Art Piece: Woven Fiber Magic Bags (design samples, fabric bags, shells, beads, thread, needles, scissors)

Week Six - Romania

Recipe: "Daragaluska," Farina Dumplings

Art Piece: Miniature Painted Doors/Gates (design samples, small wood plaques, paint, brushes, sharpies)

Week Seven - Africa, Lesotho

Recipe: "Afrikaanske Stoofschottel," Vegetarian Curry

Art Piece: Wire Sculpture (design samples, wire, beads, wire snips, needle nose pliers)

Week Eight - Laos

Recipe: "Luang Prabang," Fried Rice

Art Piece: Sa Paper (design samples, poster board, flower pictures, onion skin paper, Elmer's glue, scissors)

Cooking/Art Around the World continue.....

All ingredients and materials for cooking and art projects are provided and included in class fee.

Monika Steger, has a Masters Degree in Hotel Management and has worked in hotels throughout Europe and Melanie Hayes is a credentialed teacher with a BA in Fine Art and a Masters in Education.

Please note: this class may not be appropriate for students with food allergies, as recipes may contain wheat, dairy, tree nuts, and eggs. Recipes/ingredient lists will be provided in each class.

Instructors: Melanie Hayes & Monika Steger
Dates: January 14, 21, 28 February 4, 11, 25th, March 4, 11th
Location: Mrs. Yagi's classroom, Room K
Times: Thursdays, 2:45PM - 4:15PM (**Grades 3-6**)
Class Size: 12 minimum
20 maximum
Cost: \$100/8 weeks

MODERN/HIP HOP DANCE CLASSES

The classes will include both hip-hop and modern styles to engage the children in basic and fun, expressive movement. Children will learn warm ups, stretches and basic choreography and some to upbeat and rhythmic music.

Vidi Vargas is currently an instructor at Broadway Rhythm in Rodeo. Vidi teaches hip hop, jazz, tap, and ballet. She has performed in the Bay Area and is continuing her education at the Academy of Art University. Ms. Vargas will be teaching the Tuesday classes!

Oakland Native, Jennifer "Jen.Ay" Anolin is currently an instructor at Oakland Recreation Center. She received her B.A. in Dance from UCLA in 2006 and since then has been teaching basic to advanced hip hop classes throughout Oakland. She has danced for Oakland Ballet, New Style Motherlode, Ronnie Reddick, DVS, Samahang Modern, Five10. Ms. Anolin will be teaching the Friday classes!

TUESDAY CLASSES

Instructor: Vidi Vargas
Dates: January 12, 19, 26, February 2, 9, 23rd, March 2, 9th
Times: Tuesdays 2:30 - 3:30PM (**Grades K-3**)
Location: TBA
Class Size: 12 minimum
25 maximum
Cost: \$35/8 week session

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FRIDAY CLASSES

Instructor: Jennifer Anolin
Dates: January 15, 22, 29, February 5, 12, 26, March 5, 12th
Times: Fridays 2:30-3:30PM (**Grades K-3**)
Location: TBA
Class Size: 12 minimum
25 maximum
Cost: \$35/8 week session

Play-Well TEKologies (Teaching Engineering to Kids) Enrichment with LEGOS

The goals of this class are to:

- (1) Develop and enhance students' problem solving and critical thinking skills
- (2) Expose children to concepts and vocabulary of Engineering, Architecture, and Physics
- (3) Provide an opportunity to have a great time with a terrific building toy.

Students work individually, in teams, and as groups throughout the sessions. A short discussion and demonstration of the day's topic starts each meeting. Children are given a design/building assignment. Instructors will provide individual assistance and instruction and facilitate challenges, performance testing, competitions, and modifications to projects. Students will have the opportunity to design and build motorized machines, catapults, pyramids, demolition derby cars, truss, and suspension bridges, buildings, and other constructions, as well as explore concepts in physics, mechanical engineering, structural engineering, and architecture while playing with your favorite creations. This is a hands-on and minds-on class suitable for LEGO® novices to "maniacs." This class is not affiliated with the LEGO® Group.

Instructor: TBA
Dates: January 15, 22, 29, February 5, 12, 26, March 5, 12th
Times: Fridays 2:50PM-4:20PM (**Grades K-6**)

Location: TBA
Class Size: 12 minimum
24 maximum
Cost: \$70/8 week session

MANDARIN CLUB

The Mandarin Club will return with a new instructor this Trimester. Junyun Gao is a fellow Olinda parent and is excited to be teaching both Beginner and Intermediate Mandarin classes.

Beginner Mandarin:

Instructor: Junyun Gao
Dates: January 12, 19, 26, February 2, 9, 23rd, March 2, 9th
Time: Tuesdays 2:45PM-3:45PM (**Grades K-6**)
Location: Mrs. Lau's classroom, Room 5
Class size: 8 minimum
15 maximum
Cost: \$40/8 weeks

Intermediate Mandarin:

Instructor: Junyun Gao
Dates: January 14, 21, 28 February 4, 11, 25th, March 4, 11th
Time: Thursdays 2:45PM-3:45PM (**Grades K-6**)
Location: Mrs. Lau's classroom, Room 5
Class size: 8 minimum
15 maximum
Cost: \$40/8 weeks

SPANISH

Viva el Espanol will be returning to teach Spanish. The curriculum will include new words/phrases from those learned last school year and is open to any level. This program uses a full-immersion approach and children learn while singing songs, playing games and doing art projects.

Instructor: TBD by Viva el Espanol
Dates: January 12, 19, 26, February 2, 9, 23rd, March 2, 9th
Location: TBA
Times: Tuesdays, 2:50 PM - 3:30 PM (**Grades 3-6**)
Class Size: 12 minimum
24 maximum
Cost: \$50/8 weeks

Instructor: TBD by Viva el Espanol
Dates: January 14, 21, 28 February 4, 11, 25th, March 4, 11th
Location: TBA
Times: Thursdays, 2:30-3:15PM (**Grades K-2**)
Class Size: 12 minimum
24 maximum
Cost: \$50/8 weeks