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On April 20, 2017, the Murrieta Chamber of Commerce High School Student of the Month Program was held and the students shown above were recognized. Sitting left to right are: Kathleen Navarro, **Kaitlin Kight**, Amy Dominguez, Rachel Dick, and Kahlo Chitaroff. Standing from left to right are: Jennifer Pham, SOM Chair; Michael Munroe, Membership, Murrieta Chamber of Commerce; Pat Kelley, MVUSD Superintendent; Rick Gibbs, City of Murrieta Mayor; Margaret Jones, SOM Chair. Photo: Kip A. Cothran.

Springs Charter Schools Senior **Kaitlin Kight** has been dual enrolled in the independent study program at her school and in college. In addition, she has worked 25 hours a week and done an internship at an elementary school. Kight has a huge heart and she makes juggling all of her commitments look easy. Kight is a hard worker who takes risks and pushes herself outside of her comfort zone. During her internship, interacting with the students inspired her to pursue a career in education. She plans to attend Cal State San Marcos.





Makenzie Collins, a Junior attending the Temecula Student Center with River Springs Charter School, won our first Track and Field championship league in the 3200 mm event on May 1, 2017, with a time of 14:58.

Makenzie became the first River Springs student to win a CIF league championship and will advance to CIF Divisional. She is currently competing to move on to the state championships.

Springs' athletic team is extremely proud of Ms. Collins' hard work and dedication. We are very lucky to have someone like Makenzie representing our schools in front of thousands of people.





It has been a great opening year for Hemet SC Athletics! The young ladies and gentlemen have helped create a shift in the school's culture as they embrace the attributes of a student athlete. We have been working hard, and with the help of Coach Dax, Hemet SC is ready to take on the second year of athletics. For next year, we have 25 signatures on the sign-up sheet for cross country and 12 for girls volleyball, and these numbers do not include incoming freshman. School spirit has been on a steady rise, and you can feel it in the hallways of the school. The students' confidence has been skyrocketing as we practice hard through the sweat, blood, and tears to achieve their personal bests. They come to school with their heads held high asking "Practice today, right Coach?" I have been greatly blessed with the opportunity to be able to make a difference in these students' lives, and they have made me a stronger person. Even though we at Hemet do not have all the facilities big schools have, we embraced every challenge as a team, as a family. The "H-Town" Eagles might have half the players compared to some of the bigger schools we compete against, but we have two times the heart while chanting "Rise, that's what Eagles do!"



I would like to thank all the amazing staff and teachers here at Hemet. It is a team effort and there is a tremendous amount of support for students and staff alike.

Lastly, I would like to give thanks to Coach Dax for having the heart and passion to start something out of nothing and letting me come along for the wild ride. It's been a great journey this year, and this is just beginning!





#### **TALENT SHOW-INSPIRED LEARNER EXPO 2017**



Homeschool Events ended with a big "BANG" this April as over 50 of our very talented students performed in our Talent Show and presented their Inspired Learner projects! Families enjoyed a wonderful afternoon watching the students sing, dance, play instruments, perform magic, and other terrific talents! Before, during, and after the show, families had the opportunity to "Meet an Expert" as they explored our Inspired Learner projects. These projects are designed by our students and Parent Certification renewal parents as they become the "expert" on a specific topic. Once again, our Homeschool families proved that Springs does really have talent!







Our 5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup>-grade class did a language arts writing activity about creating their cereal. Then after reviewing volume and surface area of a rectangular prism, they measured the dimensions of a cereal box. The project included math, art, and language arts. Students also got to create their cereal box labels and create a commercial.





Our Corona Student Center TK-2<sup>nd</sup> graders continued our community as the classroom field trips series. This week we really enjoyed learning about making healthy food choices and sampling the fresh foods during our field trip to Albertson's Grocery store.

Mrs. Hamilton's students took part in learning about Earth Day and then created a planter box. They had the opportunity to paint their planter boxes and then plant sunflower and marigold seeds. The planter boxes add color and a nice decoration to the school environment.

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Ms. Holland's 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> graders and Mrs. Shafor's TK/Kinder/1<sup>st</sup> graders got to go on a tour of the Police Department during our home study week for homeschool testing.











Our staff celebrated Appreciation Week with a Superhero theme. One of our parents spoiled us with homemade pupusas made to order! The kindness and love shown to all the staff was overwhelming!

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Our students danced, ate Mexican food, did crafts and hit piñatas in honor of Cinco de Mayo. Our parents' support made the day special!







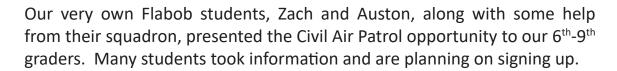




Our Talent Show was a blast! We had La Sierra University's Youth Choir open the show. Then our students of all ages performed their special talents.









Our 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> graders visited Crafton Hills College to explore their Fire Safety and Medical career options.

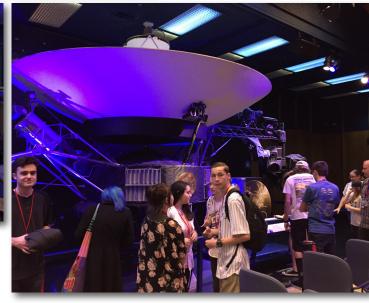






Our FAPA and Magnolia students visited the Jet Propulsion Lab to learn about their space program and engineering. They also had a guest speaker from NASA.





Our high school students rocked it at our 70's Spring Fling Dance!

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Congratulations to our Science Fair winner, FAPA 9<sup>th</sup> grader, Kayla Tamayo, for representing us well at the Riverside County Science Fair. Kayla took 3<sup>rd</sup> place overall!



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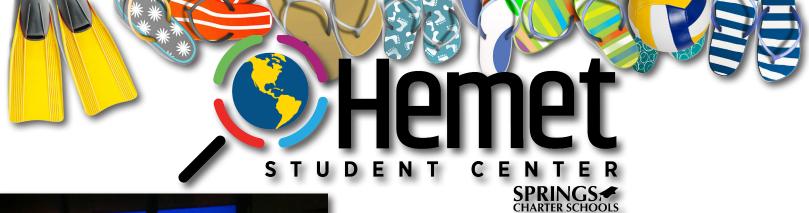
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Congratulations to Israel Coronado, Magnolia senior, for winning the **Riverside County History Day** competition! He will be representing **River Springs at** the state level. Best of luck! Petey Cozzitarto, 5<sup>th</sup> grade, and Valerie Stewart, 4<sup>th</sup> grade, also represented Magnolia.



Our high school students participated in the Poetry Cafe in their English classes. Students read famous poems or poetry they composed while the audience sipped decaffeinated coffee and ate bakery goods. Sounds of finger snapping could be heard after the wonderful performances.



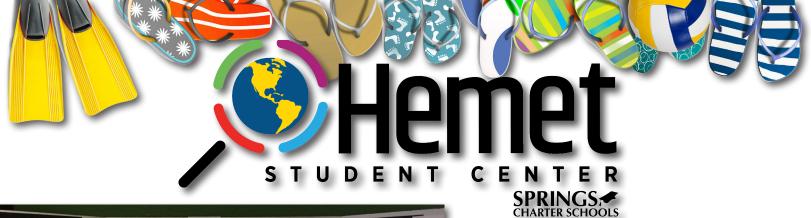


Museum of Tolerance field trip grades 7-12. Our students participated in an interactive, high-tech experience that inspired them to learn from the past, engage in the present, and assume responsibility for the future.

MOT provides a unique experience exposing the dynamics of prejudice and discrimination historically and today. Our teens used tools for tolerance to educate and empower, and took home a memory forever in their hearts and minds.



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Mrs. Mejia was very excited to see all the amazing art pieces that were submitted for our first annual high school art contest.

The following 1<sup>st</sup> place finalists were submitted to the Springs Charter Schools schoolwide student art contest. The winners will be showcased in greeting cards, e-newsletters, website, and Daily Refreshments.

- Drawing: Destiny Renfro
- Photography: Jason Baez
- Canvas: Diana Villegas
- Best in Show: Moriah Newman.

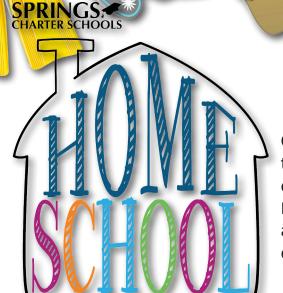




Mrs. Ollerton's 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> grade BizWorld class had an awesome Sales Bazaar for the other grade levels at the Hemet Learning Center. The BizWorld class was broken up into four companies, where each student played an important role: CEO, VP Finance, VP Sales & Marketing, and VP Design & Manufacturing. Friendship bracelet supplies were equally provided, but it was up to each company to accomplish the rest. Company names were Wild Bracelets, Panda Secret, Ice Tea, and Yarn Garden. The Sales Bazaar was a huge success! Congratulations to all of the students for a job well done.



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#### **Homeschool I CAN Ice Cream Socials**

Congratulations to all of our Homeschool students that completed their first semester I CANs! Students enjoyed making sundaes and playing games at our March I CAN Ice Cream Socials. Each student received a colorful T-shirt in recognition of their awesome effort. Keep up the good work students and parents!





This year, Mr. Jaime's 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, and 8<sup>th</sup> grade classes worked on their annual Living Museum. This year's theme was War Heroes and each student was able to choose a person who positively contributed their services during a war. After their extensive research, they wrote a paper, converted their paper to first-person, helped to develop the class timeline, and presented in front of parents. Some even got into character with attire or accents. Mr. Jaime's students worked extra hard to honor the great leaders and contributors of our country.





Riverside Student Center celebrated the 100<sup>th</sup> Day of School in true 100 year old fashion. Mrs. Mendez' 2<sup>nd</sup> grade class dressed as if they were 100 years old.



Our adventure kids from the 100 mile club hiked to the top of Mt. Rubidoux to enjoy the beautiful view of Riverside.



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Great Job Redhawks! **Riverside Student** Center took the two wins in our middle school soccer tournaments.



The Math Project Parade at Santa Ana Learning Center was a great chance for students to show how they use math to solve real life problems. Ms. Sommer gave the students the option to work with a partner or group depending on the scale of the project. Students had to think creatively and critically to solve their problem. They designed a display that shows the steps they followed to solve their chosen problem and also practiced articulating how they solved their problem to their teachers, peers and parents at our Math Project Parade held on campus. The winners in each category (not all pictured), are:

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- TK-2<sup>nd</sup> Best Overall Landon Lovelace
- 3<sup>rd</sup>-4<sup>th</sup> Best Overall Zachary Phillips
- 5<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> Best Overall Dayna Lachica
- Most Mathematical Kaylen Estes

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- Best Board Elijah, David, Joel, and Caleb
- Best Display Emily Evert and Anna Woodson
- Most Creative Armand Kadashlar and Mikhey Krugglyy

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Mother's Paint Day at the Santa Ana Learning Center by Mary Hering

When I see a blank canvas I think of color, shapes, landscapes, flowers and Claude Monet's Water Lilies. The painting itself is beautiful! I know because I got to see it hanging at the New York's famous Metropolitan's Museum many years ago.

I once took an art class where my teacher showed us how to paint a Water Lilies Pond with our fingers! It was fun and super easy, yet so pretty! With Mother's Day approaching I invited Santa Ana Learning Center mothers to come to my Drawing and Paint Workshop to paint with their child. Everyone had a wonderful time and something nice to say about their paintings! I overheard a mother say she plans to give her painting to her mother this Mother's Day, and others said they were so pleased they were going to hang these paintings in their home.

We are thrilled to be part of creating special memories for our students and moms!



Temestero Student center

Vice Principal Kim Ballantyne invites students who have earned awards to a pizza party!

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Shane and Gina Wickwire representing our school throwing the first pitch at Lake Elsinore Storm Stadium, and Springs promotional table at the same event.



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Mrs. Thomas' 4<sup>th</sup> grade Missions.



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> Kinder Wonder "The Butterfly Cycle - Time to Release them."



Springs students participated in the Orange County Children's Business Fair last month. It was an excellent event, and the students were able to showcase their businesses to the general public.

OC Children's Business Fair

> Unique Treasures by Santiago & Isabella Zuniga Dressed stuffed animals, origami tanks, and handmade makeup brush holders.





#### In Full Bloom by Alyssa Mora Flower Headbands



#### Annabelle & Daisy Yanik Artwork

Ashley & Alyssa Farrell Personal Robot





Lexi Gomez is a 7<sup>th</sup>-grade student with Venture Online. Lexi lives in Murrieta, California, where she enjoys her passion of riding horses. She started riding 5 years ago and owns 2 horses. She is riding and caring for her horses daily and volunteers at a local ranch. This year she started competing in Rodeo events. She trains 3-5 days a week and competes in Rodeo event series once a month. The events she trains in are barrel racing, pole bending and goat tying. She aspires to continue to compete in high school Rodeos for a chance to win scholarships. She wants to go to college to become a veterinarian and own her own ranch someday. She is able to enjoy school and still do what she loves. Venture Online has allowed her the flexibility to work towards her future.

Congratulations to Venture 9<sup>th</sup>-grade student, Alessio Sasso. Last Saturday, he finished 2<sup>nd</sup> in the Supermini 1, and on Sunday, he finished 1<sup>st</sup> in the Supermini 2, at the Loretta Lynn qualifier! Alessio is now training with Tim Ferry, and he'll be racing again in 2 weeks. Well done, Alessio!



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