

# Open Classroom



## Problem solving in an Upper Grade Explore Class



6th grader, Isaiah Thompson, wrote up lesson plans for a cooking explorer for his peers. The class was excited and Isaiah was a very dedicated leader. After the 1st week of yummy cooking, Isaiah found out there was no longer a kitchen available for his class! Without missing a beat this seasoned OC'er gathered

the class in true problem solving circle fashion. The crew came up with a plan to continue cooking using unconventional cooking methods. The explorer class was successful, educational, and super tasty! These kids are going to kill college dorm room cooking!

submitted by Joey Thomas

# OC Library News and Acknowledgments

## The end is almost here!

Friday, May 20 will be the last day to check out books from the school library.

Please, support your student(s) in returning all checked out books before school lets out for the summer.

Lost or damaged books can be replaced with payment or another child appropriate book in good condition.

We are working on setting up overdue book email notifications to reduce future paper waste.

If you have any questions contact us at:

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The OC Librarians would like to thank the following community partners for their contributions and support this past school year. We love working with the talented and caring individuals and organizations who help us expand our learning!

\***Utah State Library** for the \$1,500 in Native American Heritage Month and Dia de los Libros grant funds. New books, art supplies and visitors!

\***The Salt Lake City Library** for returning misplaced books and especially Sweet Librarians Sharon Robinson and Jennifer Scott for their help and resourcefulness.

\***Mark Pett** for sharing his humor and talents with our K-5 grades.

\***Robb "Little Owl" Martin** for sharing his cultural perspective, music and stories.

\***John Schu and Kate DiCamillo** for the May 13 virtual author visit.

\***Barbara Rogoff** for her donation of 31 copies of Learning Together: Children and Adults in a School Community.

\***King's English book store** for the prompt orders and generous discounts.

\***Sarah Wilmot** for orchestrating rug weaving activities during lunch recess.

\***Barb Zimmer** for answering a billion questions.

\***The library committee chairs** Leslie Means and Cheryl Strong for their support and encouragement.

\***The library committee and Robert Rigby** for shelving nearly 4,000 books.

\***The OC community** for supporting the library at our fall book fair and by generously donating books.

\***Jr Librarians** Rianna, Quincy, Alexis, Isaac S., Josie, Ruby Blu and Rehan.

\***Honorary Librarian** Jai Hogue.





# Arbor Day at the OC



The kids whose parents gave permission to plant a scotch pine, received one on Arbor Day to take home and plant. The kids whose families did not have a space for a pine at home, planted Silver-leaf Linden trees out front of the school along D to replace the diseased trees that were taken out last fall. Several kids from James and Tina's classes joined Denise's class as the City Arborist and his team taught a tree planting lesson and discussed the importance of planting and taking care of our trees. Afterwards, the kids, shovels, rakes and arborists gathered at four locations to do the planting. They named the trees Lindy Linda, Fluffy Steve Bob, Silver Panda and Dark Spirit; even though they really couldn't come to consensus, they all had a great time!

submitted by Denise Mavor



The kids whose parents gave permission to plant a Scotch Pine, received one on Arbor Day to take home and plant.



City Arborist and his team taught a tree planting lesson and discussed the importance of planting and taking care of our trees.



## End of School Year Lunch Program Information:

With the end of school almost here, please remember to check your Lunch Program balance! If you have a positive balance that you do not use by the last day of school, you can roll the credit over to the next school year.

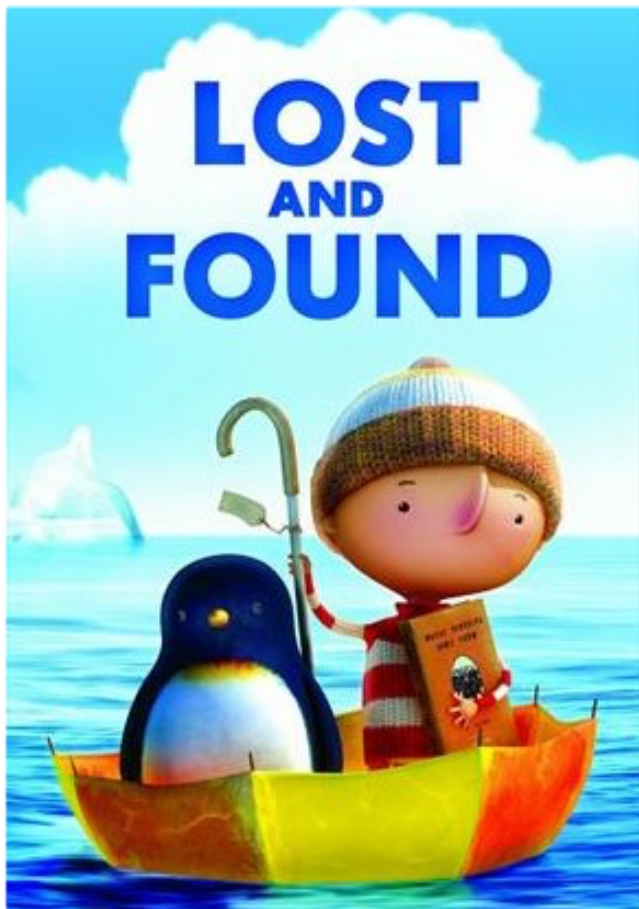
Alternatively, you can donate your remaining credit to a needy family with an outstanding lunch balance.

If you are leaving/graduating and need a refund, please submit a refund request to Barb in the main office, and the district will mail the refund to you.

If you have an outstanding negative balance, PLEASE pay it immediately to prevent collections attempts from the school district and the Lunch Program over your summer!

Thank you from OC Lunch!

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Hello, Open Classroom community!

The end of the school year is almost here. Please take a moment to check out the lost and found area to see if anything belongs to you or your family. As a reminder, lost and found is located downstairs where the two halls meet. Any unclaimed items will be collected after school on Friday, June 3 (the last day of school). Thank you! Keep on being awesome! =)

Frank and Becky Swanner

Kaelyx - Lena

Tynan - Michelle

Ry'ak - Mia

Zeo - next year's Kindergarten