



# September 2022

## Q & A

## Current Events

### Battle of the Books

Silver Oak's hottest reading competition, Battle of the Books, is back for its annual tournament. Twelve teams from 3rd and 4th grade and ten teams from 5th and 6th grade will face off in a contest to be crowned the winners of our school's yearly showdown. Will it be the Talons of Knowledge, Super Saber Cat Readers, or Gamer Team that comes out on top for the ultimate bragging rights? Or will another team swoop in to hoist the victory trophy high? Stay tuned to find out...

### Kangaroo Math

If you are good at math and have some free time, Math Kangaroo is an event to consider. It's \$21 to register and the deadline to register is October 23rd, 2022. If you decide to join, you have six months to practice your skills before the competition on March 16th, 2023.

### Walk and Bike to School Week

Don't forget that beginning Monday, October 10 and lasting through the week, we are encouraging kids to walk or bike to school. It's a great way to get fresh air in the morning and get your brain stimulated before you start your school day. Studies show that exercise can positively affect your mood, self-esteem, memory, and your brain's ability to focus and concentrate. Sounds like a no-brainer to me!

### Sports

Football is back! The NFL is in Week 4 of their season and the 49ers are a dismal 1-2. Their quarterback Trey Lance was injured in a game and is out for the season. Thank goodness they have veteran backup Jimmy Garoppolo at the helm now. The San Francisco Giants are finishing up their disappointing season. They are 30 games back from their rival, the Los Angeles Dodgers. There's always next year!

**Pre-K:** Which ice cream flavor do you like better, vanilla or chocolate? A: Ayyan A. from Mrs. Christina's class said, "Vanilla, because I like vanilla better than chocolate."

**T-K:** What is your favorite color, and why? A: Kelly K. from Mrs. Antony's class said, "Light pink is my favorite and I like it a lot."

**Kindergarten:** What do you like most about Silver Oak Elementary so far? A: Nicholas N. from Mrs. Ferguson's class replied, "I like recess because it is super fun!"

**1st grade:** Are you a new student at Silver Oak? What do you like about it so far? A: Chloe H. from Mrs. Castillo's class said, "Yes, I am a new student. I like Fun Friday P.E. and I also like my friends."

**2nd grade:** Did you travel over the summer? And if you did, where did you go? A: Harper R. from Mrs. Yang's class said, "I went to Costa Rica with my sister. We celebrated her birthday, went ziplining, went on a boat tour for 8 hours, and saw a lot of Costa Rican animals, like sloths and monkeys."

**3rd grade:** What do you like about your classroom? A: Aya from Mrs. Watkin's class said, "Math is my favorite subject. It has a lot of numbers and I also like the signs."

**4th grade:** How many years have you been at Silver Oak Elementary School? What is your favorite thing about this school year? A: Xander from Mrs. Fong's class responded, "I have been at this school for four years. I like playing basketball."

**5th grade:** What is your favorite activity during class time? A: Lauren from Ms. Giacomini's class said, "I like to do Wordle with my class because they are fun brain teasers to earn candy!"

**6th grade:** What is your favorite subject in school? A: Lillian L. from Mrs. Neil's class responded, "Geography."

**Teacher question:** What do you appreciate about your new class? A: Kindergarten teacher Mrs. Trusso said, "They come to school each day and are always on time and ready to learn."

**Principal:** What do you like best about Silver Oak? A: Mr. Greenfield thoughtfully replied, "I love the kids of Silver Oak. I enjoy seeing their smiling faces. I specifically like being out during lunch to get to know students and build relationships with them."



# Jokes and Riddles

- Why did the old man fall into a well?

He couldn't see that well!

- Where did the pencil go on vacation?

Pennsylvania

- Why does the math book always cry?

Because it is full of problems.

- What do you call a fake noodle?

An impasta

- What happens when a cow doesn't shave?

It grows a moo-stache.

- Knock knock. Who's there? Ice cream. Ice cream who? ICE CREAM SO YOU CAN HEAR ME!

- Why can't Elsa from Frozen have a balloon?

Because she will Let it go! Let it go!

## Riddle Me This...

- 1) A man rode to a town on a horse on Friday and came back two days later on Friday. How is that possible?

The horse's name was Friday!

- 2) You look at a boat filled with people. It has not sunk, but when you look back you don't see a single person on the boat. Why?

They're all married!

- 3) What are the next four letters in this pattern?

J F M A M J J A \_ \_ \_ \_

S O N D. It's the months!

# Recipes & Things to Do

## How To Make Lemonade

A cup

A spoon

1-3 Lemons

5 teaspoons of sugar (you can do as much as you want. I like to do 5 to make it sweet)

$\frac{3}{4}$  cup water

$\frac{1}{4}$  cup cranberry juice

### Steps:

First, you will have to cut all the lemons in half. I would use a plastic knife, so you don't accidentally cut yourself. Next, you squeeze the lemons you cut in the cup so the lemon juice comes out. Then add the  $\frac{3}{4}$  cup of water. Get the cranberry juice and pour in  $\frac{1}{4}$  cup. Once you have everything in the cup, add the sugar. Like I said, you can use as much as you want, but if you like it sweet add 5 teaspoons. After you have done all of that then you have to mix it with the spoon and ENJOY!

### What Can I Do?

If you ever find yourself at home and don't have anything to do, remember there are always options to entertain yourself. Some fun things you can do at home are word searches, play video games, complete crossword puzzles, work on sudoku, and even practice origami! You can also focus on your studies. Programs like I-Ready help to build your math skills or you can play some Prodigy to refresh your mind. Lastly, don't forget to call your friends over to your house! Games like infection, freeze tag, and hide and seek are not only fun, but they get you active. Remember to have fun whatever you do.