



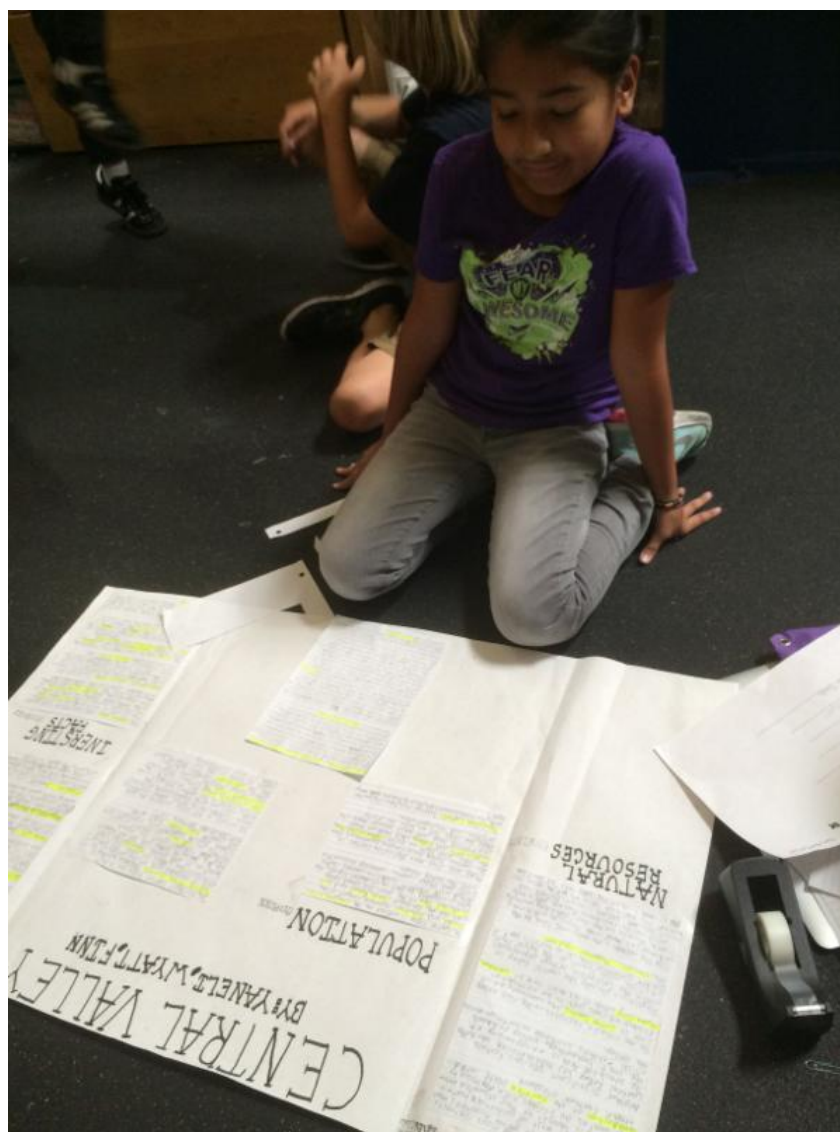
*We engage children in an inspiring, challenging, and civically active educational experience that embraces learning through the arts.*

### **LFCSA's Weekly E-blast**

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First Parent Workshop with Ruth Beaglehole  
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**Discovering our Country's and State's Regions**

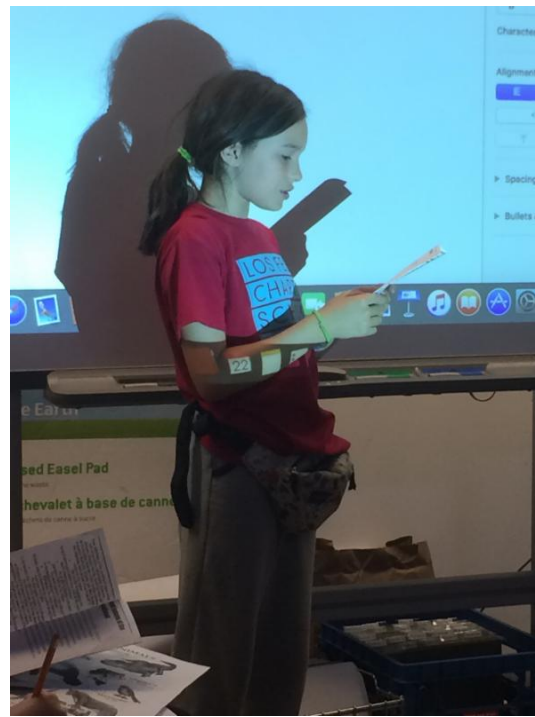
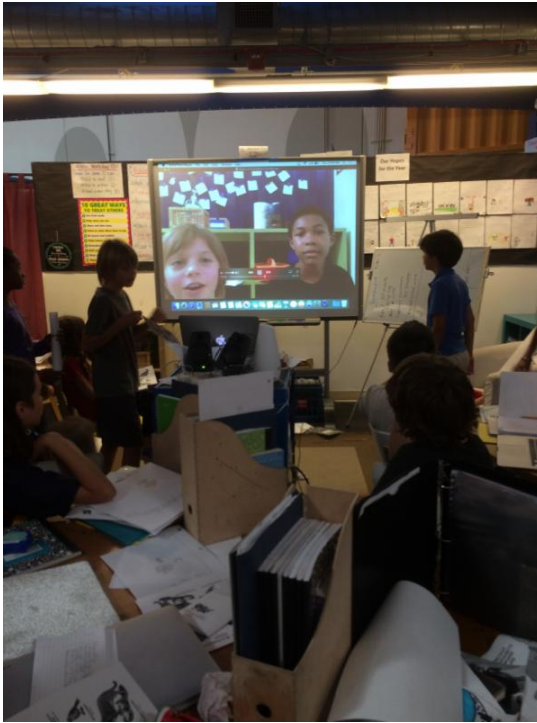


Our 4th and 5th grades have started working on their Regions Unit. This was an opportunity for all students to work together in groups to research different regions of California (4th grade) and of the United States (5th grade).



Students in Mr. Hess' class presented their work using a variety of media. Some

groups created brochures highlighting the wildlife present in their regions. Others created informative videos displaying what they learned to their classmates.



They look forward to sharing their work with you soon.

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## Introducing our School Site Council (SSC) Parent Representatives

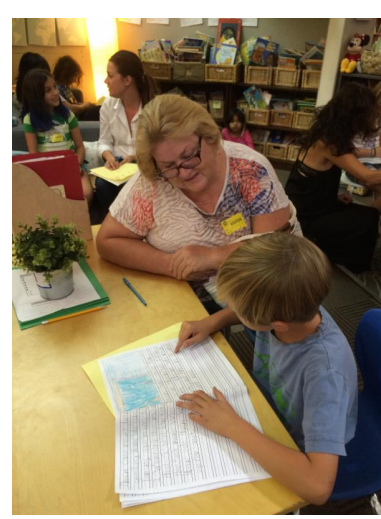
We would like to say a BIG thank you to all the parent nominees who showed interest in being part of our School Site Council this year. This year we had a number of great nominees but only three spots to fill, it was a very close race! We look forward to working with all of you in the future.

Presenting your new SSC Parent Representatives:

Alyssa Valentine  
PJ Johnson  
Shannon Noel

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## Volunteering at LFCSA



There will be many opportunities for you to volunteer your time here at LFCSA. Thank you to all of you who have already signed up to join a committee or have participated in the classroom volunteer meetings held by your teachers.

Here are the steps you need to take to start volunteering at the school.

1. Download a volunteer form [here](#), fill it out and bring it to the front office to be approved. All volunteers MUST have an approved volunteer form on file.
2. If you will be working in the classroom or with students you must have a TB test on file. If you have turned one in already please check with the front office to see if it has expired.
3. Contact your teacher to arrange volunteer time.
4. When you arrive on your volunteer day, please park behind the black gate. Sign in at the front office, make sure you indicate you are volunteering in the sign in book, and grab a **blue** visitor's badge.

Thank you for giving your time to our beautiful community!

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## **Halloween Town is Coming!**

### **October 22nd**

The bats have arrived in the front office, getting us all in the mood for one of our favorite annual events - Halloween Town!

If you are new to LFCSA you are in for a real treat! Each class is in charge of creating, decorating and running a booth. Do you have some spooktacular ideas? Bring them to our first planning meeting on Sunday, September 25th at 10:00 a.m. at the school. Please text or call 626-676-2547 for the gate code.





This year at Halloween town we will be hosting a Haunted House Contest. Get creative! You are welcome to make your house any size, use any materials, with anyone. Houses will be displayed at LFCSA's Annual Halloween Town on October 22nd, from 4:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. Please no houses that need electricity, battery operated lights only. Remember to decorate the inside & outside of your house.

Contact Gina Leiaghat with any questions: [ghalloweentown@gmail.com](mailto:ghalloweentown@gmail.com)

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## **HAUNTED HOUSE**

Get creative!

INDIVIDUAL/FAMILY/GROUP ENTRIES WELCOMED!

Got theme?

NIGHTMARE BEFORE CHRISTMAS, CORALINE, ADDAMS FAMILY, DISNEY  
ENDLESS POSSIBILITIES!

ENTRIES ACCEPTED

OCTOBER 17th thru OCTOBER 21st

WINNER WILL BE CHOSEN AT 6:30PM OCTOBER 22nd

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**Flash Clean-up! Our Neighborhood Needs our Help!**

**September 24th 8:00 a.m.**

# FLASH CLEANUP!



*Saturday, September 24, 8am*

The **Glassell Park Improvement Association** invites you to help clean up Verdugo Road around the on & off-ramps to the Glendale Freeway.

The "Flash Cleanup" idea is to give a short time—45 minutes—that won't get in the way of our busy weekends. We come together, care for our community, finish and go. The more people who show up the more trash and weeds get cleaned up.

Please join us at the corner of Verdugo & Roderick Roads, and don't forget to bring your own sun protection, work gloves and water.

Contact Jim Klehl (see below) to RSVP or to join our team for future clean ups.

We are working with CD13 & CD14, to arrange for pickup of filled trash bags. Thank you to Councilmembers Mitch O'Farrell's and José Huizar's offices for their help and support.

## Join Ruth Beaglehole at our First Parent Workshop of the Year!

**September 27th, at 8:30 a.m.**

Thanks to the generous support of LFCSA's PTA, we are please to announce that Ruth Beaglehole will be joining us again this year. She will be visiting us on a monthly basis to dialogue with parents around issues of supporting themselves as parents, and supporting children's cognitive, physical and emotional development.

Possible topics can include:

- Handling "Big" Feelings
- Understanding our Children's Brain
- Sculpting Our Children's Brain
- Being an Emotional Coach to our Children
- Supporting Children with Loss



## Interpreting Smarter Balanced Test Results for Parents

LFCSA has mailed your child's results in a Student Score Report.

In these reports, students receive an overall score for each subject, ranging from 2,000 to 3,000. This score shows if students met, did not meet or exceeded expectations for their grade. The second page of the report includes a further breakdown of that score, providing individualized information on your child's academic strengths and potential challenges.

WestEd has created a webinar series on how to interpret and act on Smarter Balanced Assessment Consortium (Smarter Balanced) test scores in english language arts/literacy and mathematics, and how to help improve student outcomes.

Follow this [link](#) to watch the webinar and learn more about:

- How the new testing system works, including how computer adaptive testing determines a child's ability level
- How to support their child's success on the new tests
- How teachers are changing instruction to help students deepen subject-matter learning, think more critically, and apply what they have learned in new ways.

Parents of upper grade level children please look out for an invitation to an informational Q&A session about this year's test coming soon.

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### **PTA General Meeting** **September 27th at 6:00 p.m.** **Special Speaker Topic: Magnet School Madness**



The first LFCSA PTA Meeting is on Tuesday, Sept 27th at 6:00 p.m. Join us in deciding this year's PTA budget, calendar and events, and then get informed about the madness that is Magnet School Applications with our Special Speakers who will walk us through how and when (and even why) to apply for Magnets without getting



accepted so that you have enough points to enter the Magnet Middle School of YOUR choice. Don't know what we are referring to? Then you should be at this meeting! All are welcome and encouraged to attend. Childcare will be provided. Adult snacks will be served.

## *Upcoming Events*

Please refer to our [school calendar](#) for updates to upcoming events

### September 23rd

PTA Family Movie Night - 6:30 p.m.

### September 25th

Halloween Town Meeting - 10:00 a.m.

### September 27th

Parent Meeting: Ruth Beaglehole - 8:30 a.m.

PTA General Meeting and Magnet School Talk - 6:00 p.m.

### October 3rd

Pupil Free Day - Teacher Professional Development

## Contact

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## Stay Connected



"Instruction ends in the school-room, but education ends only with life."

- Frederick W. Robertson