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"I touch the future. I teach."
- Christa McAuliffe

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Wonderful Watch D.O.G.S.

**Brayden Pena &
Kaleigh Yimin**
Staff Writers

The spotlight today is on Watch D.O.G.S. Watch D.O.G.S is a nationwide program that lets fathers volunteer in their child's school environment. Fourth grader, Aby Chacon stated, "I like having my dad here in my classroom because I get to show him my work, and what we do in the classroom." Mr. Miniaci, the top "Dog" said, "I think this program is important because students perform better when their parents are involved." He has been participating in this program

at our school for four years. Thank you to all the Watch



"Top Dog" Bobby Miniaci and his daughter, Carmen.

D.O.G.S for helping at our school! If you see any Watch D.O.G.S. in our school, give them a wave to say hello and thank them! We are thankful for having this program in our

school. If you are interested in becoming a Watch D.O.G., please visit our school's website at cmecharter.net.



Mr. Dube, regularly volunteers in his daughter's 4th grade classroom.



Getting to Know Mrs. Arocho

**Abigail Chacon &
Scout Hawk**
Staff Writers

Let's start with our one and only VPK Teacher Mrs. Arocho!!!

Favorite Perfume Brand: Vic-

toria's Secret

Favorite Candle Scent: Pink Sand

How long have you been teaching? 8 years

Why did you decide to teach:

Loves socializing with children

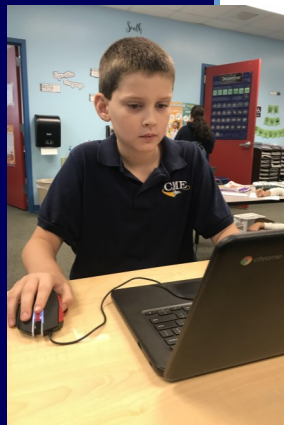


VPK Teacher, Mrs. Arocho

Fortnite Craze

Abigail Gottschalk & Addison Wakefield

CME Journalists



4th grader, Wyatt, loves to play Fortnite.

“Where are we dropping at, boys?” This is what kids all over the U.S. are saying because of this Fortnite game craze. Kids all over the US are playing this new game, and it was created by Epic Games. On July 25, 2017 the game was open to anyone who wants to play. But, why is it so popular? It

is one of the top rated games in popularity because of the skins and dances. Skins can be purchased with V-Bucks in the game (those are very expensive when you purchase them). Skins are items like outfits and gliders. Wyatt Meccics, a current 4th grader, likes Fortnite because it helps with team-building skills and you can play with your friends. In his own words, “The main goal of the game is to be the last man or team

standing.” Last but not least, some of his tips for beginners are to start in the playground, get good at building, play with friends, and go to the real battle.

All in all, to some people, Fortnite is a great game. With that being said, maybe you should go and check it out!

CME does not endorse or promote this game.

Game is not suitable for children under the age of 12.

Halloween Fun

Brayden Pena & Kaleigh Yimin

Reporters

Every year the school has a Halloween parade. The parade takes place in the school hallway and the outside walkways. Parents can come and see all of the kids in their costumes. The teachers and specials teachers always dress up. Later in the day, the teachers do activities

with their students. Then, some of the students will pass out goodies for their classes. Mrs. Cardwell’s class did a pumpkin escape room in math. After that, the students did a pumpkin investigation and had to predict how many seeds, weight, and the circumference of the pumpkin. They cut the pumpkin open and they found all their answers. Happy

hauntings!



Mrs. Cardwell’s students weighing their pumpkin.

“I knew that the students would have fun learning and I like how it tied in with math and science.”

—Mrs. Cardwell

Community Service

Emily Marion
Staff Writer

K-Kids is a club run by students and teachers where they take part in service projects and helping in the local community. Right now at my school, the members are making Christmas cards for

the children in our local hospital. “I feel really excited for the kids who will be receiving them because it can help cheer them up,” stated Nikayla Bendezu. According to Kiwaniskids.org, K-Kids is the biggest organization in the elementary schools. The club is open for students in

grades 3-5th, but students are chosen by lotto because of high interest in the club. The President at our school is Isabella Cauceglia, the Treasurer is Breanna Gerlich, and the Secretary is Tyler Gerlich. All things considered, K-Kids is an outstanding club and you should try to join if you are able.

Kiwanis
K-Kids
Young Leaders Helping Others

Guess Who?



Nikayla Bendezu & Mia Thompson

Newspaper Reporters

Christa McAuliffe has it all. The school has everything you want and need but the one thing that rises above is our PTO. The PTO is a group of four parents who help our school, teachers, and the children in it. For example, they always have meetings

Getting to know all the people behind the fun.

to discuss amazing and fun events like the Boosterthon, Spirit Nights, and festivals. PTO meetings are help on the first Tuesday of every month in our school's cafeteria. The people who are part of this wonderful group are...

Sarona Weyant=President

Most rewarding part of being on the PTO is watching the students & parents at the events have so much fun! Also, knowing that all our hard work benefits the students education with items such as computers and books for the media center.

Cassidy Williams=Vice Presi-

dent

Most rewarding is seeing the students anticipation for an event or the excitement during an event. Second would be hearing how the proceeds purchase tools to aid in our children's education.

Jamie Gregor= Secretary

The most rewarding for me is knowing that we are doing all the work we do for the kids and seeing their excitement at the events that we plan and put together.

Michelle Pepper=Treasurer

Most rewarding is helping the school and making sure the students have what they need to be the very best they can be.

Sleep

Angelina DeBlasi

Editor-in-Chief

Picture in your imagination, tossing and turning through the night. You try everything to go to sleep, but your eyes just won't shut. The hours are ticking away. Have you ever had trouble sleeping? While there are many issues that make

sleeping hard for children, there are also ways to improve the problems.

To begin with, the source helpguide.org says, "Insomnia is not being able to get a well rested sleep." According to helpguide.org, Insomnia can also be caused by other sleep disorders or mood disorders such as anxiety and depression. Another sleeping disorder there is restless leg syndrome. Restless leg syndrome is a problem that causes a desire to move legs or arms at night, and makes

sleeping difficult.

Next, there are still solutions to these problems. According to a story I read called "Help Me Sleep", one of the solutions is a bedtime routine. Meaning first, read a book and find a peaceful place. One of my personal solutions is a dream catcher. A dream catcher is a small net with dangly beads and is supposed to catch your bad dreams. I find having a nice reading time before bed helps to relax the mind. Tonight, when your head hits the pillow, you will have a peaceful sleep.

CME vs. OES

Emily Marion & Gracie Sand

Newspaper Journalists

CME against OES. Who is this year's champion? We are! CME won this year's 5th grade flag football game! We won at halftime during an OHS Varsity football game. Ms. H was one of the organizers. She helped

run the game and she was the head coach for the CME flag football team. Austin Louzao said, "I liked that I got to make lots of touchdowns."

Mrs. Bowman was the cheer coach. The CME cheerleaders did a cheer routine on the sidelines during the game. The

cheerleaders practiced for 3 days. Anna Onorevole said, "Cheerleading was very fun to do, with my friends." We really hope this will now be a yearly tradition.



CME and OES play their first flag football game at an OHS half-time game.



Shyann McLain
Staff Writer

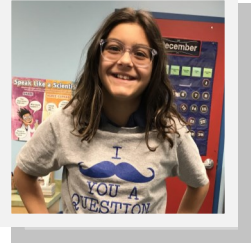
Top Five Songs on Disney Radio

1. "I Found You" Benny Blanco and Calvin Caris
2. "Series" with Matthew Koma Midnight Kids
3. "La Di Da" Lennon Stella
4. "Light Me Up" The Griswold
5. "Rewrite The Stars" Anne-Marie and James Arthur

The Top Family Movies in the Theaters

The Grinch 2018 and Ralph Breaks the Internet

Editor-in-Chief



Bella Edwards

Reporter

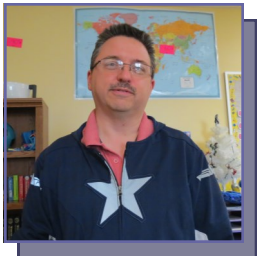
The spotlight today is on Newspaper's Editor in Chief, Angelina DeBlasi. I interviewed Angelina and asked her why did she start this club. Angelina replied, "I love writing and I wanted to make sure that everybody knows what is going on in this school." Angelina is a 4th grader in Mrs. Llanes' class. It took a lot of work to make this club. "I had to come up with the idea and discuss it with Mrs. Llanes, and then we talked to Mr. Brown, and once we got approved, we created and sent out flyers accepting 4th and 5th graders." She is very happy that she has the opportunity to start the club. "This club is just how I wanted it to be, but I didn't expect kids to bring in snacks!"

Christmas Favorites

Abigail Chacon & Kaleigh Yimin

Newspaper Reporters

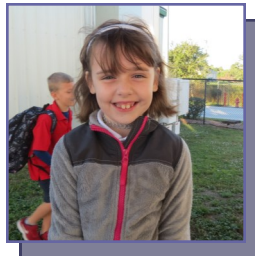
It's almost Christmas! The Christmas tree is up and it is time for hot chocolate, candy canes, and festive Christmas pajamas. Here are some people that shared what their favorite part of Christmas is.



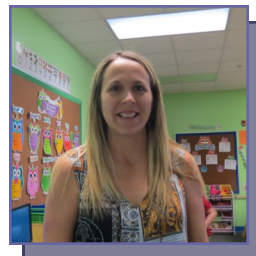
5th grade teacher Mr. Laubhan said his favorite part of Christmas is the Christmas lights.



Kindergartener, Jordan Semers likes seeing Santa.



2nd grader, Sarah Moore says that she likes spending time with family



Kindergarten teacher Mrs. Lockhart also likes spending time with family.



Kindergartener, Miley Latronica likes receiving presents.



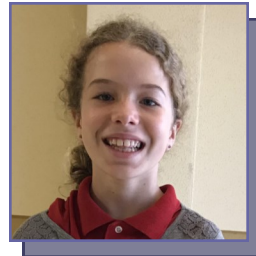
2nd grade teacher Mrs. Lanzone likes spending time with family.



4th grader, Bella Edwards likes food and family.



1st grader, Ethan Wells also loves receiving presents.



5th grader, Nicole Hardman enjoys spending time with family.



Principal, Mr. Brown likes receiving presents.