

# The Chronicle

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## From the Director's Desk: Ms. Ghonouie



April has been full of enjoyable and educational events for our Carden students! We started the month with 3rd grade's marvelous performance of *Wizard of Oz*, and continued with an educational Water Assembly, presented by the Discovery Cube. Our Junior High students did a fabulous job presenting their Historical Wax Museum projects, and fun was had by all during our annual 4th through junior high dance party! Our 1st grade students put on adorable *Peter Rabbit* play, and everyone had lots of fun hunting for Easter Eggs! We had a relaxing Spring Break, and came back ready to finish the year strong!

Lastly, information on our fun and educational Summer School courses were sent home recently. These classes are an ideal way to keep things fresh in the minds of students during the summer months. All courses keep the curriculum challenging in an enjoyable and relaxed summer setting! Please stop by the office today for more information about summer school at Carden. Remember that these classes are open to everyone- so feel free to tell your friends about them! The Carden Summer Camp is also a fantastic opportunity for your child to participate in a wide variety of recreational and educational activities! No need to try and balance education and fun this summer-experienced teachers and staff will work to provide an environment that is safe, fun, healthy, and academically enriching. All school-age children are eligible to attend-so your friends from other schools can go to camp with you! The best part is that all of our amazing sports and additional programs are included in one price, so don't forget to turn in your summer camp and school forms today!

## STUDENT *of the* MONTH

Carden recognizes these students for exhibiting fine citizenship!

### APRIL

JK	Hadi Yoozbashizadeh
K	Dariush Davis
1st	Michio Ferri
2nd	RJ Tajanlangit
3rd	Safiya Hinds
4th	Clara Davis
5th	Benjamin Thatcher
6th	Isaac Luu
7th	Athan Taylor

## CARDEN 2019 OLYMPICS Friday, May 24th



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### Upcoming EVENTS

May 6 – 10  
Standardized  
Testing  
Week

May 6 – 10  
Teacher  
Appreciation  
Week

May 17  
Ms. Murga's  
Music Recital  
6pm

May 24  
Olympic  
Day  
(All-School)





## Kindergarten: Mrs. Metz

The month of April was a busy one for the Kindergarten students. The students started the month playing the part of the munchkins in "The Wizard of Oz" play. The Discovery Cube presented a very educational assembly about water. The students saw demonstrations of the three forms of water as a solid (ice), liquid and gas (as in steam). The 1st grade class joined us on a field trip to the Santa Ana Zoo, where we saw many monkeys, birds, and other animals. Two of the favorite activities at the zoo was touring the zoo on the little train and riding the merry-go-round. Our class enjoyed a springtime party wearing rabbit ear headbands and eating snacks together. In science, the students have been learning about maps and how to use them. The K class has been practicing their speaking parts and songs for their play "The Teddy Bears' Picnic", and they did a wonderful job performing! The Kindergarteners have been working on building on their reading skills every day, and have made great progress!

## 2nd Grade: Mrs. Lambert

April was a fun month!! 2nd grade students enjoyed watching 3rd grade's *Wizard of Oz* performance; the costumes, singing, and dancing were fabulous! The Water Assembly on April 10th taught us about the Water Cycle, and The Living Museum by Jr. High was very interesting. I was glad to see some new "faces". Once again 2nd grade had the privilege of being the choir for 1st grade's *Peter Rabbit* performance. Everyone did a great job. The whole school was treated to an "Egg Hunt" before we left on Spring Break. I hope you all enjoyed your time off.



## Preschool

The Junior Kindergarten class has been busy learning all the letters and their sounds, and is practicing printing their letters and numbers. They really have been enjoying their language lessons and their weekly visits with our kindergarten class, and they are looking forward to being part of the Teddy Bear Picnic play! The children in the pre-primary class and in the 2 year old program have also been very busy learning shapes, numbers, letters, and listening skills. They have all been enjoying the fun art projects for spring time, and are looking forward to all the fun events coming up next month.

## 1st Grade: Ms. Vardeman

Spring is nature's way of reminding us that every day is worthy of celebration. Happy Spring! This month, students were busy reading all the tales of Beatrix Potter's favorite animals, Peter Rabbit, Benjamin Bunny, Mrs. Tittlemouse, and Jeremy Fisher. First grade children had a wonderful theatrical performance reenacting *The Tale of Peter Rabbit*. Learning is sure to be fun! First grade continues reading and writing stories of spring and their favorite animals. In math and science, the perfect STEM activities provide learning and collaborative participation. The power of magnetism, egg drop challenge, and constructing a tall tower, will be a few projects students will take part in soon.



## 3rd Grade: Mr. Henderson

Third Grade continues to move forward as we look forward to closing the year strong! We just returned from the Children's Water Education Festival. It was an amazing learning experience! The kids learned about how to best conserve water. They have a full understanding of how much of a valuable resource water is! We are looking forward to our final planet project and field trip to the planetarium, where we will learn more about the planets. *The Wizard of Oz* performance was a success! The children worked really hard to put on a great show! Academically, we'll continue to sharpen our math, spelling, reading and grammar skills as we get closer to 4th grade :-)

## 4th Grade:

### Mrs. Hashin

We are in the home stretch! The students have started reading Graduation Book 4 for literature. It has some myths that are new to the students, and they love the stories. Students are completing Comprehension Techniques for reading. The lessons go into detail about the life of Native Americans, with some grammar and vocabulary associated with the stories. In math, we have started to turn fractions into percentages. It can be daunting! In history, we are learning about western expansion. The concept of spending months in wilderness crossing the Plains and mountains is difficult. There are only a few more weeks of school left, and the children will be moving up to 5th grade and Junior High. I shall miss this wonderful class!

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## English & Literature: Ms. DeLoa

The Living History Wax Museum was a huge success! The children chose a famous American to research and then they dressed as that famous American and presented a speech and a tri-fold board or a PowerPoint about them. We learned so many fascinating facts about these famous individuals. Thank you students, for working so hard on your wax museum presentations, and thank you parents, for taking time out of your busy day to come see the presentations. The school year will soon be over and there is still so much work to be done. Please mark for your calendars for the night of May 31st and come see our Broadway Musical. The junior high and some elementary school students have been working hard since January to present this fabulous show to you. I hope to see you all there!

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## Music: Ms. Murga

Time flies by so fast! It is almost the end of the school year! First of all, I would like to thank the First grade class for performing amazingly in the Peter Rabbit Play, as well as the Second graders and some of our Third grade students for singing beautifully for the play. There is one more adorable and short play to be performed by the energetic Kindergarten students, with the help of the Junior Kindergarten class. They rehearsed diligently for their play called "The Teddy Bears' Picnic", and they performed fantastically! This is also the time that all my private students in piano and voice are patiently practicing their recital pieces for the upcoming recital. One of the ways of developing the innate potential of the students is by taking private lessons in piano, voice, guitar, or any musical instrument and one of the best ways of turning children's potential into accomplishment is to showcase the individual talents of the students by participating in our annual recital. The recital will be held on Friday, May 17th at 6:00 p.m. Everyone is invited to come! Zoltan Kodaly, a great Hungarian Music Educator, stated **"Singing, untrammelled by an instrument, is the real and profound schooling of musical abilities."**



## Math & Science:

### Mrs. Sowards

Welcome Back! I hope you all had a restful Spring Break. We are in the final countdown, which means students need to work extra hard to stay focused. Prior to Spring Break, 5th grade closed their chapter on adding and subtracting simple and complex fractions. They also completed their Earth Science Unit by wrapping up with how the Moon affects our planet. 6th grade closed up their tessellation unit with some very interesting and cute tessellation art. In Science, 6th grade opened the Ecology unit with a small project on a chosen organism and researching the organism's ecosystem. 7th grade finished their Math chapter on percentage markups and discounts, while completing their Science chapter on the cardiopulmonary system. We have a lot coming up in May for these Jr High students, starting with Testing. All grades have started their review of the year's topics in order to prepare for both standardized testing and for their upcoming end-of-the-year Math final. It's hard to believe we are already talking about the end of the year, but that just means it's time to show we can finish strong.

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## Spanish: Ms. Drummond

After a refreshing Spring Break we're back at it, preparing to finish out the last month of school. Getting it all done without missing anything comes down to planning. In Spanish over the last year, our students have exceeded my expectations, and it is a pleasure to see all these diverse skills coming together. Language is about communication and connection, from meaningful dialogues on virtually any topic to conjugating numerous verbs, the children continue to impress. Even as things wind down, there is still much to explore. Between the iconic history of Eva Peron and the recent discovery of the Color Mountains in Cusco, the Latin World continues to show us its secrets. I want to thank you all for your support in making this an incredibly year.

WISHING  
— YOU —  
*the Happiest*  
— OF —  
BIRTHDAYS

MAY

- 1 Safiya Hinds
- 4 Vihaan Jacob
- 6 Ms. Shaw
- 12 Kevin Gerwig
- 14 Athan Taylor
- 15 Holden Domush
- 17 Chase Fisher
- 23 Olivia Ruebsamen
- 27 Mrs. Sowards

JUNE

- 8 Aiden Aoki
- 10 Jameson Gasca
- 11 Hikari Ferri
- 13 Ben Thatcher
- 17 Dariush Davis
- 25 Monica Wang
- 29 Ms. Drummond
- 30 Jaxon Escobar-Chua
- 30 Ms. Ghonouie



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