

THE LION'S ROAR



SAHAG-MESROB ARMENIAN CHRISTIAN SCHOOL CELEBRATES ARMENIAN INDEPENDENCE DAY

On September 21, 1991, the Republic of Armenia became independent. Sahag-Mesrob Armenian Christian School celebrated this day of independence on September 21, 2016, with traditional Armenian songs, dance, food, and art.

Students arrived at school, dressed in attire representing their Armenian heritage and celebrated with enthusiasm throughout the day. Stu-

dents showed teamwork by cooking and baking traditional Armenian foods: Grades 1, 2, and 3 made manti, grades 4 and 5 made beoregs, grades 6 and 7 made sarma, and 8th grade made kebab.

The celebration continued with a kebab lunch for students and parents. Following the lunch, all students performed at the Armenian Independence Day Ceremony. The songs and poetry,

performed in front of parents, were organized by Mrs. Sona Badalian, Mrs. Maria Arakelian, and Baron Sinanyan.

Students also performed traditional Armenian dances prepared by Mrs. Lilia and the Pasadena Hamazkayin.

The entire day was filled with love for Armenia as students, teachers, and parents celebrated together.

SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

9/9 Grandparents' Day

9/9 Movie Night

9/13 Staples Center Field Trip

9/21 Armenian Independence Day

9/29 Hamazkayin Play



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GRANDPARENTS' DAY

Sahag-Mesrob students celebrated Grandparents' Day on Friday, September 9 with a special lunch-time program that honored grandparents and allowed them to spend valuable time with their grandchildren. As grandparents and students enjoyed lunch together, eighth graders recited poetry for their beloved grandparents.

After lunch, grandparents had the opportunity to attend their grandchildren's classes and observe students learning in class. Students were very excited to share this time with their grandparents and demonstrated exceptional love, respect, and gratitude towards them.



"ZOOTOPA" MOVIE NIGHT



On Friday, September 9, PTF held an evening fundraising event in the school courtyard. This event gave families the opportunity to watch the movie, "Zootopia", in a fun and different way. Families brought

their blankets, pillows, and folding chairs to watch the movie on a large screen, set-up outside. While watching the movie, families could enjoy food and snacks.

STAPLES CENTER FIELD TRIP

Tuesday, September 13, was a day full of victories. Third through eighth grade students attended a basketball event held at the Staples Center, and Sahag-Mesrob's 3rd-5th graders played and won a game

against Homenetmen's Shant chapter.

After their game, students stayed at the Staples Center to watch the LA Sparks play the Phoenix Mercury. The Sparks also won their game.



HAMAZKAYIN PLAY



Sahag-Mesrob's fourth through eighth graders attended a play, "The Secret of the Flower Pot", on Thursday, September 29, along with numerous other Armenian schools. This play, held at the Barnsdall Gallery Theater, was about a young vil-

lager who goes on a journey to discover the mystery of flower seeds he receives.

Students enjoyed the humorous elements of the play and learned a valuable lesson about perseverance and honesty.

CLASSROOM NEWS

A-B-C-D-E-F-G, SCHOOL IS WHERE WE WANT TO BE!

Students at S.M.A.C.S. Kristen S. Sarian Pre-School learned about how God created them special and unique! We celebrated Grandparents' Day and partook in our Armenian Independence Day celebration by singing and making choreg!



Arts & Crafts:

- Students drew self-portraits
- We welcomed Fall by making leaves, acorns & squirrels



- We planted cauliflowers and tomatoes

K2 students learned...

- the letter "A"
- the color red
- about the circle
- how to mix colors
- how to make play dough

K3 students learned...

- the numbers 1 & 2
- Armenian letters "ayp" & "pen"
- how to mix colors

- how to make play dough & bubbles
- reviewed: the color red & circle shape

K4 students learned...

- the sounds for the letters B, C, D
- how to write the letters B, C, D
- about compound words
- positional words
- Armenian letters "ayp" & "reh"



MRS. ANI KAKOUSSIAN

First Grade has been learning about plants and what plants need to live. We have started an experiment and are testing to see if our seeds will grow. We learned that

plants need air, water, and light to survive. We have already noticed a stem growing and are excited to see how our seeds will grow.



MRS. LUCY STEPANIAN



What a busy month the Second Graders had!

In September, we celebrated Armenian Independence Day. The students had an exciting time preparing Manti to taste. They performed an Armenian Dance and recited a

poem at the program.

In Social Studies they had their first project, where they presented Landforms. We are all so proud of our Second Graders. Keep up the good work!

CLASSROOM NEWS

MRS. NARINEH KARAMANOUKIAN

In the 3rd grade class this month, our students presented projects based on landforms in their area for Social Studies. They researched the areas, and presented their project to the class.

We finished reading our class novel, Ramona Quimby, Age 8. They will present a Cereal Box Book Report advertising the story on October 14th.

In 4th grade science, our students learned about Magnetism and Electro—magnets. We created our own Electro—magnets in the lab using batteries, coil, and wire.



In 5th grade science, our students learned about chemical and physical reactions. We joined the 8th grade class in the Science Lab to participate in creating physical change, using vinegar and chalk.

Our 5th grade class also had a class presentation on "Elements". Each student created a poster of different elements, and what the world would be like if elements did not exist. Each student presented their poster to the class.

MRS. MARAL OHANIAN

This month in English class, fourth grade students read the novel Holes. Students also finished writing their personal narratives, about an important moment in their lives. In social studies, we finished our unit about American Indians, and the students completed their tribe reports.

Fifth graders have been reading The Chronicles of Narnia: The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe in English class. They also finished their descriptive essays about a person, place, or thing they are passionate about.



MRS. TSOGIK MELKONYAN



On September 22nd, sixth, seventh, and eighth grades visited the Learning Centers at Fairplex in Pomona. Each grade level went on adventures to a different exhibit such as the Mo-

torsports Museum, Railgiants Historic Trains, and Let the Games Begin, an exhibit where students discovered origins of American sports.