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## STAR OF INDIA - BY VERONIKA R. ROOM B-6

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The fifth grade field trip to the Star of India transported us in time where for one night we became sailors to run the ship. The trip moved us back in time to the year 1774. We were taught navigation, how to row a rowboat, and how to use a pulley and lines to move a barrel across the deck. We had training that would be useful on a ship in the old days. After the hard work, we had time for sleep but were woken up for night watch. We woke to the sound of the captain's shrill voice to pack our sleeping gear and then headed to clean the deck which was a wet job! Following the fun exercise, we were told to go to the bottom deck. There we chose a make-believe fate that would follow us after we departed the ship. Afterwards, we headed out to get our gear for a fun Saturday. That was an unforgettable night back in 1774!



## Superintendent's Visit - by Ines L., Room B-6 and Eric R., Room B-10



Our school recently received a visit of three district administrators: Mrs. Marten, (Superintendent), Dr. Freire (Area Superintendent, and Mrs. Monreal (Chief of Staff).

They gladly answered some of our questions; some of their jobs are to support all 27 schools in Area 4, and to make sure schools receive the help they need on time.

One of their favorite jobs is to be in the classroom with elementary students. When they visit a school, they first notice how the school looks: is it clean, is the landscaping done? They want to make sure the students have everything they need (supplies, staff, etc.). They also look at student work and classroom activities: are students reading, writing, thinking?

We also asked what they liked about B-W. They said they felt very welcomed at our school (thank you ambassadors) with heart and they saw lots of happy kids here! Looks like our VIP's loved it here!

## Poway Days - by Luca F. Room B8

On Friday, October 3rd, the 3rd graders went to Poway to see what it was like back in the olden days. Poway Park transforms into a living history museum showing what life was like during the mid 1800's. I interviewed some kids to see what was their favorite part. They liked gold panning, riding the train, and learning what it was like during that time. I asked them how they liked their trip on a scale of 1 -10 and the majority of students gave their experience a 9 or better! The encampments included a sheriff's

office, doctor's office, and a school (the actual museum). At one encampment, there were animal skins hanging from tents. Kids thought they were creepy but cool. They also saw a lady throw tomahawks. I can still remember when I went, it was so much fun! For all 2nd graders, 1st graders, and kindergartners out there, this will be a fun-filled trip for you in 3rd grade!

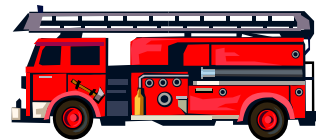


## Kinder's Visit Fire Station - by Bella M., Room B6



Fire!! Call the kindergartners! In October, the kindergartners had a blast at the fire station. They took a tour of the whole station! They even got to see the tools they use to fight fires. There was an axe, ladder, hose, emergency trucks, hammers, smoke detectors and protective gear for the fire fighters.

There is one little kindergartener whose dad is a fire fighter! Giovanna's Daddy gets to drive the fire trucks and save people. Giovanna calls her dad a hero. Giovanna got to do what her Daddy does, she got to spray out a fire with her class, now that's fun!



## Art Contest - by Cassie P., Room B8

Hi there! I would like to tell you about the Old Town Art & Craft Show that the 5th graders entered. The show featured the fine craft of modern artists and the fashion and home décor of artisans. Two fifth grade classes from our school entered this show. Room B-8, Mrs. Hasselbar, and Room B-2, Mrs. Armstrong. The top three students were Delaney M., Isabella P., and Nikki B. Each one was awarded a ribbon and a certain amount of money, depending on which place they won.

Each class did a different project but both were equally likeable. Mrs. Hasselbar's class Zentangled pumpkins and Mrs. Armstrong's class designed vases.

Now, you probably get everything but the word "Zentangle". A Zentangle is a bunch of designs combined to make this one artistic polygon. Mrs. Hasselbar's class drew some pumpkins, then they drew slivers. Soon, they were busy Zentangling each of the slivers. Finally, they worked their way through the background to get to the finish line, presenting their masterpiece!

Mrs. Armstrong's class made a vase with flowers. The vases were still life and had colorful patterns. Each vase was unique in structure and style. Mrs. Armstrong told Isabella and Nikki to go to Room B-8 where they were surprised to find out they had placed in the art show along with Delaney! (see photos on page 3)





## HALLOWEEN HAPPENING - BY NIDHI P., ROOM B2

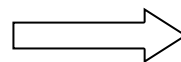
**SPOOKY**

What were you for this Halloween? If you were at the Halloween Happening on October 25, you saw some crazy, funny, scary, and cute costumes! Which ones were your favorites? There were great decorations, such as the cemetery setup, the haunted house, and the fire truck and games wowed everyone! Everything was creative and unique. If you played a lot of games and received tickets, you may have received some cool and fun prizes. If you participated in the bake walk, you may have won some yummy baked goodies. How about the dunk tank? It was fun to see the teachers get dunked! What was your favorite thing at the Halloween Happening?

### 5th grade Haunted House



## Guess Who?



B-W recently had Picture Day! Take a look at the photo on the right. Can you guess who this might be? Here is a clue: it is one of B-W's teachers! If you think you know, write her name on a small piece of paper and then add your name and room # to the paper. You can bring it during your Media Lab time or give it to Ms. Kathy during snack recess. You can find her at the lunch tables. We will have a drawing at a future spirit assembly. The winner will receive a prize! What is the prize? You'll have to wait and see!



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## Panda Pride!



## Principal Patton's Post by Marissa K. Room B2

Hi, my name is Marissa and I am in 5th grade. Ms. Patton and I talked about what "school with heart" means. Being a student with heart means being kind, respectful, sweet, caring, and much more. A school with heart is not just a phrase, it is an ACTION! It is not just something you say, it is something you do! I hope everyone understands and we can all be students with heart! <3



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## Pando's Adventure's - by Devin N., Room B2

