

# Ocean Grove School P.A.C.

## NEWSLETTER



# JUNE 2021

Dearest Ocean Grove Families, Staff and supports,

What a year this has been. Like no other. We were faced with what felt like an insurmountable challenge ahead of us. It often seemed there were more questions than answers. And just like a growing child, just when we thought we had it figured out, we didn't. There was no rule book on how COVID would look for our world, or how it would shape and change our educational year. There has been so much stress, pressure, uncertainty, sadness and hardships, on such a global scale. But what this year has also shown us, is the spirit of our city, our school and the people within it. There was no "quit", or "I give up". There was no "we can't do this". All we felt at Ocean Grove was the love, support, kindness and generosity of the families, the Staff and those that support all of us.

We as your PAC, would like to take this opportunity to say thank you, so very much, for continuing to support us. Without all the fundraising, and volunteer efforts, we could not have made this year as successful as it was for our children. Because of your continued and unwavering generosity, we were able to still fulfill Teachers' requests for "wishes" for their classrooms, kids were still able to go on fieldtrips, and we were able to purchase much needed supplies and equipment for the school.

We would also like to take this time to thank the Staff of Ocean Grove. To the Teachers for being there, and showing up each and every day, so our kids could grow and learn, and just be kids. In a world where nothing was "normal" anymore, it allowed our children to have a sense of routine, community, and FUN!

To our Principal and Vice-Principal, Mrs. Soutar and Mrs. Nohr, for being such a graceful, calm presence and providing amazing Leadership. This must have been a challenging year to be the "Captains" of this ship! A huge heartfelt thanks to the Office Administration staff for the emails, the newsletters, the phone calls, the Band Aids and ice packs and wiping away tears. Mrs. Worsley and crew, you keep us all together!

Our thanks goes out to the Custodial staff that worked tirelessly and diligently to keep our school clean and safe. We appreciate all the extra effort that went into that this year. We wish you all a safe, healthy summer and those of you moving on good luck, and to those returning, see you in September!

Sincerely,

Your Ocean Grove P.A.C.



# PAC Fundraisers 2020/2021



## Frozen Blueberries



We would like to thank all of you and the OG staff for being so wonderful with supporting our recent frozen blueberry fundraiser! We raised a grand total of \$2416!!! This funding will help with teacher's request including educational tools for students and fieldtrips!

Huge thanks to Coastal Black for collaborating with us and delivering all of their delicious blueberries to Discovery Foods. We would also like to give huge thanks to Brent, Don, Chris, and the Willow Point Discovery Foods staff for allowing us to store and distribute the blueberry orders from their storefront. Hope you enjoyed your frozen blueberries!



## Dominoes Pizza

We would like to give a huge thank you to all of you wonderful families who supported our recent Domino's pizza night fundraiser! We raised \$315 and Domino's kindly rounded up to \$400! Big thanks to the Domino's manager, Parmeet, and employees for all of the effort put into supporting this fundraiser.

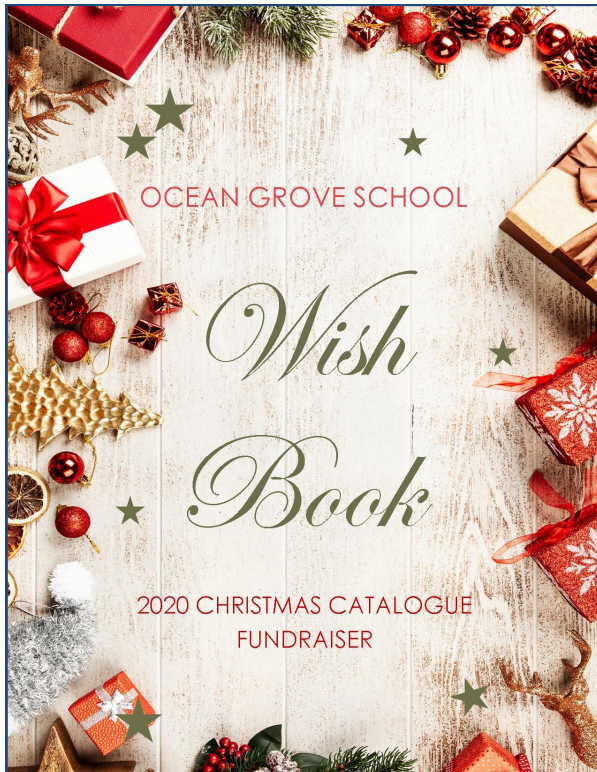
THANK YOU ALL!



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## Christmas Wish Book



Thank you again for supporting this year's holiday fundraiser, it was a wonderful success where we raised \$1442.16 for the school! You also helped support wonderful local businesses in our community, thank you!

OCEAN GROVE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL  
**Get your T-shirts!**

**PINK  
SHIRT  
DAY**

FEB. 24, 2021



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## Pink Shirts

**PINK SHIRT DAY 2021**

“kindness costs nothing but means everything”

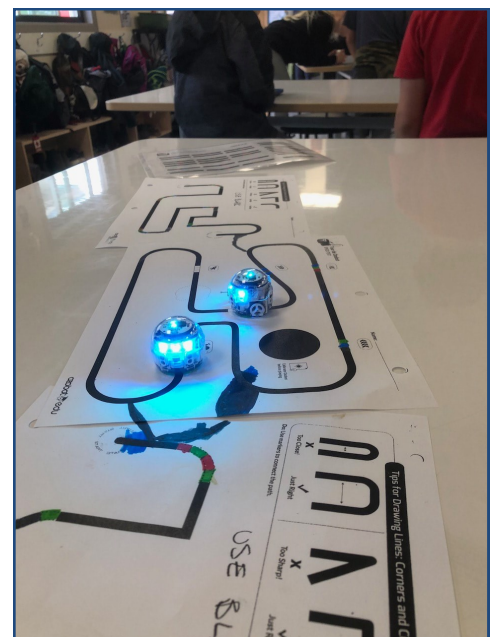
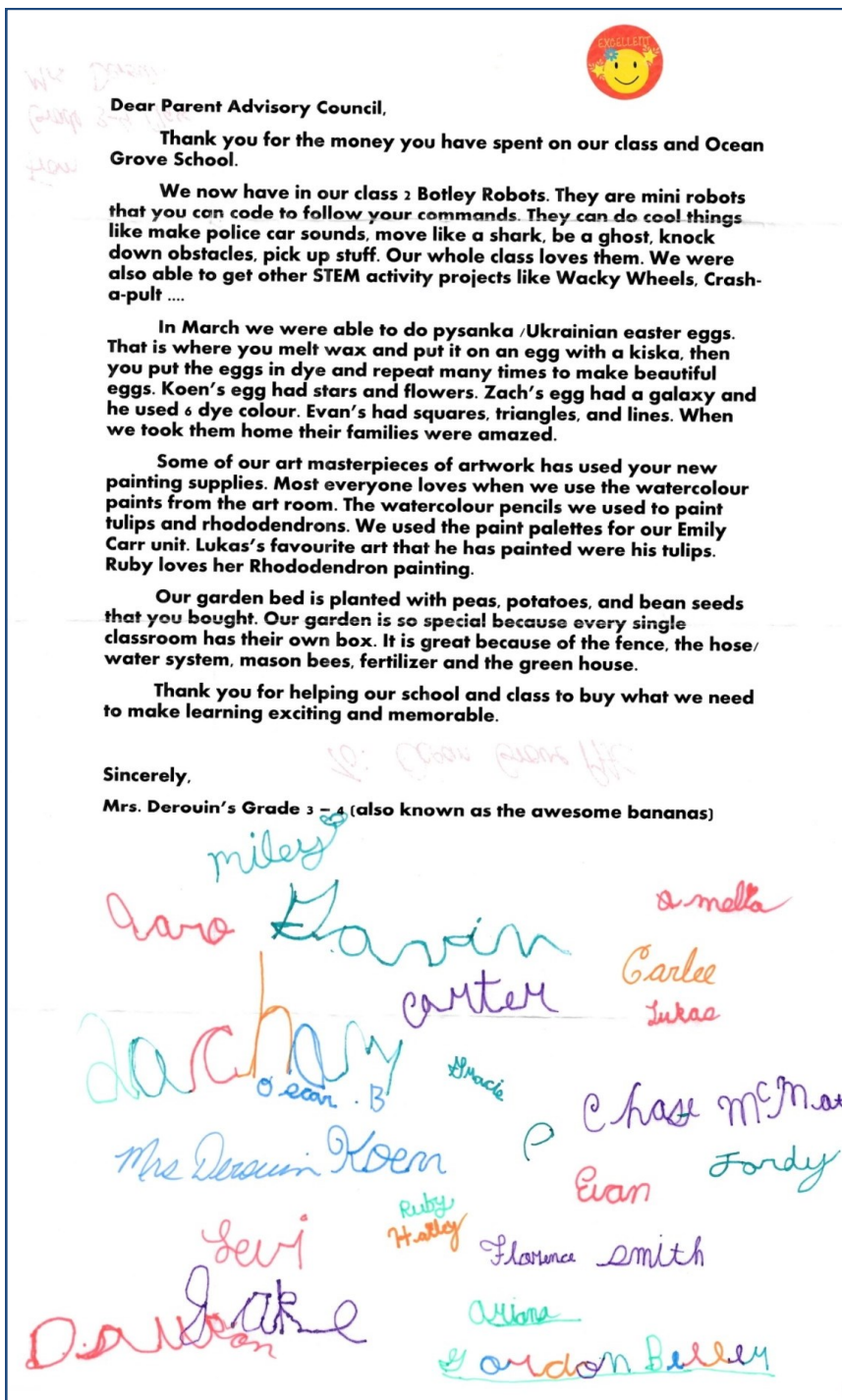
Thank you to all those who purchased a pink shirt this year!

# DONATIONS TO CLASSROOMS



## Robots

Each class receives funds to spend on educational supplies. This year some classes have enjoyed robotics including Ozobots and Botley Robots as shown in Mr. Jarvis' photos. Mrs. Derouin's class sent this wonderful thank you letter for the funding!





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## *Art Supplies*

Students enjoyed utilizing all the new art supplies creating many beautiful items including Psyanky/Ukrainian Easter eggs and watercolor paintings!



Here are a couple of photos of Mrs. Jarvis' class in the art room and a student from Mr. Jarvis' class creating Pysanky eggs!



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## *Mother's Day Gift Supplies*



These beautiful Mother's Day clay creation gifts were created by Mrs. Nohr's students with PAC funds!

PAC funds helped Mr. Rodger's purchase guitar holders to display this awesome collection of guitars in his music room!

## *Music Room*



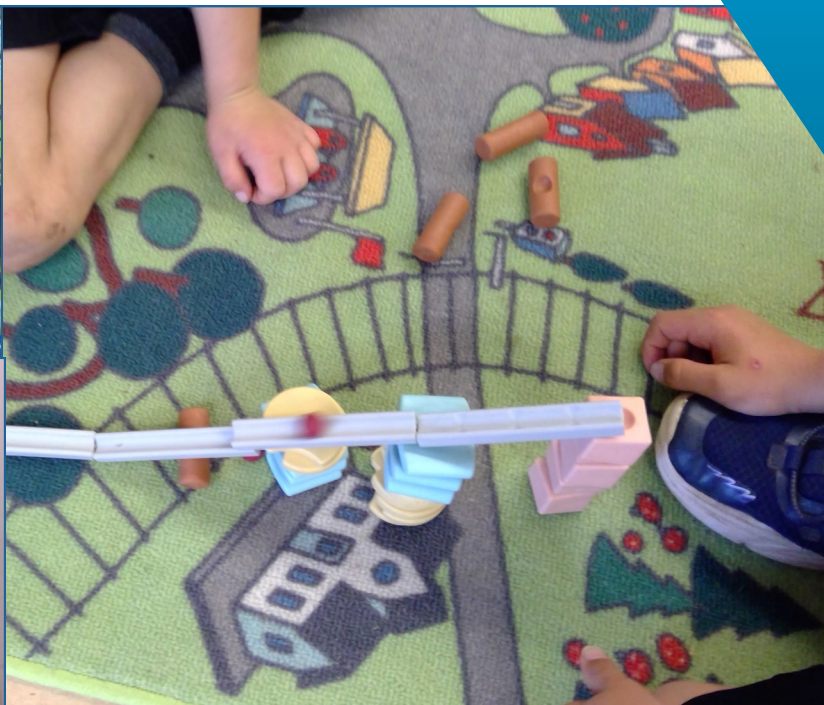


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## *Learning Games/Tools*

Mrs. Adam's class used some of their PAC funds to purchase fun learning games and tools!



Mrs. Hatfield and her class were very happy to receive funds towards an incredible Avengers Game that she created for classroom learning!





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## Wildlife Wisdom

Students and Staff were very appreciative for the support of the amazing Wildlife Wisdom program. Mrs. Sewid kindly wrote this thank you letter to PAC!

**Dear Parents Advisory Council,**

Thank you for your support of our Wildlife Wisdom program. Your \$700 contribution helped us to purchase a hand-sized BEAVER puppet for each class.

The kindergarten children from Mrs. Sewid's class delivered a letter to each class asking them to write a letter about what their class has learned from the Wildlife Wisdom animals. Additionally, they were asked "Do you think a beaver or anyone else different would be accepted into your class or this school?"

Some of the letter responses are posted on the bulletin board in the foyer.





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## *Gym Equipment*

Mrs. Jacques and her student leadership club were able to purchase a wonderful amount of gym equipment. Students have enjoyed the extra sand toys, disc golf, giant ball, badminton, basketballs, soccer balls, and more!



## *Birthday Board*

The birthday board is changed every few months to celebrate student birthdays, which PAC helps fund with office supplies!



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## Field Trips

Mrs. Hamilton and Mrs. Adam's class had a wonderful time at Camp Bob this year! The day trip consisted of archery, outdoor games, climbing, hiking, and more!



Mrs. Sewid and Mrs. Nohr's class went on a field trip to Sequoia Park to hear the story of the pole and sketch the pole. They also went to the Tyee Spit. Below you will find a description of the field trip by Mrs. Sewid.

*At Sequoia Park they noticed the four parts to the pole, the shapes used (ovals, split u, U forms, s forms) and we talked about different kinds of poles outside Walmart and Superstore the poles with the ancestor holding his hands down and out is a welcome pole. The one at Sequoia Park is a memorial pole that tells the family story. One child in grade five during our discussion said, "I will never look at totem poles the same way again."*



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## *School Garden*

The school garden is growing beautifully and the students have been planting, weeding, and learning how to grow food! Each class has a designated box to plant their seeds in with additional boxes for blueberries, raspberries, herbs, and more. There is also a wonderful greenhouse, mason bee houses, and composters! The PAC and school garden committee work together to make sure the garden has all the necessary tools and maintenance throughout the year.



THANK YOU OCEAN GROVE SCHOOL FAMILIES,  
STUDENTS, AND STAFF FOR YOUR  
CONTINUED SUPPORT!