The resources being shared are for your information and consideration. Fourth District PTA does not endorse, warrant, or recommend any of these programs. The distribution or display of this newsletter is provided as a community service and parents are responsible for determining if the suggested programs are appropriate for their child. The parents who work on this newsletter are PTA volunteers in different school districts throughout Orange County, CA.
SEL...WHAT IS IT AND HOW CAN IT HELP MY CHILD?
SEL or Social Emotional Learning refers to a wide range of skills, attitudes, and behaviors that can affect student (and adult) success in school and life.

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FIVE TIPS FOR TALKING WITH KIDS ABOUT WHAT’S GOING ON IN THE WORLD
There is a lot going on in the world right now. Check out Greater Good’s tips on how to talk with kids about it all!

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WELLNESS APPS DESIGNED FOR PEOPLE OF COLOR
Check out a few recommendations from the American Psychological Association for apps designed with BIPOC (Black, Indigenous, People of Color) folks in mind!

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HOW TO PREPARE FOR THE STRESSES OF COLLEGE
Class of 2022... Headed off to college? Check out some tips for dealing with the stress (from Greater Good).

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JULY 4TH: INDEPENDENCE DAY
The Fourth of July—also known as Independence Day or July 4th—has been a federal holiday in the United States since 1941.
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JULY 26TH: AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT
In 1990, Congress passed the Americans with Disabilities Act or ADA. This civil rights law made it illegal to discriminate against people with disabilities in many areas of their lives.
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AUGUST 9TH: INTERNATIONAL DAY OF THE WORLD’S INDIGENOUS PEOPLE (UNITED NATIONS)
There are over 476 million indigenous peoples living in 90 countries across the world. Indigenous peoples are the holders of a vast diversity of unique cultures, traditions, languages and knowledge systems.
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AUGUST 26TH: WOMEN’S EQUALITY DAY
On August 26, 1920, U.S. Secretary of State Bainbridge Colby signed a proclamation at his own house in Washington, D.C. ending a struggle for the vote that started a century earlier.
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SEPTEMBER 11TH: REMEMBERING 9/11
The Twin Towers were the tallest buildings in New York City. On September 11, 2001, the entire complex was destroyed in a terrorist attack that has come to be referred to as “9/11.”
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SEPTEMBER 15–OCTOBER 15: NATIONAL HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH
This month honors the culture and contributions of both Hispanic and Latino Americans. The dates celebrated coincide with Mexico’s Independence Day and is a holiday to uplift, highlight, and honor them.
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SEPTEMBER 22ND: AUTUMNAL EQUINOX
As summer moves into fall, the autumnal equinox is a time for various religious observances worldwide.
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SEPTEMBER 25TH–27TH: ROSH HASHANAH
Celebrated as Jewish New Year as a time for looking forward to a new year with anticipation and reflecting on the past year to improve ourselves for the next.
LEARN MORE
PBS TAKES ON IMPLICIT BIAS
Looking to increase your knowledge, and/or start a great conversation? Check out the POV series from PBS about Implicit Bias, which is much like Peanut Butter & Jelly!
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BOYS & GIRLS CLUB OF AMERICA ON DEI
What does DEI mean when it comes to raising and supporting kids and teens in being accepting of people from all backgrounds, cultures and experiences? Read how Boys & Girls Club of America say kids can benefit from it!
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2022–2023 PTA REFLECTIONS

2022–2023 Reflections theme is Show Your Voice! Students submit their completed works of art in one or all of the available arts categories: Dance Choreography, Film Production, Literature, Music Composition, Photography, Visual Arts. Check with your school and get started this summer!

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CRAYOLA® SUMMER FUN ACTIVITIES

Fun coloring pages and DIY Summer crafts from Crayola®.

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11 ELECTRONIC PROJECTS YOUR KIDS SHOULD TACKLE THIS SUMMER

Are you looking for something fun to do with the kids this summer? If so, these projects are worth looking at.

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PBS MATH GAMES

Learn about math and play games with your favorite characters like Odd Squad, Curious George, Peg + Cat, and Dinosaur Train!

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One hour workshop designed to help students (Grades 6 – 12) get a head start on developing a science or engineering project.

Students will learn strategies to identify areas of science, technology, engineering, or mathematics/software that they find exciting and want to learn more about.

Students will learn how to construct a search to develop background information on their topic and see examples of resources that are available to them.

Next Opportunity:

Saturday, July 16, 2022, 4 – 5 pm

Location: Zoom

Cost: Free

REGISTER HERE
Free Summer Ask a Scientist / Engineer Program
Designed for students (Grades 6-12)

OCSEF brings back this very successful program for students to meet with scientists and engineers on Zoom and get answers to questions about their science/engineering/ math/software projects. *NO COST TO YOU!*

- With prior science/engineering project experience who want to get a head start on their project and have specific questions about refining their topic, experimental design, conducting tests or observations, setting up data tables, and analyzing data.

- Who attended the workshop on “How to Pick a Science/Engineering Project Topic” and have follow-up questions on selecting a question to investigate.

**July 23, 2022**
**August 6, 2022**
**August 20, 2022**
**September 10, 2022**

All programs on Zoom. Saturday afternoon from 4 to 5 pm.

REGISTER HERE
LITERATURE

BOOKS TO READ FOR HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH

One way to commemorate this month in your own household is to immerse yourself and your children in the cultures through the written word. Be sure you are uplifting voices and writers of LatinX and Hispanic heritage.

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LGBTQ+ BOOKS FOR PARENTS AND CHILDREN

We should all read window books (see into the life of someone different) AND mirror books (see ourselves in the story)! Check out Family Equality’s Book Nook, a comprehensive list of the best LGBTQ+ books for the whole family!

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FEEL GOOD SUMMER BOOKS FOR ALL

Feel-good, nature-drenched, easy-breezy tales are at the top of everyone’s reading list, so here are a few to enjoy this summer!

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READ ON THE GO THIS SUMMER

Will you be on a plane or headed on a road trip? Take advantage of OC Library E-book and Audiobooks this summer.

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SUMMER SOCIAL AND RECREATION RESOURCE
If you’re looking for something to do this summer, and you have a child with special needs, check out Regional Center’s Social and Recreation Resource Guidebook!

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LITTLE BEE SPEECH: RESOURCES
Find resources from Little Bee Speech to help track speech sound development, phonological processes, articulation therapy log and so much more.

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ADAPTING FOR AUTISM: CLASSROOM PRACTICES
Adapting for Autism has tips from classroom practices to help SPED students by showcasing how activity file folders can help.

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SPECIAL NEEDS BOOK REVIEW
Special Needs Book Review, reviews books aimed at helping parents of special needs children. Parents can find advice and strategies from experts to help them raise their own children with special needs.

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SECOND HARVEST FOOD BANK
https://ocfoodhelp.org/

For food assistance locations and free CalFresh application help:
Call: 2-1-1  --> Text: 898-211
Go to the 211OC.org
2-1-1 of Orange County will pick up the phone 24 hours a day,
7 days a week and can assist callers in multiple languages.

ENTER YOUR ZIP CODE FOR RESOURCES HERE

THE OC WARMLINE
Toll Free: (877)-910-9276  or  Call/Text: (714) 991-6412
The OC WarmLine is a free and confidential telephone service providing
emotional support and resources to OC residents, available 24 hours a
day, 7 days a week. https://www.namioc.org/oc-warmline

SUMMER MEALS FOR STUDENTS
Starting July 1, 2022, all children in California are eligible to receive a free breakfast
and lunch regardless of their individual eligibility. For more information about Summer
Meal Programs, visit the California Department of Education (CDE) Summer Meal
Programs website: CLICK HERE
Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Pledge

Do you know about the National PTA’s Commitment to Diversity, Equity and Inclusion? Our mission: Every Child – One Voice, REQUIRES that Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion be central in our PTA work and part of our day-to-day decisions and actions. It is the work of every single PTA leader who decides to support families and children in their community.

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