

The Owl Post

Written by OGA's Journalism 1 class

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE



Week of March 11, 2021

Greetings Orlando Gifted Academy Families,

I wanted to let everyone know that we had a great learning week at OGA. Students in Algebra, Civics, Earth/Space Science & 5th grade science finished their PMAs this week. We also have some students who have artwork virtually displayed at the Ronald Blocker Educational Leadership Center. You can see their artwork on our Facebook and Twitter pages. Mrs. Faubel has also shared pictures and links via ClassDojo. Tomorrow, Friday, March 11, is a student holiday. Spring Break is March 15th through March 19th. School will resume on Monday, March 22nd.

Middle School students have Character Lab on Monday, March 22nd. Middle school students will be on a modified schedule. The schedule is posted on the calendar of our school website. I will send out a Connect message to middle school families on Sunday, March 21st.

Beginning Monday, March 22nd we will begin using the entrance on Oregon street for our single car rider for arrival and dismissal. Siblings, Carpool, and After School Programs such as Martial Arts World, will continue to use the car loop for arrival and dismissal. Please remember to have your car tag visible when you arrive for pick-up/dismissal. A traffic flow map has been posted on our school website and across social media.

Make note that our Virtual Science Night is scheduled for March 25th. Our SAC Meeting is also scheduled for March 25th. We have received several emails regarding LaunchED and state testing. We hope to have additional information available for parents after we return from break.

I hope everyone has a wonderful spring break.

Quote Of The Week by Raleigh Hagood

“Practice giving yourself the same love you give others.”

~Unknown

EXCITING NEWS

Here is some exciting news from Xavier V., an OGA Middle School Student.

Good Morning Parents and Teachers,

For my gifted studies project, I am hosting and partnering with Orlando's Second Harvest Food Bank in a school-wide food drive here at OGA. Now through April 23rd, please send in the following food items: meals in a can, oatmeal, canned meats, canned tuna, canned fruits, canned veggies, canned soups, dry beans, rice, evaporated milk, pasta/macaroni, nutritional drinks, and baby food. You can drop off the items in the donation bin inside the sick clinic before or after school.

One out of 5 Orlando children struggle with hunger. Together, we can make a difference!

Thank you,
Xavier V.

LUNCH THIS WEEK

Hot lunches

Monday: Tangerine Chicken

Tuesday: Hard Tacos

Wednesday: Grilled Cheese

Thursday: Breaded Chicken

Friday: Cheese Pizza

UPCOMING EVENTS

March 11: Last day of the 3rd nine weeks

March 12: Student Holiday

March 15-19: Spring Break

March 22: Character Lab (Middle School)

March 25: Spirit Day- Flower Power

Science Night 4pm

SAC Meeting 5pm

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THE BEST THINGS TO DO WHEN YOU ARE BORED

• By Sarah Thompson

Let's be honest, there are some days, any time of the year, when we are stuck at home, have nothing to do, and are bored out of our minds. It can be quite menacing when that happens because more often than not, we just find ourselves doing absolutely nothing and wasting our time. Now, there is nothing wrong with being bored and just sitting and having some quiet thinking time, but it is also good to at least do a little something with your time, even if just for a few minutes. Unwanted boredom may not be a problem anymore though; because below is a list of the best things to do inside or outside when you are caught in the predicament of pure boredom.

Inside Activities

- Write something (story or poem)
- Draw or color something
- Bake or cook something new (if you are allowed)
- Do a photoshoot of yourself
- Do photoshoot of your pet (if you have one)
- Read an interesting book
- Call a friend
- Organize an area of your room or house
- Do a puzzle (maybe crossword or word search)
- Listen to some music you enjoy
- Shop online (if you can)
- Just sit and think about some things, this can be very relieving

Outside Activities

- Go for a bike ride (if you can)
- Go for a walk and take in nature
- Jump on a trampoline (if you have one)
- Have a picnic
- Do some nature photography
- Go on a scavenger hunt
- Make birdfeeders
- Stargaze (at night)
- Have a bonfire and roast smores (if you can)
- Journal in nature
- Do a workout of some kind
- Just sit and enjoy the beauty of nature, this can be very relieving as well

Resource- <https://www.mydomaine.com/things-to-do-when-bored>

Resource- <https://365atlantatraveler.com/fun-things-to-do-outside/>

Hopefully this list was helpful in curing your unwanted boredom or at least gave you some ideas on possible activities to fill the time. Remember some of these the next time you are looking for something to do, or recommend them to a friend if you like, good luck and have fun.

NEW MOVIES COMING OUT IN 2021

By: Yael Alfonso

There are some more amazing movies coming out this year such as A space Jam 2 starring LeBron James, And black widow starring Scarlett Johansson. But there are so many more here are the movies and a good description of them

Black Widow: Coming out May 7th <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ybji16u608U>(Trailer)

Black widow is a Marvel movie that everyone will enjoy. The movie is mainly about the marvel character Black Widow.

Peter Rabbit 2: Coming out, June 11 https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PWBcqCz7l_c(Trailer)

Peter rabbit is a family friendly movie about a rabbit. Despite his efforts, Peter can't seem to shake his reputation for mischief among the other rabbits. Once he adventures out of the garden Peter finds himself in a world where mischief is appreciated, but soon his family come to bring him home.

Minions:The Rise Of Gru: Coming Out July 2nd <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pN1HNkoL2QA>(Trailer)

The untold story of one 12-year-old's dream to become the world's greatest supervillain. Starring Taraji P. Henson, Russell Brand

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DANGEROUS ANIMALS

By: Cary M.

Have you ever heard of this aggressive and violent animal? Well that would be the bull sharks. Bull sharks are more than 11 feet and when born gray. Their habitat is central America, India and Europe and some places in North America. Bull sharks have killed over 50 people. To avoid Bull sharks do not show off or take chances with the dangerous creatures.

Crocodiles are large reptiles that look like a log. They can be 20 feet long and have a single tooth visible on each side of their mouths. They live in Africa, Asia, Australia and swamps and wetlands of North America. Crocodiles are aggressive. Their large head and powerful tail frightens many enemies. To stay safe from crocodiles, avoid splashes in swamps and be mindful near them.

Scorpions are the size of a human hand and sometimes slightly bigger they have two pincers and a stinger in the back. They often live in deserts and hide under logs and rocks. Scorpions stinger is often venomous for humans and more. Some way to avoid scorpions is to wear clothed shoes and blue jeans and long sleeve shirts.

Grizzly bears are eight feet tall, have long sharp claws and are furry. They live in North American dens, caves and forests. Grizzly have razor teeth and sharp claws; you won't be able to outrun a grizzly bear; they can run over 30 mile per hour and are very smart. If you see a grizzly being mindful it is a mammal which means it most likely has more feeling than you think if you do not go close to walk away slowly.

The diamondback rattle snake is brown and tan pus very skinny. Many diamondback rattlesnakes live south eastern deserts they hide in snake holes. The doctors say poisonous and venomous to a person's body and many other animals' bodies. Do not go to the desert is one possible way to avoid diamondback rattlesnakes staying away from snake dens.

Africanized honey bees are bright yellow and look alike to their swarm. The africanized honey bees live in brazil The U.S South America and Africa. Doctors say it takes 1,300 stings to kill a single human being but if you are allergic you might have hallucinations, trouble breathing and even death. Be mindful with your yard work, do not go near or keep empty objects such as broken down cars and empty containers.

Jellyfish flabby looking creatures who come in all shapes and sizes and are vibrant colors. They live in the Australian oceans and the pacific ocean. Jellyfish are dangerous because they have a venomous sting if stung by box jellyfish you may die in two minutes. Some ways to avoid jellyfish would be to stay out of pacific oceans and if stung use vinegar and put cream on it.

Well what do you think are the most dangerous animals?