

THE MESSENGER OWL

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Quote of the Week

"You will face many defeats in life, but never let yourself be defeated."

Maya Angelou

This quote represents how you will have many problems in life, but through that you must stay strong.

Principal's Message

Hello Owlberts,

We have some great things happening around OGA. Clubs are beginning, we host two Open House events, and PTAs Boosterthon fundraiser, to name a few. My favorite of all the events happening is Start with Hello Week from September 19-23. OGA students and teachers pride themselves on accepting others for who they are. Start with Hello week empowers us to include others in our daily activities, so students do not feel socially isolated. I challenge you to be observant of those around you and if you see someone sitting by themselves in class, during arrival, or at lunch, reach out to them to see how their day is going. All you have to do is Start With Hello.

Mr. Maguire

HELLO



NJHS
BOMB POP SALE
\$1.00
 Wednesdays - Car Loop
 Fridays - Car Line

ORLANDO GIFTED ACADEMY
ODYSSEY OF THE MIND
NEEDS YOU!

We are in need of large boxes and cardboard, insulation foam board, plywood, building tools, crafting supplies, acrylic/spray paint, fabrics, packing materials, and all of your other odds and ends. Please drop off at 1121 N Fern Creek Ave. in care of Mrs. O.

You may also donate @ tinyurl.com/OOTM2122

Author of the Year
Jane Austen

Complete a mini book report about Jane Austen to be eligible for prizes.

See Ms. Lineberry for more details.

Study Skills Classes
 After-school enrichment for students ages 11-14

Let's go on an **ACADEMIC Road Trip**

These essential & interactive classes help students set and achieve academic goals with fun, role-playing activities so they can have a successful semester.

SSC 101 Goal Setting First, choose your academic destination and map the best path while learning planning, time management, and flexibility.	SSC 201 Organization Next, determine the best way to prepare, plan, and "pack" for your trip, so you have what it takes to succeed.	SSC 301 Motivation Lastly, discover how rewards and rest stops encourage perseverance and self-control while you learn to avoid procrastination.
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Only \$29 each or \$79 for all three!
 Offered on OGA campus Tuesdays 8/23, 8/30 & 9/6 from 3-5 pm
 Visit kristentame.com for more dates and to sign up!

BACK TO SCHOOL
BLITZ CONTEST
 only in September

PLAY 100 GAMES
 During the month of September for the chance to play FUNMASTERMIKE and win FREE ChessKid merch!

ChessKid

After School Program

TRANSPORTATION INCLUDED

50% OFF REGISTRATION

HEY FAMILIES! THIS IS YOUR **MYBOOSTER.COM**
FUNDRAISING GUIDE!

SUPPORT OUR SCHOOL IN 3 EASY STEPS:

- 1 REGISTER**
your student
- 2 SHARE**
with friends, family, and businesses
- 3 GIVE**
online




Elementary Creative Art Club

Elementary students of all skill levels are welcome to join. We will be painting, sketching and creating sculptures using recycled materials.

Art club will be hosted in Room 14 by Ms. Sunderman.

We will meet on Thursdays from 3:15 pm-4:00 pm.

Our first meeting will be September 22nd

It is recommended that students have their own sketchbooks.

Please note that we are limited to 12 students.

Scan the QR code below to complete the google form sign up sheet. If you have any questions please email me at Hanna.Sunderman@ocps.net



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NJHS' HYGIENE PRODUCTS DRIVE
 September 19-23rd

Collecting:

- Diapers
- Baby Wipes
- Baby Wash
- Baby Powder
- Bar Soap
- Deodorant
- Laundry Detergent
- Garbage bags



Donations benefit:
Central Florida's Coalition for the Homeless

Homeroom class with the most items wins a donut party!!

ORLANDO GIFTED ACADEMY CELEBRATES HISPANIC HERITAGE
 October 3rd - October 6th

Events:

Hispanic Music Celebration:
 Enjoy the sounds of hispanic music during drop-off & lunch

Hispanic Student Celebration:
 Learn about your classmates during the morning news

Hispanic Heritage Poster Competition:
 Design a poster on this year's theme; Win a prize!

Hispanic Heritage Daily Trivia:
 Show what you know and you may win a prize!!

Hispanic Heritage Celebration Lunch:
 It's Hispanic food day for lunch! Buen provecho!!

Hispanic Heritage Month POSTER CONTEST
Unidos: Inclusivity for a Stronger Nation

Poster Rules:
 Poster Size: 8.5" X 11" or larger
 Follows the theme!
 Original work of student art
 Submitted before or on due date

POSTERS DUE September 30th
 Bring to the Front Office



COSMIC KIDS YOGA

Open to 2nd and 3rd grade students

Wednesdays (8:00-8:35)
 Room: 7

Club begins on 9/22/22

Must bring your own yoga mat and comfortable clothes.



There are only 8 spots available. Sign up using this link:
<https://forms.gle/yj3n4JDN7RRkHu8>

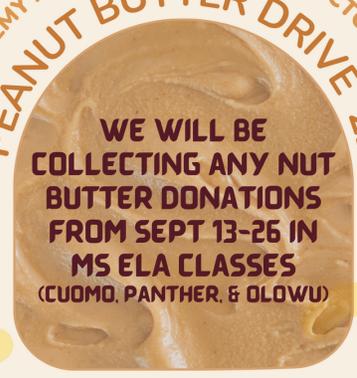
Any questions? feel free to contact Mrs. Cortes at yohana.cortesgarcia@ocps.net

ORLANDO GIFTED ACADEMY AND THE CHEESECAKE FACTORY @MILENIA PRESENTS

PEANUT BUTTER DRIVE '22

WE WILL BE COLLECTING ANY NUT BUTTER DONATIONS FROM SEPT 13-26 IN MS ELA CLASSES (CUOMD, PANTHER, & OLOWU)

All donations will support local Feeding America food banks.



Teacher Spotlight:

by Caden M.

Mrs. Olowu is the 8th grade ELA teacher, Journalism advisor, and Odyssey of the Mind coach for our school. She was actually told by her senior teachers that she should be an ELA teacher which, at the time, she disagreed with them. However, as she grew older, she also grew to understand that she would enjoy teaching more than her current job. Mrs. Olowu finds language to be very important to her, and loves discussing literature and reading/talking about current events in the world, which is why she decided to teach ELA in particular. She came to OGA because she wanted a profession that would challenge her more, since she had been at her previous school for a long time and it lost its challenge. She figured it would be a new experience to enhance her freedom as a teacher and move out of her comfort zone. Mrs. Olowu has been making an effort to bring more normal middle school aspects to the school, such as dances, field trips, and other student events.



Staff Spotlight:

by Caden M.



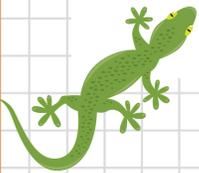
Ms. Cherolini is the secretary bookkeeper for our school. Interestingly enough, she actually went to college for business before she ended up finding an available position for a bookkeeping job. Despite this, she still loves this job and all of the people here. She enjoys interacting with students, especially so with the kids here. She says that she has fun with the well-behaved, mature, and smarter kids at OGA, in comparison to other schools. You can almost always find her in the front office where she performs many side jobs, involving things like announcements. She may also occasionally be a substitute teacher. She still mentions that she enjoys the activeness of the job because it doesn't allow her to get bored.

Student Spotlight

By Emi M.



Introducing Aubrey for the student spotlight! Aubrey is a third grader and was selected for her kindness and love of geckos! She is super strong, especially because she does jujitsu! She really loves to read, especially I Want a Leopard Gecko!, which is an amazing book! She really loves geckos and birds, because she has them as pets! That is so cool! It's always good to have a friendly face around OGA.



Class Spotlight

By Emi M.



In our class spotlight, we have Ms. Faubels' Art 1 class! Her art class is a very open-minded class, and you are free to express yourself! Typically though, there is a theme. For example, September 21st is the International Day of Peace, so they are working on a peace-related project!

The class works with many mixed media options, including watercolor, oil pastels, acrylic, collage, and more! It is a very fun class where you can experiment and explore your artistic potential! Many people have recommended Art 1 for its fun activities! Make sure to check it out next time you get the chance, it would be a great choice for an elective!



The Florida Scrub Jay

by Caden M.



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The Florida scrub jay or the *Aphelocoma coerulescens* is the only endemic bird from Florida, meaning it cannot be found anywhere other than our state. This affectionate pair of wings is one of the most captivating birds in the state. On account of their innate friendliness, they are best known for their tendency to land on people's heads. I am one of the many lucky people who have experienced this firsthand. The friendliness radiating from the scrub jay is shocking; it has no issue with ambushing you and your hat. They are in locations with an abundance of oak shrubs, such as the Jonathan Dickinson and Oscar Sherer state parks. However, this bird has an increasingly scarce environment, which is caused by the destruction and alteration of its habitat for agricultural lands and development. Due to the scrub jays' minimal territory, the U.S. Migratory Bird Treaty Act and the Federal Endangered Species Act have both taken this breathtaking bird under their wing (pun intended). Nonetheless, the efforts to support this endangered species can be awe-inspiring. I believe that with enough effort and support, the Florida scrub jay can be in a more comfortable and secure position than they are today.

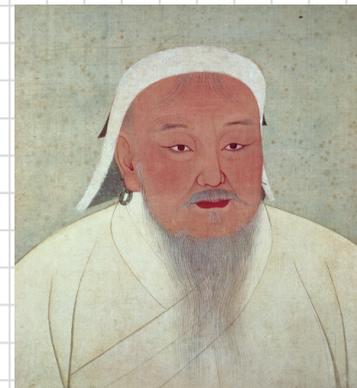
The History of Genghis Khan

by Dmitriy K.

Genghis Khan was a conqueror during the late 12th and early 13th century who was able to unify all of Mongolia's tribes who were scattered around the area of modern-day Mongolia, China, Southeastern Russia, and Kazakhstan. He was born in 1162 near Lake Baikal. His armies not only unified the many Mongol nomads but also conquered most of Asia as well as East Europe.

Along with their conquest, they also brought along many innovations that had much influence for many centuries. Those many inventions include guns, cannons, as well as a new recipe for gunpowder which burned faster and harder.

Genghis Khan died in 1227 and all of his inheritance went to four of his sons who split into four Khanates who went in different directions and created their own empires.



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How Were Chocolate Chip Cookies Invented?

by Emi M.



Everyone loves a good old chocolate chip cookie. Nowadays we take a lot of things for granted, without knowing their past. Did you know that the chocolate chip cookie was invented by a woman? It was also made by accident!

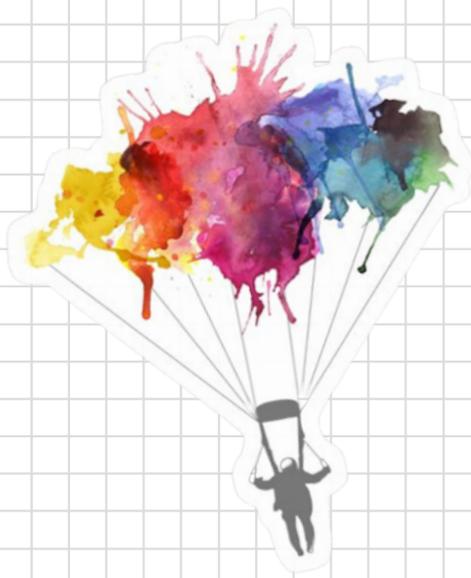
Back in the 1930s, the way cookies were made is you would put a melted chocolate bar in the batter, stir it, and bake it. However, one day Ruth Wakefield (the owner of Toll House Inn) was in a rush, and just chopped the chocolate and put it in the batter. She expected it to melt but instead, the chocolate chip cookie was born! The first cookie was small, around the size of a quarter but it was still delicious! So good, that the chocolate chip cookie is America's favorite! That is super impressive, especially for an accident.



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Skydiving

by Kristina K.



Want to try something that gets your adrenaline moving? You should try skydiving. Need some reasons? Imagine bragging to your friends, "Look I did skydiving!" It's a very cool thing to brag about, falling from the sky. If you're just bored, then try it out! It's so much fun. It could also help you "overcome your fears."

Lots of people are scared of skydiving, but it's not as dangerous as people think. You have a professional that will land with you. They will be right on your back. You need a degree to be a skydiving instructor. So they know what they are doing.

Skydiving is a very surreal experience. You can feel the wind blowing around you. You can see the houses and lakes from so far away. It's the view of a plane but better. It's an amazing experience and you should try it.

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Land of Stories

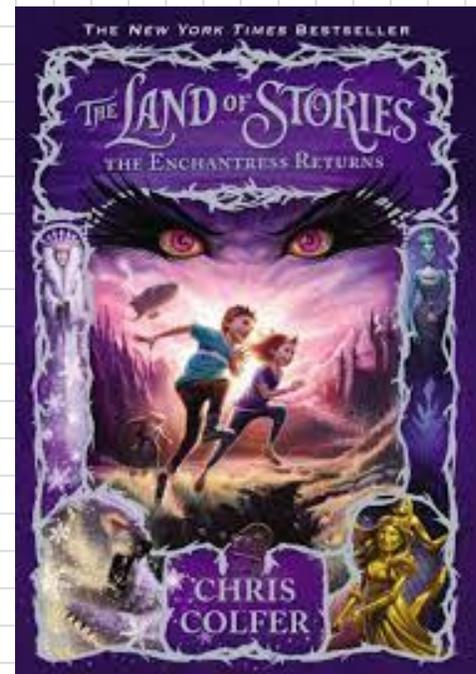
by Danna C.



Land of stories is a series with a total of six books by Chris Colfer. This book series is identified as Children's fiction, adventure, and fantasy. It is about two twins Alex and Conner who after their father's death get a magic book from their grandma and are accidentally transferred thought out the book to a magical place also known as the fairy tale after, that they don't seem to know how to get out of the fairytale world, but also have some problems through the way. Will they make it? They go through an adventure throughout the six books participating in adventures to keep the fairytale world safe. Along with their family which causes a lot of confusion between the real and fairytale world. Saving family members and friends, Save them from all dangers. After Alex gets a great chance, will she take it and help everyone or not? Connor and his adventures throughout the real world help his sister. Will they make it or not? With every year of them growing older, the fairytale world never seemed to get old with all of their adventures that have happened and continued to come.

Throughout the first book happens their first adventure; to discover where they are and how to get out. But, before getting answers to problems to start showing up will they make it or not is the real question? In the third book Alex and Connor finally for the first time are not near each other. Which may be helpful or cause more problems. Will Connor help Alex or not in what he finds on his trip.

During the six books, problems come along, some will have solutions and some won't. Out of all adventures, one is harder than the others as they are harder to complete. As in the first book it was very hard for Alex and conner to complete their mission as it was their first time in the fairytale world and they didn't know much of it. But, help was provided by their friend Froggy which help them complete it a little easier and help other characters that come along the book.



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The Trip

by Tayla L.



"Where are we going?" Emily asked while stirring cookie batter. Her dad looked at her, "I don't know. You might wanna ask Bob".

Emily groaned "Dad! Why would you follow his idea? You know he is terrible at picking the best spots to go to".

"Just give him a chance Emily," her dad said flatly.

"DAD!!! The last time we gave him a chance he drove us into a pond!!!" Emily screeched angrily, glaring at her dad.

"Emily, just ask him," her dad said with a tone of authority. Emily placed her cookie batter into the fridge and walked to the car.

"I'm ready to go," Emily said flatly. Once everyone was in the car, Bob started driving.

"Bob, where are we going," Emily and her dad asked at the same time.

Bob glanced at them, almost swerving into a tree "to a campsite!" he said happily.

"WHAT?!" Emily and her dad said.

Bob shrugged "I thought you knew". Emily tried to stay awake in case something happened but she eventually dozed off. Emily blinked a few times, looking around. Suddenly, she jolted forward.

"Where are we!?" Emily yelled as she glanced at the windows.

"I think I drove into a tree," Bob said calmly.

"BOB!" Emily yelled "YOU ARE THE WORST AT DRIVING" she scowled as she hugged one of her pillows.

"Emily." her dad said, "calm down. It was just a mistake".

"MISTAKE?! we don't even have anything to help us!" Emily yelled.

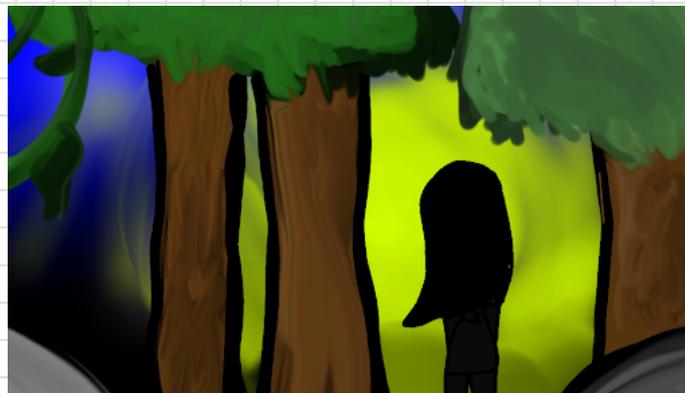
"We can survive like those people on youtube!" Bob said, standing up. Emily shot him a look and he sat down.

"Emily just rest. You need to stop yelling" her dad barked. Emily grabbed a pillow and laid down on the blanket she had brought.

"This is so unfair" she grumbled.

As Emily slowly dozed off, she woke up to shouting. Emily sat up, looking around.

"Dad?" Emily tried. Once nobody answered, she decided to go out. Emily carefully opened the car to a blast of light. As Emily unshielded her eyes, she saw rescuers! She was saved!



(ARTWORK CREATION SITE:
Kleki.com)

Olivia Rodrigo; A Rising Star

by Ellie S.

In the midst of celebrated artists like Taylor Swift, Harry Styles, and Cardi B, a young singer and actress rises to the occasion and takes the music world by storm. Olivia Isabel Rodrigo is an 18-year-old performing sensation from California. She first starred in Disney's *bizaardvark*, and *High School Musical; The musical, the Series*. That one rolls right off the tongue, doesn't it?

Anyways, Olivia didn't start off with fame. She released her hit song "Drivers License" in January of 2021, and it blew up overnight. It is now considered one of the biggest songs in the world, and she won some of her recent Grammys off of it as well. The song climbed to the top of the Hot 100 Billboard chart in the blink of an eye, and still holds many records.



With newfound popularity and confidence, Olivia came out with her album "Sour" in May of 2021. She was only 18 when she released it, but it's clear that wasn't an obstacle for her. The album reached fame almost instantly, and get this; all 11 of the songs in her Album were in the top 30 at once. That's the top 30 songs in the *world* - and by this remarkable scenario, even bigger records were shattered!

Here was the placement of all of her amazing songs in the Top 30 during that week:

2."Good 4 U," **3.**"Deja Vu," **9.**"Traitor," **11.**"Drivers License," **12.**"Brutal," **14.**"Enough for You," **15.**"Happier," **18.**"Favorite Crime," **19.**"1 Step Forward, 3 Steps Back," **24.**"Jealousy, Jealousy," **29.**"Hope Ur OK."

Crazy numbers, right?! Imagine dominating the music industry that much, to where even the top songs were all yours! And if that's not enough, she's won an unbelievable amount of awards - including three Grammys, Best Female Artist Award, *and* the Best New Artist Award! All this is well deserved because Olivia has proven time and time again that age doesn't hold you back - and that you should shoot for the stars. Because, like her, you might just end up reaching them.

How to Cook Simple Stir-Fry

by Dmitriy K



Ingredients needed:

Baby Bella mushrooms (8)
Pre cooked chicken
Head of broccoli (1)
Bean vermicelli noodles (1)
Any hot sauce
Soy sauce
Hoisin sauce
Iceberg lettuce



Preparation

Oil and heat the pan to high, Pull the meat, Cut the mushrooms in eighths, Pour boiling water into a bowl and put the noodles in for 3 minutes, Pull the broccoli into smaller pieces, Cut the lettuce up into small strips,



Cooking



Put the chicken on until it becomes golden brown. Lower the pan temperature to medium, Add the mushrooms, Let fry for a minute while stirring, Add the broccoli and let it fry a bit and stir occasionally, Lower the temperature to low, Add the lettuce, Add the noodles, Add all the sauces for the desired flavor, Stir it all together, Turn it off and remove it from heat, Enjoy!

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Funny Jokes to Crack You Up!

by Tayden L.

1. What's a potato's favorite animal?

An alli-tator.

2. Why do beets always win?

They are un-beet-able.

3. What's a turnip's favorite soda?

Root beer.

5. What's a vegetable's favorite backyard game?

Cornhole.

6. What did the strawberry write to its crush?

I'm berry fond of you.

7. What do you call a cow in an earthquake?

A milkshake.

The Milky Way!

8. What's a stick of butter's favorite song?

"I Melt with You."

9. What's a cow's favorite galaxy?

The milky way



Why did the
crab keep all of
the seaweed to
itself?

**"Because it
was shellfish!"**

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**Did you hear about
the shark ghost?**

It vanished into fin air!



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Why The Penny Should Be Removed

by Tayla L.

The penny is one of the most useless items people have made. Don't believe me? Well, according to the website called "www.coinnews.net", to make a penny, the government uses 2.1 cents. This is crazy because they are losing more money making pennies! Since the government needs money to make this, people are wasting money by taxes to give to the government.

Another reason is that to make pennies, you need to mine minerals. Based on "www.abcactionnews.com", once you mine the minerals, it will release a toxin that will hurt the water and hurt plants as well. This toxin acts just like pollution. This can also harm animals as well.

Lastly, the penny is not really used in the world. Have you seen anyone take out a penny to pay? Not often, right? In my opinion, the penny is rarely taken out to pay because it's such a little amount!

Well, pennies can harm many things such as water, plants, and animals. Even if the penny is useless and harmful to me, it's just my opinion. You might think the penny shouldn't be removed, and I can't convince you otherwise. But anyways, thank you for reading! And bye!



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Cute News Around the World

by Kristina K.



If you're feeling down, I have the solution for you. Cute news around the world is coming to you. In a wildlife photography contest in London, a guy submitted a picture of a bonobo cuddling a mongoose. This was rare because "they do hunt animals." The Bonobo later released the mongoose without damaging the mongoose.

Another cute story started with a crow and his family. This man saved a crow's baby. After that, he would leave "snacks" for the crows for several years. Soon the crows started to leave little treasures for the man. The first one was "a fir sprig decorated with a soda can tab." Then the next day they gave him more presents. There have been reports about crows showing compassion to people who have given them compassion.

If you're still here, then I have another story for you. A man saw a bunny in his pool, he could see that the bunny was tired. He fished the bunny out. The bunny didn't move at all, the man fed the bunny some vegetables and waited a few hours. The bunny regained some energy and hopped away. That's all the cute news for now.

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Teacher Interview

By Danna C.

Good day everyone, this is one of our teachers, Ms. Gutierrez. She teaches 2nd-grade math and science, but, enough of that. As most of us know it is almost Hispanic Heritage month, and guess what? Ms. Gutierrez is half Hispanic!! Here are some things I asked her such as what is traditional food and her answer she said... "Well, one of our traditional food is ropa vieja, Arroz, and frijoles" I asked where was she from she had a very surprising answer "Well I was born in Miami but my parents are Cuban" Lastly I asked her what were their holidays and what was their independence day she said that their holiday was "Noche Buena and Los 3 Reyes and our independence day is October 10".



Why the Ukulele is Better Than the Guitar

By Ellie S.

The guitar is an instrument known all over the world. And as you'd expect, many people aspire to play it. But if you're one of those people, I ask you to stop for a second and open your mind to a different instrument - the ukulele. And let me show you why it's the better choice.

Reason #1: It's definitely easier. Learning guitar can be a long, difficult process. It's been agreed upon that the ukulele is much more simple and easier to learn. It even has only 4 strings instead of 6 - but don't worry, it can somehow find the same tune! And plus, it's smaller, so more logical to carry around than a big guitar. It's surely better for beginners, and even great musicians know it's just the less confusing option.

Reason #2: It's safer. I know you're thinking, "how could a guitar be dangerous?" Well, if you've ever played, you'll know that the strings can harm your fingers. They're stiffer, and take extra effort to strum. They're also made out of sharper materials. It's been proven that after playing for too long, your fingers can even start to bleed. But don't worry, you won't ever run into that with ukuleles! Their strings are much less firm, and won't hurt you at all when you're playing. And, because of the small number of strings, there's no wrist tension - unlike the guitar.

Reason #3: Even with all these advantages to the uke, you can still play the same songs as guitars! So basically, there's not even a downside. Almost every guitar song can be translated to ukulele chords and still sound perfect.

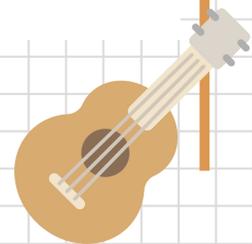
Overall, the ukulele reigns over the guitar in multiple ways - and if you're looking to learn a new skill, pick up a ukulele! You can become a master in no time. And I promise you'll thank me.

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The 3 Most Dangerous Crustaceans

by Tayden L.

1. Mantis shrimp

There are two types of mantis shrimp, the first mantis shrimp is the smasher/club and the second it is called the spirit/spear mantis shrimp. The mantis shrimp's club can be powerful and fast. The clubs of this shrimp have a spring-like addition to them. When they use their club, it can speed up to 50 mph which is the force of a bullet.



2. Pistol shrimp

What makes this one of the most dangerous crustaceans in the world is the noise it makes. This small shrimp has a huge claw that has something like a pistol on the end instead of a normal one. They use this little thing on their claw by tilting one side of it and snapping it. The shrimp snaps so fast that it makes a bubble-like bullet that moves up to 62 mph. Once this bubble pops, it sends a shock wave that stuns its prey. This bubble can also be as hot as the sun.

3. Floral egg crab

This crab is dangerous not because of its claws, but because of its poisonous meat. This crab can be found in the eastern Indian Ocean and is often mistaken for a non-poisonous crab. The poison of this crab can NOT be dissolved even after being cooked. Eating this crab will most likely lead to sickness and even death. The poison in its meat is similar to a pufferfish's poison and works as well.



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Announcements



Mrs. Hale stopped by our Civics class to make a special announcement. Mr. Miller, our World History & Civics teacher, was chosen as one of Florida's Outstanding Social Studies Teachers of the Year for the 2021-2022 school year. He will be presented with his award at the Awards Banquet in October! Congratulations, Mr. Miller!

Please help us welcome Ms. Hirata to OGA! She will be the first smiling face you see when you enter the office. We are so happy to have her as part of our OWL-some team! Be sure to give her a warm welcome.



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