



# THE OLIVE CHAPEL ELEMENTARY

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## The Mesmerizing Mural

*By Audrey MacNaughton*

Did you see the amazing mural in the hallway? In this article, you will learn all about it. I interviewed Mandy MacNaughton so I could ask her some questions.

### Why did the PTA want to change the mural?

Mrs MacNaughton said that the PTA wanted to make the mural more updated and new because the painting was painted about 25 years ago but they still wanted to have the paintings that the 5th graders painted.

### How did you find the muralist?

Mrs. MacNaughton interviewed many muralists and immediately knew that Rachel (the muralist) was the perfect fit for the job. Here are some positive things about Rachel: 1. She was experienced and a great artist. 2. She has done many other elementary schools around Apex, which look great. 3. She had a vision and amazing creativity.

### How was the process of the mural with Mrs. Rachel?

Mrs. Rachel was straightforward to work with because...

- Mrs. Rachel showed pictures of her visions of the mural.
- Mrs. Rachel communicated clearly.
- Mrs. Rachel was on time.
- And Mrs. Rachel was very nice and friendly.

### What were the biggest changes before and after?

Before, there were wooden beams and glass, and now they have been painted over them to blend in with the background. Mrs. Rachel outlined the kids and Touched up the original paint. By the way, that took a lot of detailed work. The background used to be half blue and half tan, but now there are colorful hills, a sun, some clouds, the quote, and the description.



## The Alice in Wonderland Play: Opinions

*by Zara Pandey*

Hello, my name is Zara, and I will be interviewing people's opinions on the Alice in Wonderland Play!

The Alice in Wonderland play, if you don't know, is a play that was on March 6. It was performed by the Drama Club in the gym.

Now, with the interview, first I'm going to interview Mrs. Newberger.

**Zara:** Mrs. Newberger, what is your opinion about having six Alices in the play?

**Mrs. Newberger:** I really like having six Alices because it gives more people a chance to have a part in the play and it also makes it easier on the person to play Alice because they don't have so many lines to memorize.

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## Second Annual OCE Valentine’s Dance

by *Serena Bandyopadhyay & Charlie Sandoval*

You may have heard of the Valentine’s dance. Last year’s was a blast!

Music was blaring, people were dancing and kids were chatting by the snack table. People were getting selfies with the wacky Valentine’s props and having a good time. In this article, we asked some students what they enjoy at the Valentines dance.

EVA MAY: “I liked the snacks!” she says with a smile on her face.

SOPHIE FREEMAN: “We could go and dance with our parents and get snacks. It was a fun dance, but me and my sister couldn’t go together because we were in separate grades (2nd and 3rd).” she shares.

HAILEY BOES:”It was cool that we had an actual live DJ! It was nice to see friends and not worry about having to sit still in class.” she spills.

ELLA MAY: “The photo booth because there were lots of wacky props!” she laughs. “I also enjoyed the music selections and lighting vibes.”

ADRIANNA JAFFE: “The DJ! He was really nice.” It seems that everyone had a great time! Did you have fun at this Valentines Dance, and will you go again?



## OCE’s First Ever Flag Football Club

by *Ishaan Nadakuduru*

Hello mates! Today I will be talking about this brand new club called ... you guessed it, Flag Football! We will be learning about what they do in Flag Football, why Mr. Falcone started this club and if THE STUDENTS ENJOY THE CLUB!

First, we will be interviewing Mr. Falcone, the coach of Flag Football.

*Hi Mr. Falcone!*  
“Hi!”

*First of all, could you explain to me the basics of how to play Flag Football?*

“Flag Football is just like normal football but there is no tackling allowed. Players wear belts which have flags on both sides which the opponents need to pull to “tackle” them and they players have no protective gear.”

*Do you think your students enjoy it?*

“I believe that my students enjoy my club because they always show their best effort, they are excited to come, and they always have fun”.

*Why did you start this club?*

“I started this club because I have been playing flag football since 3rd grade. Because of this, I wanted to start a club that is focused on sports in which theoretically no one will get hurt. And flag football was the sport that came to mind!”

Those were some great answers that Mr. Falcone gave. Now we will interview Luca Wolf, a player in this amazing club.

*Hi bro!*  
“Hi!”

*What is the most tiring part of Flag Football?*  
Running. DEFINITELY RUNNING!

*What is your favorite part of flag football?*  
Pulling the opponent's flags because it is satisfying and takes my anger out of my body.

*And last but not least, DO YOU LIKE THE CLUB?*  
Of course! It is fun, tiring, and always is the highlight of the day for me!



## Super Bowl Predictions: Did OCE Staff Get it Right?

by Adrianna Jaffe & Alaina Kim

Have you ever wondered about who’s going to be in the Super Bowl? Well...we got some thoughts from staff and teachers at Olive Chapel about who they *think* will go to the Super Bowl, and who they *want* to go to the Super Bowl. See all their responses here:

“Once the Patriots start losing I stop paying attention to football.” -Ms. Trainor

“I want the Lions and Ravens to go against each other but I think it’s going to be Lions and Chiefs.” -Mr. Brown

“I want the Steelers and Lions to go against each other but I think it’ll be the Eagles and Chiefs.” -Ms. Allie

“I want the Broncos and Jaguars to go against each other but I think it's going to be Bills and Lions.” -Ms. Chaffee

“I get a dollar for every person who doubts that the Lions are not going to be in the Super Bowl and win the Super Bowl.” -Ms. Johnson

“I think and want Chiefs and Lions to go against each other.” -Ms. Sullivan

“I think and want the Chiefs and Eagles to go against each other.” -Ms. King

“I think and want the Chiefs and Bills will make it to the Super Bowl.” -Ms. Riedinger

“Are you crazy?! I’m from Michigan, of course, I want the Lions to go to the Super Bowl and win the Super Bowl, duh!” -Mr. Hermanson

“I want the Chiefs and Lions to go against each other but I think Bills and Lions”- Mrs. Greene

“We want the Eagles to go to the Super Bowl and win the Super Bowl but if we had to pick a team that the Eagles have to go against we would say Bills.” - Alaina and Adrianna

Most of our responses said the Lions would make it to the Super Bowl but they were wrong - they got knocked out. But some people were right with the Chiefs.

As we all know, the Chiefs went back to the Super Bowl for the 3rd time in a row! Only a few teachers picked the Eagles and they were right. In the end, only Ms. Allie predicted the Eagles *and* Chiefs in Super Bowl LIX. And the Eagles beat the Chiefs to win their second Super Bowl title.



## The Alice in Wonderland Play: Opinions

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**Zara:** That makes sense because with a play like Alice in Wonderland, it makes the big role of Alice look so much smaller!

Alright now, Mrs. Bishop, do you think that once you watch the play, your perspective will change about the characters, or do you think they will stay the same?

**Mrs. Bishop:** I think that my view of the traditional Alice in Wonderland's characters will stay the same but I'll have a fun fresh new take seeing some of our OCE students play the roles in a new fresh way.

**Zara:** Well Mrs. Bishop, that's a very refreshing answer that I really like, and honestly, that's probably what I would have said, too!

Now I’m going to interview a student on this topic, and here comes Shayan Adari!

**Zara:** So Shayan, do you know anything about anyone in the play and if so what parts do you want and do you think how well do you think they all do?

**Shayan:** So my brother's name is Shlok Adari. He is in the Alice in Wonderland play, and he is going to play a narrator. I think he will do good but he might make some mistakes because it's a long play right, so it's like you might mess up on your line and be like “oh my bad,” and then you restart, but you should just keep going.

**Zara:** Wonderful response!

I hope you all went to the play and enjoyed the production!



# The Spring Book Fair

by Hailey Gengiti & Reet Pandey

Hey, you! Have you ever been to a book fair? If so, you know that it totally rocks! Sometimes literally, if you’re getting a book about rocks. There are lots of amazing gifts you can get. There are SUPER cool fidgets and sparkly pens to write with! But none of these things are better than a nice, exciting book! And you might not know it, but there are some people in this school that help with the book fair. One person is our beloved librarian, Mrs.Trembly!

## Interview with Mrs. Trembly

So, why do we host the book fair every year?  
Ms. Trembly: We have the book fair because, number one, students can buy new books. But the biggest reason is it's a fundraiser for our school because without a book fair, we would not be able to have all the books that we have.

So what was your favorite series when you were a kid?  
Ms. Trembly: When I was a kid I loved the Babysitter's Club series. I had every book in the series and read every one of them.

Mrs. Trembly is awesome, but the teachers don’t do all the work! Kids are a very important part of the book fair. Without kids, no one would buy the books and spread the news about how fun the book fair is! So, without delay, let's interview some kids and ask them for their opinion!

## Interview with Aadhya from Mrs. Bishop’s Class

What books do you like at the book fair?  
Aadhya: Well, I really like the books about dog survival stories.

What are your favorite toys there?  
Aadhya: I like the slime because it's JUST. SO. RELAXING!

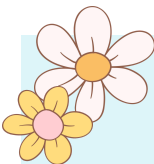
But don’t forget the most important people that made this happen! The PTA!

Was there a time where there was no book fair at Olive Chapel?  
Stephanie Trinkle from the PTA: We cannot remember a time at Olive Chapel without a book fair.

What's your favorite book here?  
Stephanie: My favorite clothing at the book fair is really a series of books The Diary of Wimpy Kid series.

What's your favorite poster?  
Stephanie: My favorite poster is the Carolina Hurricanes poster because both of my boys play hockey.

What gave you the idea to be a part of the book fair?  
Stephanie: I love books and I love getting to interact with the students at Olive Chapel!



## Spring Calendar

- April 5 - Last Day to Order Yearbook

April 5 - Saturday School

April 8 - PTA Meeting

April 14 - Field Day, Tracks 1 & 3

April 15 - International Night

April 16 - Spring Pictures, Tracks 1 & 3

April 18 - No School, Holiday
- April 24 - Field Day, Tracks 2 & 4

May 8 - Kindergarten Orientation

May 9 - Spring Fest

May 22 - Chorus Concert

May 26 - No School, Holiday

May 28 - Sail Up Ceremony, Track 1

May 29 - Last Day of School, Track 1



## At Olive Chapel we...

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