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# IN THE SPOTLIGHT ...

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#### Meet Our Creator-Mrs. Leong

Mrs. Leong is an incredible teacher who has been with us at Country Springs for a total of 6 years, but has been teaching for 16 years. In her free time, she enjoys hobbies including, running, swing dancing, and being around her kids. Mrs. Leong's favorite part of teaching is interacting with students and getting to know where they excel.

Does anyone know exactly what Mrs. Leong does here at Country Springs? We didn't either, so we asked her. Mrs. Leong's job is mainly working with teachers and parents to, in her words, "...build a positive climate." She also helps Mrs. Furnari, works with the office staff, as well as every student in every grade level.

Since all teachers must attend college, you should know that Mrs. Leong went to great colleges too. She went to the University of Southern California (USC) for her undergraduate degree and Claremont Graduate University (CGU) for her graduate degree.

When you choose a career, you'll probably put thought into it and there's a good chance that you'll have been inspired to do that job. Mrs. Leong had inspiration in becoming a teacher. In third grade, she had an amazing teacher. This teacher asked her one day what she wanted to be when she grew up. Mrs. Leong knew that she wanted to be just like her teacher since she was marvelous. From that day on, her teacher had her doing small things that a teacher would do like stamping homework, filing papers, and so on and so forth.

Even though she was inspired to be a teacher in third grade, she had changed her mind for a while. Mrs. Leong had thought about careers other than teaching. She had thought of being a pharmacist, but after more research, she decided that the job wasn't for her. Once she decided not to become a pharmacist, she thought she wanted to be in the media, on the radio. She tried out this job, but once again decided that the job was not for her.

Eventually, she went back to wanting to be a teacher and that's exactly what she is today. Besides her third-grade teacher inspiring her to have this career, her parents are a big inspiration. In her childhood and even now, her parents aren't fluent in English. So, for them to be here and give her support, she is truly inspired by them.

# FOOD FOR THOUGHT

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### **CPK Restaurant Review**

A few weeks ago, our school teamed up with California Pizza Kitchen to throw a wonderful fundraiser. A ton of All-Star families came out to support our school at CPK. By participating in this event, you not only get a delicious dinner, but you also raise funds for our fantastic school. To encourage Country Springs families to dine out, homework passes were given out to the fabulous students who attended the fundraiser.

During this event, the restaurant was packed with all-stars from every grade. Loads of students came out to support our amazing school.

Their menu offers a variety of pizzas, pastas, salads, soups and appetizers. One of their fantastic pizzas that I enjoyed during my visit was the California Club. This pizza has bacon, roasted chicken, and mozzarella cheese. Then it is topped with avocado and romaine lettuce tossed in a lemon more many. Once the pizza errived L second the lettuce pepper mayo. Once the pizza arrived I scooped the lettuce, tomato and avocado off onto another plate and enjoyed it as a side salad. All the ingredients were fresh and well prepared.

CPK is a casual restaurant for families to dine in for a quick lunch or dinner. Typically, when people imagine California landscape they think of palm trees and sunsets. Thus, CPK has a palm tree on their logo with a yellow background background.

All the employees at CPK were incredibly helpful and kind. If you don't have time to dine in, CPK offers curbside Togo service. You just call ahead, park, and they bring your order out to you.

At CPK you can expect good, quality food, fast, and for a fair price. It is more expensive than fast food pizza places like pizza hut, but you're getting better quality and more variety.



FANTASTIC (FALL) FUN

## BY: MAKAYLA GONZALEZ, CAROL KHELLA, JUSTIN KIM, AND Ανα Ρακ

**DIY: Fall Leaf Bowl** 

# You'll need:

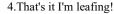
- 1 bowl
- Glue(modge podge)
- Leaves (maple leaves)
- Glitter(optional)
- Plastic wrap

Instructions:

- Cover the bowl with plastic wrap. 1.
- 2. Paint Mod Podge onto a leaf, and press the leaf onto the bowl
- 3. Cover up the wet leaves with more plastic wrap.
- 4. When dry, take off the plastic wrap from the bowl. And carefully remove the plastic wrap from the leaves.
- 5. You're done! Enjoy your fall leaf bowl.

#### Fall Jokes:

- 1.Fall jokes will leaf you smiling
- 2.Q: Where do ghosts live? A: "Ghost Town"
- 3. I be-leaf you will not Fall





#### WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING?

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#### Who Are We? CLASS 2 ... 0 ... 1 ... 8!

Class 2018 is the sixth grade police academy for this year About eleven years ago, Sergeant Mena and his police team came to Country Springs to help us understand the outside world. During this year's police academy, Sixth graders learned several commands. They also learned how to recognize and avoid harmful drugs. During the week, sixth graders went on a field trip to the Chino Police Station. They learned how things would function at the station and how the Police spend day to day protecting our citizens. During Police Academy, sixth graders had a of of fun and also learn valuable lessons. It was an overall enjoyable week with Sergeant Mena and Officer Kato.

## **Upcoming Events!**

In September we saw a lot of amazing events. From Police Academy to field trips, Student Council Elections to Family Dinner night, September was a thrilling month. October is going to be just as great! From October 12th to October 17th, H.I.T.S. will be going on. October 18<sup>th</sup> is the showcase where we show what we've learned during H.I.T.S. That will be followed by M.V.P. awards for the month. To kick off November, we celebrate reading through Literature Day. Just a week later will be the 6<sup>th</sup> grade play "The Not So Handsome Prince!"

