



OCS WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

OUR WEEK IN REVIEW
MARCH 11 - MARCH 17

THIS WEEK'S HIGHLIGHTS

- AN ENCHANTED FOOD FOREST UPDATE
- BAKE SALES
- SKI TRIP
- ...AND MORE!

An Enchanted Food Forest Update

Friday, after more than a year of planning, we put shovels in the ground and started converting the lawn into a garden. The technique we used is called sheet mulching which, among other things, kills grass and weeds.

Why get rid of the grass? It steals nutrients and water that would otherwise go to nourishing the vegetables we will be planting in a few short weeks.

During the process, newspaper, leaves, and hay were layered on top of the area where we'll be planting. The layer of newspaper will deplete the grass of sunlight, preventing it from photosynthesizing. Planting can begin once the grass underneath dies and the newspaper decomposes.

All materials for the sheet mulching process were donated by members of the OCS community. A huge "thank you" to Maura Pritchard for leading the students and staff during the sheet mulching process.



Bake Sales

On Monday, the high schoolers were at Island Market selling savory treats to help fund their local mission trip.



On Wednesday, the elementary school students were selling sweet treats to help fund their end-of-year trip to Canada.



Pi Day

For Pi Day (3/14), each member of the math classes for grades 5 through 8 measured the circumference and diameter of a circular object. They used these measurements to calculate the ratio of the circumference to the diameter (what pi represents) by hand. The students who came closest to the true value won a personal pie! Congrats Elijah, Erika, Gaby, Karis, and Nick.



Happy Birthday

TO OUR MAD SCIENTIST

The staff donned lab coats and ate croissants in honor of Mr. Claus' birthday on Wednesday.



Ski Trip

STUDENTS FROM 8TH THROUGH 12TH GRADE HIT THE SLOPES

A group of 21 set off for a skiing and snowboarding adventure after school on Thursday. The pack stayed overnight in Bellingham before heading to Mt. Baker for a day of fun.

