

# THE LION'S ROAR

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## STUDENTS CELEBRATE THANKSGIVING WITH LUNCH AND PERFORMANCES



On Tuesday, November 22, Sahag-Mesrob students celebrated the upcoming Thanksgiving holiday with a free, Zankou lunch and a Thanksgiving program presented by the students themselves. Parents were also invited to attend this event and enjoy lunch with their children.

The school's PTF moms

helped treat the entire student body with a special lunch by preparing and serving the food. Lines were long as parents and students eagerly waited to enjoy delicious Zankou food that included chicken, rice, salad, and their coveted garlic paste.

After lunch, preschool, kindergarten, first, sec-

ond, third, and fourth grade students presented songs, poems, and plays in a Thanksgiving program. Students praised and thanked God for his abundant blessings throughout their performances.

A special thank you to all who helped organize this event.

### SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

*11/11 Veterans Day*

*11/19 Barnes & Noble Book-fair*

*11/22 Thanksgiving lunch*

*11/24 Thanksgiving/Armenia Fund Telethon*



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## BOOKFAIR AT BARNES & NOBLE

On Saturday, November 19, the PTF held a book fair at the Barnes & Noble in Glendale. Students arrived at this fundraiser for arts and crafts, board games, student perform-

ances, a story time presented by their teachers, and a private trolley ride. A percentage of the net sale of books sold during the fundraiser was contributed to Sahag-Mesrob.



## CANNED FOOD DRIVE PARTICIPATION



Throughout the month of November, students participated in the spirit of giving by collecting canned food items to donate.

Sahag-Mesrob Armenian Christian School's National Junior Honor Society set up boxes in each classroom, which made donating items very convenient

for students. The collected food was taken to Pasadena's Union Station Homeless Services to provide food for the homeless to nourish themselves this Thanksgiving.

This event taught students to give, especially to those who may not be as fortunate as they are.

## STUDENTS DONATE TO THE ARMENIA FUND TELETHON

Sahag-Mesrob's Student Council helped raise money throughout this month to donate to the Armenia Fund Telethon by selling baked goods during lunch and snack time. As students collected money in classroom jars, they learned the value of giving and the importance of helping their Armenian brothers and sisters who are

struggling on the other side of the world.

On Thanksgiving Day, November 24, Sahag-Mesrob student and teacher representatives attended the Telethon to present the school's donation. Sahag-Mesrob was able to donate a total of \$6,000 to the Telethon, whose theme

this year was "My Artsakh". The money raised will benefit the rebuilding of communities in Artsakh and the construction of homes for Artsakh families with multiple children.

Thank you to all who contributed to the school's donation.



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## CLASSROOM NEWS

### MRS. ANI KAKOUSSIAN

First Graders enjoyed their time with their Reading Buddies from Fifth Grade as they helped them with various activities and crafts during the month of No-

vember. We really appreciate our Reading Buddies as they become more familiar with one another and nurture a mutual interest in reading.



### MRS. NARINEH KARAMANOUKIAN

Mrs. Karamanoukian's 3rd grade class has been learning about different American Indian Tribes and their traditions. Students were broken down into groups of three and assigned a tribe. Each group did

their research at home together and brought their material to class to complete the project. The students did a wonderful job researching and working in groups!



### MRS. MARAL OHANIAN



This month, fourth grade spent time developing their writing using clearer descriptions. They wrote descriptive essays, in which they wrote in extensive detail about a specific person, place, or thing.

In social studies, fourth graders learned about the creation of the Mexican and Californian flags. They spent time developing their own class flags by considering symbolism and meaning of color.

Fourth grade also presented an

entertaining play for the Thanksgiving program. This play, prepared by Mrs. Sona, focused on family and togetherness and incorporated a popular Armenian song about "ghapama".

Fifth graders this month worked on personal essays, in which they presented their own opinion on a specific topic by providing personal examples. We worked on opinion versus fact, as well as writing introductions and conclusions.

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