

## Brig General and Mrs. Bullard visit Schools!

By Rose Ingersoll & Maria Swanson



Brig.Gen and Mrs. Bullard pose for a picture with School Principal Dr. Jessica Pomele and Student Ambassador's at Santa Margarita ES

The Commanding General of MCI-WEST-MCB Camp Pendleton and his lovely wife took time from their daily schedules to visit with Principal's, Staff and students at each of the five public schools located aboard the Installation.

The first school on the busy schedule was North Terrace Elementary. Principal Art Carrasco and three students greeted their special guests in front of the school.

The second school on the schedule was a trip to Santa Margarita ES where the CG and Mrs. Bullard were greeted by Principal, Dr. Jessica Pomele and her Student Ambassador's, holding a Welcome sign for their guests. Students introduced themselves and shook hands.

Mary Fay Pendleton School was the third school on the itinerary for the CG and Mrs. Bullard. They spent time in the classroom and enjoyed conversations with students.

Principal Mr. Joe Dominguez and Assistant Principal Ms. Wendy Kerr provided a tour of the school.

Transitional Kindergarten students at San Onofre School provided entertainment and sang the Marine Corps Hymn to their VIP guests.

The final school on the circuit was Stuart Mesa ES. Principal Mr. Justin Kern escorted the CG and Mrs. Bullard through several classrooms where they spoke with students about assignments and answered noteworthy student questions such as Who is Your Boss? The CG's responses were good-humored and it was evident that time spent among the children was both gratifying and entertaining!



School Principal, Mr. Art Carrasco and students greet their VIP guests in front of North Terrace E.S



Young Marine talks about "comfortable combat boots" with General Bullard at Mary Fay

Pendleton



San Onofre T/K Students warmly welcome General Bullard and Mrs. Bullard to their school



Gen and Mrs. Bullard receive a motivated salute from a 5th grader at Stuart Mesa ES as Principal Mr. Justin Kern looks on

# Dr. Seuss Literacy Week at San Onofre School and Mary Fay Pendleton by Maria Swanson

Read-A-Cross America, a week-long celebration of literacy through Dr. Seuss Birthday, happens every first week in March. Assemblies yielded animated meaningful, inquisitive interactions between guest readers and their attentive audience.

Mrs. Bullard, MCIWEST-CPEN CG's spouse and Mrs. Helms MCIWEST-CPEN SgtMajor 's spouse read to students at San Onofre School. Mrs. Rose Ingersoll, MCB CamPen School Liaison, a former first grade teacher eagerly read to a highly interactive group of students at Mary Fay Pendleton. VIP Guest readers had

as much fun as the students while reading time-less, always highly entertaining and funny Dr. Seuss books.



## Flag Assembly at San Onofre School

Students at San Onofre School demonstrate their leadership skills and pride for their school and country during their monthly Flag Assembly



## PE Fitness Challenge Mary Fay Pendleton and San Onofre School

An unusual rainy, cold, and stay indoor day became an endless possibility for Single Marine Program Volunteers to offer their help in the classroom and outdoors when the sun came out to play. Mud puddles and wet grass added to the students motivation to get active and win the tug-a-war against the Marines who were not used to these conditions. Fun for all.



At San Onofre School, volunteers for the Single Marine Program and students, battled the intense heat and each other for a fun filled day of physical activity, smiles, laughter and friendly competition.



## PE Fitness Challenge at Stuart Mesa ES, by Rose Ingersoll



Students enjoy the fitness stations and eagerly compete!



Rain or shine, the PE Fitness Challenge will continue. On Friday, January 31st, 2014 sunny SoCal was cloudy with a chance of rain. Students at Stuart Mesa Elementary School and the Single Marine Program Volunteers would not be deterred from maximizing the fun and fitness from the Challenge event.

The youngest group to engage in activities were the Transitional Kindergarten students. "Always Ready", Marines proved their flexibility by adding

Duck, Duck, Marine and Stella Says for the tiny ones eager to play and exercise.

There is something about the Tug-A-War station that brings out the extreme competitor regardless of grade level, age or size!



## Single Marines Lead Santa Margarita Students in PE Fitness Challenge



On Friday January 31st, 2014 Marines from the MCB Camp Pendleton Single Marine Program volunteered to lead Santa Margarita Students in a fitness-filled day for the PE Fitness Challenge.

One of our favorite events in the School Liaison Office is due in part to the ongoing collaboration with the Single Marine Program (SMP). The

Fitness Challenge is enjoyed by all who participate; students, Marine Volunteers even a few brave teachers.

The Marines rotate students through four PE Stations during their regular PE class time.



## OUSD Changes for Open Enrollment School

The district has made a few changes that parents should be aware of if they are considering a School of Choice transfer for the 2014/15 school year.

The new policy allows current parents to submit their School of Choice applications during the **Green Zone** which ran from January 6, 2014 through March 28, 2014. Families who submit their applications during this period should have received notice sometime in May regarding their transfer request.

The three OUSD schools that are closed to transfer students are Ivey Ranch ES, Foussat ES and King MS. These schools have been capped due to capacity and only students who reside within the school boundary are able to enroll.

The district will continue to accept School of Choice requests from those parents who PCS to Camp Pendleton during the summer months. However, families will have to wait till the end of

September to learn whether or not their student will be able to attend the requested School of Choice. This will allow the school to determine if there is space for incoming transfer students.

The Education Support Services office is located at 2080 Mission Ave, Oceanside, CA 92058.

# Trevor Romain returns to Camp Pendleton



Stuart Mesa students are completely engaged with Trevor during his *With You All The Way Tour*.



Santa Margarita student practice centering with a breathing exercise.



Trevor Romain's unique sense of humor connects directly with Mary Fay Pendleton students.



San Onofre students close their eyes and imagine a positive place as their journey with Trevor to a positive place.



A common scene after each assembly—children waiting in line to speak to Trevor.

Trevor Romain, aka the Child Whisperer returned to Camp Pendleton schools for the third time since 2010.

The famed comedian, inspirational speaker talked with students for an hour and fifteen minutes. Quite the feat for a room filled with 3rd through 7th grade students. Students were completely engaged throughout the assembly. Deployment stress, homework procrastination and bullying were three of the topics that Trevor embedded into his video's and stand-up comic schtick. And the students loved it!

The USO has sponsored The Comfort Crew for Military Kids since 2010. The child humorist, illustrator, producer, artist has mastered the art of discussing serious subjects into 75 minutes of prime time entertainment that children can naturally relate to.

Born in South Africa, his family relocated to Australia, where he experienced first hand the effects of bullying. While Trevor served with the Australian Royal Commandos, he was visiting a buddy at a hospital in South Africa when he walked through a children's ward. His unique brand of slapstick originated in a children's hospital ward when he discovered that he had an innate talent for making sick children laugh. The rest as they say is history!



Trevor shared his journal with students, suggesting the hobby as a measure of stress relief. All students who attended the assembly will receive their own deployment kits with journals!

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3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11 FUESD /FUHSD	12	13 MVUSD/ TVUSD	14	15	16
17	18 OUSD/ VUSD	19	20	21	22	23
24	25 BUSD	26	27	28	29	30
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**First day of school noted in calendar for the following districts:**

Fallbrook Union Elementary School District  
 Fallbrook Union High School District  
 Oceanside Unified School District  
 Vista Unified School District  
 Bonsall Unified School District  
 Murrieta Valley Unified School District  
 Temecula Valley Unified School District

**Capistrano Unified School District—  
 first day of school is September 4,  
 2014**

Common Core State Standards Resources for Parents and Guardians

<http://www.cde.ca.gov/re/cc/> - CA Department of Education webpage with links to the Common Core State Standards, and student, parent and guardians resources.

<http://pta.org/parents/content.cfm?ItemNumber=2583>—Located under the Student/ Parent tab from the webpage listed above, take a look at the Guide to Student Success, a National PTA guide for success with the Common Core Standards. The booklet contains an overview of the new standards for English/Literacy and Mathematics in grades K-12 along with ideas for activities to do at home, and suggestions for discussing the new standards with teachers.

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<http://www.mccscp.com/aquatics>

Stepp Stables Summer Camp information -

<http://www.mccscp.com/stables>

Mira Costa College For Kids Youth Academy -

<http://www.miracosta.edu/instruction/communityservices/collegeforkids/index.html>