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## *Legoland and Sea Life Aquarium*

### Description:

Come and experience hands-on learning activities at Legoland and enjoy embarking on an interactive journey through fantastic ocean habitats at SEA LIFE™ Aquarium (SLA). During your voyage at SLA there are amazing creatures to touch, discover, and admire along with interactive play zones, engaging shows and feedings. What will your amazing discoveries be on this field trip? Learn more at [SLA](#) and [Legoland](#). Since we will be doing a self-guided tour through both parks, you will be able to proceed at your own pace.

### When:

Friday, October 8, 2010

Check in at **9:45 a.m.**; field trip begins at 10:00 a.m.

***We must enter as a group***

### Where:

[LEGOLAND](#)- Group Sales Window

One Legoland Dr, Carlsbad, CA 92008

### Who:

This field trip is set up for students in grades K-6, but is appropriate for all ages.

### Cost:

\$12 for each GSDA student

\$24 for each adult and siblings 3+

Parking is \$12 at the gate

Food is allowed into the parks but no coolers.

**For questions: contact Beci Patin at 858-536-7930**

**Attending Consultant: Kelly Aquino and Rachael Coughlin**

***Send your field trip request form with payment to your resource center by***

September 15, 2010



## **The Civil War Adventure at Riley's Farm**

**Description:** Experience a sojourn into America's past, exploring the great conflict that divided state from state and brother from brother. The vast fields and orchards of Riley's Farm, in concert with Riley's Farm skilled staff of Civil War living historians, help students and families imagine the contours of Civil War life in a way that motivates ongoing study.

The day will start with a rousing town meeting in which our group will debate the war and decide whether to succeed, join the union or stay neutral. All sides will get a chance to argue their point and then spend time with Confederate and Union soldiers as they teach about their home states and the issues they face. Students will end the day by participating in a large mock battle!

**When:** Monday, October 18 from 9:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

**We will check-in and enter as a group at 9:30 a.m.**

**Where:** [Riley's Farm](#)

12261 S. Oak Glen Road  
Oak Glen, California 92399  
909-797-7534

**Who:** This field trip is appropriate for all students.

**Cost:** \$14 per person attending (3 & under free)

**For questions, contact Marnie Girard at 760-752-7100**

**Attending Consultant: Dave Nuoffer**

**Send your field trip request form with payment to your resource center by  
October 11, 2010**



# *Sea World!*

### **Description:**

Come celebrate the wonders of the sea at SeaWorld San Diego. Experience Shamu's show Believe, and thrilling rides like Journey To Atlantis, Shipwreck Rapids and Wild Arctic. Join Elmo and his friends at the Sesame Street Bay of Play featuring family-friendly rides. Don't miss the Pets Rule! show and the hilarious antics of Clyde and Seamore's sea lion and otter show. Feed and touch dolphins and bat rays, and get up-close to beluga whales, polar bears, sharks and penguins. Enjoy fascinating aquariums, sea turtles, manatees, and exotic birds from around the world, Create memories to last a lifetime at SeaWorld San Diego.

**When:** Wednesday, November 3, 2010

Check in at 9:30 AM at the Education Gate (East of the Mail Entrance) **We MUST check-in and enter as a group!**

Field Trip begins at 10:00 and takes approximately 2 1/2 hours

**Where:** [Sea World](#)

**Who:** This field trip is appropriate for all students.

**Cost:** \$6.00 per person attending. Children 3 and under are free. Passes may be used. Parking is free in the educational trip parking lot with the parking permit that you can pick up from your site admin.

**For questions, contact Beci Patin 858-536-7930**

**Attending Consultant: Kim Tiffany**

***Send your field trip request form with payment to your resource center by October 27, 2010***



## **South Chula Vista Public Library Tour/ Visita a Biblioteca Publica de Chula Vista**

**Description:** Come join us for a tour of the beautiful South Chula Vista Public Library, located less than two miles from the GSDA South County site. We will be given a bilingual tour of all parts of the library and learn about the resources the library provides. At the end of the tour students will receive their own library card (good for use at any of the three Chula Vista public libraries).

Ven y acompáñanos a la visita guiada de la hermosa Biblioteca publica de Chula Vista, localizada a menos de 2 millas de las oficinas de GSDA South County. Nos guiaran por todas las instalaciones de la Biblioteca en español para que así podamos aprovechar todo lo nos ofrecen. Al final de la visita todos los estudiantes recibirán su tarjeta de la Biblioteca que podrá ser usada en cualquier de las 3 Bibliotecas publicas de la ciudad de Chula Vista.

**When:** Friday, October 15 from 10:00-11:30 a.m.

**(Cuando)** **We will meet as a group at 9:45 a.m.**

**Where:** [South Chula Vista Public Library](#)

**(Donde)** 389 Orange Avenue (on the corner of 4<sup>th</sup> and Orange)  
Chula Vista, CA 91911  
619-585-5755

**Who:** This field trip is appropriate for all students.

**(Para Quien)**

**Cost:** Free

**(Costo)**

**For questions, contact Mercy Arreola at 619-424-4100**

**Attending Consultants: Diane Dumas and Rachael Coughlin**

***Send your field trip request form and [completed Student Library Card Application](#) to your resource center by October 1.***

***\*\* Please bring your Driver's License and one proof of residency to the field trip\*\****



## Parent Connect Meetings

- An opportunity for you to meet other parents
- A time to brainstorm new ideas to make GSDA a better place
- A time to learn secrets from other parents and consultants to make your job easier
- A place to share your ideas
- A place to discover other wonderful homeschooling families.

### **Mark your calendar**

- Central County – Wednesday, September 22 9 :00 -10 :00
- South County - Wednesday, September 22 12:30-1:30
- East County –Thursday, September 23 9:00 -10 :00
- North County - Wednesday, September 29 12:15-1:45

## Parent Participation Section:



## **First LEGO League**

For more information on First LEGO League, its programs, benefits, & much more, please see: <http://www.usfirst.org/>

- Click 'About Us' for info on the Vision, Mission, History, & the "Gracious Professionalism" ethos of the First LEGO League.
- Click on 'Robotics Programs' for info on F.L.L. (ages 9-14) & Jr. F.L.L. (ages 6-9).

This year will be a formative year for us. We will determine what it will take to participate in the 2011-2012 school year and make preliminary plans to create teams, gather materials and practice on the tasks to be completed.

***Meeting will be held at GSDA North County Monday, September 13 at 10:00 a.m. Childcare will be provided.***

GSDA Central Site



# Physical Education

Revolving, standards based, PE and group sports will be held after GSDA's Central on-site enrichment program on Thursdays, beginning on September 30. A mandatory planning meeting for parents and children will be held at nearby Hourglass Park on September 23 at 3:00.

Price of classes will depend upon participation. A minimum of 12 for each age group is required.

There are two levels; first through second grade, and third grade and up. The third and up group must be formed in order for the lower grade group to be organized by Kim. Parent participation is required.

**This is a parent organized event.**

Please contact Kim Ciniello via email at [kisciniello@yahoo.com](mailto:kisciniello@yahoo.com) for further information. **Please RSVP.**



## Go Padres!!!

One of GSDA's east county families will be **performing the National Anthem for the San Diego Padres game on Friday, September 10, 2010 at 6:50 p.m. sharp!**

Student Landon Salmonsens's mom Kymm Civette will be singing. NRG Band is the family's entertainment company.



**September 25, 10 am - 8 pm**

**10 Plays in 10 Hours!**

Horton Plaza Shopping Mall 3rd Floor

**(PUBLIC EVENT - FREE ADMISSION)**

Various artists will perform 10 of Shakespeare's plays in only 10 hours! Come for one hour, stay for all ten. Will they make it? Theatre troupes and schools from throughout San Diego County will perform shortened versions of the plays. We'll also have sonnets and singing between plays, so there will be something to watch all day. 3 hours of parking free with validation (no purchase required).



## *Websites worth talking about*

"I just came across a site with all kinds of free printable resources. It seemed like a treasure trove to me!"

<http://www.donnayoung.org/>

Among the many things that I pulled up from that site:

- \* handwriting paper in a multitude of styles
- \* a clean cursive font for my computer
- \* animated graphics showing how each cursive letter is formed
- \* fraction circles
- \* grid paper in varying sizes
- \* scaled paper (can be used to virtually reorganize furniture in a room, for example)
- \* 100 charts (for playing with patterns in skip-counting)
- \* ruled paper with number lines
- \* paper with multiplication facts as a subtle border going around the edges of the page
- \* blank calendar pages



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[www.gsdacademy.com](http://www.gsdacademy.com) *for up coming events, field*  
*trips and on site classes .*