

## CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES FOR MARCH

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>24</b>  <b>AM</b> <b>Improv</b>  <b>PM</b> <b>Yoga Club- Breathwork</b>	<b>25</b>  <b>AM</b> <b>Grant's Ant Farm</b>  <b>PM</b> <b>Drama Club-The Wizard of Oz</b>  <b>March Madness Dodgeball Practice for Tournament</b>	<b>26</b>  <b>AM</b> <b>Meditation Club</b>  <b>PM</b> <b>Adalia and Syndel's Japan Land- Ghibli Fest</b>  <b>Happy Trails Hopscotch</b>	<b>27</b>  <b>AM</b> <b>Learn to Crochet</b>  <b>PM</b> <b>Drama Club-The Story That's Never Been Told</b>  <b>Capture the Flag</b>	<b>28</b>  <b>AM</b> <b>Musical Theatre</b>  <b>PM</b> <b>Animal Club-Red Wolf</b>  <b>Wallball-Last Person Standing</b>
<b>31</b>  <b>AM</b> <b>Knitting-Scarfs</b>  <b>PM</b> <b>Yoga Club-Partner Poses</b>  <b>Math War</b>	<b>1</b>  <b>AM</b> <b>Grant's Ant Farm</b>  <b>PM</b> <b>Drama Club- The Princess and the Bee</b>  <b>Rock Painting</b>	<b>2</b>  <b>AM</b> <b>Meditation Club</b>  <b>PM</b> <b>Adalia and Syndel's Japan Land- Ghibli Fest</b>  <b>Balloon Tennis</b>	<b>3</b>  <b>AM</b> <b>Learn to Crochet</b>  <b>PM</b> <b>Invisible Ink</b>  <b>Football</b>	<b>4</b>  <b>AM</b> <b>Musical Theatre</b>  <b>Wolfgang's Myths and Legend from Around The World</b>  <b>PM</b> <b>Animal Club- Yangtze Giant Soft-Shell Turtle</b>  <b>Head, Shoulders, Knees and Cone</b>

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# Bandelier Children's Choice Presents: The 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Class

With the school year speeding so quickly by, we thought we would spend some time focusing on our 5<sup>th</sup> graders. Over the next several weeks, we will conduct interviews with our 5<sup>th</sup> graders! Please enjoy this extra special glimpse into the 5<sup>th</sup> graders before they move onto bigger and better things!

Kate is another one of our children that we are interviewing for this special look at the 5<sup>th</sup> graders. Kate, has been coming to Children's Choice for 5 years has contributed so much our program like, Sewing Club and Tea Club!



Hi Kate, can I interview you for the Bandelier newsletter? **Sure!**

Okay, can you tell me a little about yourself. Well, I am 10 years old but I'll be 11 in 3 days.

That's exciting! Are you looking forward to your birthday? **Yes, that's when I find out if I got into Albuquerque Academy.**

That sounds like a great way to celebrate your birthday! **Yeah, I'm a little nervous to find out.**

When you get into the academy (because I'm sure you did), which extracurricular activities are you hoping to participate in? **I think I would want to try out for track.**

Kate what do you like to do outside of school? **I like to play the viola. I've been playing the viola for 2 years.**

That's pretty impressive! Why do you like the viola? **I like it because it's not squeaky.**

So, tell me Kate, what is your favorite food. **Oh, I love chicken tiki masala. Really, I love all Korean Food, but that is my favorite!**

What are some of your other favorite things? **I love cats; I have two kittens. Their names are Hazelnuts and Alvin. I also like books; my favorite right now is Twenty-one Balloons.**

Kate, thank you for sharing a little about yourself with us and hope to get to spend more time with you before the school year ends!





# NATIONAL CHOPSTICK DAY



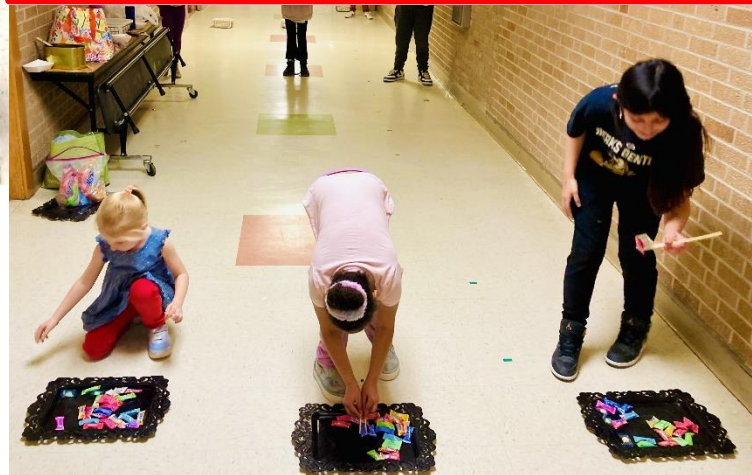
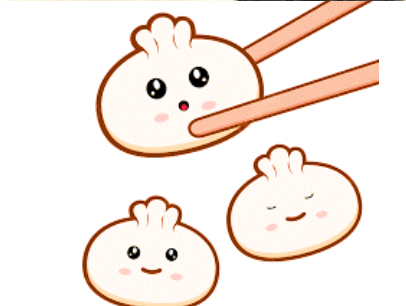
We celebrated “National Chopsticks Day by learning about the many different types of Chopsticks, their varied uses, the cultural significance of Chopsticks in countries around the world, Chopsticks etiquette, and, of course, how-to- use chopsticks, we played a 3 round “Chopsticks Olympics” challenge!

Round one: Minute to Win It; who can pick up the most rice grains and place them in a bowl? Claire easily dominated this round and collected so much rice we didn’t even bother to count!

**Top Left: Claire enjoying her winnings at home; a bowl of Japanese Ramen, her very own set of “real” Chopsticks, and the coveted “Ramune” drink of Japan!**

Round Two: Team relay race; each team sends a runner to the pile of Japanese treats and attempt to pick up any number of the items there before running to their teammate waiting mid-way for the “hand-off”. The person receiving the hand-off then races to their team basket and “drops off” the pieces of booty safely in the basket before tagging the next “runner”.

**Everybody won as all teams were able to keep the contents successfully deposited in the team booty basket (split evenly amongst all members of course**





# NATIONAL CHOPSTICK DAY

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Round Three: Trivia Challenge; after cramming their brains full of even more interesting information about chopsticks, players attempted to answer trivia questions from the 2 batches of informational “drops” (the first being the “all about chopsticks” intro to the activity).

At this point there were only 3 players left as the other Olympians had been picked up by their parents and had left the arena. Fun (and funny) factoid, the buzzers that were purchased for the grand event had not yet been tested and, to both our horror and silly surprise, the sound of the “buzz” was the exact sound of the “Amber Alert” sound that comes from every cell phone ever made, which caused some worrisome confusion to the adults with cell phones in the vicinity of the Olympic Stadium.

“Oops! That was an accident (really?), okay no, it wasn’t...” -Ahmeret

“Sorry, I just really wanted to hear it again” -Nihat

“Okay, I won’t do it again... (BUZZ followed by laughter), yeah...sorry again, I just couldn’t help myself” -Nihat again

“My finger slipped... Well no, it’s just that everyone else was doing it, ON PURPOSE, so...” -Xyla

**Nihat and Ahmeret tied for the win in the end, taking home the Gold Medal, extra Japanese treats, some miso soup, and their very own set of “real” chopsticks!**

