



Much of what we highlight in Chautauqua Shines is found on our school website. We hope you take some time to visit us at:  
<http://www.vashonsd.org/ces>

### Kindergartners Open New Playground

Staff and students gathered for a special ribbon-cutting ceremony as the remodeled kindergarten playground was opened.



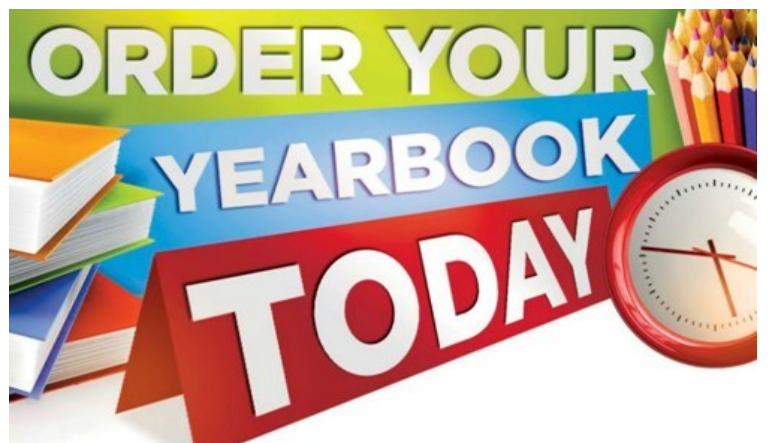
#### Chautauqua Studios

Visit the [Chautauqua Studios on Vimeo](#)

We've got videos!



Look for the tab under the Student Life menu on the [CES website](#).





At Chautauqua we focus on Respect for SOLE.  
SOLE stands for Self, Others, Learning and Environment...  
...and we try to show respect for each of them every day.  
Check out the [SOLE Center](#) on our website.  
As part of our school-wide culture, SOLE is encouraged throughout the school. What are some ways your family shows Respect for SOLE at home?

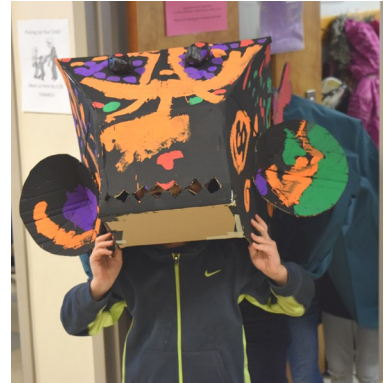
### Releasing Salmon

It was a cold day in March as 5th graders from Mr. Swan and Mr. Chasan's classes ventured out on the Shingle Mill Creek trail to release the young salmon they had been raising on the third floor of Chautauqua. This year's event was little colder than usual, but the students battled the elements to complete their task.



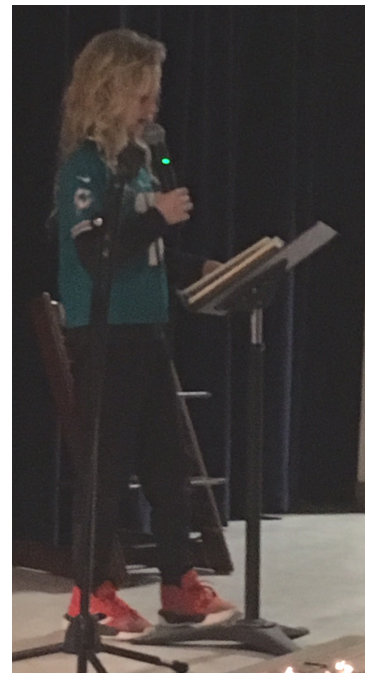
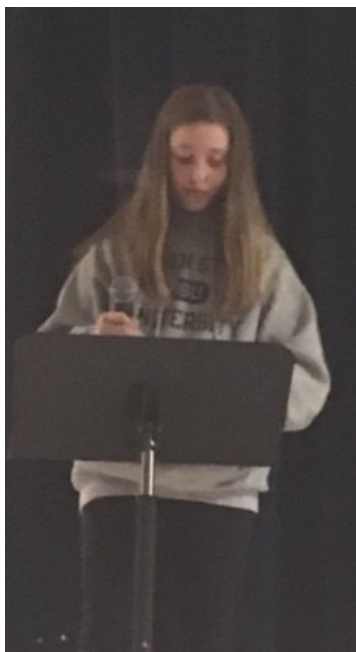
# 1st Graders Ring in the New Year

The Chinese New Year, that is. The Year of the Pig began with the annual 1st Grade Parade through the school. Students drummed and clanged their way through the halls and wore colorful costumes to celebrate.



## Poetry Slam

As part of a week-long celebration of various activities the first week of March, students presented original poems during a special Poetry Slam.



# 4th Grade Birding

Each year our 4th graders spend time learning about birds. They get a genuine hands-on experience with field trips, classroom workshops and even get to create their own birds out of clay.



# Japanese Visitors

Chautauqua students welcomed visiting exchange students from Himeji Minami High School of Hyogo Prefecture. Japanese students spoke to students about Japanese culture, helped them create origami projects, and taught them some Japanese alphabet characters.

