

# Aldo Leopold Charter School

## Weekly Update



Jesse, Bodhi, and Maya in their structure near San Vicente Farms

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## Lunch



**Lunch** is served **Monday through Friday** here at the school **from 11:45-12:15**. And get this: **it is FREE!!** This is not the glop that you had when you were in school. Our lunches are provided by Guadalupe Montessori school. They use a lot of **local produce and organic whole foods**. The lunches are kid friendly with a twist, like turkey and cheese wraps and sweet potato fries (this Friday) OR baked potato with baked beans and coleslaw (Wednesday this week) OR a chicken salad sandwich with “seasonal roasted veggies” (Tuesday, November 24). **If you are feeding a vegetarian, be sure to ask for the meat-free option.**

## Thanksgiving

This has been a tough year. And the past nine months have been particularly taxing. During these times when it seems that so much has been lost and we are grieving the life we used to live (remember all that hugging??) it can be helpful and healthy to notice the things, people, and opportunities, we are grateful for and to acknowledge these things out loud. We are so fortunate that a day has been set aside for just this purpose: Thanks-giving. Something we think your kids will be grateful for is that **the week of Thanksgiving (November 23-27) there will be no online classes. Monday and Tuesday will be asynchronous learning.** That's "big teacher talk" for "no class time" but students work when they want on assignments with *set due dates*. **Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday of that week there will be NO SCHOOL.**

## Aldo Live!

One of the most popular electives in the middle and high schools was primitive skills taught by Orien MacDonald. While the always outdoor location is perfect for these Covid-19 times, teaching students how to start a fire using a bow drill online then sending them out into their own yards to see how successful they could be did not seem like a great idea :( So Orien adapted, as all good outdoorsmen must. He now teaches another popular Aldo class called Aldo Live! Students in all grades follow prompts and make videos that they post to the [Aldo Live! YouTube channel](#). Check it out to see why you should be eating more Reese's Puffs, get a tour of Hurley while being encouraged to eat more pizza and wings, learn how to make a Jack-O-Lantern with a carrot, hear a scary story, and of course, there are some cat videos.

## Help is on the way!

Back in March the **state of New Mexico** launched a program called **ENGAGE to support students who disengaged from their learning when we went from in-person learning to online learning**. "The program starts with a multi-modal outreach strategy designed to reach eligible students and families referred via phone, mail, text, or social media. Once re-connected, students are given the opportunity to work with a dedicated coach through the end of the school year. The coach helps to identify and mitigate the obstacles preventing engagement, helps the student learn the skills necessary to succeed in the remote learning environment, monitors the student's pace and progress, and provides the support the student needs to stay engaged, helping them continue their educational journey and progress toward graduation." For more information on this **totally free program** call (505) 340-3250 or email [EngageNM@GraduationAlliance.org](mailto:EngageNM@GraduationAlliance.org).

**The wheels on the bus DON'T go 'round and 'round**



On Friday, CO students rode bikes down to San Vicente farm, where they constructed model buildings as preparation for a full sized version. Many ideas were discussed for improving our outdoor classroom there.

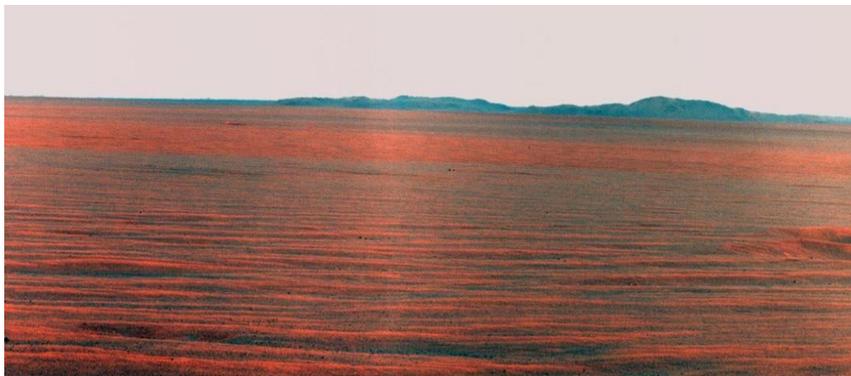
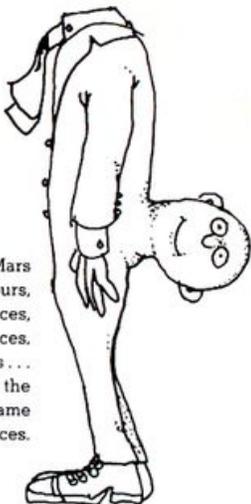


## So middle school

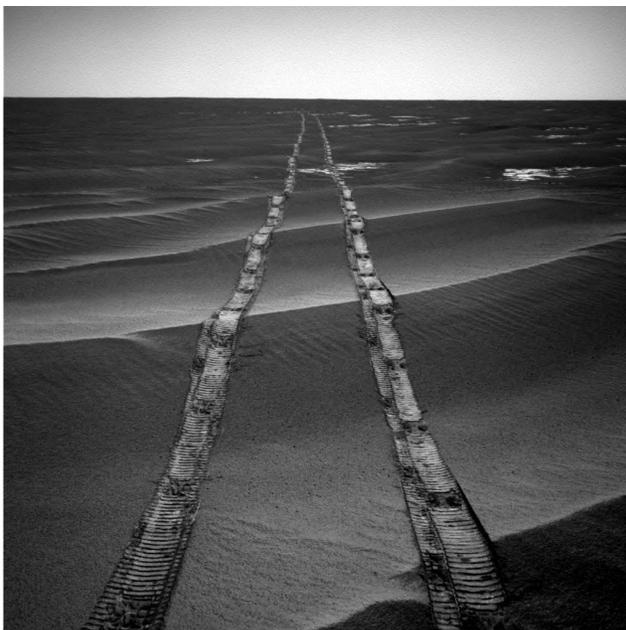
A bunch of the [middle schoolers went to Mars](#) last Friday (Covid-19 has made space travel possible for everyone!) It was pretty cool really (below are pictures of some of what they saw).

### THE PLANET OF MARS

On the planet of Mars  
They have clothes just like ours,  
And they have the same shoes and same laces,  
And they have the same charms and same graces,  
And they have the same heads and same faces . . .  
But not in the  
Very same  
Places.



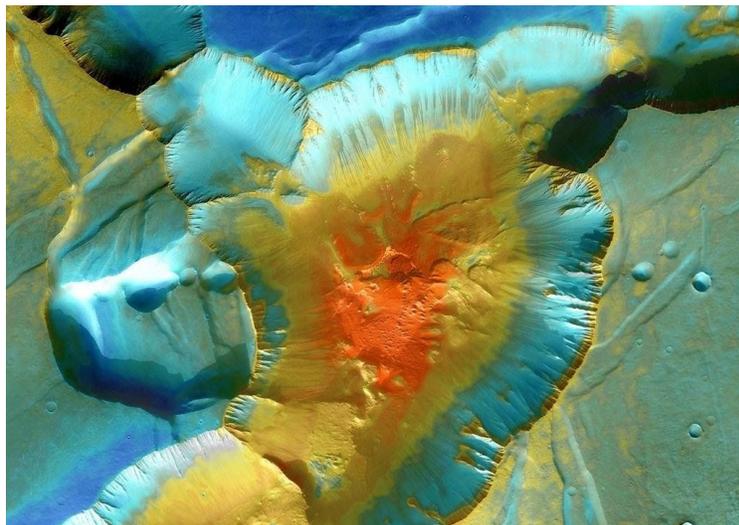
I like this one because it reminds me of water reflecting a sunset and it just looks real legit.-Zev (8th)



I really like this photo of a sunset on mars in comparison to sunsets on earth. This is a much darker photo, so i wonder why that is. -Addi (8th)

Looking back at what you have accomplished is always special.  
-Roseva (7th)

I liked this picture because it has really cool shapes and colors, i'm also not sure exactly what it is which makes it even cooler. -Kai (6th)



## Boston Hill never gets old



**They made it to the net! From the school to Cheyenne Street Trailhead to the net and all the way back-*4.1 miles!!***

**On the way back, Tony collected trash then sculpted it into treasure.**

## Keep up-to-date

If the Chromebook you borrowed from the school seems laggy or out of sorts try giving it an update.

- 1) Turn on the chromebook and log in.
- 2) Click on the bottom right where the date and time is.
- 3) Click on the Gear in the top of that window.
- 4) Click on "About Chrome".
- 5) Your device will check for updates, if not up to date, a blue button that says "Update" will populate.
- 6) Click this to download the update.
- 7) Once the update is complete, you will need to restart the device.