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JANUARY 23, 1964 Walteria Park Class for Pre-School Children Set



ANCHORS AWEIGH . . . This was the scene last Friday at Arlington Elementary School as 250 primary grade children released helium-filled balloons at the mid-point of an experiment in science and geography. The balloons each carried a stamped, self-addressed post card which the

finder of the balloon was asked to date and return to the school. The students will then map the flight of the bal-loons. The project is the product of an inquisitive mind and a film, "The Red Balloon," which the children saw.



FOR PROJECT . . . Three Arlington School children are shown here during a study session for their balloon project. The students, doing research on geography, science, and mathematics, are Marcia Togioka, Raymond Cantelmo, and Kathleen Gordon. The experiment will be complete when post cards, attached to the balloons, are returned and the children are able to map the flight of the balloons.

Calendar for 64-65 School Year Okayed

Experiment **Prompted**

Primary students at Arlington Elementary School are now in the middle of a unique proj-

By Film

in the middle of a unique project.

The project was prompted by a showing of the award-winning film, "The Red Balloon." In the film, a small boy releases a balloon in Paris and proceeds to follow its path across the city. The film aroused the curiosity of the children, so teachers at the school embarked on a special project. project.

Miss Jean Horne, Miss Mary Schulte, and Miss Gloria Brown capitalized on the high interest the youngsters displayed in the film to start the project.

CHILDREN SOON found they would have to study science, mathematics and geography to bring the project to a successful conclusion, so they started by doing some elementary research. Last Friday, the project reached the mid-noist when Students in Torrance will attend classes for 177 days during the 1964-65 school year.

The 1964-65 calendar was adopted by the Board of Education Monday evening.

Classes will begin Sept. 16, day, Washington's birthday,

1964, and end June 18, 1965.

Easter recess, and Memorial Day.

School will recess for two weeks beginning Dec. 21, 1964 for Christmas, and one week for Easter, beginning April 12, 1965. reached the mid-point when some 250 balloons were re-leased by the students. Each balloon contained a

stamped, self-adressed post-card. Finders of the balloons are asked to date the card and write the location where it was found, then mail it back to the school. The children will then map the flight of the balloons.

Students have promised to write a short letter of appreciaion to all those who return the postcards.

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Expansion Studied for Two Schools

Plans to hire an architect to make a master plan study of both Victor and Madrina Elementary Schools received the approval of the Board of Education here this week.

Both schools currently have capacity enrollments and projections for the attendance areas indicate a need to provide for additional students within the next year.

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The two schools are located in areas where construction is booming at the present time. Mrs. Kenneth E. Watts, who visited both schools last week, told her colleagues on the board the Madrona School planning will have to include extensive remodeling to pro-vide adequate central facilities, Victor School, she said, has adequate offices, cafeteria space, and maintenance areas, Both schools are built on

Both schools are built on large sites and can be enlarged by about 200 students, accord-ing to S. E. Waldrip, assistant superintendent of schools for business.

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