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## Fall 2015: Clubs and Classes

Our clubs and classes are free to supporting members. We request a \$2-\$5 (sliding scale based on what you're comfortable with) donation per family for each class day of all others to help support the DLC. Some classes have an additional materials fee listed in the class description.

**NOTE: The DLC is not a drop off program. If you wish to leave the DLC campus while your child is participating in a class, activity, or club, then you must arrange for another parent or caregiver who will be staying on campus to supervise your child.**

### Children Just Like Me: Material World

We will be approaching cultural geography from a more mature perspective, using the fantastic book *Material World* but still playing games, dancing and songs, doing crafts, and eating food to further understanding of the various cultures. Children are encouraged (but not required) to do additional projects, reports, whatever interests them about the country or culture, (especially current events) and present it to the group. Every week a family (or two) volunteers to bring traditional food from the country we are studying. I am looking for enthusiastic kids to participate, who want to be there for the fun of it, not because their parents are making them. Please RSVP to me at [one4shrub@cruzio.com](mailto:one4shrub@cruzio.com) if you are planning to attend (so I'll know how much stuff to get together). Occasional materials fee.

Mondays: 10-12  
Leader: Heather  
Activity Rating: Tangy  
Suggested Donation: \$2-5/family, free to supporting members

### History Through Literature

Each month we will read a different fictional novel based in early modern or modern times. We will learn about the history of that time, share our own research, and discuss the book. Ages 12-15. See more details on our class web page: <http://www.dlcsantacruz.org/clubs-and-classes/history-through-literature>

Tuesdays, beginning September 15th: 12-1pm  
Leader: Heddi  
Activity Rating: Mellow  
Suggested Donation: \$2-5/family, free to supporting members  
Materials fee for some classes, please see DLC newsletter for details.

### Light & Optics

An exploration of light and optics mainly using TOPS Light curriculum with activities from Physics Quest and elsewhere. We will explore these topics in depth with hands-on activities, discussion and writing. Ages 11 and up. Students need to be able to stay focused and read and write independently.

Tuesdays: 2:00-4:00 starts September 22nd  
Leader: Heather and Melody  
Activity Rating: Tangy  
Suggested Donation: \$2-5/family, free to supporting members  
Material Fee: One-time material fee TBA  
RSVP required. Please e-mail Melody at [melody@panttaja.com](mailto:melody@panttaja.com)

### Story Writing Workshop

Prerequisites: There are no suggested ages for this class, instead students need to be able to do the following:

- Write sentences independently
- Complete weekly homework
- Sit through a 10-15 minute lecture
- Engage in courteous discussion

In this class students will learn story writing and basic editing while writing an original piece of fiction. The class will be divided into two units, elements of a story and editing. Each week during elements of a story we will share homework then have a short lecture on that week's topic followed by a quiet activity and, finally, a freewriting period with several writing prompts. In the second unit, editing, we will have a short lecture followed by editing exercises and we will spend most of the class providing feedback on student work.

This class is cumulative, so please make an effort to attend every class. In the editing unit homework will consist of reading and making comments on other students work, therefore is very important that students be capable of doing homework every week.

Students must bring a writing implement, lined paper, and the homework to each class. It is recommended that student also bring a binder or folder with all previous work and handouts in it as it may be useful to refer to previous work in class.

Tuesdays starting Sept. 15th: 10:00-11:30

Leader: Juliet Stubblebine

Activity Rating: Mellow

Suggested Donation: \$2-5/family, free to supporting members

### **Junior Light & Optics**

An exploration of light and optics mainly using TOPS Light curriculum with activities from Physics Quest and elsewhere. We will explore these topics with hands-on activities and discussion. Ages 8-10. Students need an interest in science and the willingness to focus on experiments.

Wednesday: 10-11 starts September 23rd

Leader: Heather and Melody

Activity Rating: Tangy

Suggested Donation: \$2-5/family, free to supporting members

Material Fee: One-time material fee TBA

RSVP required. Please e-mail Melody at [melody@panttaja.com](mailto:melody@panttaja.com)

### **Story of the World Book 4: Modern Times**

Weekly history club for kids approximately ages 9-11 and their parents. We will be using Story of the World, Pt. 4, Modern Times as our guide and we request that you purchase or borrow the book and read the indicated chapters as noted on our class page before attending if possible. At each meeting, we will spend about 20 minutes on a focused discussion of the reading and then we'll do art, projects, and games related to the readings each week. This class will involve more writing and focus than the previous three years.

Wednesdays, beginning September 16th, 12-1pm

Leader: Heddi

Activity Rating: Mellow to Tangy

Suggested Donation: \$2-5/family, free to supporting members

Material Fee: \$2:00 per child most weeks

### **Homeschool Book Club**

The Homeschool Book Club will be meeting once a month, on the first Thursday of the month, starting September 3rd.

Details about our meetings are shared in this yahoo group: <https://groups.yahoo.com/neo/groups/SCHomeschoolBookClub/info>. We ask that you join the yahoo group before attending.

The Santa Cruz Homeschool Book Club is a book club for homeschooled kids. Our groups include:

**Bookworms:** Each month we explore a book through discussion, projects and active play. A chance to share a love of books without having to sit quietly for long periods. Readers between the approximate ages of 6 and 10. It's fine if the kids listen to the books read to them.

First Thursdays: 10am-12 noon  
Activity Rating: Spicy  
Leader: Melody Panttaja  
Suggested Donation: \$2-5/family, free to supporting members

**Bibliophiles:** Exuberant readers approximate ages of 10-14. We read one middle grade novel each month and come together to discuss and experience the book through a variety of multi-sensory activities. Activities are selected to encourage thought about the key cultural, historical and literary elements of each book. Kids are encouraged to participate in the discussion of the chosen book and need to be able to focus on a variety of activities throughout the three hour club time.

First Thursdays: 9:30am-12:30pm  
Activity Rating: Mellow  
Leader: Charlotte McManus-Guthrie  
Suggested Donation: \$2-5/family, free to supporting members

### **Homeschool Writing Club**

The kids will have fun writing and learn how to support each other.

The focus will be on getting ideas out of your head and onto the paper (or computer). At each meeting we'll do a "close" reading of a short piece of literature and then try out the techniques used by the author. We'll also explore different ways to publish and share our work from traditional bookmaking techniques to computer options. No reading or writing required between meetings. Open to all interested writers 10 and up. Reluctant writers and dyslexic/dysgraphic kids are fine, although parents should plan to be a scribe if necessary. Kids should plan to attend regularly.

Three Thursdays a Month: 9:30am-12:30pm  
Activity Rating: Mellow  
Leader: Charlotte McManus-Guthrie  
Suggested Donation: \$2-5/family, free to supporting members

### **Young Entrepreneur Club**

This club aims to provide participants with an opportunity to share and explore their own business ideas, while learning about basic business principals, and acquiring practical tools to start their own endeavors.

If you are interested in participating, please contact Stephie Tucker at [stephie@apis-media.com](mailto:stephie@apis-media.com).

Thursday September 17th: 2-3:30 pm (initial meeting)  
Leader: Stephie  
Activity Rating: Tangy  
Suggested Donation: \$2-5/family, free to supporting members