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Press Release

SOCIAL STUDIES AT SPRING VIEW GOES #IRL DURING LIVING HISTORY DAY



Spring View Middle School Living History Day reenactors and teacher Stacey Pettit, center, prepare for day-long social studies event in prior year.

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[Spring View Middle School](#) students will experience social studies in real life, or #IRL, on Wednesday, June 13, from 8:30 a.m. to 2:20 p.m., when knights, dames, Vikings, Confederate cavalry, a Union general, and more historical figures descend upon the campus. One of the only Orange County schools to offer this kind of learning opportunity, Spring View Middle School will host Living History Day for sixth through

eighth graders. Throughout the day, students will explore history through presentations and hands-on activities with a host of reenactors. The day includes an interactive performance by multicultural theater group, Will and Company, of Homer's "The Odyssey." The performance is part of the sixth grade's Greek mythology studies. The final performance will take place at 1 p.m.

While sixth graders meet Greek gods and follow Odysseus on his 20-year journey to Troy and back, seventh graders will be introduced to textiles, weaponry, runes, food, and a battle by Vikings. They will then meet knights, dames and ladies from daily life in the Adrian Empire, before viewing a "battle." Also during the day, eighth grade students will learn about Civil War reporting, women's roles in the Civil War and daily life, and meet members of both the Confederate and Union militaries.

According to Spring View teacher and event coordinator Stacey Pettit, students love interacting with the reenactors and watching them perform, particularly when they battle in armor and with historic weaponry.

This is the seventh year of Living History Day at Spring View, which is located at 16662 Trudy Lane in Huntington Beach. For more information or to attend Living History Day as a member of the press, please contact [Julie Jennings](#), Public Information Manager, OVSD.

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