



FALL 2020

FALL 2020 Meeting the Moment

The pandemic, distance learning and the ongoing closure of many vital local resources are forcing Santa Fe families into whole new ways of coping. Local organizations, program directors, teachers, parents, children and our public school district are responding with creativity, resourcefulness and compassion. Art institutions like [ARTsmart](#) and [ArtWorks](#); nature organizations including the [New Mexico Wildlife Center](#) and the [Pajarito Environmental Education Center](#); the [Santa Fe Alliance for Science](#); [CASA First Judicial District](#); the [Santa Fe Public Schools](#); and even the [Kiwanis Club of Santa Fe](#), sponsors of the annual burning of Zozobra, are meeting the challenges of 2020 in inspiring ways. [Read on.](#)

Cover kids: Nico is 8, and Natalie just turned 5. Nico loves reading, history and spending every possible moment skiing during the winter. Natalie prefers playing, dancing and most of all doing art. Both attend [Journey Montessori School](#). They are back in school and thrilled to be outside learning with their friends! *Photo © Carolyn Bauer*

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Artwork in this issue is by seventh and eighth graders in Megan Avina's classes at Santa Fe's [Milagro Middle School](#); and by Carol Schrader's middle-grade students at [El Camino Real Academy](#), created with visiting artist [Israel Haros Lopez](#).

Tumbleweeds, after 25 years in print, is now the online resource for Santa Fe Families, full of news, views and to-dos for families living in or visiting Santa Fe and northern New Mexico.



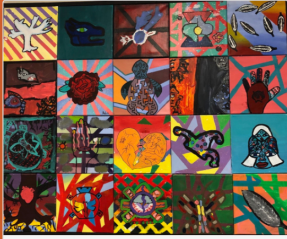
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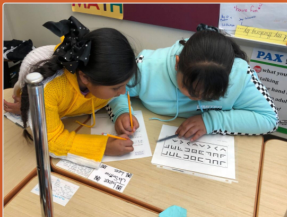
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By Claudette Sutton

Oh, 2020. You came in like a lamb, and you've been roaring like a lion ever since.



STEM: Inspiring the Scientist in Every Student

By Judy Reinhartz

Get to know the Santa Fe Alliance for Science and what it can bring to your classroom.



Noisy Acorns: Kindness Rocks, and So Do CASA First Youth Ambassadors

By Liana Star

Teens help address New Mexico's disregarded epidemic of child abuse and neglect.



Teens: Milestones



Education: Back to School in a Changing World

By Kate Noble

Santa Fe School Board president offers practical suggestions and guiding principles for this period of transition.



Elementary: Solutions at our Fingertips

By Erin De Rosa

ArtWorks, an experiential art program for Santa Fe students and teachers, shifts lessons and exhibitions online.



Celebrations: Zozobrazo at Home

By Jennifer Villela

What do we do with our gloom this year? Make our favorite New Mexico foods, watch Zozobra's first no-crowd burn on TV or online, and dance!



Preschool: Two Moms, Two Decisions

By Cristina Rubio and Alma DeMange

Los Alamos friends and neighbors choose different options for 2020-21 school year.



Arts: So Much to Share

By Sarah Mandala

ARTsmart and the Community Educators Network support students with hands-on learning materials in digital times.



Nature: PEEC Advice? Take It Outside!

By Siobhan Niklasson

Observing seasonal patterns brings comfort in an uncertain time.



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Missed, Plans Rerouted

By Ivy St. Clair

A Santa Fe High senior shares how COVID-19 has uprooted her teenage experience.

Nature: Migrating, Stocking Up, Rutting and Molting

By Jessica Schlarbaum

Autumn is the season of change for New Mexico wildlife. Learn how to spot the signs.

WHAT DOES FEELING ISOLATED LOOK LIKE?

A sketching prompt that Megan Avina gave her Milagro Middle School 7th and 8th graders during their first week back to school. They used whatever materials they had at home to draw.



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