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STORIES AND ARTWORK FROM OUR PRIMROSE PANDAS!!



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interviews**

**Stories and
comics**

**Puzzles, riddles
and lots, lots more!**

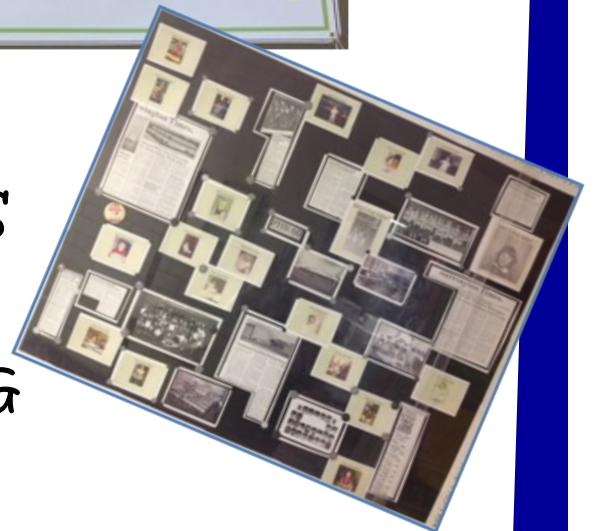
Roses are red,
violets are blue.

PHS is our home to you!

Art and poem by *Katarina Whitney*



PHS
CELEBRATES
60 YEARS
OF LEARNING



News about what's happening at Primrose!

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Poetry

My Racehorse

by Caroline Kelly

illustrated by Katarina Whitney

Along the track he cruises
 Avoiding all the looses
 An end is coming to the track
 And he's ahead of the rest of the pack
 At last, an end to the race
 And my horse has won first place



Evil Snowman

by Emma Larrivee and Emily Galvin

Evil Snowman. Evil Snowman.
 He steals your lunch money.
 Evil Snowman is taking over the world with
 his army of evil snow balls
 Evil Snowballs.
 Evil Snowballs are taking over the world
 with their leader Evil Snowman.

Here I am again!



By Olivia Hecht

Papers, pencils, backpacks, lunch stacks.
 Time for school, time for school.
 Classrooms and teachers. Primrose Hill is awesome.
 Learning is cool. Time for school.
 Friendship, respect, safety, and kindness.
 Responsible, Responsible.
 Scissors, books, and glue. Friends both old and new.
 School is cool, school is cool.
 Paper, pencils, backpack lunch stacks.
 Time for school, time for school.
 There are classroom teachers, Primrose Hill is awesome.
 Learning is cool, End of school!



Magazine Advisors

Miss O'Kane and Mr. Sangiuliano

Big thanks to our Assistant Advisor
 Abigail Tutt for helping us put this
 issue together.

Teacher Talk: Interviews with Primrose Staff



About Mrs. Tuttt

by *Malia Vilella and Alexandra McKenzie*

We recently interviewed Mrs. Tuttt and this is what we found out:

What does she do for fun? She likes to go on the boat and go to the beach with her family.

What is her favorite color? It is aquamarine.

What is her favorite dessert? It is black forest cake.

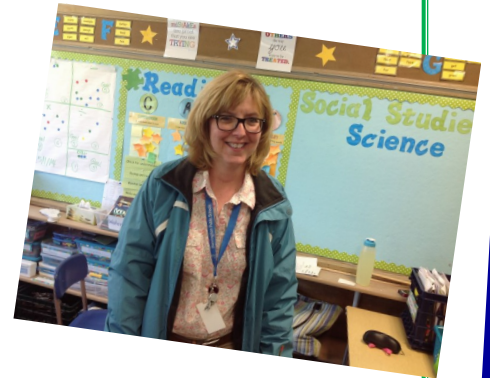
What is her favorite book? It is Little House on the Prairie.

What does she like about teaching? How excited kids get when we learn something new.

What is her favorite subject? Science, because it brings in writing.

Why did she want to be a teacher? Because she likes spending time with kids.

We hope you learned a lot about Mrs. Tuttt!



Interview with Mrs. Morrisette

by *Virginia Sanderson*

What is your favorite food?

Chocolate

What is your favorite movie?

Bull Durham

What do you do in your spare time?

Cook

What was your first job?

Newspaper reporter

What is the most exciting place you have been to?

Bermuda

If you were stranded on an island for a year, what three things would you bring?

Book, writing journal, and a pen

Ms. O’Kane

by *Tucker Squires*

Ms. O’Kane started teaching in Korea in 2009. Her favorite food is lobster. She wanted to be a librarian because she loves reading!! Her favorite children’s book is The Giving Tree. Her first job was at a public library shelving books. She has one younger sister. Her first birthday party was ice skating. She lived in MA. Last but not least, her favorite animal is the meerkat.



PHS teachers are the best!





Myths and Folktales

Why the Mountain Lion Has No Mane by *Caroline Kelley*

Once, long ago in Africa, there were two prides of lion. One were rulers, the royal family. They were strong, wise, and fair, and lived to protect Africa. The others were young foolish, skittish creatures. They thought of themselves as fierce and brave, and often performed daring stunts for the animals of Africa. Each had been hurt multiple times, yet that didn't stop them from doing things such as leaping into the gorge. All of the other animals were tired of watching those useless acts. The royal lions called together all the animals for a meeting while the other lions were out hunting. "The performing lions are injuring themselves too often. They can't act this way anymore. And, to tell you the truth, their stunts aren't very attractive either" all the animals thought. At last, old wise baboon motioned the king over. "I have a plan." He whispered the plan into the king's ear. The king smiled. "Good" he remarked. The next day the king approached one of the performing lions and said "You have all been doing the same kind of act lately. We want something with thrills. How about you climb Spike Mountain?"



Spike Mountain was the only mountain in Africa, and one of the tallest in the world. It was covered in spikes of rock. "Why didn't I think of that?" he exclaimed, and took off. The performance was to be that very night. The animals all watched them leap and do tricks. But one lion leaped to near a spike of rock. He was hung by his mane. The other lions tried to help him. But, alas, their manes also stuck. "Help us!" they shrieked, and old wise baboon climbed up slowly. He drew his saber, not showing it to the lions. Old wise baboon snuck behind them and neatly sliced off their beautiful manes. "Oh thank you!" the lions cried, and shook their manes, except there was no mane. Turning bright red, the lions screamed and raced up Spike Mountain, mortally ashamed. And there they have stayed, hiding, so no one will see them without their mane.



Theseus and the Minotaur as retold by *Ronnie Randle* by *Drew Texiera and Paul Dulchinos*

A long time ago near Greece, there was an island with a maze in it and in the center of that maze lived a Minotaur. A Minotaur is half man half bull. Back in Greece, there was a boy named Theseus who was determined to slay the Minotaur. To help Theseus, Aphrodite gave him lots of thread to not get lost. In the end, Theseus in a very hard battle slaying the Minotaur and returning back to the Athens where they live.



How the Dog Got its Bark by *Talya Traub-Cooper*

This is the story of how the dog got its bark. There once lived a dog who always tried to tell people stuff but never could because he doesn't have any way to communicate. One day the dog was playing in a field. The dog suddenly saw a bear. The dog was running for his life. By accident, the dog ran into the bear instead of going the other way. The dog banged into the bear so hard that the dog's neck started getting stiff and hard and it felt like something was growing in the dog's lungs. The dog realized that he could bark. The dog was so amazed. The best part was the dog scared the bear away. That is how the dog got its bark.

CAUTION! KITTY! by Sabrina Drew

One day my friend Mea was over for a play date. I was 6 years old, and it was spring. I have two cats. I have a very vicious kitty and a lazy cat. Me, my sisters, and my friend Mea were playing dolls and we took a break. I found my kitty and the other cat on the couch. And...ouch!!!! I forgot that my kitty was ticklish (and let's just say I got a little too close to her belly...) I don't judge. I'm ticklish around the belly, too! And also, Ouch!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

It started to bleed and my kitty scratched me..."again!" I started to bleed really badly! "Ouch!" I said again. I remembered what was the first thing to do if a cat scratches you - wash it! So I ran down the hallway and washed it. "Ouch!" "Ouch!" "Ouch!" "Ouch!" I shouted. It burned when I washed it. I bled even more! My dad said that saliva helps. I sucked on it. It worked. And it felt better. And she never scratched me again!



By Grace Tarro



By Helena DeFanti and Leah Jacobson

Woof, woof.
Meow.



CATS and DOGS

By Madeleine Schmucker



Helping Dogs by Helena Defanti

Did you know that millions of dogs die a year because they have a sickness like heartworm or cancer? Do you want that to stop? Well, if you do, you can do simple things that will help your dog have a healthier, longer, and happier lifestyle. For example, you can get your dog spayed or neutered. That means you give your dog an operation so your dog will not have puppies because surely you don't want 15 little puppies tearing up your house. I know because I have a puppy myself. So, you would probably give them to an animal shelter or pet store. Sometimes they get put down because they don't get adopted. It also gives your dog a longer, healthier, and happier lifestyle.

You can also give your dog medicine that will prevent your dog from getting heartworm and other viruses. So, if you want to save dogs we can all come together and be a team. I hope we can all come together to save and love animals like we save and love our family. I hope I put an image in your mind that we need to save dogs. Please pass this on to 2 people or more. If you get this started, we can be like dominos. One person makes a difference then everyone else will follow.

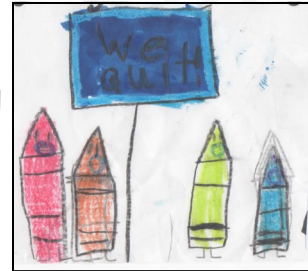


Read a Good Book Lately???

The Day the Crayons Quit

by Addyson Whittet and Charlotte Tisdale

Poor Duncan just wants to color. But when he opens his box of crayons, he finds only letters all saying the same thing: "we quit". Beige is tired of playing second place!



Primrose Hill Pandas
Love to READ!!!



Family Book Club by Ruby W.

My favorite book we read for family book club was The One and Only Ivan by Katherine Applegate. It is a book about a gorilla called Ivan that lives in the BigTop Mall in a cage. But when a baby elephant called Ruby arrives, his friend Stella the Elephant dies, Mack starts training Ruby to be the trick Elephant in the part-time circus, Ruby is starting to get miserable. Can Ivan help her become happy? With the help of Julia, a girl with really good art talents, Ivan draws a picture that changes his and Ruby's destiny.

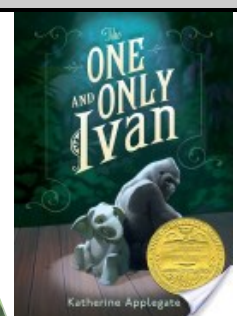
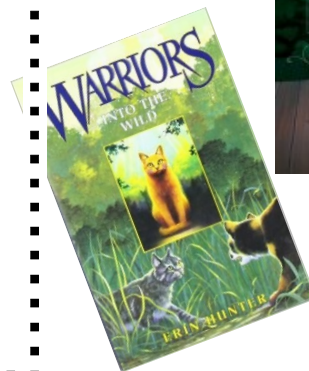
What we do at family book club is sign in, do the first thing, and then we discuss the book. Family book clubs are really fun!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Warriors #1 Into the Wild

(Book by Erin Hunter)

Review by Caroline Kelley

In *Into the Wild*, an ordinary house cat named Rusty is bored with being a cat. So one day, when he ventures into the woods, he meets a group of wild cats and is taken into their camp. When Rusty elects to stay, whole new adventures spring out into his life! Renamed Firepaw, Rusty hunts for the cats, forms rock-solid friends with Greypaw and Spotted Leaf and discovers his destiny. This series continues...a lot. It's good for ages 8+. Warning! May upset younger readers.



Holidays!

Mother's Day by Virginia Sanderson

Mother's Day is a day to celebrate moms. They are really great because they stay home from work when you are sick. They feed you and buy very expensive things for you. Moms are terrific because they always tell you that you can tell them anything. They like to help you with projects and take you to see fun things like movies. Moms are great so on Mother's Day, celebrate and give your mom a hug.



By Anonymous

Holidays in Portugal by Samuel Jewell

Three to 6 months ago, I did Iran holidays. But, let me tell you about Portugalian holidays. Carnaval is celebrated in Portugal and Rio de Janeiro. Only that Portugal's Carnaval is a bit more interesting. Easter is supposed to be fun. But it's as Catholic as Palm Sunday. In Portugal, that is. Baby Jesus, songs, parades, oh my! Another one is Fatima. This little holiday celebrates the final appearance by Virgin Mary before three shepards. I bet it happened in Virgin-ia. Ha-ha! The miracle of Moore is really weird. They say that the ghost of Baby Jesus appeared in a church in 1996. He still does by the way. Instead of being freaked out, they prayed as usual. But it was just a trick of light Watch out, Macaroni salad! Fiesta de Sao Joao has an even weirder looking food, caldo verde (tons of green). It also has fireworks, bonfires, and a famous story. Fiesta dos Oceanos obviously celebrated the ocean. There are food fairs, exhibitions, and more stuff. They also serve codfish cakes. Bon voyage is another one and it celebrates Prince Henry providing that someone can cross the ocean. Here's everyone's favorite holiday - Christmas. But the reason it's called that is it was the birthday of Baby Jesus. In fact, the first Christmas Eve was made in 1560 by none other than the Christ family. Saint Martin's Day is actually the last one here. It's all about wine. I'm surprised that Portugal celebrates Baby Jesus. A lot! I hope you liked this. Bye!

This list is dedicated to the fiestas in Portugal:

Carnaval
Easter
Fatima
Miracle of Moore
Fiesta de Sao Joao
Festas gnalteniaros
Fiesta dos Oceanos
Bon Voyage
Christmas

Happy Holidays!



The Ghost by *Emma Larrivee*

Once I was sitting down typing and I stopped typing and went to get a snack. I went back to my computer and wasn't paying attention. I looked back again and I saw this...

Avery has been here. Look out the window.

I looked at the window and I saw...

Watch your back. I'm watching you. I am a ghost.

I freaked out. I was all alone at home, too. It couldn't have been a sibling. Then that's when I saw it. It was.....

MY BEST FRIEND ELL!!!!!!! She said she was attempting to freak me out. Obviously it worked.



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WOW!

The Evil Sports Day of Doom by *Aidan Cummings*

I was 4 years old in the spring. It was meeting time and everybody had to pick an activity. I picked sports and I was coming to my side but I wasn't looking. A girl was coming my way. We smashed near my eye. It was bleeding. I needed to go to the hospital and my dad had to pick me up. There was a puppet show at the hospital. It was very funny. This monkey was drawing a picture of his mom and all these animals came and were telling him that he was wrong when he was right. Then it was my turn and they put stitches near my eye. It was so close to my eye, it almost touched my eye. And after that I went home and I had a donut.



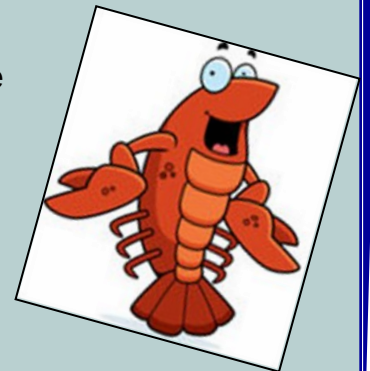
Even Patty the Panda loves all the great work in the Magical Magazine!



Animoto by *Grace Tarro*

Mr. Sanguiliano teaches a technology class that I was chosen to participate in. It is an awesome class! Right now, we are working on a process called Animoto. Let me explain what Animoto is. Animoto is when you make a video from Google images you find online. I made a video about crayfish. First you start by picking a topic you are interested in, like crayfish. You then find images of crayfish and save these images.

You then go back to the Animoto website and choose music and a background to use with your images. Once you have the images, music, and background, put all together and you have created your Animoto video. You can check out some cool Animoto videos by 2nd and 3rd graders on our PHS website! And that's how you make your Animoto video.





LET'S PLAY!

Sports by Madeleine Schmucker

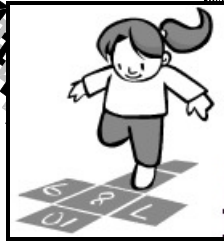
If you like sports, you should sign up because every year I sign up for soccer because I like sports. Sports can encourage you to get active and play outside. There are many different kinds of sports you can play, like soccer, baseball, basketball, softball, football, lacrosse, hockey, polo, swimming, and many more. Sports can get you healthy and get you in shape. I think you should do sports. I do sports and I think you'll like them.

Recess is awesome!



By Ava Hentz

I wonder which recess you like better: outdoor or indoor? Well, in my opinion, outdoor is better! Here are some reasons why I like outdoor. In the field, you can play and you can feel free. Indoor recess, you just stay at your desk. I am a person who likes to get exercise and that is perfect for outdoor recess. You get to run around when you play outside! When it is winter, you get to play in the snow and I love snow! I don't get to see my friends in indoor recess. But outdoor is just right for playing with friends! Those are my reasons why outdoor recess is better! I love outdoor recess!

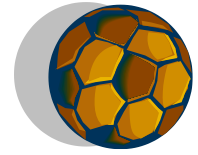


By AJ Diorio

Which recess do you like better – outdoor or indoor? I prefer outdoor and not indoor. You get to run all around outside. You can play tag, races, and just run around. You can play in the snow. You can build a snowman in the winter. You can play on the playground. You can climb all of the bars and play on the swings. You can play in the field. You can play on the kickball field and the regular field and the court. You can see friends that were in your class last year. You can play under the tree. You can play in the dirt. That's some of the reasons why I like outdoor recess better than indoor recess. I hope you do too.



Soccer Players *by Liam O'Neal*



David Beckham is a really good soccer player with great speed and reactions. When Beckham joined Real Madrid (the Spanish team), they won the Spanish Cup that year, thanks to Beckham. When Beckham was 16, he helped Manchester United win the youth soccer championship and they hadn't won it since 1964. Manchester United won three league championships thanks to Beckham.

Cristiano Ronaldo is an awesome soccer player. He has strong shots and makes great passes. Even when Ronaldo was young, soccer was very important to him. He worked very hard as a young boy and became well known. His professional career got started at Manchester United where he won international fame. Then he got transferred to Real Madrid in 2009 for 132 million dollars or 94 million Euros. In 2008, Ronaldo got FIFA World Player of the Year. During his career with Manchester United, he won an FA Cup, two Carling Cups and one Champions League Cup.



Lionel Messi (nicknamed Leo) is a great dribbler and shooter. As a young boy, Messi was uninterested in soccer, but one day, when his brothers were playing the game, he decided to join them. His brothers were impressed with his accuracy and good dribbling. Then a local coach needed a player. Lionel's grandmother told him about Lionel who was a year too young to join the team. Lionel's grandmother told the coach to give him a chance to show his talent. The coach let him have a chance and was impressed. Leo made the team and won many games with them. Then, Leo got a chance to try out for FC Barcelona at age eleven. That year, he led them to the FIFA under-20 World Cup. In the finals, he shot two penalty shots and made both which led them to victory. That year, he went to the Beijing Olympics, won all the games, and got the gold medal. Also, Neymar is on Lionel's Messi's team.

They're both on FC Barcelona. Neymar is a great player like Lionel. Neymar and Messi help each other alot. Neymar has great skill. With Messi's awesome scoring and Neymar's skill, they're unstoppable together!



How well do you follow directions?
 Print the words IAMCOOL.
 Change the second to last letter to "S"
 Remove the only "A"
 Put a "P" and a "R" at the beginning
 Change the last letter to an "E"
 Change the "C" to an "R"
 What do you see now?

Just for fun!

By Tucker Squires and Quincy Burke



Sounds like me!

Pandas by Wesley Van Leer

Did you know red pandas are not pandas? Well, they aren't. Pandas live in China. Also, a panda is our mascot. Patty the Panda.

Also, giant pandas are the size of American black bears.

That's pretty big!

To sum up, pandas eat bamboo.

Scorpions by Alan Weng

Some scorpions live in the desert and forest. Also, scorpions are poisonous, plus scorpions have 8 legs. Another thing is scorpions have poisonous tails.

Furthermore, scorpions have 2 eyes. Plus, scorpions are black and orange and red. To sum up, scorpions live in hot places.



By Emma Larrivee

The Magical Magazine editor Emily Galvin got interviewed by me. I learned that her favorite foods are spaghetti and ice cream. Her favorite colors are pink, purple, and she specified "baby blue"! She has 4 siblings (2 sisters, 2 bros)! She loves to design, sing, dance, and put on fashion shows.



By Abigail Branco

I am going to tell you about my sister Emily. She is 2 years old and her birthday is November 3. She has kind of blonde hair. She likes to play with me. She knows my name. She knows how to talk. To sum up, I love my sister.



PHS students are great writers!



The Car Trip by Zoe Rocheleau

One day in spring, I took a car trip to Vermont. I was six years old. Me and my brother were so excited but then Iwell, threw up! I was so embarrassed, more than I've ever been embarrassed in my entire life! My mom and dad cleaned it up. I felt like I was going to die. Then I did it again! Then my mom and dad cleaned it up again. Then we turned around. I was so bummed that we couldn't go to Vermont. I could tell my mom was grossed out by me. When we got back home, my dad called and said we couldn't go! I was still bummed that we couldn't go. I wished that I never threw up! Then I did it again, but this time it was in the toilet. Ok, I know I said this twice but I'm saying it again. I was still bummed. Then I felt like two things, sad and bad. I wish I never got the stomach bug. Oh well...

The 100th day of School by Mitchell Ivatts

'Twas the night before the 100th day of school. He should have been excited, but Max was worried because everybody had to bring one hundred things. Max got all of his toy dinosaurs out. He counted all of them. He only had 49! Then he called his friends from his class. He asked what his friends were going to bring in. Katy was bringing pencils, Jimmy was brings cars, and KJ had one hundred cards. But Max didn't have anything to bring! Oh no! So he went to bed. In the morning, he was even more worried. Suddenly, Max had an idea - he could bring in fifty hockey cards and fifty football cards. That makes one hundred cards. So he ran upstairs to get some football and hockey cards. He counted all of his cards and he had exactly 100! The next day at school, everybody had something to share. After they all shared, they enjoyed the 100th day of school cake. Max divided all of his cards into 20 piles of 5, 10 piles of 10, 5 piles of 20, and 2 piles of 50. And, no matter how he mixed it up, he still got one hundred and they all had a good 100th day of school.

Time for Math

By Katarina Whitney
& Caroline Kelley

For everyone

Caroline has 400 books. Katarina has 566 books. How many more books does Katarina have than Caroline?

Third Grade Problems

1. $10 \times 20 = ?$
2. $100,000 \times 646 = ?$
3. $865 + 1000 = ?$
4. $9896 \times 6983 = ?$

Second Grade Problems

1. $8 \times 9 = ?$
2. $78 \times 4 = ?$
3. $5 \times 8 = ?$
4. $90 \times 90 = ?$

First Grade Problems

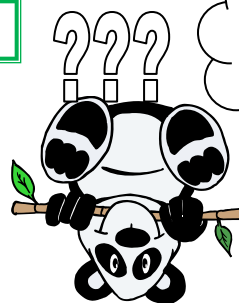
1. $25 + 29 = ?$
2. $90 + 20 = ?$
3. $23 + 50 = ?$
4. $5 \times 5 = ?$



Kindergarten and PreK Problems

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|------------------|----------------|
| 1. $51 + 32 = ?$ | 1. $9 + 2 = ?$ |
| 2. $18 + 20 = ?$ | 2. $4 + 2 = ?$ |
| 3. $19 + 36 = ?$ | 3. $9 + 1 = ?$ |
| 4. $90 + 10 = ?$ | 4. $9 + 9 = ?$ |

Here are the math answers, upside down like me!



Challenge problem for all:

$111111111 \times 111111111 = ?$

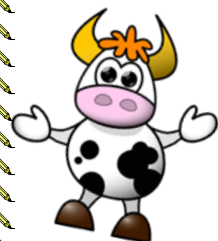
MATH ANSWERS

Everyone: 166
First Grade: 1.54, 2.110, 3.73, 4.25
Kindergarten: 1.83, 2.38, 3.55, 4.100
Second Grade: 1.72, 2.312, 3.40, 4.1

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Kindergarten: 1.83, 2.38, 3.55, 4.100

Pre-K: 1.11, 2.6, 3.10, 4.18
Challenge: 12345678
Cows: 63

A rancher has 73 cows. He goes bankrupt and sells 26 cows. With that money, he buys 18 more. Tragedy strikes and 2 cows are eaten by a mountain lion. How many cows does the rancher have left?



Riddles, puzzles, and comics...

By Megan Dupre

By Shaye Robinson and Olivia Hecht

Q: There was a guy. He saw a mansion and there was no electricity. He walked into the mansion and he saw a circular door and a square door.

Pick a door: circle or square?

Q: Then he saw a star door and a diamond door.

Pick a door: star or diamond?

Q: Then he saw a rectangular door and a triangular door.

Pick a door: rectangle or triangle?

Q: Then he saw an oval door and a heart door.

Pick a door: oval or heart?

Q: Then he went to a room. There was no way out. He had two choices. Go in an electric chair or jump off a cliff.

Pick: the electric chair or jump off a cliff?

If you picked the electric chair, you are alive because there was no electricity. If you picked the cliff, you are wrong.

RIDDLES BY TAYLOR by Taylor Phillips

1. There was a 1 story house and everything inside was purple. Inside it, the table, tv, computer, floor, bookshelf, everything was purple. What color were the stairs?
2. You are in a house with no windows or doors, and you only have a table and a mirror. How do you get out?
3. Throw me off a building but I will not break. Throw me in a river and I will disintegrate. What am I?
4. What never gets any wetter no matter how much rain falls on it?

Take a moment to try to figure these out, then turn upside down for the answers!



1. It was a one story house. There were no stairs! 2. You look at the mirror, see what you saw, take the saw, cut the table in half, two halves make a whole, jump out the hole! 3. A tissue



Piglet, time to eat



Food. I hope it's chili.



I hope it doesn't get cold.



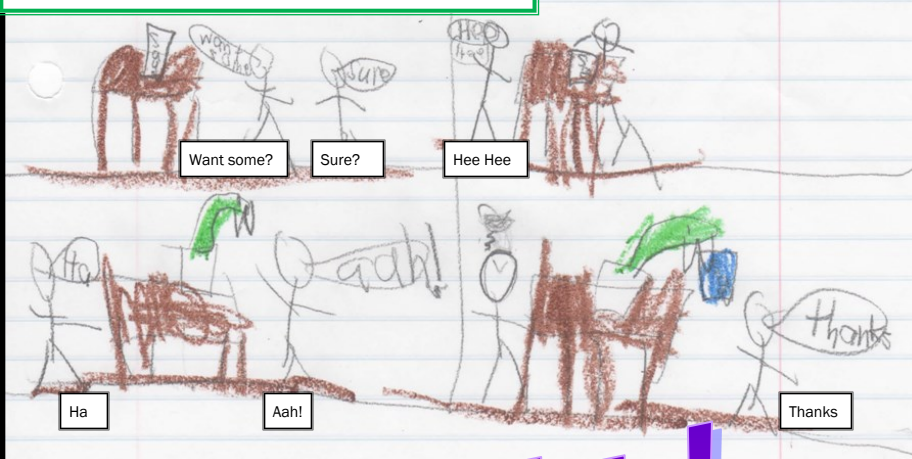
That pig must be in China or NY by now



Where have you been?
Oink.

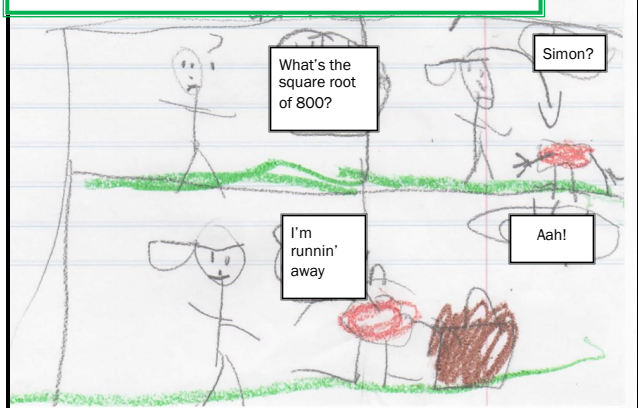


Snake in a Can by Sam Jewell



PHS Artists!

I'M RUNNIN' AWAY by Sam Jewell



By Lily Gonsalves



Winter is fun. It's the time to have a good time.



By Simon Robbins



By Alexandra McKenzie

Winter is a time to have fun and play in the snow all day.



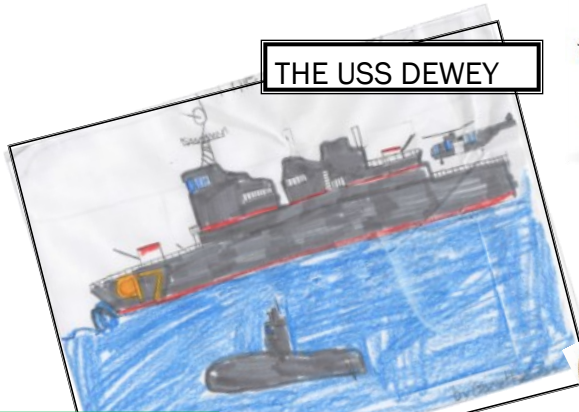
By Ava Hentz

Winter is fun. It's the time of year to build snowmen of cheer!



By Zoe Rocheleau





THE USS DEWEY

By Garrett Wohlrab



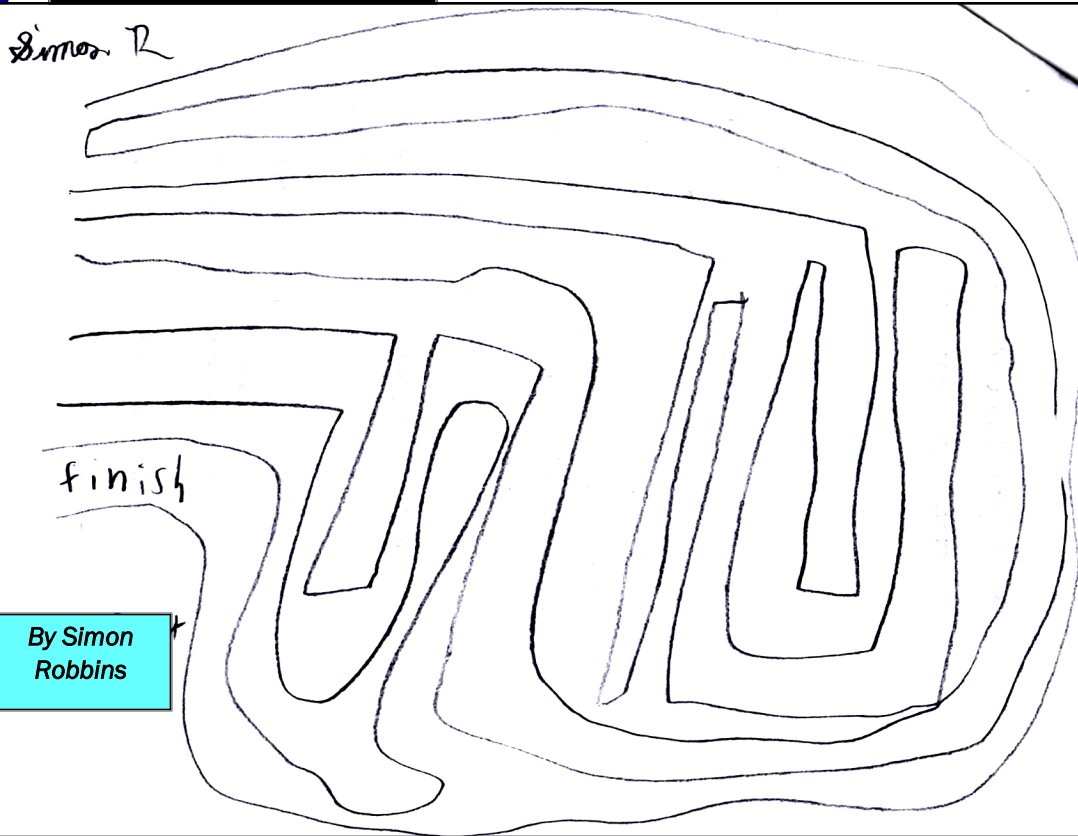
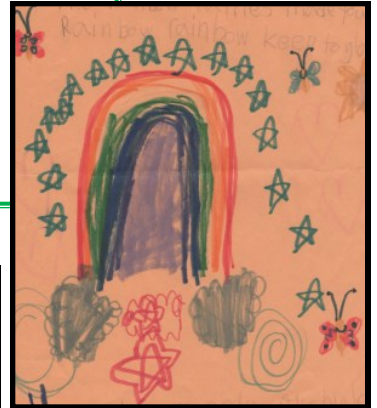
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First ship on the moon

By Virginia Sanderson

RAINBOW, RAINBOW by Mariela Alschuler
Rainbow rainbow smiling through.
People always smile at you.
The rainbow fairies made you so.
Rainbow rainbow keep to glow



By Simon Robbins

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