SCHOOL NEWS

How can you tell a spring flower is friendly?

It will have a lot of new buds.

Are you beginning to feel the days getting longer? Summer is slowly approaching and soon enough, the buds in our gardens will turn into beautiful flowers. And the last day of our school year will creep up on us. But for now, let's enjoy spring break. There have been so many fun things at our school in the past few months. From field trips to mad science, things really haven't been half bad here. Sure, there's more free time over our break, but that doesn't mean we can forget the memories we made just after our new year!

On February 15, 4th and 5th grade went rock climbing at Gravity Vault for a field trip! It wasn't for everyone, but most people really enjoyed it. Whether you were climbing up every wall you saw, or stuck to your easy favorites, just for the fun of it, you were bound to have fun! The next day, the Harlem Wizards basketball team was playing the Beacon Heartbreakers, our teachers! Mrs. Biordi did a fantastic job on the court with Mr. Koval as referee! On February 19, we had an exciting, fun assembly for mad science! A few fifth graders got interviewed about what they made of the assembly.

On March 15, the 4th and 5th graders had a special person breakfast. The students who participated brought an adult who meant a lot to them and they had a delicious breakfast at school! Next, we had a book bash! The purpose was to bring all four elementary schools closer together. There were mystery readers and even a teddy bear sleepover! Not to mention crafts, and other fun activities.

On the 18th, it was the day to take pictures of everyone in clubs, with their clubs. You can imagine how crowded the halls were with students and teachers all having somewhere to be all at the same time! Next up, the kindergarten classes went on a field trip to Sharpe Reservation like the 5th grade does at the end of the year, only they were just there in school hours.

Soon enough, it was the half day before break and we said our goodbyes. I hope everyone has a fabulous break and spends time with family. We will then have to leap back into school routines after our one week, so be sure to enjoy the piles of fun while it lasts... before the piles of homework. Happy Easter, Purim, and on the 23rd, it's National Puppy Day AND National Cuddly Kitten Day!

By: Samara Friedman Quinn, Grade 5





STAFF SPOTLIGHT



Ms. Biordi

By: Kay Reeves, Grade 4

Did you always want to be a principal?

My love for being a principal kind of evolved over time. When I was a kid I wanted to be a teacher and when I became a teacher I loved it so much that I wanted to see and work with more kids so I became a principal.

What's your favorite book?

My favorite book is Clayton Parker Really Really Needs to Pee because my son likes to read it with me.

What's your favorite animal?

My favorite animal is a bearded dragon because they are very interesting animals.

What's your favorite subject?

My favorite subject is social studies because I always liked learning about people's stories.

What is your best hobby?

My favorite hobby is exercising.

What's your favorite color?

My favorite color is yellow.

HOW TO...

How to Make Pancakes

By: Madelein Devin, Grade 3

First: One cup of mix. Second: Add ¾ milk. Third: One egg.

Fourth: Put the oil on the griddle.

Fifth: While the oil is heating up, warm maple syrup.

Sixth: Cook pancakes on griddle.

Seventh: when the pancakes are bubbly, flip the pancakes.

Eighth: When pancakes are cooked, keep in a warm 200 degree oven.

While cooking the rest of the batch.

Ninth: Serve pancakes, with butter and syrup.

Tenth: EAT PANCAKES! Enjoy!



THINK OUTSIDE THE BOX

It's not a snowman. It's...



a gingerbread house! Layla Feller, Grade 1



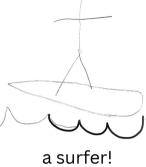
a cat! Merit Roan, Grade 4



a daisy! Mackenzie Pantaleone, Grade 2



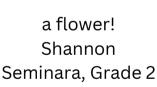
a caterpillar! Oona Giunta, Grade 4



Benjamin Storti-Roberts, Grade 2



a caterpillar! Thomas Moore, Grade 2





Grade K



a sunflower! Mila Kuc, Grade 2



a human! Freddy Wilson, Grade K



a monster! Flint Reeves, Grade 3



an avocado that's been eaten! Alessandra Guerra, Grade 4



grapes! Orla Zalewski, Grade 3



a foot! Kay Reeves, Grade 4



a dress! Sage Friedman Quinn, Violet Mas, Grade K



a girl! Grade K

MYTH BUSTERS

There are myths that your parents tell you just so you won't do them or do they? What we're going to do is find out if they are true or your parents are lying to you. (Why they are, that is something we still don't know).

1. If you swallow gum it will stay in your stomach for 7 years

This is definitely not true. If you swallow gum like any other food that your body can't break down, your body will get rid of that food item. But still don't swallow gum - there is a reason your parents lie about it...

2. If you cross your eyes they will get stuck like that forever

That myth is not true but crossing your eyes can give you headaches and it could damage your eyes. Crossing your eyes is likely just going to give you headaches so it is your choice if you just want to ignore the head aches and make your friends laugh.

3. If you swallow a black watermelon seed a watermelon plant will grow in your stomach

This is obviously false. I know that my parents would not tell me something like this unless they were joking. If you do eat a black watermelon seed do not worry there will not be any plants growing out of you; they are perfectly safe and digestible.

4. If you eat a lot of sugar or something with sugar you will be very hyperactive

So you might be thinking that this is true. I was also thinking that sugar makes you hyper, but it doesn't, it does make you pay less attention but only if you eat something with high sugar.

5. If you go outside with your hair wet on a cold day you will get a cold

This is not true though you might feel cold and uncomfortable but you will not catch a cold so even if you wore nothing but a thin blanket outside you still will not get a cold because to get a cold you have to go near someone who has the symptoms of a cold or some that many people have touched where there are more germs than fingerprints.(do not think im saying this to give you ideas). speaking of the horrible name that might throw you off from the truth "cold".

6. If you stare too close to the tv it will ruin your eye site

Staring too close to the tv will not ruin your eye site though it might give you a headache and might straighten your eyes but you have a less chance of your eye getting damaged when your young than an adult staring at the tv but it will not make you go blind but i would still stick to sitting on the couch or anything that is a couple feet away from the tv if you don't want a headache.

Remember not all things your parents say are lies and most of them are true and are for your well being!



By: Reina Cygan, Grade 4

WOULD YOU RATHER

By: Evan Zalewski, Grade 4

Would you rather hear color or see sound?

Would you rather go in a lake of piranhas or in a field of vicious dogs?

Would you rather be gorgeous but poor or ugly but richer than Jeff Bezos?

Would you rather be a blind superhero or a deaf president?

Would you rather be the strongest person or the smartest person?

Would you rather eat a rotten apple or moldy bread?

Would you rather pick a cat therapist or a dog lawyer?

Would you rather only eat vegetables or only eat meat?

SPRING BREAK IDEAS

By: Orla Zalewski, Grade 3

Here are some places to go to for spring break

You can go to big places like a hotel or just a fun place like the park. You could also go to get ice cream. Or you can go to a whole new state or city. There are lots of places you can go to. Here are some more. You can go out for dinner with your family. You can go to the beach or maybe the store. That is everything you can do for spring break.

STAR LIKES

THE SUPER BOWL

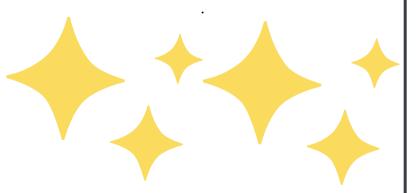
This story is about things that faculty and students like.

- 1. Eli B said soccer
- 2. Taylor said Taylor Swift
 - 3. Kai-lee said Messi
 - 4. Patrick said pizza
- 5. Dakota said chocolate candy bars
 - 6. Henry said Sonic
 - 7. Orla said pigs
 - 8. Madelyn said pasta
 - 9. Madelein said video games
 - 10. Amani said sushi
 - 11. Mr. C said recess
 - 12. Ms. Pannicia said drama club
 - 13. Brynn said writing
 - 14. Ava said lunch
 - 15. Addy said acting
- 16. After school teacher said singing

By: Romy Steifman, Grade 3

Hi I'm Romy the author, I hope you liked my story. I'm having a really fun time being a senior reporter. I hope a lot of you join Newspaper club if you decide to join.

Bye!!!!!!





VS.



The super bowl is when 2 teams are so good that the 2 teams play each other. One team wins and that team is the winner of the super bowl! I was rooting for the 49ers. The Chiefs won. 1 fact about the Chiefs is that Taylor Swift's boyfriend plays on that team. I love football and you can get hurt, but it is fun. [touch down] OH sorry 7 points! That is what is a SUPER BOWL of football.

By: Valentina Winkelmann, Grade 3

ARTIST SPOTLIGHT



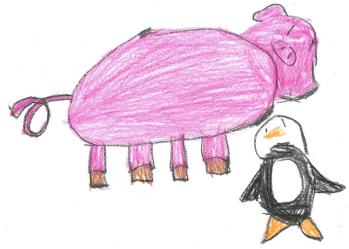
By: Kay Reeves, Grade 4



By: Mackenzie Pantaleone, Grade 2



By: Layla Feller, Grade 1



By: Orla Zalewski, Grade 3





FUN FACTS

If you are a swiftie this is for you. I bet you think you know absolutely everything you need to know about Taylor but there's a lot more. Well let's get started.

- Taylor has three cats Benjamin Button, Meredith Gray and Olivia Benson.
- Taylor will wear 16 outfits at the Eras tour; she has many more but according to the town, she picks 16 that she thinks represent that town.
- Her famous jeweled guitar she plays at her Eras tour was made by her parents.
- Taylor has 243 official songs. She has written many more but these are the ones that are on her albums.
- Taylor Swift has 1.1 billion dollars.
- Taylor's first song wasn't called Lucky it was called Lucky You.
- This one's pretty obvious but her song Style was about Harry Styles.
- Taylor's most famous song is Cruel Summer although you may think people know her from Shake It Off or Me.
- Taylor grew up on a Christmas tree farm in Pennsylvania.
- Taylor is 34 years old right now.
- Taylors favorite color is purple and her favorite food is chicken tenders.
- Taylors favorite song by her is Tim Mcgraw or Getaway Car.
- Taylors music producer is Jack Antonoff.

And of course we are ending at 13 facts because it is Taylors lucky number. Ohh and one more thing Mrs. O'Connell did not see her in concert!

FUN FACTS



Every amphibian starts in the water and moves to the land.

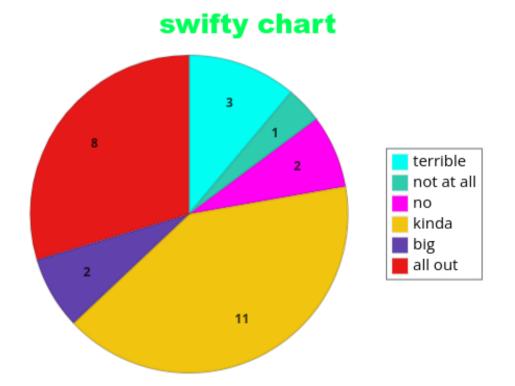
Fun facts about animals By: Orla Zalewski, Grade 3



The tallest bird can't fly but the smallest bird can.

Did you know a cricket has ears on the back of its legs? For a flamingo to stay pink it must keep eating shrimp. More animal groups lay eggs then there are babies born alive. A snake does not have eyelids. Giraffes have different spots. No giraffe has the same spots. One panda had sixteen babies at the same time. Sometimes sea otters hold hands!

POLL

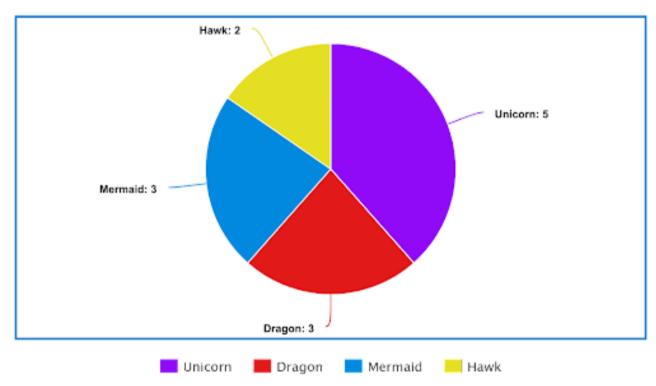


Are you a Swifty?

By: Eleanor Hare and Hazel Yulman, Grade 3

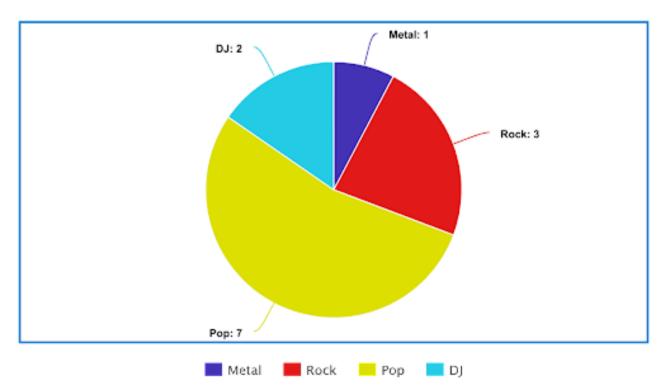
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Favorite Mystical Creature



By: Shannon Seminara, Grade 2

Favorite Music Genres



By: Benjamin Storti-Roberts, Grade 2

WHAT'S TRENDING

What's Trending N.O.W.

BY OONA GIUNTA, ALESSANDRA GUERRA AND MERIT ROAN, GRADE 4

Stores

- Lululemon
- · Old Navy
- Hollister
- Sephora



SINGERS

- Taylor Swift
- · Olivia rodrigo
- Eminem
- Harry styles
- Billie eilish

ACCESSORIES

- Taylor swift bracelets
- Tote bags
- Scrunchies
- Homemade bracelets
- Necklaces
- · Lululemon fanny pack



Clothes

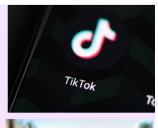
- · Jeans
- Crop tops
- Oversized sweatshirts
- Sweat pants
- · Baggy pants





- Youtube
- Netflix
- Spotify
- Amazon
- Starbucks









Nikes

Converse/Platforms

Cowgirl boots

• White nikes or pumas



MINECRAFT

By: Eleanor Hare, Grade 3

Minecraft is a video game, the goal of Minecraft is to beat the Ender Dragon but you do not have to if you don't want to. There are two game modes: survival & creative.

Survival is a harder gamemode because if you lose you lose EVERYTHING in your inventory!!!!! But don't worry (your inventory looks like this when you collect something it pops up at the bottom of your screen on the hotbar)





You can lose by mobs getting to you.(mobs include: Zombies, Creepers, Spiders and Skeletons etc.) But mobs only come out at night so you have all day(day\night are both 20 mins) to gather: wood, make wood tools (with a crafting table), and make a bed.

I AM LUCKY BECAUSE...

I can play with my friends. -Maryrose Thedford, Grade K I am good at soccer. -Benjamin Storti-Roberts, Grade 2

I can play. - Freddy Wilson, Grade K I have guinea pigs. -Thomas Moore, Grade 2

In Irish, my name means golden princess. - Orla Zalewski, Grade 2 I have a loving family and a good home and a lot of animals. - Kay Reeves, Grade 4 I have a nice home and a family and I also have a dog. -Evan Zalewski, Grade 4

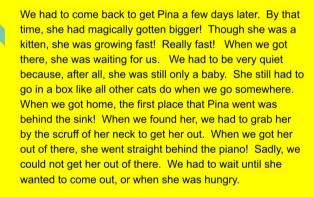
I have a nice teacher. -Magnolia DeMoss, Grade K

WHEN I GOT MY NEW CAT



When we first saw her.

When I first saw Pina, we were taking my cat, Sofia, to the vet, and that is when I saw her. When we brought Sofia into the room to get a check up, that is when Carrie brought Pina in. I was speechless! Carrie brought Pina in for us to get to know her better. Carrie even let us hold her! Carrie said that maybe if your parents felt good with it, maybe you could adopt her. I know that my mom was thinking, "Can we take her home?" I think that she knew that I was thinking the same thing! Before we could take her home, we had to ask my grandma and my grandpa to get their opinion on adopting her, because I know that my grandpa personally does not want to take on the responsibility for a pet. (If we leave him with the cat, he will take care of it, but if he does not have to, he will be relieved!) I was really surprised that they actually said that we could take her home!



Now What?

Now that she was getting more used to us, I hoped that I would be able to spend more time with her. However, she was still running away whenever we went too close to her - she would jump and then run away. Right then and there I knew that she would still need a lot more time with us.

Right now.

Now that she has had a few months with us, she is loving her food and is always asking for some whenever one of us is in the kitchen. She has became very plump! She also has round eyes, that also can make her cuter! She also likes to take Sofia's food. When she thinks that Sofia is done with her food she will try to take a bit of her food.

Pina wants you to guess what her favorite things are. Can you guess? They are: her food, playing with Sofia's tail, and playing with her toy mice. If you come over sometime, you will see that she also has a really cute face! Her face is round, so it makes her look cuter.





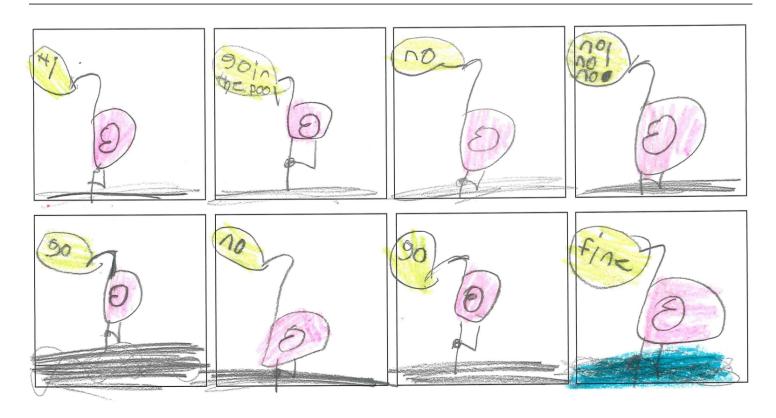




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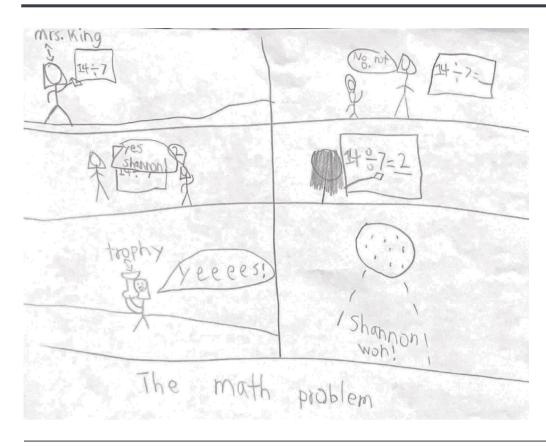


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