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Student Council Project

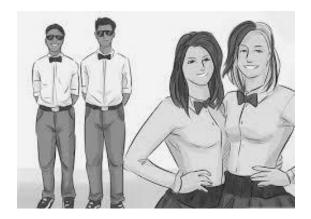


The student council's Our goal is to raise \$300 next big project is the **Chains of Caring.** Chains of caring are special chains that we hang around the school to show how much money we have raised. We hope to spread them around the entire school. We want to donate to the "Anchorage Coalition to End Homelessness."

for them by the end of the year. It is being led by Adam Edais (Treasurer for Student Council.) Right now the Student Council has raised \$60. For every dollar you donate, we make 4 chains. If you are interested in helping the Student Council with Chains of Caring, then come to Mrs Ram's room (202).

Upcoming Spirit Day: April

April 13th is Twin day! On this day you can tell a friend to wear the same thing as you! Everybody who is wearing matching clothes will get a picture with each other. The class with the most participating people will win the Sand Lake spirit lion for a month. The spirit lion is basically a lion statue that brings pride to your classroom and gives you bragging rights. If you want to add your own Spirit day idea then put it in the suggestion box and, who knows, maybe we will do that idea!



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Mrs. White

A Profile and Interview with 3rd Grade Teacher, Mrs. White!

Mrs. White is one of Sand Lake's amazing 3rd grade teachers. She puts in all her effort every year to give you a good education. She and the other 3rd grade teachers used to work out in the portables. Sadly, since COVID, the 3rd grade teachers have not been able to teach in the portables and have to teach in room 149. There are a lot of things to say about Mrs. White! Ms. Ginger, Sand Lake's amazing Administrative Assistant, says that, "Mrs. White is so strong that she came to our classroom and had a baby the next day!" 3rd grader Audra Huntly says, "She's a nice and a fun teacher!" Brendan Davies, a 6th grader, remembers the important lessons she taught him. He says, "Mrs. White taught us to be kind and respect others. It is such an important lesson."

Mrs. White Interview, continued

Stella Falsey, a 4th grader, says "She would always encourage kids to try their best, even if they got the problem wrong." Mrs. Congdon, 6th grade teacher at Sand Lake, says she is "healthy, has a great smile, and is a fun-loving teacher." 5th grader Filly Fagnani says "She is nice, pretty, funny, and caring." Obviously, there is a lot of love for Mrs. White at Sand Lake!

EXCLUSIVE! ALL ABOUT MRS. WHITE!

6th graders Adam Edais and Elena Marshall met with Mrs. White, and asked her a bunch of questions. Here is the scoop!

Mrs White has been working at Sand Lake for 10+ years. Her favorite type of food is Thai food. Her favorite drink is Chai tea. She has 2 kids. Their names are Willow and Vivek, who was born earlier this year.

Mrs. White loves skiing, running and art. She would love to go to Jamaica. She has been to Tokyo, Japan before, and was there for 2 days and loved it. Her favorite video game is Pokemon Go. Her favorite thing about Alaska is how it is so diverse and every culture and race are welcome. She has 2 sisters and her favorite color is purple. Her favorite sport is cross country running.

About Maine

By Everly (3rd)

Maine is very well known for its lobster, it is one of the main attractions of going to Maine. 3 big facts about Maine are, Maine actually has its own desert it is called Mount Desert Island it is located in Freeport. Another one is Maine has 3,478 miles of coastline, its coastline is on the Atlantic Ocean.Last fact is Freeport Maine is the home to LL bean.

Everything about Maine is going to be in this paragraph. The state capital is Augusta. The population is 1.372 million people, in 2010 the population was 1,328,361. The state bird is the Black capped chickadee. The state flower is the White pinecone flower. The state Tree is White pine. The state song is The Maine song. The nickname for Maine is The Pine Tree state. The History on how Maine got its name is Maine got its name by people calling it mainland so sailors called it Maine. Some major cities from Maine are Saco,Lewiston.The state motto is Dirigo which means "I direct" or "I lead".The main industry for Maine is fishing.The date of statehood is March 15,1820. The state number is 23. The state governor is Janet Mills.A popular sports team is a baseball team called the Portland Sea Dogs. A popular landmark is the Victoria Mansion.

Source: Book- Maine, Author- Patrick Perish, Published in 2014.







Kodiak Brown Bears

By Larissa, 3rd Grade

The Kodiak bear is the world's largest brown bear. They are found only on Kodiak Island and nearby islands off the coast of Alaska. A large male can stand over 10 feet tall when on his hind legs, and 5 feet when all 4 legs. Females are about 20% smaller and 30% lighter than males. They weigh up to 1,500 pounds. The Brown bears on Kodiak Island are bigger because they eat primarily salmon which is high in protein. The largest known Kodiak bear lived at the Dakota Zoo in North Dakota. Named Clyde, he weighed 2,130 pounds and measured 10 feet 3 inches tall when standing on his hind legs. He died in June 1987 at the age of 22. The longest lived brown bear on record was a female at Henry Doorly Zoo in Nebraska. She died at age 44. Due to the temperate climate of Kodiak Island, about quarter of Kodiak bears do not hibernate and remain active during the Winter months. Kodiak bear's ability to hibernate for 6-8 months (usually from October-June) without losing muscle tone. These amazing bears can sleep without eating, drinking, or going to the bathroom.



Sand Lake Lions Basketball

By Keianna Cooke, Grade 5

The Sand Lake Elementary Basketball team has done very well this season! The Sand Lake basketball team did very well in the tournament! They were one of the better teams, so they were in the upper league tournament. The first game was against Spring Hill Elementary. The game was tied all throughout the game but, after the last part of the second half of the game Spring Hill took the lead. The game ended, and Sand Lake lost by about 6 points. So Sand Lake went to the losers bracket, and played Willow Crest Elementary. They won that game by quite a few points. After they won that game, they played Bayshore Elementary. During that game, Sand Lake was behind a few points the whole time. At the end of the game, they ended up losing by a few points. They did really well in the tournament considering they were in the upper league tournament.



Part of the Sand Lake team and Coaches Kamimura and Congdon.

Wallaby and Possi News

By Adam and Heidi (6th, 6th)

Willy The Welcoming Wallaby is being made by Mrs. Burke, and will be adopted by the 6th grade Team 1. He is the newest mascot of the 6th grade and is Possi T. Possum's best friend (They are not dating!) Right now he is planning to have the time of his life with Team 1. Willy's job is to welcome everyone who tries something new no matter what happens. Willy loves grass. He loves it so much he eats it at every meal. Grass juice, grass puree, grass smoothie, grass shake, grass soup, and grass burger (which is a burger with a pattie made of grass) are his favorites. He loves it even though he doesn't have a mouth.



The start of the Welcoming Wallaby

Famous People

Featuring Stephen Curry By Brance Robinson and Adam Edais (6th)

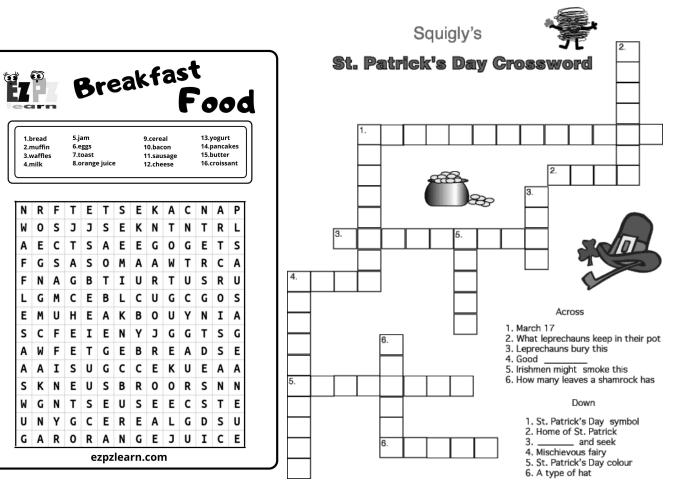
Stephen Curry, (1988-) is an American basketball player and was born on March 13, 1988, in Akron, Ohio. He is arguably the best point guard in the world. Also Stephen Curry is acclaimed as the best shooter in the world. Did you know that Stephen Curry once made 77 straight 3 pointers in a row and was the fastest player ever to reach 300 3 pointers? It only took him 58 games! The reason Stephen Curry wears the number 30 is to honor his dad. Steph Curry is also very talented at golf. He is also the best Golden State Warrior player in the history of the NBA. His net worth is about 160 million dollars.



Stephen Curry

Games

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Sand Lake Snippets

APS

APS (Short for Animal Protection Services), is a group that helps animals by selling candy and Grams.

APS is next helping Alaska SPCA, an organization that helps animals. We have already raised more than 150\$ dollars. If you would like to donate, join the club, or support the cause, please let us know!



CHERRY BLOSSOM FESTIVAL

The Cherry Blossom festival is back! Enjoy a fun evening of games, entertainment, and more! crafts, Sixth grader Sila says, "The Cherry Blossom Festival brings kids together to celebrate Japan. It is always so much fun to go and see all the different cultural activities!" It is on April 28th at Mears Middle School. All Sand Lake students are welcome!



JOIN STUDENT COUNCIL

Anyone can join to help make a positive difference in our school! Just ask your teacher for a permission slip.

LOST AND FOUND: FEATURED ITEM

Are you missing these items? They are currently in the Lost and Found! They miss their owner, so please come and pick them up.

DOODLE FOR GOOGLE WINNER

Amazing 4th grader Andrew Clark won Sand Lake's "Doodle for Google" contest. His drawing will be submitted to the state and national level. If you see him in the hall, give him a thumbs up!

AUDRA'S MATH CONTEST

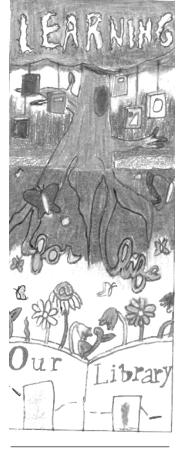
Can you solve this math problem? If you can, show your teacher and they will give you a high five!

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BOOKMARK CONTEST WINNER!

Out of thousands of bookmarks we won!

Heidi Eberle from Mr. Kamimura's class had the winning design that will be reproduced and distributed to ASD schools in March. Congrats Heidi!



YEARBOOKS ON SALE!

We will have a Yearbook this year! They are on sale online at ybpay.com. Our school code is 14955723. They cost \$15! Please order by April 10th!

CLOVER HUNT! By Arabella H.

There are alot of winners who found all the clovers that APS posted in 4 corners.

It's over now but you can still find these clovers! The first one will be above your head, literally! When you reach the first floor on the stairs, look up!



Do you want to spread positivity? Well head down to the lunch room doors where you will find positivity board. the Write a positive message for others to see and spread the message. Makes sure its appropriate and kind. WE ARE **GONNA** CHECK IT!





Do you need advice about anything? Ask a sixth grader about your queries. You can put your questions in the student council box! All names will be anonymous.

POETRY

<u>Untitled</u> by D.S. (Grade 6)

Fog swirls Through the air A smell of rain Lights shine lingers here Bravely though Leading me Home to you

POETRY

<u>Untitled</u> by D.S. (Grade 6)

The sky is filling Up with light That cascades down on trees Silver branches Encased in frost Glisten and gleam

Shaded snow Crunches beneath feet Clouds of frost When someone breathes

Echoes of night Disappear A chilly day Is starting here

FUN FACTS WITH MAESON (Grade 6)

-Alaska is 663,300 square miles -Alaska has 3 million lakes -Alaska has the country's largest Glaciers -Alaska has the largest forest in the country -Of the 20 of the highest peaks in the USA, 17 are in Alaska -Alaska's largest lake is called Lliamna

SKATE NIGHT-SUCCESS! By Abby Dexter (Grade 6)

At the January 11th Skate Night this year, we had hot cocoa, cookies, music and fun! The hot cocoa was amazing and we had some parent volunteers that were helping out.The Student Council was working hard and we sold a lot of chains for Chains of Caring. Unfortunately we are not able to have another one this year, but we all hope you had a great time there!

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Comedy+Jokes section written by

1.Q: How does a poet say hello?A: Hey, Haven't we metaphor?!

2. Q: Why does a seagull fly over the sea?A: Because if it flew over the bay it would be a baygull!

3. Q: What breed of dog can jump higher than a building?A: Any dog, because buildings can't jump!



4. Q: Why did the M&M go to school?A: It wanted to be a smartie!

Ezekiel Ethan

5. Q: What do you call a sleeping dinosaur? A: A dino-snore!

6. Q: What kind of treefits in your hand?A: A palm tree!

7. Q: Why aren't koalas actually bears?A: They don't meet the koalafications!

Editor's Note

Thanks to all the great people who made this newspaper possible, and thanks to everyone reading this newspaper for buying it. Not only is this newspaper a source of school news, it is also a fundraiser for the Student Council. Since the Student Council is back up and running, we have been working hard to come up with projects. But many of these projects require funds. This newspaper is one way to raise funds. -Copy Editor E.M.

I love the way everybody works together to make Sand Lake Times possible, and that is probably the best part of every job for this newspaper.

-Editor in Chief, H.E.



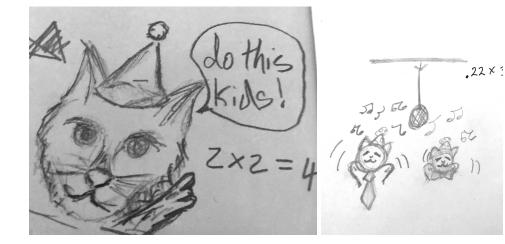
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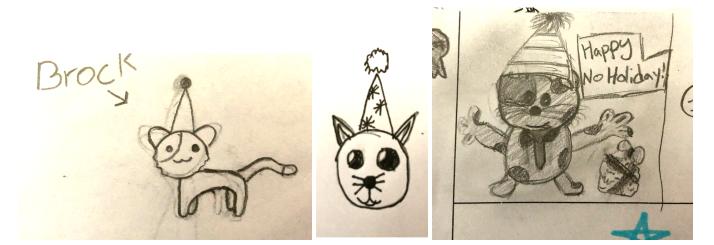
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Kudos to all who have worked on the Newspaper. There are a handful of people who have tried hard yet have not made it on this page.



These submissions come from Mrs. Ram's class. When students finished their math, they were tasked with drawing a "Cat in a party hat." These were the entries.





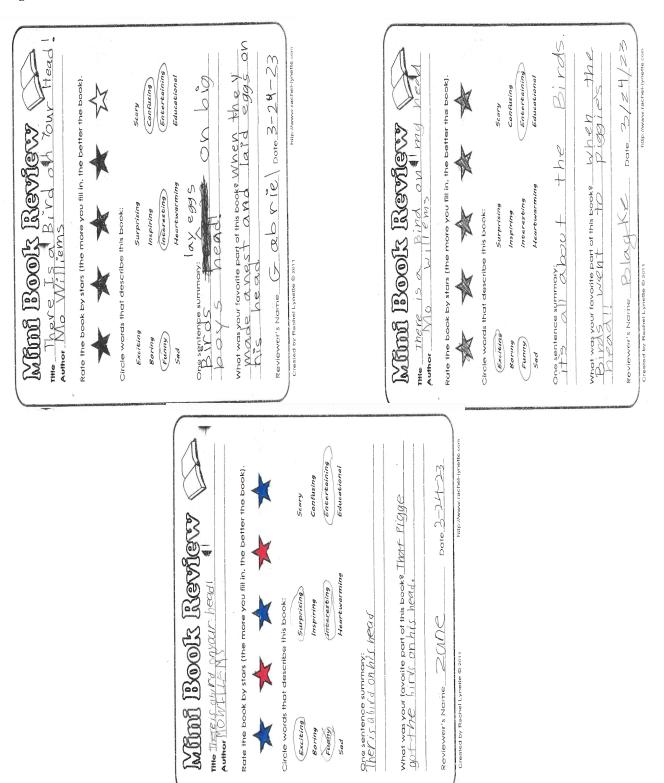


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Book Reviews

Submitted by the students of the fabulous Mrs. Branson! Many were turned in, but we could only publish 4. Please see the Migrant Ed. Bulletin board for the rest!



SAND LAKE FICTION

If you have a short story you would like to contribute, please submit it to your teacher.

Another Day Another Magnet :]

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By Jake, Grade 6

It was Saturday and Duck and Jake were making breakfast in the kitchen. The kitchen has blue walls and black and white tiles.

Then Duck remembered that there was a science project. He quickly said, "There is a science project due tomorrow!"

Jake said, "There is one more day left until the project is due!"

They both exclaimed, "Only if there was a way to find out how magnets work."

They both look at the computer and all of a sudden, a living magnet appears on the table and destroys the

computer.The magnet had a U shape and it was red and blue. It had two really skinny legs and arms.

Then Duck said, "Get off my table and leave."

After Duck stopped talking, Magnet Mark said, "No, I will not leave, but I will teach you."

Jake and Duck were both unfazed because they both have been through something like this before. when a living apple taught them about plants and food.

After a while Lance and Pine got back from the store. Lance and Pine are friends of Jake and Duck. Pine has big puffy hair, a big maddy face, also a fat big turtle body and a plant growing at the back of his head, and Lance has two horns, a funny looking face, also a body like a stick because he is so skinny and has pointy teeth. They both asked Duck and Jake, "Who is this?"

Duck responded, "This is Magnet Mark"

Lance replied, "Another one of those guys,?"

The magnet keeps talking about magnets and how they work. Like how pulses and magnetic fields and forces work.

After an hour or more they finished the long lesson. They started making the project with the things Lance and Pine bought at the store. After all of the talking and building they were so tired that they went to bed.

When they woke up, their project was destroyed! Duck thought Jake broke it and Jake thought Lance broke it and Lance thought Pine broke in and so on and so on. Magnets can crush things in the middle of them but this one traps them. Who do you think broke the project.?

The Haunted School By Izabella, Grade 3

There is a haunted school. The school is black and white and looks like Sand Lake. 540 students went to the school. Many kids were animals. I am a wolf, and my friend Audra is a wolf too. My other friend is Avery, and she is a fox. Larissa is a canine. My teacher is a horse, her name is Ms.White. Everley is an otter.

Everly joined the school recently. When Everly first stepped in the school, we were surprised.

Everybody said, "She is a new animal for our school!"

Larissa and myself said, "We are a cool group! We would love to have you. We are Audra, Avery, and Bella. We are a singing group. We would love to have you."

"I want to be in your group", Everyly said.

"Yaaaaaaaaaaaaaa Yayyyyyyyyyyyyyy" we said "ooooooo."

"And we are the cool group now," I said.

TO BE CONTINUED...