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Cyberbullying and online safety...

It is good to be informed!

By Aniela Szymanski

Online safety is really important. It's important because without it, you would be very exposed to the influences of people you do not know who are also on the internet. For better online safety, get a private account on any social media app or website. For electronic games that might involve social media: if your playing an online game on your phone or computer, and someone asks you your phone number, tell them no. If they harass you, get offline and tell a trusted adult what happened. Always tell an adult if you get harassed online or get asked your personal information. Also, do not tell anyone your phone number, address, birthdate, or any other personal information while on the Internet or with in electronic devices. If you are unsure of what to do, ask a trusted adult to help you figure out the best thing to do.

What is cyber bullying exactly?

Cyber bullying is when someone makes fun of you, or is really mean to you, online or by text. It happens to kids and adults. Cyber bullying is a very serious and hurtful thing that you should try to avoid. It's easy to get sucked into and difficult to fix. One problem is that things on the Internet can stay on the Internet even if you don't want them to.

Sometimes, people can sound really mean online, but maybe they are really nice when they're offline. You need to be really careful when you're online. Some websites, (or apps) that can be an easy place for someone to get cyber bullied are: Instagram, Facebook, Twitter, Google hangouts, and even Snapchat.

If you find yourself getting cyber bullied, here are some tips for you: Say stop, tell a trusted adult that you are getting cyber bullied and they will help you deal with it. Also, make a private account on any social media app or website.

Why do kids cyber bully?

Maybe it's because they are upset about something that has nothing to do with you, and they don't know what they are doing is inappropriate. Maybe they have something going on at home that they're angry or sad about that caused them to act that way.

Do only Kids Cyberbully?

No, kids and adults alike can cyberbully other kids and adults.

That is why it is especially important to talk to an adult if you think you might need help.

Can there be more than one person cyber bullying another?

Of course! Definitely more than one person can cyber bully. Sometimes it can be a big group against one person. Do you know anyone who has been cyber bullied? Remember, cyber-bullying can happen to anyone. Even to your best friend.

Make sure that you are safe online and treat others with the respect they deserve. **No one deserves to be bullied.**

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LEARNING TO CANTER A HORSE

By Neci Pfeiffer

This writer, Neci Pfeiffer as interviewed by Beth Pfeiffer (writer's Mom)

Question: How long have you been riding at Animal Horse Rescue Teaching (AHRT)?
Answer: I've been riding for eight months.

Q: Have you done any riding before that and where?
A: Yes. Last summer I rode at Triple Rise, part of the YMCA summer camp. When I was four years old, I rode at Camp Creek road in Springfield.

Q: What do you enjoy about riding at AHRT?
A: It's entertaining. It occupies your time. It's fun!

Q: What did you learn at Triple Rise?
A: How the horse's body works, how to control the horse, and how to trot. At Triple Rise, I washed the horse with a hose and decorated their mane and tail with ribbons and braids.

Q: What have you learned at AHRT?
A: I learned how to trot, canter, and walk a horse. There is a horse named Ayahuasca. She is slow but very good for trotting and can

tering. You should practice trotting before you can Canter. You must control the horse before it leads you into the middle of the arena. Having these skills helps you be good at cantering.

Q: What age do you have to be to ride?
A: It is open to all ages.

Q: Are there just lessons at AHRT?
A: There are lessons, summer camps, and last but not least, work and ride.

Q: How does someone get started if they want to take lessons?
A: Go to their website: <http://www.animalrescue-teaching.org>



Neci riding Moontime

My Cool School Edison

By Elizabeth McCart

The people who run Edison school make it super, super cool.

We see Tommy tomato strumming his guitar when students come from near and far.

Even with chilly temperatures and cloudy skies Mr. Steven gives high fives.

At recess Joe is hitting the grass while all the kids are having a blast.

What's the thing that brightens my day? Yummy tacos from Chef Ray.

Nan is the one picking up phone's while nurse Joy is helping kids with achy bones.

There are many more people I want to say that make Edison great every day.

Thanks Edison for being so cool!

SAVE THE DATE

Edison 90th Celebration!
Saturday June 3rd 11am-4pm

Grumpy Cat...who is she and is she really grumpy?

By Maya Robershaw

Something that Grumpy Cat is known for is her grumpy looking picture, of course, and the caption that says "I had fun once. It was awful."

Grumpy Cat's 13 year-old owner's name is Crystal Bundesen with her mom, Tabatha. Grumpy Cat is actually not grumpy. She is sweet, docile, and nice. Grumpy Cat only looks grumpy because she has something called "feline dwarfism" and a mouth that always makes her look like she's pouting. Because of her condition, she is about half the size of an average cat and her backside wobbles when she walks, but otherwise she is extremely healthy.

Grumpy Cat is a mix breed and her real name is Tardar Sauce. She got this name because Tabatha worked at Red Lobster and Crystal ate tartar sauce for the first time right before Grumpy Cat was born. It became "Tardar" because Crystal couldn't spell "tartar" so it is tardar.

Grumpy Cat was born on April 4, 2012 and lives in Arizona. Grumpy Cat first became famous when Crystal's Uncle posted Grumpy



Tardar Sauce (A.K.A Grumpy Cat) born April 4th, 2012

cat on the internet. People didn't believe the super-cute cat was real, so he posted a few videos to prove it suddenly the word spread that Grumpy Cat had become famous.

Her owners started selling t-shirts, mugs, stuffed animals, and more! Then three books got released. Grumpy Cat became a movie star when the movie "Grumpy Cat's Worst Christmas Ever" premiered.

Grumpy Cat likes to hang out under the bed, eat, and sleep! She also enjoys playing with string; just like any other ordinary cat. Although she sometimes rides in limos Grumpy Cat is totally normal.

Other famous cats that you should look up on the internet are Lil Bub, Venus, Shironeko, snoopy, and Maru! SO CUTE!!!

I learned this information from the "Animal Tales" magazine.

Awesome Edison Poem

By: Elizabeth McCart with help from Julia Martin

Edison is awesome as we all know,
It helps us learn and helps us grow,
It makes us smart and kind and brave
And teaches us integrity all the way,
It brings great teachers from all around
And helps our brains go 'round and 'round.

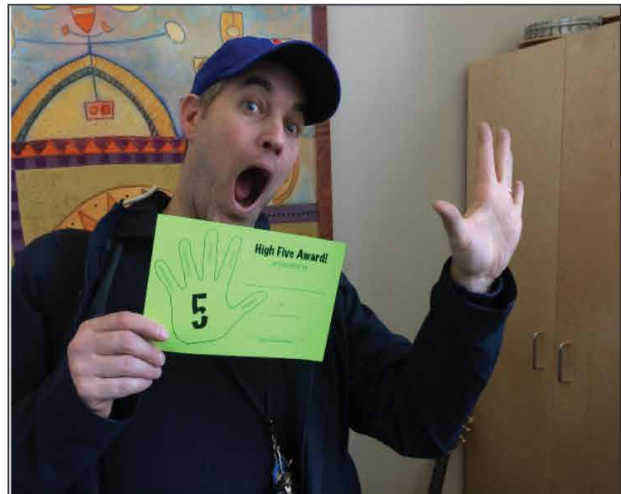
Thomas Edison helped us be bright
so every minute would not be night,
So thank you Edison for all the light
And for teaching us to soar like a kite!

High Five Awards

By Callie Bautista and Mira Walker

What exactly is a High five Award?

The High Five Award is an award that is given to students who each week show Compassion, Integrity, Inclusion, Respect or Cooperation. Even if you did not get an award that does not mean you weren't trying hard to show kindness or be a good person. The truth is there are so many good students in Edison that it will take a quite a while to all get recognition for being excellent. One way to try to get an award is to respect students and teachers. In our cafeteria, there is a big flower printed on paper and taped to the wall. There are cut out hands from the High Five certificates. The hands represent that classrooms have been showing respect to each other and earning lots of community coupons. For each 25 community coupons, a classroom gets a High five award. Once the school has enough High five awards, all the classrooms in the school gets a party in the gym! Let's work hard Edison students!



Principal Perspective

Tom Horn
Edison Elementary Principal

Dear Edison Community,

Our Edison teachers spend a good portion of their lives shaping the personalities of students, acknowledging the importance of all of the above characteristics of a school community. Apart from parents, teachers have the ability to influence the mind of children in an incredibly positive way. The responsibility that teachers carry with them each day is daunting and exhilarating at the same time. They shoulder a great social responsibility throughout their careers. The experience obtained through a career in education enriches a teacher's life immensely. However, I believe it is the knowledge that they are helping to shape the future, not only a child's future, but the future of our society, that lends a sense of higher purpose to the work. It is the process of giving that so profoundly creates a sense of meaning in one's life.

Teachers, to me, are gift givers. It is with this in mind that I want to

acknowledge the gifts that two of our teachers have given over the course of many years at Edison. It is with profound and humble respect that I announce the retirement of Carrie Ann Naumoff (5th grade) and John Benson (3rd grade). I am in the unique position to be able to speak to their amazing ability and compassion through the eyes of a principal and as friend.... they have both taught and helped to shape, in profound ways, my own experiences at Edison and as an educator....for that I am forever in their debt.

Please join me in honoring the gifts that these two teachers have given our children, our community, and our society. Let us, as a community, give them the gift of wishing them an incredible journey into their next adventures.

Thank you John and Carrie Ann for your years of service to our community!

Warmest regards,
Tom

Parent Council News

Ruth Anne McCormack
Parent Council President

The end of the school year is approaching us, but there is lots more fun (and opportunities to get involved) before summer hits! In May we are looking forward to our annual school talent show, "Cafe Alva", to be held at WOW Hall on Wednesday 5/10. Any student with a passion for showing off their talent is welcome to participate. If you haven't seen a registration form come home with your child, ask your teacher or room parent for one. The following week, May 17th, will bring our school Jog-a-thon. This fun event will be held at South Eugene HS Track, and the whole family is invited to come cheer, jog with your child, or help count laps. Teachers will be reaching out for parent volunteers so keep your eyes open for that! And don't forget about what promises to be an event to remember: Edison's 90th Birthday Celebration. A team of dedicated parents is hard at work plan-

ning this fantastic event which will be held on Saturday, June 3 from 11am-3pm. We will be looking to expand our committees soon, so be ready to help make this historic event happen! Our next Parent Council meeting will be held on May 16 at 6:30pm in the library. Please come as we welcome our new officers for next year!

****Subscribed to Edison's weekly electronic Parent Council newsletter, eNews?**

If not, go to <http://edison.4j.lane.edu/parent-council-news/sign-up-for-parent-council-e-mails/> to subscribe for the latest and greatest from Edison Parent Council!

Parent Council Meetings are an opportunity for parents to become informed about issues or changes taking place at Edison, as well as to offer a parent perspective on decisions being made. Parent Council is open to all parents. Please join us.

Interview with Activist Kelsey Juliana

By: Celia Sherman, Ashlyn Enslinger & Tessa MacMaster

How long have you been working to help solve climate change?

The first time I personally took action was in 5th grade when I was 10!

Why are you so interested in climate change?

I am interested in climate change because I see it as the highest, and greatest risk to my generation.

Why are you teaching the youth about climate change?

Because, as young people, everyday we delay on climate is just lengthening the timeline that people will feel negative effects from climate devastation.

What got you involved with Our Children's Trust?

I heard about them when I was in 8th grade.

Is your whole organization non-profit?

Yes we are one hundred percent not for-profit.

How did the lawsuit come about?

A group of lawyers got together and a group of kids got outraged, we all teamed up, had some pizza and filed a case against the government.

Do you think that your age and you being a woman are effecting how you are being treated in your position in court?

That is a great question, I think that it makes the case stronger because I can make more of a statement.

What is your hope will happen after this lawsuit?

We are asking for them to practice slowing down carbon emissions, and slow down the rate we are hurting Earth.

What were the arguments that turned the tables in court?

The arguments were that our rights were at stake.

What happens if you win and what if you lose considering you go to trial?

If we lose we will keep trying until we win. If we lose they have to do all they can to save our climate.

Do you think that the youth is fighting harder because it's their future?

Yes, young people have been fighting very hard. It is so amazing watching them fight trying to win.

What got you so enthusiastic?

You have to be enthusiastic in this work. You hear about animals dying out, daily. It can get you very down.

How long do you think this battle will take if we were to make a rebound?

We will forever be in the "danger zone". I don't think anyone in this day-and-age will live to see our world in prosperity.

Did you have an adult figure that you looked up to and pushed you to get involved?

Yes, they are Professor Mary Wood, and Rachel Corrie, a peaceful protester. She passed away trying to save innocent people's homes.

What is the main climate changing things/companies?

I think that oil is the worst because it is the most risky, and unreliable. But fossil fuels are still a large contributor. But we need to watch everything no matter how big or small.

What are things every individual can do to help reduce climate change?

Some of the best is to cut your transport, try to use more public transportation and try to lessen your consumption.

What can people do to help with climate change in their household?

We need to see a shift in our priorities so one of the greatest things that you can do is look at your own carbon footprint.

What is an example of a negative effect of climate change right here in Eugene?

With our warming climate, we see different precipitation levels. Pollen levels are through the roof.

What species are being most affected?

Some of them are Artic, and ocean animals are really suffering.

Do you think that the recent election impacted this?

Yes, it made it so much more important and so much more difficult. Because Trump is our president, we have an actual chance of winning!

What Did You do on International Woman's Day?

I was up in Portland giving a keynote presentation to 200+ high school students about climate change.

What do you want to do with your future when this fight is over assuming you won it?

I want to become a teacher and a mother. I want to keep fighting my entire life, for Earth's justice. But in my more personal life I would like to be a mom and maybe a school teacher.

Were you interested in this as a child?

Yes always been interested in this problem.

Are you glad that your idea got out nation-wide?

Yes, I'm ecstatic!

Thank you for the interview Kelsey!

How Much Does Oil Contribute to Global Warming?

By: Ashlyn Enslinger

Did you know that in the 136 – year record the 10 warmest years have been since 2000?

That shows how much the planet has changed from the climate or global warming.

Global warming is primarily a problem of too much carbon dioxide in the atmosphere. This carbon overload is caused mainly when we burn fossil fuels like coal, oil and gas or cut down and burn forests. So, lets talk about the oil.

Burning of fossil fuels – oil, coal and gas – is driving one of the biggest challenges facing the world today; climate change. Extreme weather events, rising oceans, and record setting tem-

peratures are <http://climate.nasa.gov/effects/> wrecking hundreds of millions of lives and livelihoods around the world.

Like other fossil fuels, oil's production, transport and use have significant environmental impacts. Oil production creates air pollution, greenhouse gas emissions that contribute to climate change, and wilderness destruction.

And then there's climate change. Oil production and use have made significant contributions to global greenhouse gas emissions, increases in carbon dioxide concentrations in the atmosphere and the consequent changes to our climate.

Information found at <http://priceofoil.org/thepriceofoil/global-warm->



L-R Kelsey Juliana, Ashlyn Enslinger, Celia Sherman, and Tessa MacMaster

How Much Oil Do We Use?

By Celia Sherman

Humans roughly burn 85,000,000 to 95,000,000 barrels a day! One barrel of oil is basically equivalent to one full bathtub. Total, that is 3,780,302,069 gallons of oil; as in three trillion gallons per day! This contributes to the 35+ Billion tonnes of carbon dioxide released in the Earth's atmosphere every year as the result of burning fossil fuels. This is a 40% increase over the last 200 years!

<https://ufbutv.com/climate-change/climate-change-facts-figures/>

Our Children's Trust

From www.ourchildrenstrust.org

Our Children's Trust is a nonprofit organization, elevating the voice of youth, those with most to lose in the climate crisis, to secure the legal right to a healthy atmosphere and stable climate on behalf of present and future generations. We lead the global human rights and environmental justice campaign to implement enforceable science-based Climate Recovery Plans that will return atmospheric carbon dioxide concentration to levels below 350 ppm.

Youth have secured judicial rulings in their favor in WA, NM and MA, and in their landmark U.S. fed-

eral climate lawsuit, and have multiple other cases pending. Through our programs, youth participate in advocacy, public education and civic engagement to ensure the viability of all natural systems in accordance with science.

Our mission is to protect earth's atmosphere and natural systems for present and future generations. We lead a game-changing legal campaign seeking systemic, science-based emissions reductions and climate recovery policy at all levels of government.

We give young people, those with most at stake in the climate crisis, a voice to favorably impact their futures.

The First Amendment Rights

By. Grace Howells

Hi, I'm Grace and I'm here to tell you about the first amendment rights. No, it doesn't mean that you can do whatever you want but they do make you feel a little bit safer than if you didn't have them. You might have seen our posters in the hall by Susan's fifth grade class. Those posters about the first amendment rights. Our class's posters and every student in the class was in one of the groups, and each group got one of the rights. The rights in the first amendment are: freedom of religion, freedom of the press, freedom of speech, freedom of assembly, and freedom to petition.

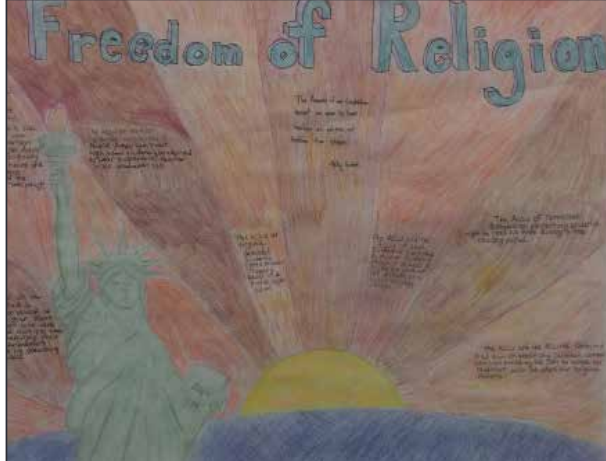
The First Amendment rights are your protection from the government. The rights are for every US citizen, however some kids don't have all the rights. For example kids can't vote until they are 18 years old (an adult), or you can't drive or have guns, although The Second amendment is the right to bare arms.

The Third, Fourth, and Fifth Amendments are The Rights to Privacy. On the 1st Amendment Rights posters, I

was in the freedom of Religion group, so let's start with that.

Freedom of Religion means that you can practice your religion without the government harassing you about your religion. Just like in 1937-1945 when Adolf Hitler was harassing all

the Jews and sending them to concentration camps because Hitler thought they were "evil and they could not be trusted", that is religious discrimination, putting down another religion for a reason. Luckily The US mostly protects you from religious discrimination.



First Amendment Right posters we made in Susan's 5th grade class.

Class has a good thing to do with it, like a person that is wealthy will have their rights more secure than a person that is poor or broke.

Freedom of the press is the right to write what you want against the government in a newspaper, social media, and many others. Even if they don't agree 100%.

Freedom of Assembly is your right to assemble a group of people for a common cause to protest against the government. For example the ban protest was an act of a group of peoples right to assemble to protest against Donald Trump's ban on illegal immigrants coming into the country.

Freedom of Speech is kind of like how in freedom of the press you can disagree with the government in the newspaper or social media, but instead of in the paper or online you do it with actual words, and sometimes those words can also get in the paper or online.

Freedom to Petition is very useful to the U.S citizens, for example people use the freedom to petition to change things they think is wrong.

Toucan's Tale: A horse's story

By. Callie Bautista

Last time...As Toucan and his mother went to bed for the night, the wind was so bad that it was starting to blow down the fences from the horse's yard, and the barn doors blew open...11 months later, Toucan is going to have a brother or a sister! He is so excited! Toucan is waiting outside for his new sister or brother. There is his sister and it's a girl. "Aw! Why couldn't it be a boy?" he whined. His mother said, "It will be good for you to have a sister". "Her name is Shadow," she continued. It had only been 1 hour since she was born. She just started to stand up. So they just kept watching her.

She started to walk. She kept falling but got right back up." "I want to go home," Toucan whispered. "What did you say?" said Claire, his mom. I said nothing Toucan exclaimed. Once they looked back at Shadow they noticed she was gone. "Aaa! Where is my baby?"- said Claire. "I thought I was your baby?" Toucan said. "I was talking about Shadow." Toucan thought while his mother said, "lets go look for Shadow." They finally found shadow. She was in the the forest picking Toucans favorite berries. "I'm sorry," said Shadow why are you sorry. "Because," Shadow said. "Well you shouldn't," Toucan told her. The End!

Books vs. Movies...

Is one better than another?

By. Oonamae Greene

Sometimes authors get asked if they want to make their books into movies. Director's take ideas from books and put them in their movie. Books are longer than movies, so the director decides the best parts from books and puts them in their movie. They even add some scenes of their own. I think directors sometimes miss the message that the author has created.

Movies sometimes have the opposite plot as a book. Take [How to Train your Dragon](#), for instance. The book

is about a boy named Hiccup that saves his village from a sea monster with his common garden dragon named Toothless. Hiccup can speak dragon language. In the movie, Hiccup is the first Viking to ever ride a dragon. Toothless is a rare Night Fury that Hiccup caught in a net and set free.

Other movies have some of the same ideas as books like [Percy Jackson and the Olympians: Book 1](#). The book and the movie both have Medusa, the lotus casino, and the lightning thief. They also have the same characters like Luke, Poseidon, Annabeth,

Edison 4j District News

Kari Parsons

In 2012, the 4J district proposed to close Edison and to merge Edison and Camas Ridge into a large school on the Camas Ridge site. Thankfully, in 2013, the school board decided that a school should remain on the Edison site. Embedded in this decision was the need for a remodel or rebuild, due to Edison's poor condition, which would require that Edison be on the planned 2018 bond and that the bond passes. The district is now in the planning stages for the 2018 bond. However, it is important to note that they are researching and considering 12 options to pick and choose from. While Edison is one of those options, the board has not committed to put Edison on the bond. Needless to say, it's critical that Edison is on that bond!

NEXT STEPS FOR PARENTS: Please send messages to the board (board@4j.lane.edu) to help keep Edison a priority. Speak to some of the key challenges including: (1) parking (on-street parking works well for us;

we need the board to work closely with the city to prevent the requirement of an underground garage); (2) where to put Edison students during a remodel (getting Willard into usable condition may be a necessary precondition of an Edison remodel); & (3) anything else that is important to you (safety, historic character, overcrowding, etc.).

Attention Parents! The South University Neighborhood Association is seeking new board members. This is a great opportunity to get involved locally and make an impact on things like University Park, disaster preparedness, community building and engagement, or other neighborhood issues of interest to you. Keeping the Edison-SUNA connection strong is important, so please consider board membership if you live between 18th & 24th and Patterson & Agate. Contact current board member, Kari Parsons (parsons.kari@gmail.com), with any questions and indicate interest by May 8 to info@sunaeugene.org.

Grover the Satyr, and Hades.

Some people like movies better because it takes less effort to watch a movie than to read a book, while other people like books because they think it is exhilarating to flip a page and see adventures written in words. Some people think that books and movies are completely alike and the same because they both tell stories.

Books don't really have the visual that movies have and sometimes you can't even get a picture in your head of what's going on in a book. Some books are so confusing that you have

to read them twice to understand them.

I believe that if you read a book before you watch a movie, the movie won't be as good or if the movie is really scary and you read the book the movie won't be as scary.

I think that movies and books both have their pros and cons, but in the end they're both great.

The Pizza Song....Makeup your own tune! (Companion to the Hamburger Song)

By Abby Ketchum

Pizza ...yeah. It is so yummy, and cheesy and yummy! It has so many flavors and toppings! Sometimes you can get stuffed crust stuffed with cheese. Mozzarella, cheddar, swiss, and parmesan. So many kinds with cheese and pepperoni and tomatoes and anchovies, mini fish! Oh yeah, pizza. Oh yeah, pizza. Oh yeah, pizza.

Liam likes them and he wants to own a pizza restaurant and sell it to himself. He loves them so much he would jump into a pool of them. Oh

yeah they are sooo good... that's what Liam thinks. He loves and loves and loves and loves and loves them. He will eat them all and hug and kiss them Yum yum yum. Yum yum yum. Yum yum yum.

He will eat every ones pizza and store it in his closet then eat it. Oh yeah, oh yeah, oh yeah! They are so yummy... yummy in your tummy, yummy in your tummy. Yum! He will marry one and eat it one day. Oh yeah, oh yeah, oh yeah. He will take it from

your plate even before you get to say "hey! That's my pizza! Well you're Liam so I have to give it to you." Oh oh oh, oh oh oh, oh oh oh, yeah yeah yeah, yeah yeah yeah, yeah.

Yeah, oh yeah. He loves the pizza and he will always eat them. For breakfast. For lunch. For dinner. For desert. Even for a midnight snack! Oh yeah, oh yeah, oh yeah, oh yeah. Pizza is his dream. He loves the olives and the broccoli on his pizza. Oh yeah. Liam likes the pizza, pizza, pizza,

pizza. He loves all of it every day... every week...every month...every year...all the time! He loves it, oh yeah. He loves it, oh yeah. He loves it, oh yeah.

Oh yeah oh yeah! Pizza is yummy, Liam likes it-wait, no-he loves it! Pizza, all the time it is so yummy. Delicious, yummy, good, amazing, epic, terrific, excellent. So many amazing words. Pizza, pizza, pizza. OH YEAH. Pizza. PIZZA! Ohhhh, yeah.

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If you, our readership, have a story you would like us to consider please email Jason@treetopacademics.com or place a note in the Treetop box in the Edison office for consideration. We will discuss your idea at our next meeting and see if we can fit it in our upcoming editions. Thanks!

Crystal Thomas: Edison's 2nd Grade Teacher

By. Abby Ketchum & Maya Robershaw

Q. How did you feel when you left your first grade class to go to second grade?

A. I was sad to leave 1st grade because I liked teaching penguins, bats, space, and I liked the seafood buffet; yet I got to take half my kids with me so that made it worth it.

Q. What is your favorite subject to teach, why?

A. My favorite subject to teach at Edison is sandy beaches because we got to learn about the creatures that are important to our coastal community and we got to play at the beach too!

Q. Do you like teaching first or second graders?

A. I like to teach all children. It's fun to watch 1st graders learn to read. It's fun to watch 2nd graders get more mature, but they are more independent than 1st graders.

Q. What are your interests outside of school?

A. I like to go home and build a cozy fire and read or spend time with my son Jack.

Q. Are there different subjects you like teaching in first and second grade?

A. I like to teach math in 1st grade because it is easier but I like spelling in 2nd grade because there's spelling tests.

Q. Do the students act different in different grades?

A. in each grade the students have a different level of maturity and interest.

Q. What are your favorite things to do at school?

A. I love to read aloud at quiet time and hang out with students and colleagues.

Q. How do you think the students feel about you?

A. Sometimes they think I am nice but sometimes they think I am mean.

Q. What do you tell the students when they need to be quiet?

A. Chh-chh-chh-chhhhhh.

Q. What do you do when students disrespect you?

A. I try talking to them to find out why they are being disrespectful and we come up with a solution together.

Q. What is usually going on when you have a substitute? Where are you?

A. I am sick or Jack is sick, and I am at home.

Q. How do you get to school?

A. I fly on my broomstick or if I'm lazy I drive in my car.



Crystal and her son Jack!



"Souper-hero" Crystal!

Q. Who are your favorite students?

A. I adore every student.

Q. Do you ever give your students extreme homework?

A. Never-but if they don't finish their work they bring it home.

Q. What made you decide to have hermit crabs as a class pet?

A. In 1st grade we studied hermit crabs and then I found some at the pet store and got them, then I found out they live for 20 years!

Q. How did you name the hermit crabs?

A. Pagoo was named after a character in a book we read, Shyla is very shy, and Jack named the big one Grumpy and my students suggested Bob so his name is Grumpy Bob. Thank you Crystal!

The Cave Escape...A Panda Story

By ABBY KETCHUM

Once there was a panda named Emi. Emi lived with her mom, Panda, and her brother, Pan. Every day, Panda would take her children to the Soup Village. They played there every day and splashed in the fountain and noisily crunched and munched on bamboo. They liked to play tag, hide and seek, capture the flag, and much, much more. They did all of this while Panda was sleeping.

One day when the panda babies woke up they were pouncing on mom and running around the cave. When Panda woke up to go get breakfast, she rushed back into the cave. "What's wrong?" asked Pan. "It's raining today, and the farmers are here. They want to cut down the bamboo."

"Oh no!" gasped Emi. "Is it raining bad?" asked Pan.

"Yes, it's storming. There's thunder and lightning and the bamboo trees are shaking and falling down. The farmers will just take those, and food will be scarce the next couple of days."

"Will we get to go to Soup Village today?"

"No, not today, Emi. You could get cold and your fur could freeze. Only the wise old panda Pete can heal that. And he lives to far away." "Aw," the children said in harmony.

The rest of the day, Emi and Pan were moaning and groaning.

"Just stop, okay. I already told you we can't go today. So, stop making a big deal out of it!"

"But I want to go! Go! Go! Go! GO!!!" yelled Pan.

"Yeah. It's fun. Plus, I have to go to the bathroom and we can't go in the cave. I want to GO!GO! GO!" yelled Emi.

"Can you just shut up already? I've had enough of you two!"

That night, Emi and Pan were shamefully thinking about what had happened earlier. Panda was sleeping so sound she could sleep through an earthquake. Suddenly, Emi let loose. She couldn't hold it in.

"I'm leaving! I don't like this place! I'm going to live in the Soup Village! And I don't care how stormy it is! Anybody with me?" She stormed out of the cave. Pan was astonished. Panda, of course, was asleep.

"Wait! Emi! I want to come with!" Emi kept going, but Pan caught up with her.

"Well, I see you are brave enough to fight this storm," said Emi.

The wind was blowing in their faces and the thunder was making them shiver. The rain was making them sopping wet and the lightning was making them blink in the bright light. They were scared mom would wake up soon and find out they were gone. They were shivering with fear and worry... would they ever escape this awful storm?

It was raining hard, the lightning was flashing, the thunder was booming, and the wind was blowing when Emi and Pan arrived at the Soup Village. Everything was very strange when they got there. The storm had died down. They did expect nobody would be out and it would be dead quiet. But...nothing was there. There were no houses, pandas, or even the fountain.

"The storm could have blown the houses down and the debris away, but the water fountain? It's made of hard stone," said Pan.

"I know. So, the storm was really, really powerful, or..."

"What? Or what?"

"Or...we...are...or we are... lost. Or we are lost," said Emi. Suddenly, Pan looked like he had just survived a giant tor-

nado. He looked like he was about to fall over and never wake up.

"What do you mean, we're lost?"

"I mean we are lost. Come on. We must find somewhere to stay. We'll find the village in the morning," said Emi.

"Shouldn't we head back to the cave if we are lost?" asked Pan.

"Didn't you hear me? I said I'm leaving. You came along. So, come on."

Pan was frozen. He hadn't heard that part. He had made a horrible decision.

"Then...then I'm going by myself. I'll have better luck with mom. Bamboo is scarce, and you don't know how to hunt." And that was that. Pan walked away and didn't turn back.

"Ha! Big baby! I'll find somewhere with..." Then she was silent. Pan was gone.

Emi was in a cave sobbing when she heard a voice. "Hey! Hey! Hey!" the voice called. It was tiny. It was high pitched. It was...familiar.

"Ella?" called Emi. "Is that you? From the SoupVillage?"

"Yes! Where are you, Emi?"

"I'm in a cave. By a small little patch of bamboo," said Emi.

"Emi!" Emi's friend, Ella the giant panda, jumped into the cave and hugged her friend.

"How did you get here? Where's Panda? Where's Pan?"

"They are at home." Emi told Ella the whole story.

"How did you get here," asked Emi?

"Oh, I live in the grove of trees by the stream. Our homes got destroyed and we were traveling to the Soup Village, because we heard that their village had survived the storm. There was a flood and I got separated from the troop," explained Ella.

"I'm kind of tired. Let's take a nap," said Emi.

Pan was at the bigger stream. He was drinking. Suddenly, Ella's troop rushed by Pan.

"Have you seen our daughter? Her name is Ella and she has a flower in her fur, but it probably got washed away in the flood."

"Oh my gosh! You were in a flood? Are you okay?" Pan was rushing through his words.

"Slow down! Have you seen our daughter? That is our most important priority right now. We are okay. We were in a flood," said Ella's dad, Po.

"Well, I haven't seen Ella but I know her. She's my sister's friend," said Pan. As he said sister, all the fun and sad memories he had had with Emi raced through his mind. He thought about the time she saved him from the bad farmers. The time they rolled and laughed until they cried. He thought about the time they got taken away from the forest into an animal center after a forest fire. She was there every step of the way when they got tests with Panda.

Then he thought about the time he walked away from her and didn't look back. He didn't persuade Emi enough. Pan might never see his best friend again. His sister who was always there. Now he was on his own.

"Have you seen my sister?" Pan asked. "I miss her."

Panda was running through the wreckage of the storm, looking for her children. She had woken up three hours ago, and her children had left two hours before she woke up.

"EMI! PAN! WHERE ARE YOU?" shouted Panda. She started to run toward the big stream. She ran. And ran. And ran. She slipped through a grove of bamboo, ran past the little stream, tumbled down a

hill, and saw a little bit of a troop of pandas before they disappeared. But she saw a little bit of a panda staying behind.

"Excuse me, are you in that troop of pandas that just left?" said Panda. She went to the big stream and saw Pan. Pan saw her. They hugged, and then Panda asked something Pan didn't want to hear.

"Pan, where's Emi?"

"Well here's the thing," and Pan told her the whole story.

"Well, we have to find her. When we do, no more escaping. And once we have everyone home, and happy, you're both grounded," said Panda.

"Hello, are you the troop I saw leaving? Can you help us find my child?" said Panda?

"Sure. Only if you help us find ours," said Po. Pan groaned. They set off to find Emi and Ella, through the big Soup Forest.

Emi and Ella were both walking through the Soup Forest looking for their parents.

"Wait, isn't that the little stream?" said Ella, looking down the hill. "Yeah...wait, there's about thirteen pandas down there..." Together, the two young pandas rolled down the hill and stopped when they saw their parents.

"Emi!" said Panda.

"Ella!" said Ella's troop in harmony. Everyone hugged and said sorry and cried and they told each other stories about how they found everyone. Then, Pan said,

"So, everyone's happy. Everyone's got their families. Now, let's be pandas...AND ROLL DOWN THE HILL!" Everyone screamed. Because, they were pandas.

Three Crazy Llamas

By MAYA ROBERSHAW

Once there was a llama named Norbert. Norbert went on a walk with his mom, Pickle, and they met another llama called carrots. Norbert's new llama friend and Norbert decided to be CRAZY LLAMAS! A few weeks later they were on a play-date at Norbert's farm. After eating too many bananas, they jumped over the fence and made a run for it. The llama police were chasing them because it was illegal to eat more than 1,000,000,000000 bananas a day! Norbert and Carrots were in the "mad at my whole family" mood because they called the llama police. They ran, and ran, and ran. They went into a restaurant and escaped! They would not have gotten into this if it weren't for Carrots coming over, but they didn't care because they were CRAZY LLAMAS!

The restaurant was very fancy. Everyone ate shrimp. It was over cooked. The llamas gagged then everyone freaked out, so the llama

ran to the bathroom where they found that they were in the girl's bathroom, which was awesome because they were CRAZY LLAMAS! They soon realized that there was another llama hiding in that stinky place. His name was Bob. He also wanted to be a CRAZY LLAMA! They decided they now had a gang. They would call themselves, guess what; THE CRAZY LLAMAS! They ran out of the store where they saw the llama police. They spit in their faces and were on their way. FYI: That is how llamas protect themselves.

All three llamas began to run for no reason and came to a sign up sheet. They signed up for llama back riding without their parent's permission. Norbert's rider was weird and oddly obsessed with hamburgers. Carrot's rider was obsessed with Taylor Swift. Bob's rider was obsessed with meatballs. What an awkward camp! (They met every Friday.)

Their saddles were very ugly. Then they got snowed in. NO!

They didn't know what to do. It was winter. This happens every winter. Usually they are in their barn. They slept in a bookstore, but everyone was scared of them. SO EXCLUSIVE!

They slept in the Girls Bathroom again. Norbert, Carrots, and Bob were snowed inside a boring bookstore!

"Let's get the plunger and dig our way out!" said Bob.

"That is what normal llamas would do, said Carrots. We are CRAZY LLAMAS! How about we eat our way through? suggested Norbert.

"YAY!" they all said at the same time. They ate their way through the snow. IT WAS FUN! First out was Norbert and then Bob and last Carrots who swallowed a frozen slug. They praised the slug. When they all got out, they were in the country at a llama farm! They jumped over

the fence and then got a strict talking to because they taught the other llamas how. The farmers were weird and the farm smelled like bananas. BANANAS! They just remembered that they were hungry. They rushed into the barn. A giant stack of banana flavored llama food lay on a stack of hay. The llamas ate 'till their hearts were content. But the farmers weren't mad, because it was llama food for the llamas.

They went into the farm. The llamas were so normal! This was a life that they didn't want to live in. They jumped over the fence again. The llamas began to wander around the city of Chicago. Then they remembered that it was llama back riding day. They hurried there. They used their new iPhone sevens. While people were riding on them, they heard a thump. They also heard hard blowing wind. Their riders jumped. One fell off Carrots! They heard Norbert's mom

screaming at the top of her lungs. DO!!! cried Norbert. They ran as fast as they possibly could. It was a tomato! (tornado)!!! They got swept away in it with their mom.

"STOP THIS TORNADO!" yelled Norbert. Suddenly everything was still.

"I have super powers!" cried Norbert.

"No you don't young man!" yelled his mom. But Norbert new his idiotic secret. (he thinks he has super powers, but everyone knows he doesn't. That was luck.) Norbert and his family are now home safely in their home, Carrots and Bob were at their homes, the three llamas quit the llama back riding camp (for many reasons), and they weren't going to eat to many bananas and go crazy for a while! THE END!

More Awesome Edison Riddles

Q: How many months have 28 days?.....Ans: All 12 months!

Q: What is full of holes but can still hold water?..... Ans: A sponge.

Q: What has three feet but cannot walk?.....Ans: A yardstick.

Q: What kind of coat can only be put on when wet?.....Ans: A coat of paint.

Q: Which is heavier, a pound of bricks or a pound of feathers? Ans:..... The same; a pound is a pound!

Q: What gets wetter the more it dries?.....Ans: A towel!

Q: What has hands but cannot clap?.... Ans: A clock!

Q: What starts with the letter "t", is filled with "t" and ends in "t"?Ans: A teapot, of course!

Q: A man was outside taking a walk, when it started to rain. The man didn't have an umbrella and he wasn't wearing a hat. His clothes got soaked, yet not a single hair on his head got wet. How could this happen?.....Ans: The man was bald!

Q: What do the numbers 11, 69, and 88 all have in common?
Ans: The read the same right side up and upside down.

Q: What never asks questions but is often answered?.....Ans: A doorbell.

Q: What belongs to you but other people use it more than you?
Ans: Your name!

Q: Everyone has it and no one can lose it, what is it?
Ans: A Shadow!

Q: You have a 5 gallon bucket and a 3 gallon bucket with as much water as you need, but no other measuring devices. Fill the 5 gallon bucket with exactly 4 gallons of water.

Ans: Fill the 5 gallon bucket all the way up. Pour it into the 3 gallon bucket until it is full. Empty the 3 gallon bucket. Pour the remaining 2 gallons into the 3 gallon bucket. Fill the 5 gallon bucket all the way up. Finish filling the 3 gallon bucket.

Q: How much wood could a woodchuck chuck if a woodchuck could chuck wood?

Answer: As much wood as a woodchuck could chuck, if a woodchuck could chuck wood!

Edison Ocean Week 2017!!

Jason Aulicino

Ocean week is finally here! For those who are new to Edison, Ocean week is an Edison event like none other. Despite the experience that Edison "goes underwater," each classroom has their own Ocean Week schedule with exciting events and curriculum. There are a number of school-wide

assemblies and events, as well. 2017 is also the year for Fish Printing! Every student will have the opportunity to create their own fish print to take home. Other school-wide events include the habitat hat parade on Thursday 8:30am, storytelling, presentations, and final slideshow presentation.

Each grade level is studying a differ-

ent Ocean/water ecosystem corresponding to the MARE (Marine, Activities, Resources, and Education Monterey) Bay curriculum.

Kindergarten- Ponds
1st Grade- Tidepools
2nd Grade- Sandy Beaches
3rd Grade- Wetlands
4th Grade- Kelp Forests
5th Grade- Open Oceans

HOW TO CARE FOR GUINEA PIGS



Photo by Grace Howells

These are my adorable guinea pigs Hazel and Bella!

I am writing this article because I have two guinea pigs, and let me tell you they are adorable. They are really sweet, rarely bite, even when they do it doesn't hurt nearly at all, and really sweet to their owners. I also wrote this article because I love animals, especially fluffy ones!!!!

Guinea pigs are tail-less rodents that are native to the west coast of South America, and since the mid 1800's, laboratories have done some research, the correct name for guinea pig is "cavy" pronounced "kay-vee."

Guinea pigs usually weigh around 3 ounces at birth, around 1-2 pounds full grown, and lives 5-6 years. Their fur can come in wide ranges of colors, and their fur can be long, short, and curly, cavies have a very good sense of smell, and sensitive hearing. They love to vocalize with squeals, chirps, squeaks and whistles. Although not known for their intelligence, they do recognize their owners and will seek them out and return affection.

Guinea pigs as pets: Guinea pigs are cuddly, comical, and clever. They make wonderful pets for children, and can be very social animals. Guinea pigs do better in pairs, as they prefer company, so unless you have a lot of time to devote to your pet, getting at least two is often a good idea. They are not expensive to

own, and the biggest expense is the initial setting up of housing. Guinea pigs are hardy pets so veterinarian expenses are minimal.

Hay: Hay is an important part of your pet's diet. It helps keep their teeth worn down and satisfies its need to chew. It also provides necessary roughage. You should not feed them coarse hay, that can injure the soft tissues of the mouth, or hay that is really moldy or dirty.

Leafy vegetables: There should always be a little bit of leafy vegetables at all times. Guinea pigs don't enjoy cold vegetables so let them warm to room temperature before feeding them to your pet.

Supplements: Your guinea pig needs vitamin c to be a happy and healthy pet. Not providing this important supplement can be fatal. Luckily there are many supplements available as a liquid or chewable bites or treats.

Water: Guinea pigs drink a lot of water, and a dry diet increases the need for water. Always provide more water than you think your pet will need.

Sources: Pet Guinea Pig Care.com

Greg the Unicorn

By Aniela Szymanski

Once there was a unicorn and his name was Greg. Greg was a basic unicorn-Frolic in beautiful flower filled meadows, eat rainbows and cotton candy and rainbows and—well, you get it. Once, when Greg was eating his usual breakfast, rainbows and cotton candy, he heard a knock on the unicorn palace door. (The Unicorn Palace is where all of the unicorns live) When one of the unicorns answered, it was... their enemy THE HORSE! When THE HORSE walked in he said, "I have proclaimed war between The Horse tribe and The Unicorn tribe!" said THE HORSE. And just like that, THE HORSE was gone. Greg was really scared. He never knew that THE HORSE would come back after many years of banishment from The Unicorn Tribe.

"Why was THE HORSE banished?" you may ask. Well, THE HORSE was banished because he— You know, let me start from the beginning.

Long ago, almost 2 years ago! Just kidding. It was about 20 years ago.

Anyway, THE HORSE was apart of the unicorn tribe 20 years ago. Yep. It just got real folks. THE HORSE used to be a unicorn. I know right?! Surprising much? Anyway, THE HORSE was just like any other unicorn, except that... he had a dark side. And when he got angry, his dark side really showed.

One day he got so angry, that he blew up the unicorn village. And that is why all of the unicorns live in a palace. THE HORSE'S punishment was banishment, and... chopping off his horn. Now THAT is harsh.

After he go banished, he started gathering up horses to form an army so that someday, he would proclaim war, and get revenge. But, there is a catch... after 30 years without a horn, you will face a most certainly painful death.

And when you die, one shall take all of your previous power and add it on to theirs.

And that someone will be Greg the Unicorn. To be continued...

