



CH TREE TIMES

EDITION FOUR, FEBRUARY 2019

We Begin Again

By Sidney Watson

Our first semester ended on January 17, and went by fast. Everyone learned a lot. Second semester started January 22.

We are going to do an end of the year play on May 15. We are all excited about it. The art room will be helping with play props.

It has been snowing so a lot of the kids have been building snow forts. We are hoping it snows more.

Everyone is looking forward to the school dance. It has a theme every year.

The annual school picnic is May 22. And, our last day of school is May 23.

School is fun you; should try it.



"Two in a Tutu" by Addy Louden

Heifer International

By Christian Tinsley

Heifer is a charity that our school donates money to, to buy animals, like sheep or goats. Heifer gives the animals to people who need them to feed and support their village.

This was our goal: a hive of bees; a goat; a sheep; flock of chickens and ducks. It would cost \$350.

How it turned out: We raised \$120, and donated a goat.

Upcoming Events

By Caroline McHugh

At The Children's House there are going to be lots of activities. For example, plays and Valentine's Day. Fun! Fun! Fun! We love fun. Give us more fun.

February 8

IMA ♦ Preschool

February 13

Rainbow Fish ♦ Preschool

February 14

Valentine's Day

February 18

President's Day ♦ No School

February 20

Diary of Anne Frank ♦ Reading

February 21

Elephant and Piggy ♦ Preschool and Math

February 26

Rosie Revere Engineer ♦ Math and Art



Salty Pea

By Cybele Gilkey

This is a story written from a writing prompt. The prompt:

Your eating dinner with your family when one of the peas on your plate starts talking to you. What does it say?

"Hey, hey you!" the pea says.

"Me?" I ask.

"Well of course you, I want to talk to you about me going in your mouth. Yeah, so do me a favor and uh, don't eat me!" it says.

I say "umm is this real?" and ask if my parents hear the pea. They say no.

The pea says "hey why don't you eat my friend Martin over there. He looks good doesn't he? Nice and plump? So are ya gonna eat me? Huh kid huh?"

I grab the pea and stuff him in my pocket. I ask "how is this real?"

He says "hey kid anything is possible; also your mom put salt on us and that wakes us up from being dead."

"Oh" I say. "Well what do we do now?" I ask.

"Well I've always had the dream of being planted so maybe that?"

"Ok" I say and go outside. I plant him next to my fort and cover him up. Then I go to bed. The next day I go to my fort and there is a snow pea plant there. I see all sorts of little peas then I see the original pea.

"Wanna be the godmother?" he asks.

I say sure and go inside. Later that day my mom ran them over with the lawn mower.

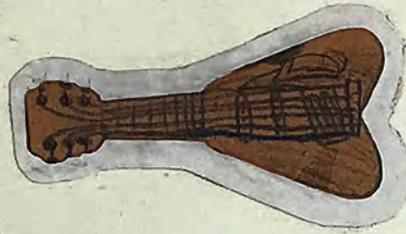
We Play Music

By Sean Michie

In music, students are allowed to bring instruments from home, upon approval. On Mondays, there are assigned classes for different instruments... guitar, keyboard, and drums.

On Wednesdays, we meet as our homerooms and play songs as a group. Some of our song forms include 12 bar and strophic. We also use riffs generated by the class. The keyboardists are learning Major and minor chords and how to play them in interesting ways.

Everyone is happy to play the music that we learn.



Flashlight Bright No More

By Peyton McConley

The school had two pet axolotls named Dr. Pepper Monkey and Flashlight. They were named by Cheikh's brother Serigne, and Cybele's brother Elias.

The axolotls ate blood worms, and seemed to be getting along, but then Flashlight became old and cranky and viciously attacked Dr. Pepper Monkey, for sleeping room.

After this, DPM starved to death. Then, Flashlight died from loneliness and a lack of bacon.



by
Lorelei
Louden

Review: Every Brilliant Thing

By the Science Room

Every Brilliant Thing is about a boy (Marcus) whose mom is suicidal. After she attempts to commit suicide for the first time, Marcus starts writing a list about what is worth living for. The list consists of roller coasters, spider man, ice cream, people falling down, bed, etc. He keeps giving her the list, but she never acknowledges that she read it; but he knows she did because she corrected his grammar in it.

Sherlock Bones was Marcus' dog, who had to be put down in the beginning of the play. Marcus has to pick someone from the audience to play the vet. Marcus uses a jacket from someone in the audience to portray the dog. He also uses a pen to "put down" the dog. The pen represents a needle. Mr. Gilkey played a professor in college for Marcus. He only had to give the book that the class "read", but he just had to read something off the back.

In college Marcus goes to the library a lot. In the library he meets a girl named Sam. At first they just exchanged looks, but then Marcus says 'hi' to her. They keep talking more and more, and he finally asks her out. They lend each other books and one day Marcus lends her a book that he loved in his childhood. It was Charlotte's Web. He had forgotten that he had put the list in the book when he gave up writing on the list. When she returns the book she added more things to the list. He read the new things in the list, and she urges him to keep writing in the list. He wants to get to one million and his and Sam's relationship gets better and better, until one day Sam proposes to him. He says yes and they get married.

After that the relationship starts to get worse, until one day she leaves. She leaves a note in the record sleeve of the album of her favorite song. She knew that when Marcus missed her he would listen to that. When he finally found the note it was seven years later. It said that when he was ready he could come back to her but he was too late. They didn't get back together and he struggled with depression for the rest of his life.



The Creature from the South

Liam's Creatures

By Liam Larimore

This is the Creature from the South. Standing 50 feet tall and being 90 feet long, the Creature from the South lives in South America, in the jungle.

In non-winter months, the creature sleeps four hours a day and eats the other 20. The Creature eats any type of bug, with its favorite being the jungle scorpion. In winter, the Creature hibernates.

In summer, walking around is the Creature's main activity; avoiding the Creature from the North. The Creature from the South is a peaceful being who lives forever. If attacked, the Creature either digs tunnels underground or poisons its enemies with bad berries.

Though the Creature from the South has many nameless friends, the Creature spends most of its time alone. Being alone is just fine for the Creature from the South.



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