

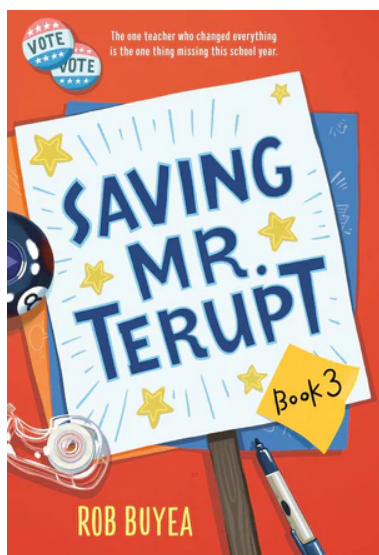
March Maddness

Ella Wagner (5th Grade)



March madness is when college teams who are the best of the best compete in basketball to be the best college in the country. The teams compete to get the team the national championship trophy, exclusive championship rings, and the tradition of cutting down the nets. The champions get personalized rings with their college and the year they won the championship. People from around the country bet and make brackets to guess who's going to win. 64 teams enter, only 1 comes out on top. Who

Do you want to be victorious? The commentators are Ian Eagle, Bill Raftery, and Grant Hill, they will be doing play by play comments. Personally I either want Auburn or The University of Montana to win. Book your tickets now before they run out! Also March Madness will be broad casted around the country,

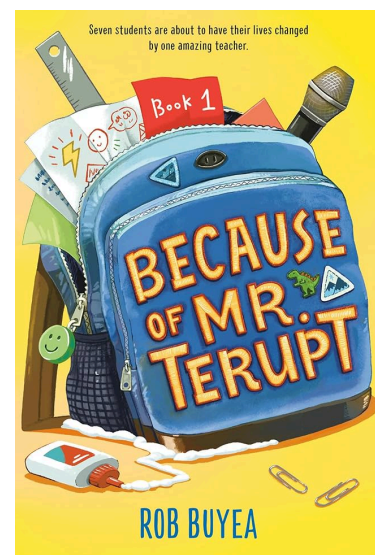


Book Review

Ben Lund

(5th Grade)

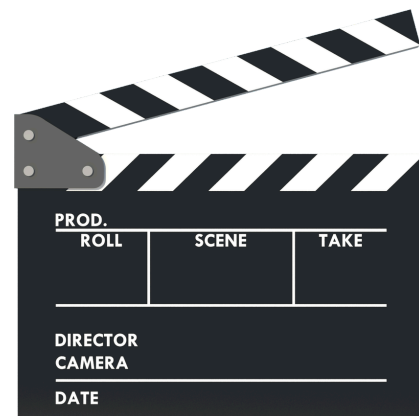
MR. Terupt



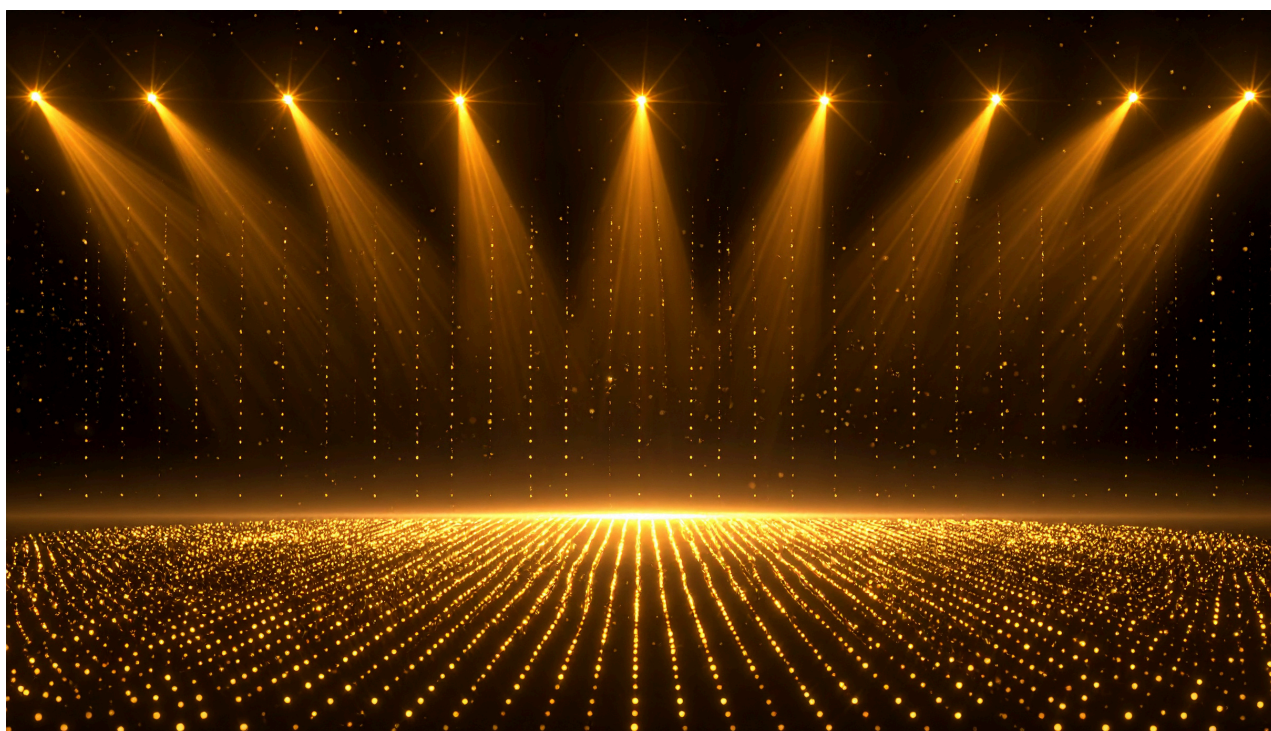
This is a great book that made me feel so excited. There are three books and I love them all. There are a variety of characters in this book. First, Peter, he is the class troublemaker. Jessica is the new girl who is smart and perceptive. Alexia is the bully and makes other people feel bad. Jeffery is the slacker who hates school. Luke is very smart and loves to learn. Danielle is the shy and quiet student who has trouble standing up for herself. Finally Anna is the outcast who often feels ignored. They are all great characters that make a big impact on the book. In fact, every few pages the narrator shifts between characters which makes this book unique! I related to the character Luke the most. I think he and I are similar because we both love to learn. This book was written by Rob Buyea. There are interesting and unexpected problems that make the book even better. Not all of the kids have much in common and they don't always get along. Then a new teacher arrives and their lives change forever. His name is Mr. Terupt, he is really kind and helpful. He also helps the kids find strength inside themselves. A terrible tragedy occurred to Mr. Terupt. If you really want to know what happens read this book! This book is my favorite book and I hope you love it! Some different books you might like are Fish in a Tree by Lynda Hunt, Restart by Gordon Korman, and Snoop also by Gordon Korman. I hope you liked these books!

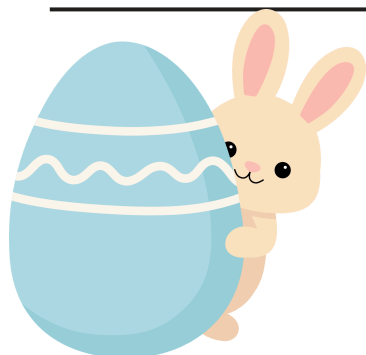


Talent Show Holt Faircloth Adam Telfer (5th Grade)



The talent show was a show where talented performers showed off their talent while others got to watch. In the talent show there were many different unique acts such as singing, dancing, gymnastics and so many more unique talents. It was not only the performers in the talent show but also backstage crew. The stage crew helped out the performers such as moving props around, adjusting the mic, changing the lights and so many other things. The talent show for parents was March 19 @ 6:00 pm and the one for kids was March 20 during school. Journalism club members who were in the talent show include Adam Telfer, Josie Chew, Mitsuki Fujiwara, Emilliano Felix-Martinez, Benny Cardali, and Voss Kronen. Journalism Club members who served on the back stage crew for the talent show include: Cody Weismiller, Holt Faircloth, and so many more. Directors assistants were: Lola Matthews and Emma Kuhn. The person running the talent show was Ms Southwell and her amazing directors assistants, you can find Ms Southwell in the auditorium. We hope you enjoyed the show!





History of Easter

Mitsuki Fujiwara

(4th Grade)



Did you know that Easter came from an ancient Pagan celebration of the Spring Equinox!? They celebrated Easter when the weather got warmer and everything bloomed. Easter is celebrated around the time of the Jewish holiday, Passover.

Also in ancient times, some people believed in the god of fertility, Astarte (Also known as Ashtur, Ishtar, and of course the one and only, Easter). Easter and a few other holidays are called “movable feasts” which means the date changes each year. The word Easter comes from the English word, Eostre. In the Christian religion, lots of people go to special services at churches. They also read the story of the resurrection, engage in family gatherings, and many other traditions.

Today, people celebrate Easter in many ways. Some people celebrate Easter by eating delicious family meals and decorating eggs beautifully. They usually celebrate Easter at sunrise with special music, and scripture readings. Also in some households the Easter Bunny serves candy and chocolate. (Delicious!) Some children also have fun with Easter egg hunts. Another thing is that eggs, bunnies and sweets are all symbols of this holiday. When I was doing this I learned a extraordinary amount of stuff .

The Long Path

Marabel Barrett

(5th Grade)



“Run! Run as fast as you can!” Stella screamed. I skidded to a stop and turned around to grab Winston, the Basset Hound, and carried him since Basset Hounds can only run 5 miles per hour. I sprinted to catch up with Stella and Olly. I saw a big shadow loom over me and then, everything went white. I jolted upright from my pillow. I looked around my organized, comfy room. “It was just a dream, Augi,” I told myself. I got up so I could get ready for school. I chose my normal wear, a baggy Led Zeppelin T-shirt and leggings.

I guess I should introduce myself! Hello, my name is Augi Willow Zett. I live in New Jersey. I am short, white, and they/them. A they/them is a person who identifies as not a girl or a boy. I love sports, cozy/comfy spaces, cat and dog obsessed, and I love math. I am a pretty weird person, but normal. I have two friends, Olly and Stella. Olly is a tall black boy who loves to play soccer, is obsessed with chess, and he is really good at math.

Stella is tan and short, intelligent, a book worm, and she is very fashionable. Winston is a Basset Hound who lives on my street and who is everybody's dog.

“Augi!” My mom hollers from the bottom of the stairs.

“Coming!” I holler back. I quickly brush my hair and teeth then I bound down the stairs.

“Quickly eat your breakfast, the bus will be here soon!” My mom said in a rush. “Anyways, bye! Love you! See you after school!” The door slams behind her as she trails out of the door with her busload of stuff. I scarf down my breakfast and head out the door.

“Hello Augi!” Olly says as I approach the bus stop.

“Hello to you too!” I say.

“Run! Run as fast as you can!” Stella screamed. I skidded to a stop and



“Augi! Augi! Help me! My baby brother covered my tank top with mud!” Stella exclaims. “Can you pour water onto my shirt? I forgot my water bottle at home today.”

“Okay,” I say. It seems like everyday Stella forgets her water bottle. “On board for the yellow-bannana express!” Mr. Harrison, the bus driver, calls to all the kids gathered at the bus stop. Everyone chuckles while clambering onto the bus.

“Okay, let's play Simon-says,” Olly offers.

I just sat down and reviewed all of my math facts in my head because we have a math test today. I only finished about half of the math facts when we arrived at school. 5% of 100 is-

“Hey Augi,” Stella interrupts my thoughts. “Who do you think will win tonight, Canada or the United States for soccer?”

“Defenintaly Canada, they are so good!” I say.

We talk about the game tonight until we reach class, then we settle down to review our notes for the math test.

“Bringggggggggggg!” The bell rings and everybody clambers out of their seats so they can get the best spot to eat lunch. I got out of my seat and headed to get my lunch from my locker. When I opened my locker a note fell out. I picked it up and started reading it. It said:

Hello, Augi. Tonight will be your last night to live in your world. Your 11 year old life will become hard and magical. Beware!

-Stranger Of The Dark

I rolled my eyes. Probably just Jach William, the school prankster. I threw the note in the trash and jogged down the hallway to join Stella and Olly.

“Catch!” I called to Winston. Winston jumped up in the air and missed the frisbee I threw to him by 10 feet. Stella, Olly, and I cracked up. Winston is hilarious! We played for 40 more minutes and then we all headed back home. As I walked to my house I wondered what was for dinner. But when I reached the porch the door was locked! I banged on the door but no one answered. All of a sudden I heard a sound, I turned around and saw a tornado heading towards me! I ran as fast as I could, but the tornado was too fast. It caught up to me and swept me up into the air, then everything turned black.



Look out for part two of “The Long Path” in April!



February Denver Sports Recap

JJ Camacho (4th Grade)

FEBRUARY DENVER SPORTS UPDATE

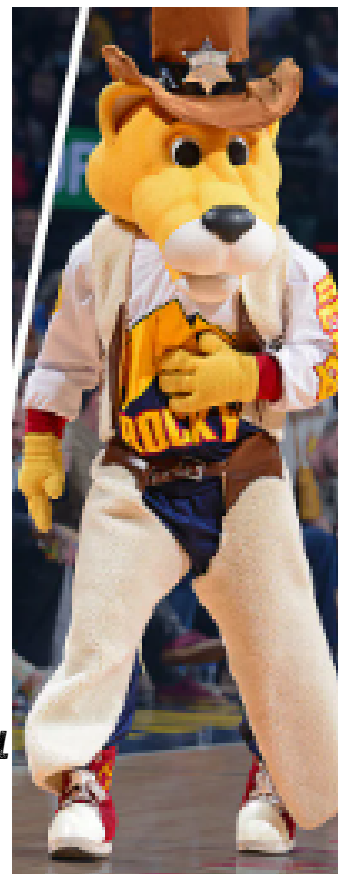
HELLO EVERYBODY! FEBRUARY ENDED THAT MEANS WE GET TO RECAP FEBRUARY SPORTS IN DENVER. BUT FIRST, I WANT TO SHOUT OUT THE SEAHAWKS FOR WINNING THE SUPER BOWL AND BEING THE BEST TEAM IN THE NFL THIS YEAR. UNFORTUNATELY, THE BRONCO SEASON IS OVER, SO THAT MEANS WE CAN FOCUS ALL OF OUR FANDOM ON THE NUGGETS.

THE NUGGETS DEFEATED THE CHICAGO BULLS 136-120. NIKOLA JOKIĆ PASSED OSCAR ROBERTSON FOR THE SECOND-MOST TRIPLE-DOUBLES (MEANING HE GOT DOUBLE DIGITS IN REBOUNDS, POINTS, AND ASSISTS) IN NBA HISTORY!

THEN, CRUSHING IT AGAIN AND SETTING A FRANCHISE RECORD FOR MOST POINTS ON THE ROAD IN A 157-103 BLOWOUT WAS THE NUGGETS WIN AGAINST THE PORTLAND TRAIL BLAZERS. AFTER THAT, THEY A LOSSED TO THE GOLDEN STATE WARRIORS 103-95,- DESPITE JOKIĆ RECORDING 25 POINTS, 20 REBOUNDS, AND 12 ASSISTS.

AFTER, THEY SECURED AN ALMOST 20 POINT LEAD HAVING A 103-84- WIN OVER THE BOSTON CELTICS. THEN, THEY FELL TO THE DOMINANT OKLAHOMA CITY THUNDER 127-121 IN AN INTENSE OVERTIME THRILLER! THERE WERE MORE GAMES BUT THESE WERE MOST OF THE HIGHLIGHTS.

WE HAD SOME HISTORIC MOMENTS THIS MONTH AND OTHERS NOT AS GOOD, IN THE END, THE NUGGETS WON 5 OF 11 GAMES. HOPE TO SEE YOU AGAIN COME BACK FOR A EXITING MONTH OF SPORTS.



Sandlot Movie Review

Quinn Hammes

(5th Grade)

The Sandlot is a classic movie and still very good. The Sandlot was released in 1993 and includes the main characters: Squints, Alan Yeah Yeah, DeNunez, Smalls, Benjamin Franklin Rodriguez, Ham, and more. In this movie Scott AKA Smalls moves to a new town and realizes that he doesn't even know how to catch a baseball. His new friends help him to learn the game and they play along with him. One day, they need a new ball and Smalls grabs a signed Babe Ruth ball mindlessly and it gets thrown over the fence. The team have to get the ball back but there is giant dog guarding the legendary ball named Hercules. Soon they find out the owner is actually very nice. I like this movie because it is old and good, it teaches you that you shouldn't judge a book by its cover. As you can see the Sandlot is such a good movie. You can watch it on Netflix if you have an account! You can probably also rent or buy it on Amazon.





Women's History Month

Lola Matthews

(5th Grade)



Womens History Month

By Lola Matthews

In school, we talk a lot about women in history so I am going to add on and teach you more about amazing female historical figures. Some of the people I am going to talk about are; Aretha Franklin, Marie Curie, Maya Angelou and Marilyn Monroe.

The first person I am going to talk about is Aretha Franklin. If you haven't heard of Aretha Franklin she was a singer, songwriter, and pianist. Aretha was so famous because of her four octave range, and her incredible singing skills. She was also famous because she was able to cross multiple genre's when singing. In other words, she could sing in multiple genre's and styles

Another famous woman in entertainment was Marilyn Monroe. Marilyn was a famous actor and model who helped change our thinking with movies. Marilyn Monroe had a very unique stage presence. She had a very playful and flirtatious personality, she was also very funny, confident, and glamorous. We remember Marilyn Monroe for her influence in art, fashion and media.

There was a female scientist who helped fully discover radium and polonium. Her name was Marie Curie and she made a huge mark in history. Marie curie's discoveries were essential in continuing to learn about chemistry and nuclear physics. We remember Curie because she died for her work because she got poisoned from all the radium she was around. She was the first female professor at the University of Paris. She was also the first female to win a Nobel Peace Prize.

The last famous woman in history that I am going to talk about is Maya Angelou. Maya Angelou was a famous poet/writer who wrote about overcoming childhood trauma, abuse , fighting against racism, and fighting against discrimination. Maya Angelou had a very hard childhood filled with abuse. Maya Angelou wrote about this in her poems which helped her poems have a very meaningful feeling to them.

REMEMBER

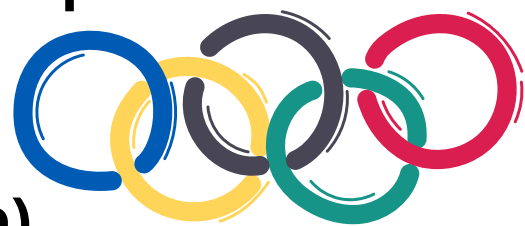
Just like any other month that celebrates a certain group of people. This should NOT be the only time you celebrate and learn about these groups of people. It is ALWAYS okay to learn more and continue to celebrate them even if it isn't the "specific month".

Winter Olympics Recap

Benny Cardali

Jasper Hurst

(5th & 4th Grade)



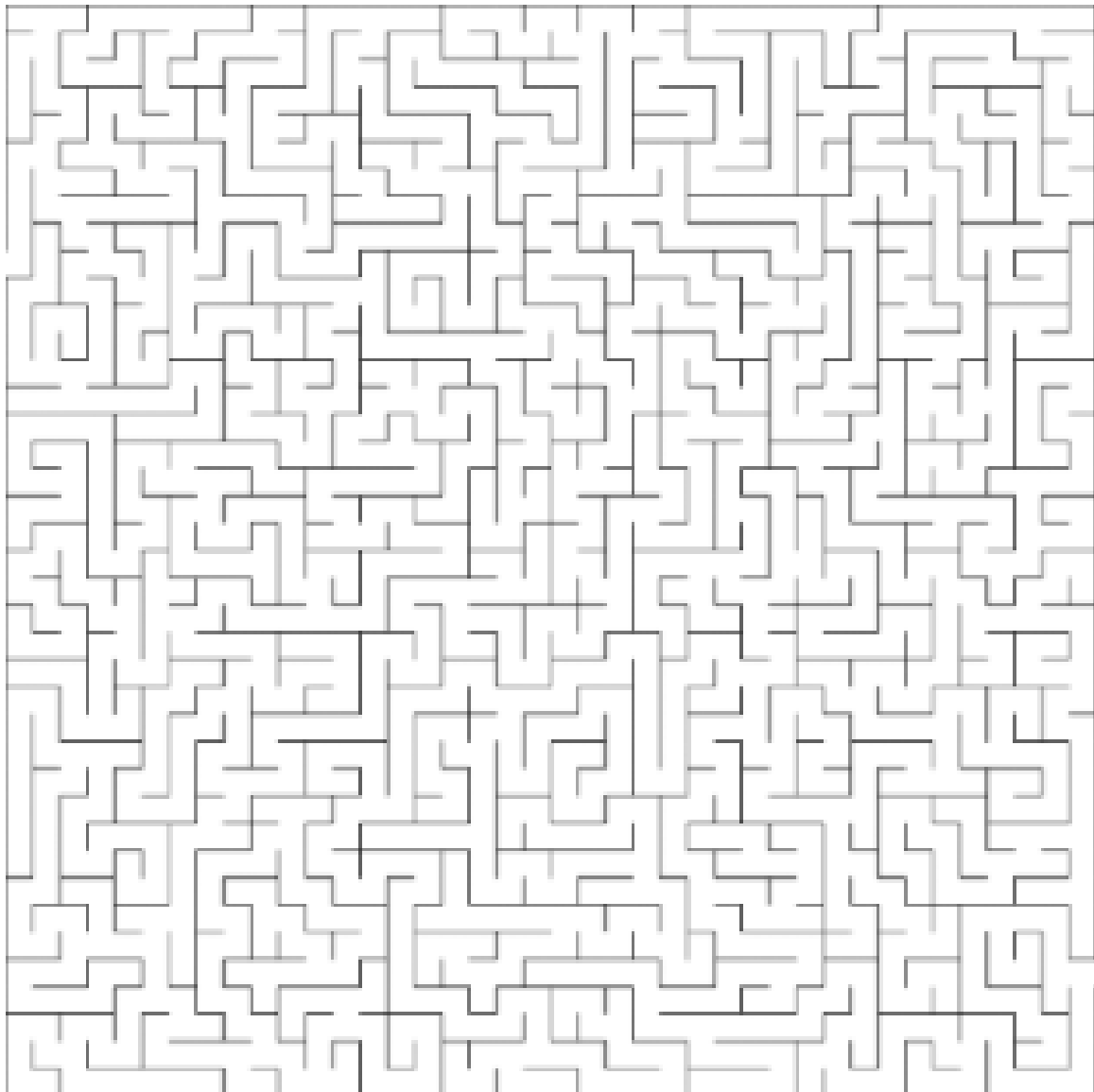
The Winter Olympics is a global competition that is made up of many different winter sports events. It is held in different places around the world every four years and many countries compete in it. This year, both the US men's & women's ice hockey teams won Gold! In total the U.S got 12 gold medals, 12 silver medals, and 9 bronze medals. Norway got the most gold medals out of any country for the 2026 Winter Olympics with a whopping amount of 18 gold medals.

The United States got two gold medals, one silver and one bronze in alpine skiing. But sadly, one of our skiers, Lindsey Vonn, got hurt because she tried to ski with a broken knee.



Games & Puzzles

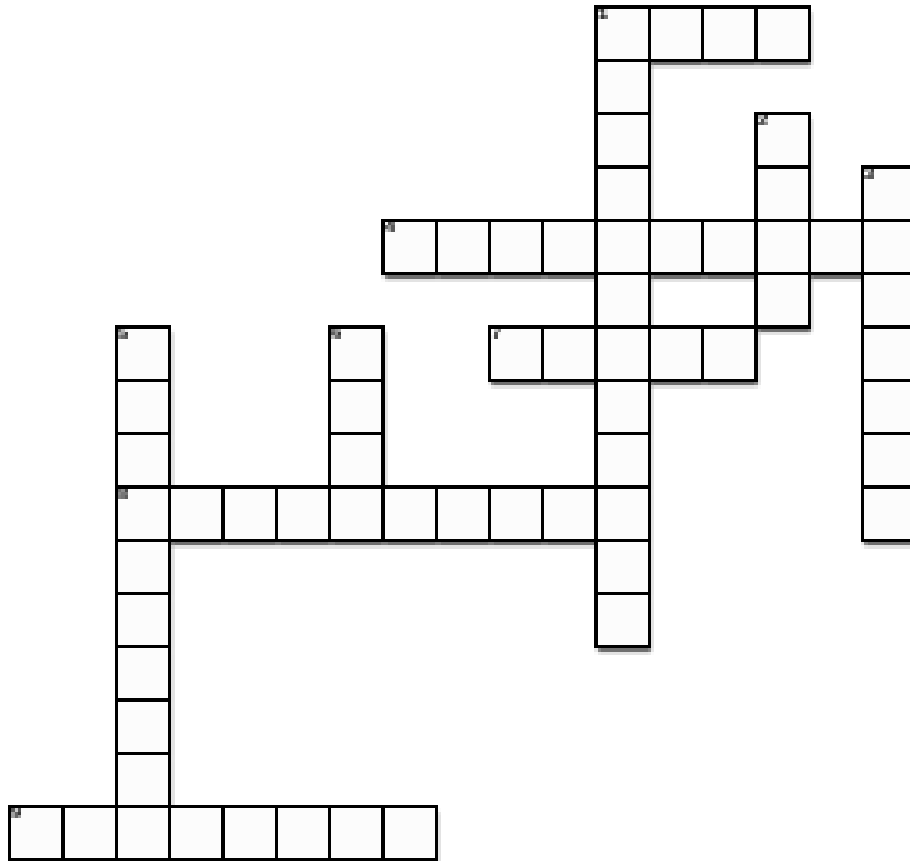
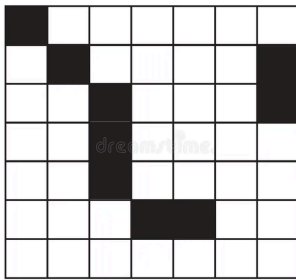
Jensen Bower (4th Grade)



Games & Puzzles

Jensen Bower

(4th Grade)



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Across

- 1. You might find me in a nest. Be on the lookout for baby birds!
- 4. March madness is associated with this sport
- 7. A bird that's a sign of spring. It has a red chest and yellow feet.
- 8. It is a huge trickster who wears green
- 9. This Jewish holiday is celebrated in April this year

Down

- 1. He might leave some eggs filled with candy scattered around your yard
- 2. April isn't all fun and games. The upper grades have to do this during this month
- 3. The sayings goes "April showers bring May..."
- 5. These delicious treats come in a variety of flavors and colors...look out for the licorice flavored one
- 6. This leaf brings good luck, but only if it has THIS many leaves



Legend of the Leprechauns

Emma Kuhn

(4th Grade)

Legends On Leprechauns

Do you know any legends on leprechauns? If so, let me tell you some more. One of the famous legends, they say, are Irish folktale fairies. It might not be as cool as you think, but they are famous for hiding pots of gold at the end of rainbows. If caught, they will reveal their location.

Now that I am sure you knew about it. Did you know, back in time, leprechauns were shoe makers? Leprechauns usually wear green, but before the 20th century, they would wear the color red.

**Fun Fact About March: Why do you get pinched for not wearing green?
It makes you invisible to leprechauns.**

If you can catch a leprechaun, which is very hard, and keep your eyes fixed on him, he is legally bound to grant you three wishes. I didn't know that and if you didn't, now you know. Many say that leprechauns are pint-sized creatures that are mean and ugly. Cool huh? They are short and wrinkled. As legends say, they wear red square-cut coats, richly laced with gold, and they are known for their cocked hat, shoes and buckles. Leprechauns are mean spirited. Their origin is mythology and Irish folklore.

