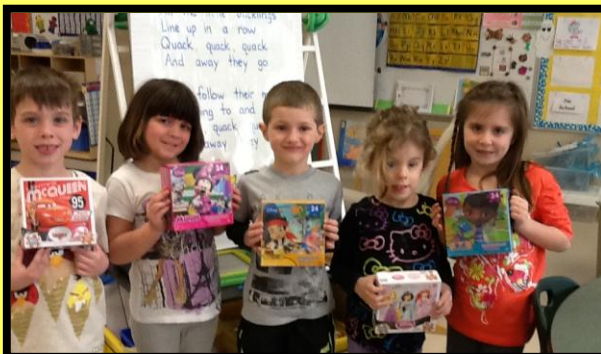
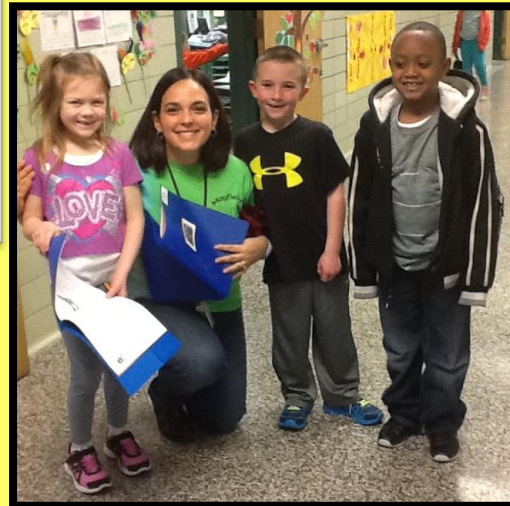


The Lander Leopard News

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Breakfast with the Bunny and Lander Rocks

By Molly Xiao

On April 12th, there was a "Breakfast with the Bunny" event at the Mayfield Community Center for Easter. The 5th grade kids in Lander Rocks helped prepare and volunteer at this event. They prepared by helping stuff small, colored eggs full of candy for the kids. They probably stuffed more than a thousand eggs! Then, at the event, each person worked at a game station in the game room. Here is an interview with someone that was volunteering at the event, and helped prepare for it, Maddie Bean!

Me: Hi

Maddie: Hi

Me: How was Breakfast with the Bunny?

Maddie: Fun.

Me: How was egg stuffing?

Maddie: It was hard work, but it was fun. There were 5,000 eggs! (I think)

Me: What did you do at Breakfast with the Bunny?

Maddie: We all worked at a game in the game room and gave prizes and candy to kids.

Me: Thank you for your time.

Maddie: Thank you.



LANDER NEWS

Science Showcase

By Alvin Cai

From dropping eggs to cardboard boat racing, you could've seen many of these cool little science experiments right at Mayfield High school. For those of you who don't know what Science Showcase is it is where schools from all around the Mayfield School District make science experiments and teach you about an aspect of science in the experiment. It's basically like a place to learn about science. You'll find that these experiments can be quite interesting to learn about. This was the Mayfield School's fourth annual science showcase and if you haven't gone this year, then that's no big deal just stop by next year if you can. I had a blast at Science Showcase and if you went I hope you had fun too.



Kindness Kids

An update by Mrs. Schmidt

We would like to celebrate the following students who were recognized for being kind here at Lander:

Sydney Montgomery, Christian Lemus, Nicki Trivisonno, Kailey Jewell, Jaden Parker, Cidney Little, Staisy Kovaleva-Gasparyan, Mackenzie Lofton, Carmen Clute, Joey Barch, Jillian Brindle, Victoria Kunc, Evelina Sevastianova, Cadie Kulnane, Rakshan Malik, Conor Tietjen, Logan Barnes, Kyle Gleba, Mareike Tietjen, Dilya T., Jaiden Varanese, Damonte Allen, Grace Sheppard, Dominic Prince, Jake Watson, Ethan Appell, Isabella Ganz, Phoebe Sonderman, Miranda Thomas, Fatima Sardo-Longo, Joey Giotta, Camrynn Harris, and Anthony Stefanski

LANDER NEWS

What did students do over Spring Break?

By Julietta Puletti



Delaney- I went to the Bahamas and I went to Florida.

Alexis- I built a cowboy hat out of cans.

Spencer- I went to Columbus.

Anthony- I went out to dinner and to the mall.

Camryn- I went to the IX center, I chilled, and my sister and I went to PA.

Josh M. - I played games and slept.

Anna- I went to a birthday party, I also went to the movies, and a baby shower.

Sydney- I went over my best friend's house, and watched Netflix.

Brynn- I got a dog, named, Ray Ray, and played with my best friends.



THANK YOU, LANDER PTG!



Thank you PTG for all the awesome games. They are really amazing and so much fun!

~The kids of Lander Elementary



CUDDLE UP & READ



Cuddle up and Read is a program where kindergarten students practice their emergent reading abilities with special people from their lives. We celebrate our successes on the first Friday of school each month from October through May. Older siblings, grandparents and extended family have joined us! We even get to read with Lander Celebrities! We love to read every day, but these days are even more special!



AUTISM AWARENESS MONTH



Autism Awareness Facts

By: Jaiden Varanese

People with Autism often find that it is very difficult for them to communicate. It can be very challenging for them to understand what other people are saying. Some people with Autism may not even be able to talk at all. When people with Autism have toys, books, or other things around them, they may not seem interested in these sorts of things. They also may not use an object in the way others do. People with Autism often have a hard time making friends or learning how to act with others.

Now when you see someone with Autism think: if you were them, wouldn't you want to be treated with love? So be a friend to them and show them KINDNESS!




The Autism Awareness Ribbon
 The puzzle pattern of this ribbon reflects the mystery and complexity of autism.
 The different colors and shapes represents the diversity of people and families living with this disorder.
 The brightness of this ribbon signals hope - hope through research and increasing awareness in people like you.



An Autism Awareness wreath created by students in room 125/126

Game Day

By Shrinidhi Shah

Game Day is a way of helping and getting to know students/kids with autism. We play games at different stations like "Twister" on the carpet. Helping out during this fun event shows kindness and appreciation toward the autistic kids. My friends and I help out with Mrs. Dreher's group and we play with the following kids: Ryan, Ben, Michael, Mackayla, Lexi, and Rachel!

Join the Fun!!!!



WELCOME, SPRING

Spring Showers, Bring May Flowers

By Haley Lackner

My Uncle Jeff is the owner of Mastercare Landscaping. I interviewed him about the plants in April and May and how to get your lawn in nice shape. He gave me advice about what you should do to your plants and flowers to get your lawn ready and to look beautiful!

1. When did you start your business?
A. In 1980
2. What advice would you give to people to start their landscaping in the spring?
A. Put down your fertilizer quickly and do a spring cleanup by picking up sticks, rake up debris in yard, trim and prune shrubs and trees, spade edges of flower beds and de-thatch the lawn.
3. When is the best time to start planting flowers?
A. After the 15th of May, because the risk of frost can happen until the middle of May.
4. How often should you fertilize your grass?
A. At least 4 times a year every 6 weeks, starting in the spring.
5. What flower would you recommend planting in a sunny area?
A. Begonias or Ageratums.
6. What is your favorite flower?
A. Daffodils, because it is one of the first flowers to pop up after winter.



What did Teachers do over Spring Break?

By Kathy Du

Mrs. Digeronimo: I went to Florida with my 2 daughters and my sister. ☺

Mrs. Suchy: I worked on graduate schoolwork. ☹

Mrs. Wachter: I went on a cruise to the Carribbean and it was wonderful and warm! ☺

Mrs. Stepanek: I went on college visits with my daughter and I saw my son at UD.

Mrs. Winfield: I went shopping with my BFF. I slept in. I went to Little Italy, and I went shopping by myself. A lot of shopping! ☺

Mrs. Edwards: I went on a cruise to Florida and to the Bahamas. ☺



The Easter Bunny

By Lindsey Urban

When you think of Easter what is the first thing you think about? The Easter Bunny! The Easter Bunny is an Easter character. He brings decorated eggs filled with candy. A lot of kids love the Easter Bunny. And he loves kids too! So everyone have an awesome Easter and don't forget about the Easter Bunny!



SPORTS

Cleveland Indians Home opener 2014

By Ryan Turek

Hello my name is Ryan Turek telling you about the Cleveland Indians Home opener. The starting pitchers were Danny Salazar against Mike Pelfrey. In The first inning Josh Willingham of the Minnesota Twins hit a sacrifice fly to center. Brian Dozier scored. Still in the first Chris Collabella hit a solo shot. Twins lead 2-0. All the way into the bottom of the 6th Danny Salazar got out of the game. In the bottom of the 6th Yan Gomes hit a solo bomb to center. Tribe cut the lead 2-1. Now Lonnie Chisenhall got a base hit and Nick Swisher hit a 2 run home run. In the bottom of the 7th Nyger Morgan hit a single and Yan Gomes scored and moved Lonnie Chisenhall to third. The Tribe won 3-2.



FASHION

Interview with a Cleveland Fashion Designer

By Riley Anderson

Earlier this month I got to interview Luke Neubecker. He is the fashion designer who created *Cleveland Is My Paris* stickers and shirts. He sells his items in Cleveland.

Riley: How did your design start?

Luke: In 2008 I wanted a bumper sticker to put on my first car. Most of what I found was negative and I wanted something positive. I started brainstorming and decided on *Cleveland Is My Paris*. My family and friends wanted a bumper sticker too so it developed into more than just a sticker for my car.

Riley: What inspired you to be a designer?

Luke: I like the idea of instead of buying someone else's idea, I could make my own.

Riley: Why do you think Cleveland is so cool?

Luke: I started exploring the city more and I learned you could take the fun with you wherever you go. There is so much to do here if you just start exploring.

Riley: Where are you from?

Luke: University Heights.

Riley: Do you have any siblings?

Luke: Yes, one brother who is 31 and lives in Orlando, Florida.

Riley: Do you like blue or green?

Luke: They are both my favorite colors. I rarely wear black even though I have black on today.

Riley: Do you have anything to say to the kids at my school?

Luke: Do lots of thinking and brainstorming by yourself. Walking and exercising are good for thinking. If you can dream it, you can do it!

I hope you liked my interview. When I think of fashion I think of creating something new, making your own style and expressing your inner self. Rock your own style!



Luke's stand at The Coffee House in University Circle

NEWS & VIEWS

An Interview with Charlie Hilaotzos

By Wale Onamusi

Me: Hello

Charlie: Hi

Me: Did you like the Indians game?

Charlie: Yes because they won the first game of the season.

Me: What's your favorite person on the Indians?

Charlie: It's between Jason Kipnis and Nick Swisher.

Me: What's your favorite baseball team?

Charlie: Indians.

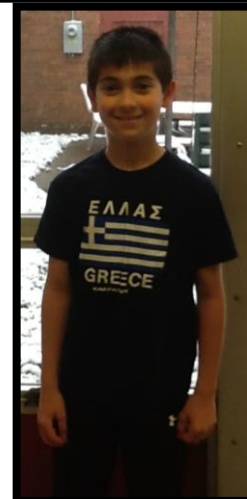
Me: If you could join a baseball team, what team would you join?

Charlie: Indians.

Me: If you could make your own baseball team, what would you name your team?

Charlie: The All Stars.

Me: Thanks.



The Beginning of Easter

By Molly Xiao

People who are Christians believe that Easter is the celebration of the resurrection of Jesus Christ, 3 days after he sacrificed himself for the human race. It is one of the oldest Christian holidays and also one of the most important. Fun Facts: 1. Due to Americans, Easter is the second most important holiday to eat candy. The first is Halloween, of course! 2. Americans buy 700 million peeps, (marshmallow ducks) during Easter. This makes it the most popular non-chocolate Easter candy! 3. In all, 90 million chocolate bunnies are made for Easter every year. Also, when taking a bite into one of those millions of chocolate bunnies, 76% of Americans prefer to bite off the ears first, 5% eat the feet first, 4% eat the tail first, and 15% eat the body. (Don't ask me how they do that) Happy Easter!!



NEWS & VIEWS

The I-X Indoor Amusement Park

By McCartney Puhalla

The I-X Indoor Amusement Park was the best! I really had a lot of fun with my family. I saw other Lander students there, too! My favorite ride had to be the skiing ride where you zoom in circles and then you go backwards. It was amazing! The ride that I least liked was the ride where you spin so fast that you stick to the wall. You can go upside down if you want to, but I didn't want to because it seemed too scary for me. I hope to go again next year! Will you go to The IX Indoor Amusement Park next year?



Why Do Kids Get Bullied?

By Myah Goodman

Kids bully others for a number of reasons. Some of those reasons are that they have unhappy lives, they have problems but do not know how to express them, or they are bullied or hurt by other people. Other kids bully because that is their way of getting what they want when they want it. Bullying might continue if kids are able to continue bullying or if other people allow it to happen. Sometimes kids bully others because their friends asked them to and they don't want to let their friends down. Also they bully because it makes them feel good about themselves.



Should Trampolines be banned?

By Delaney Lancry

No- I think trampolines **shouldn't** be banned because they are good exercise for kids, and kids have a good time. You can get hurt playing any sport and not just on a trampoline. - Julietta

Yes- I think trampolines **should** be banned because if you fall off a trampoline, you can get hurt really bad. - Alexis



Do you think trampolines should be banned?

NEWS & VIEWS



LEGO Movie Review

By Iulia Marginean

Hi I'm your reporter Iulia Marginean bringing you the latest news on a great movie I recently watched called the LEGO MOVIE! In this article I will be interviewing some 4th graders about their favorite part. Up first is Cody. Cody's favorite part is when he was scared by the sister. Now up is Melissa Ly her favorite part is when Emmet and Lucy were about to crash because the police officer removed the track but then Batman saves them and Lucy says, "This is my boyfriend, Bat." Now up is Katie D her favorite part is when uni-kitty goes crazy at the end. Now up is AJ Baker he liked the part when Emmet tried to act normal but a lot of trouble came. Wynter's favorite part is at the end. Now my favorite part is when they went to the town where everyone is happy. If you have not watched the movie I recommend you watch it. Well it was great telling you about the LEGO movie. Now remember I'm your reporter Iulia Marginean and everything is awesome!!!

How to Cure the Hiccups!

By Samantha Walters



1. Have someone scare you but don't let them tell you when
2. Drink lots of water
3. Hold your breath for as long as possible
4. Swallow something sweet or sour
5. Eat a spoonful of peanut butter
6. Take a sip of hot sauce if you can handle it
7. Press on the palm of your hand with your other thumb
8. Stick your fingers in your ears for 30 seconds

Did kids like the PARCC test?

By Marco Ochoa



Yes

No

0%

100%

Examples why they might not have liked it:

1. There were many glitches and the computer would freeze
2. When you would write a sentence you would hit the back button and your sentence will delete
3. Some of the things you had to do were confusing
4. When you type sometimes the letters wouldn't work

CARTOONS

Check out April's featured cartoonist, Camila Sardo-Longo

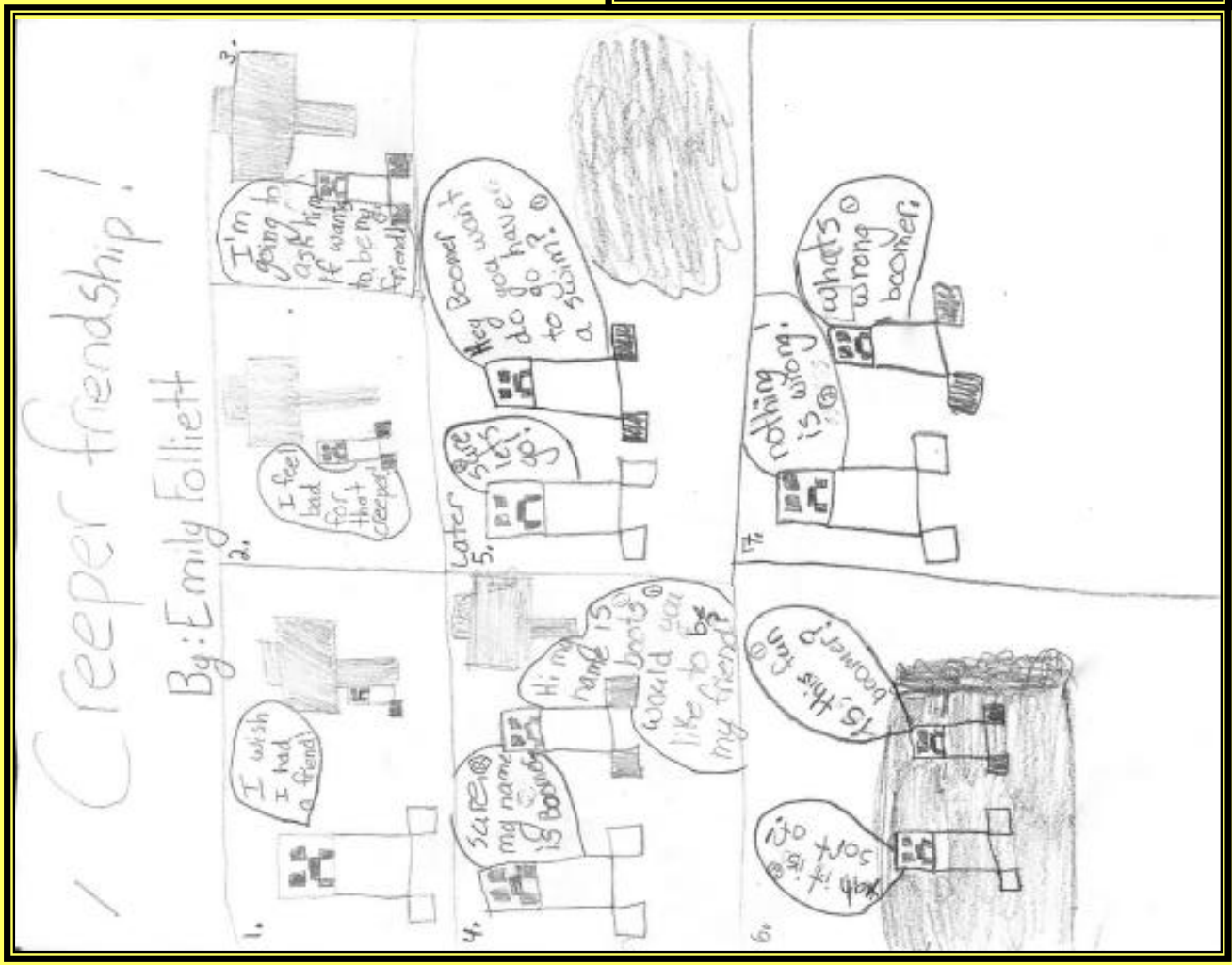


CARTOONS



Creepier friendship!

By: Emily Folliott



1. I wish I had a friend.

2. I feel bad for that creep.

3. I'm going to ask him if wants to be my friend!

4. Sure my name is Boomer.

5. Later. Hey Boomer I know you have to do go to school. I want a friend!

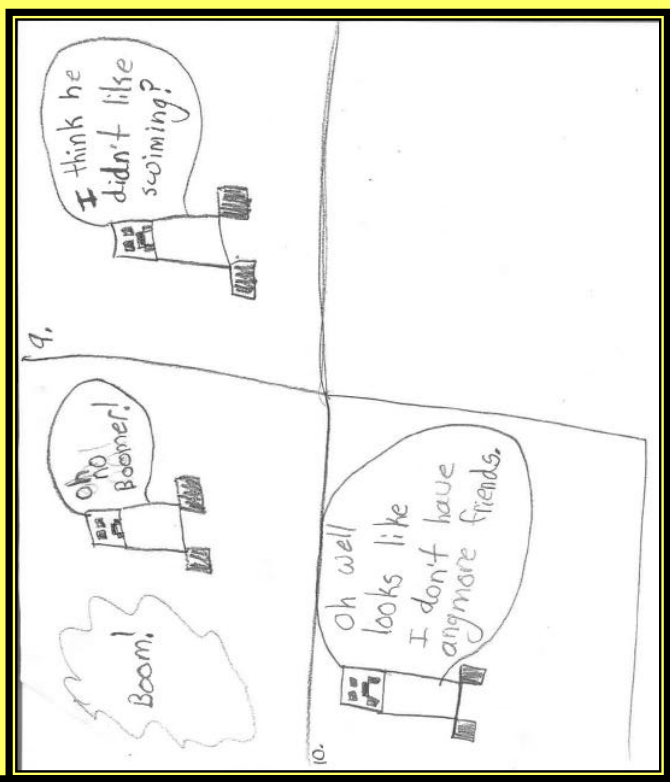
6. Yeah it is Boomer!

7. Hi my name is Boomer. I would like to be your friend!

8. Nothing is wrong Boomer!

9. What's wrong Boomer?

10. Is this fan Boomer?



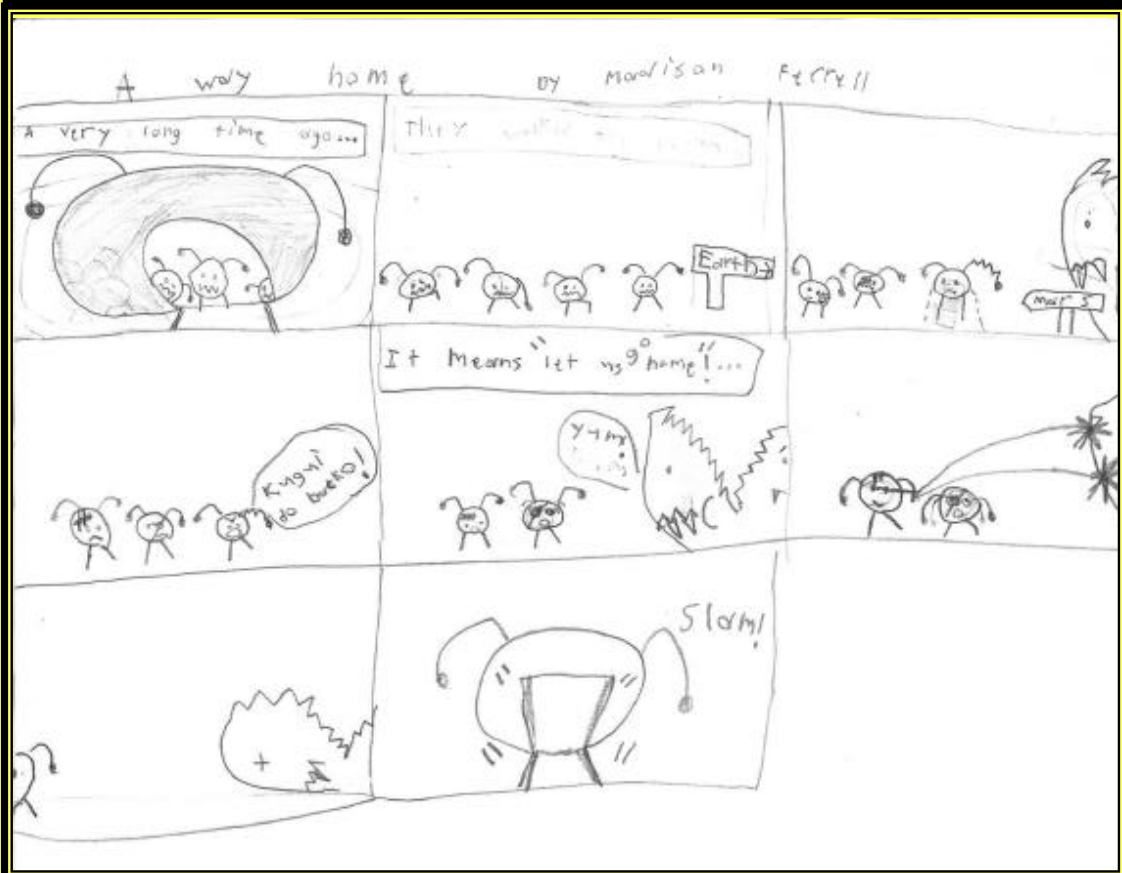
9. Boom!

10. Oh no Boomer!

Oh well looks like I don't have any more friends.

I think he didn't like swimming?

CARTOONS



PUZZLES & CONTESTS



**Director of Puzzles & Contests,
Jimmy Shaw**

Clover Hunt

Can you find all of the butterflies hidden in this month's LLN?



LLN Puzzles & Games

This month Director of Puzzles & Contests, Jimmy Shaw has collected a spring crossword puzzle and a baseball connect-the-dots for your enjoyment!

Coloring Contests

For the month of April, Jimmy has hand-picked a scene of spring with bunnies for grades 3-5 to color and a butterfly with flowers for grades K-2. Turn in your completed coloring contest entries to the LLN mailbox in room 24 no later than Monday, May 19th. The LLN staff will review all submitted entries and will select two to be published in next month's newspaper! Submit your best artwork and good luck. ☺

Congratulations to our February coloring contest winners:

K-2 Winner: Grace Worthing in Mrs. Dugal's class

3-5 Winner: Katie DeMello in Mrs. Francetic's class

They received the most votes from our LLN staff for their neatness and use of color. They each won their own copy of this month's LLN!

Grace



Thank you to everyone who submitted a picture! We hope you will participate in our last coloring contest of the school year!

Katie



Can't get enough LLN cartoons? Then check out more here on our website: [More LLN Cartoons](#)

PUZZLES & CONTESTS



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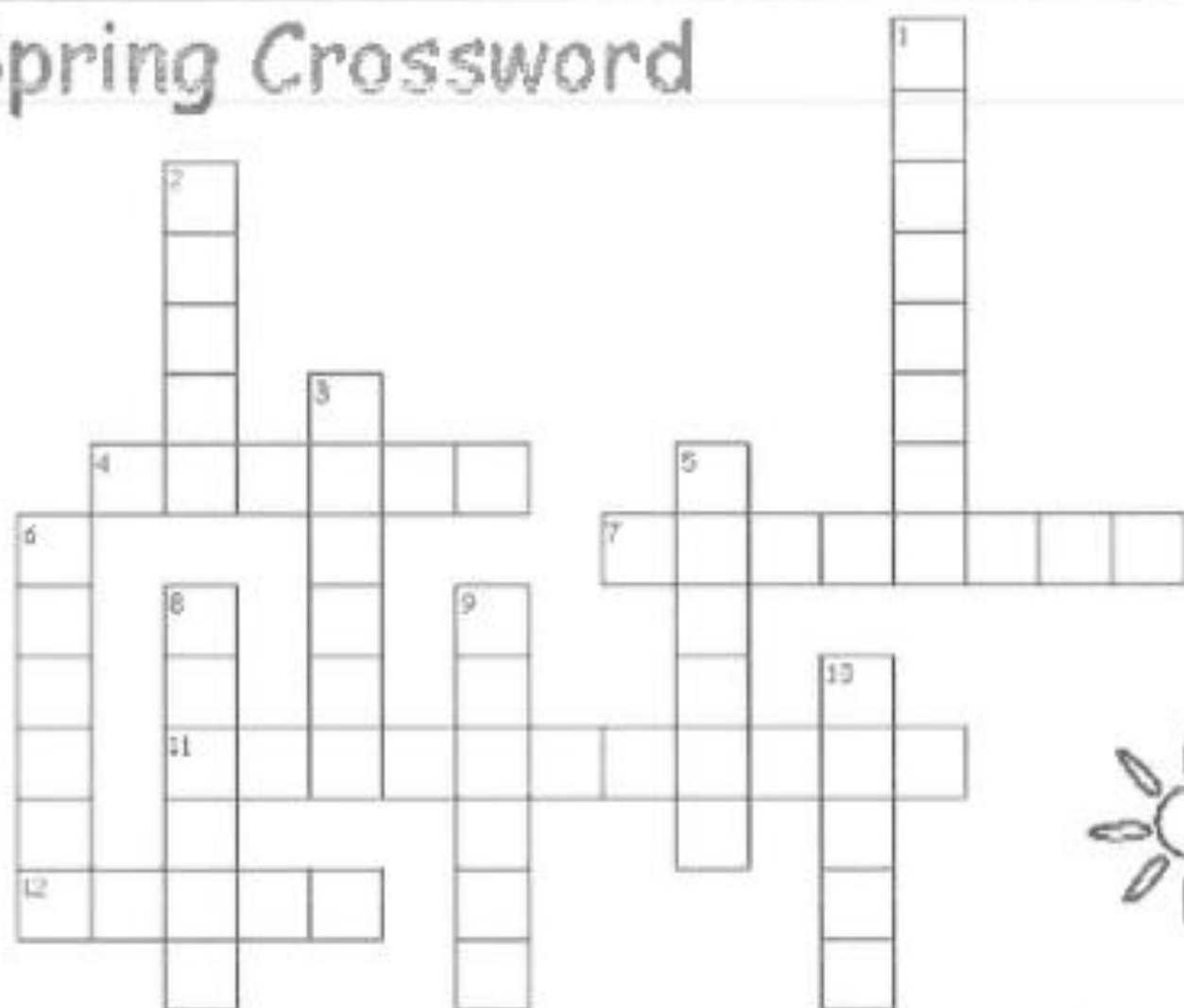
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Spring Crossword

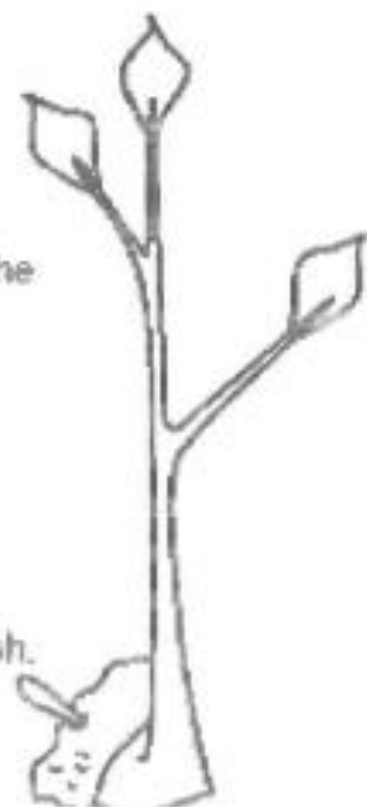


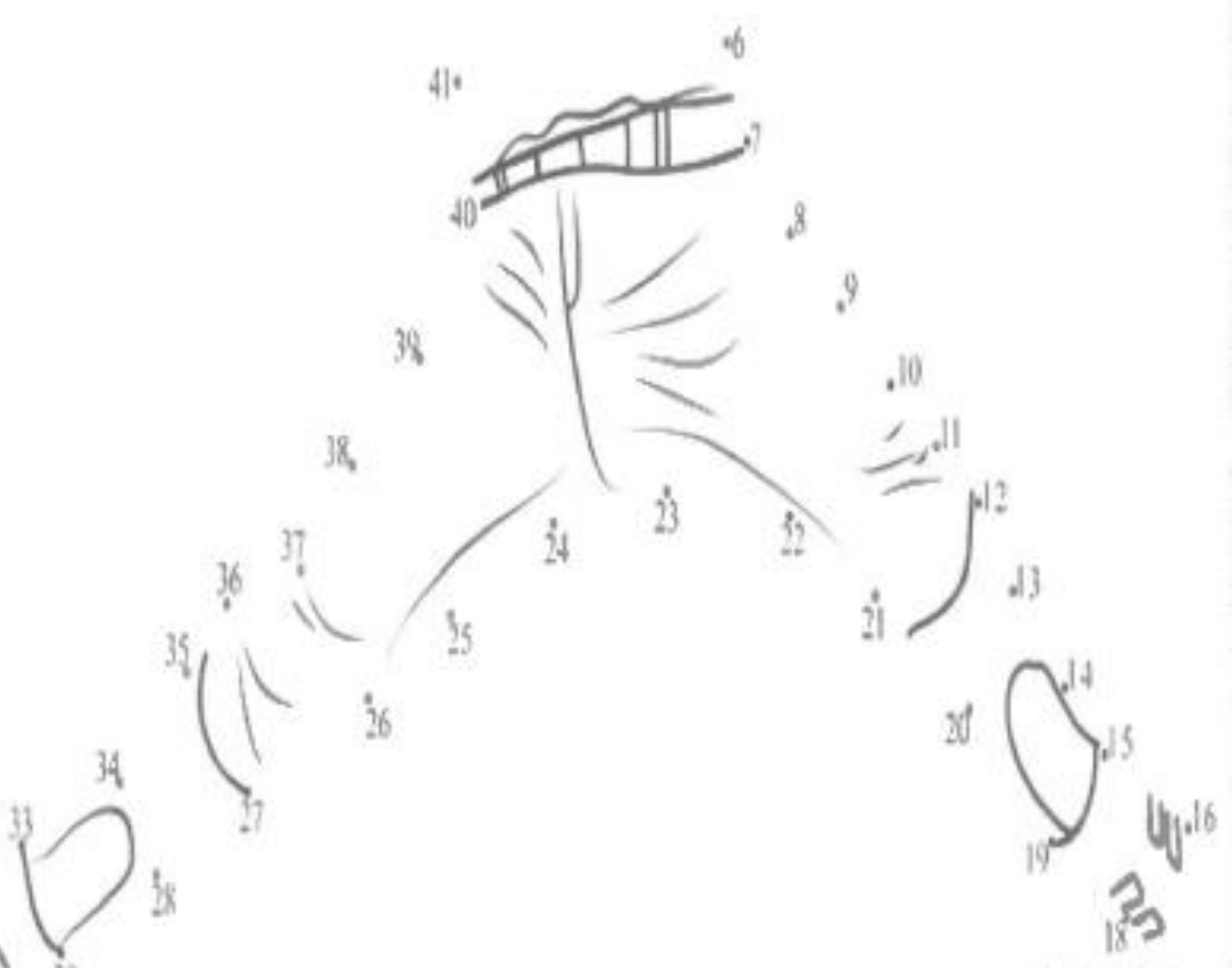
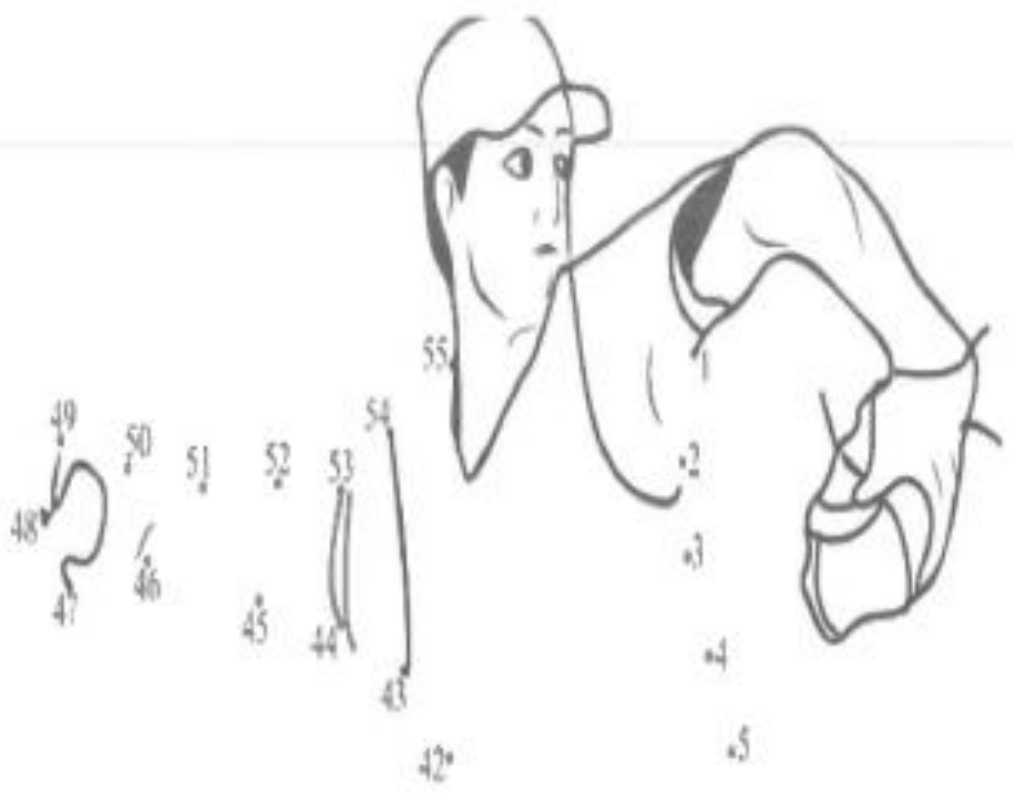
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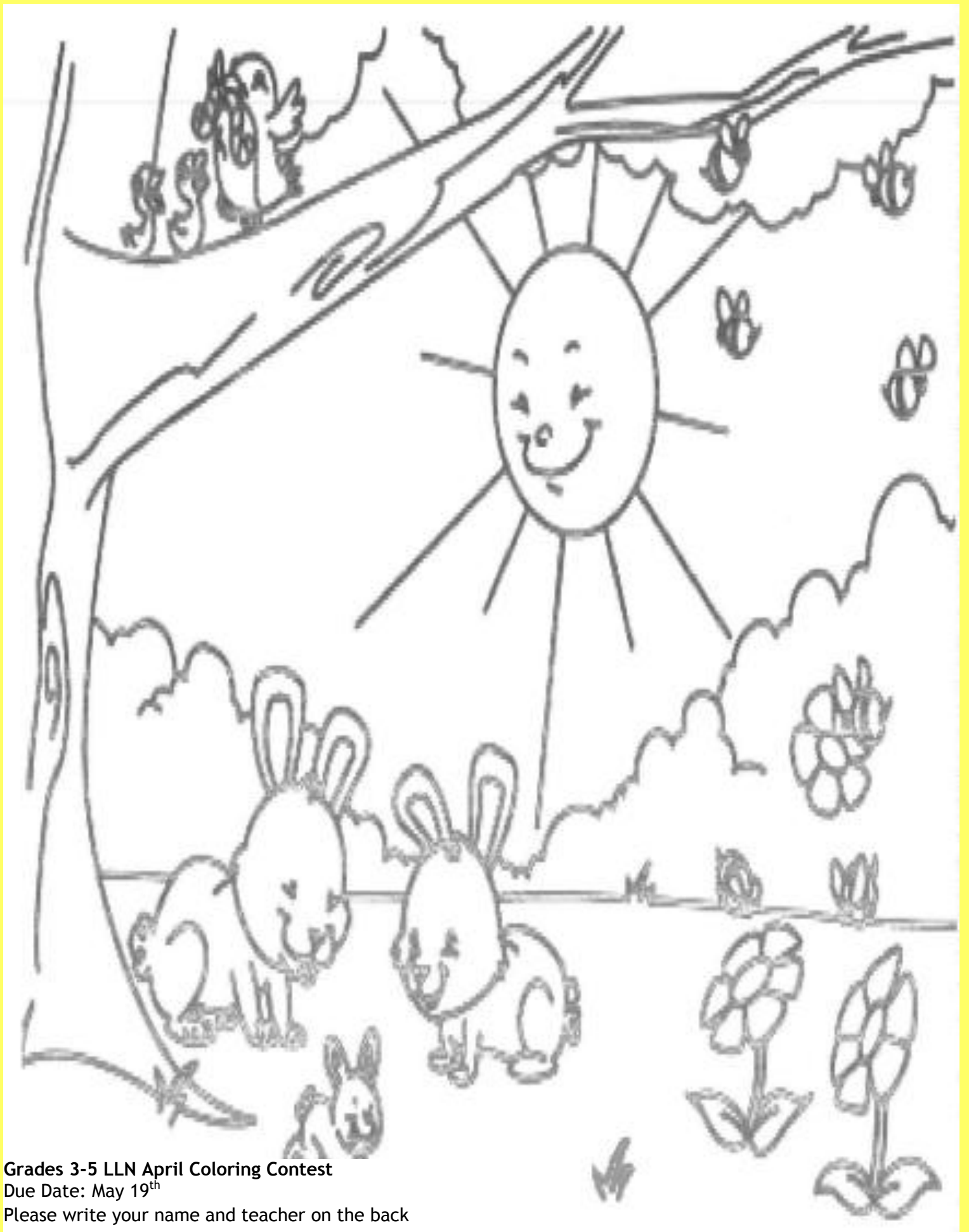
4. To begin to grow and give off shoots or buds.
7. Baby duck.
11. Larval form of a butterfly.
12. Sow these in the ground in spring to get a harvest in the autumn.

Down

1. Yellow flower that makes a nice spring bouquet.
2. Dutch springtime flower.
3. Wear this on your head to fancy picnics or parades.
5. A small pool of water.
6. Fragrant bunches of purple flowers that grow on a bush.
8. Wear this to keep warm.
9. The season between winter and summer.
10. Break out of an egg.







Grades 3-5 LLN April Coloring Contest
Due Date: May 19th
Please write your name and teacher on the back

Grades K-2 LLN April Coloring Contest

Due Date: May 19th

Please write your name and teacher on the back

