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WELCOME TO ISSUE #1!

EXTRA, EXTRA! READ ALL ABOUT IT! What began as a student newsletter has now evolved into PS. 185's very first printed newspaper written and produced by the students, *for* the students. Over a course of eight sessions, these eager cub writers researched, interviewed and reported on all things PS. 185: event reports, teacher and staff interviews, opinions and even a section on fun and games! Enjoy and stay tuned for issue number two! →

WHAT'S HAPPENING?

BOO! P.S. 185 HALLOWEEN



BY GISELLE MOROCHO-BUENO

BOO! There are spooky scary costumes everywhere!! We dressed up scary, funny and pretty for the P.S. 185 Halloween party! Every year we have a Halloween party at P.S. 185 with a pumpkin patch and a DJ playing songs. This year we had a new DJ. There was also a MC. A MC stands for master of ceremonies. He hypes people up to get them to have fun. The funny part is that the DJ had sunglasses and looked like a DJ in a car-

toon for Halloween.

In the pumpkin patch, we went outside and picked up pumpkins. The pumpkins were mostly small. Then we went inside to do a craft with the pumpkins. We didn't have homework or school work but we did the craft.

This year there was a balloon photo wall. It looked really cool. The balloon photo wall was with purple, black, white and orange balloons. It had a fake spider

and more fake scary things. I saw many people go up to the balloon photo wall to take a picture. I took a picture at the balloon wall with my friends too and I'm proud that I did!

My opinion about this year's Halloween party is that it wasn't as good as last year's. One reason I didn't like it was because this year I had lots of energy at the end because I didn't get to dance that much and that's

bad. Last year, I was tired and out of energy because I had more time to dance. Also the music this year wasn't really good. 🐾

About The Writer: Giselle Morocho-Bueno is a writer at the newspaper. Her birthday is on April 2nd and she's ten years old. She has a best friend named Sophia, and a cat named Rocky. Her favorite color is blue.



OH! LOOK AT THAT WINDOW!



BY SOPHIA LOPRESTE

Imagine walking down the street and all of a sudden you see all these paintings on bank windows. Do you know how they got there? Well I do! I happened to paint one of those paintings. Now to talk about the competition.

There was a Bay Ridge Halloween Art Competition throughout Bay Ridge. The fifth graders in the elementary school can make a Halloween or fall themed art piece with any materials that they have at home. Then they hand it in to the art teacher. The art teacher picks six art pieces. Then the student's art pieces that were picked are asked to paint a poster with their drawing on it. Then on a picked school date the students would bring an assistant and their poster to a bank. On the bank window, they would paint a bigger version of their art pieces.

Now to introduce a fifth grader and her assistant. Calina Chen is a fifth grader who won the Halloween art competition. Her painting has a graveyard with graves, a cat looking at the moon, a tree, flowers and a ghost child swinging on a

swing. She used some colors like purple and the primary colors to mix with. What Calina likes about her painting is the moon, flowers and cat.

Isabelle Rahme is another fifth grader. She was Calina's assistant. Isabelle helped with mixing colors and painting on the window. Isabelle liked that she could skip school, paint, that we got Dunkin Donuts and Taylor Swift's face on one of the scrap pieces of newspaper used to protect the ground as she painted. She didn't like the cold.

The Bay Ridge Halloween Art Competition was a really fun experience for me and everyone who participated. I hope you enjoyed learning about the competition! 🐾

About The Writer: Sophia Lopreste is in 5th grade. She really loves art so she wanted to write about the Halloween Art Competition she was chosen for. She had a really fun time. Last year, she wrote for The Cub Chronicle. She loves spending time with her cat, Sedgwick.



HALLOWEEN AT P.S. 185

BY EMMA FILPO



Have you ever been to school and had no homework? Well, that's what happens on Halloween at P.S. 185.

We have a few events during and before the dance like the pumpkin patch. During the pumpkin patch, we get to pick our own pumpkin. We also have a big party. We dance, see friends and we might even get special treats. One of my favorite things is when we go to our classroom and get lots of candy from our fellow students and teachers.

When I was at the dance, I was curious to know what kids and teachers did and enjoyed the most. So, I decided to report all the buzz. The student I interviewed was Piper Velez, student of class 4-509. I observed and saw that Piper and the other kids looked so joyful. Everybody was super happy and glad to be there.

My first question for Piper was about her favorite song played by the DJ. She said her favorite song was "Ready for It," by Taylor Swift.

My second question was about her favorite costume. She said she really liked the funny looking dinosaur, the killer clown and the creepy zombie.

But then I was curious: Why does she like Halloween? She said that she loves getting candy and spending time with her friends. 🐾

About The Writer: Emma Filpo is in 4th grade in class 4-504 and is nine years old. She loves Halloween and friends. She also enjoys doing crafts and writing.

WHAT'S HAPPENING?

THE BUZZZ FROM THE BEEEEZ

BY LOLA RODRIGUEZ

I am interviewing Mia Wallace in class 5-507 about the spelling bee.

Q: What encouraged you to want to do the spelling bee?

A: Because I am good at spelling and wanted to give it a try!

Q: What motivated you to keep going further?

A: I kept going further because I knew I should never give up.

Q: How did you feel when you won the spelling bee?

A: I felt so proud of myself, knowing that I was able to do it. I am also proud of my fellow contestants. 🐾



Mia Wallace

About The Writer: Lola Rodriguez is in the 5th grade in class 5-507. She lives with her mom, dad, brother and dog. She joined the newspaper afterschool because she loves art and writing (well, she likes writing sometimes). She also likes knowing what's going on in the world because she's very curious. She is always hungry.



I am interviewing Mateo Rodriguez in class 2-309 about the author visit.

Author: W. Bruce Camron
Book: Zeus

Q: Did you like the author's visit?

A: I loved it, it was cool!

Q: What was your favorite part?

A: He told us he was making a new book!

Q: Did the author inspire you?

A: Yes, to write my own story

Q: Did you learn anything interesting?

A: No.

I'm surprised he didn't learn anything interesting... 🐾



ROAD RUNNERS CLUB



BY IAN POLAK

The Road Runners is our school's running club. It may not sound like much, but you will know everything once you read this. This is only about the third, fourth, and fifth grade. I will tell you about my experience with them. The two teachers that tell us to run, exercise, or do yoga might sound familiar to you. They are Ms. Farag and Ms. Gina. Yes, they are our teachers.

During a session we all go to the gym and start with a warm-up. They make us, as you know, run, but yoga is kind of calming. And exercise gets you ready to run. The program increased my running speed. Now I run most of the time because of it.

Now I will tell you who goes to the program. So first there is Ash. He is a fifth grader. Then there is Coco, a fourth grader. And finally, there is Max. He is a third grader. Those are some of the kids. Now here are my feelings about Road Runners. It's cool, alright. I mean it's one of the best programs. You should also try it. It might be good for you. 🐾

About The Writer: Ian Polak is a ten-year-old who lives in New York City. He loves food and thinks technology is cool. He has a lot of other favorites too. Stuff such as his family, friends and teachers.



THE BEAR BOOK FAIR



BY PETROS SPANAKOS

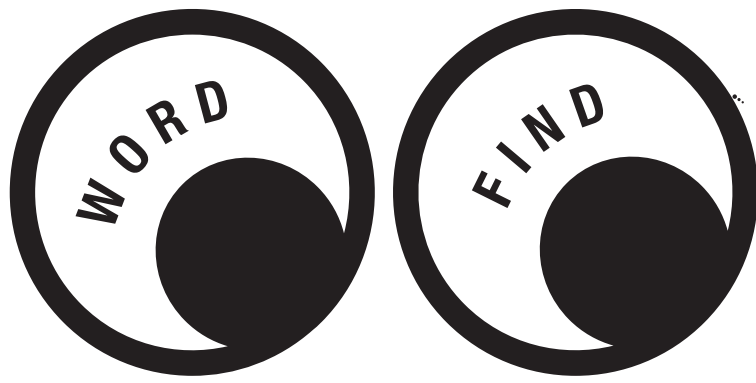


Did you go to the book fair? I enjoyed it alot! We had access to at least a hundred books. There were books for boys and books for girls, books for little kids, and books for higher maturities. There were books for fun, and very serious books, big books and small books. They sold scented calculators, posters, and bookmarks too! But a very important thing most people ignored is the items that were not books. I got one of the really satisfying items for a good price. This item was a squishy pen.

I also got a book called *Bone*. *Bone* is an old comic that my parents read during their childhood. I really loved the book but I haven't read it in a long time. The book reminded me to read *Bone* again. I enjoyed the book a lot. All the books were really high quality and next time I highly recommend going to the book fair! 🐾

About The Writer: Petros Spanakos is a nine-year-old boy with one sister and a brother who likes to be very active and is very handy with technology and does the best to entertain you, which he is doing now. If you are wondering how he is still entertaining you, you are reading this article which keeps you reading, and keeping you reading is the definition of entertainment!

JUST FOR FUN!



AQUARIUM ANIMALS

BY ISAAC CHAN

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| SEA | WHALE | WATER |

About The Writer: Isaac Chan is eight years old and goes to school at P.S. 185. He hopes you like this crossword and thanks you in advance for solving it.

IN THE FOREST

BY MAX MARTINEZ

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| GORILLA | WATER | TOUCAN | ELEPHANT |
| CHIMPANZE | CHEETAH | MONKEY | BIRDS |

About The Writer: Max Martinez attends P.S. 185 and is in class 3-404. He loves football and hopes you like his word search.



RIDDLE ME THIS...

BY MARC ATALLAH



What has rings, but no fingers?

2

I go around the whole world, but never leave the corner. What am I?

3

If you drop a yellow hat in the Red Sea, what does it become?

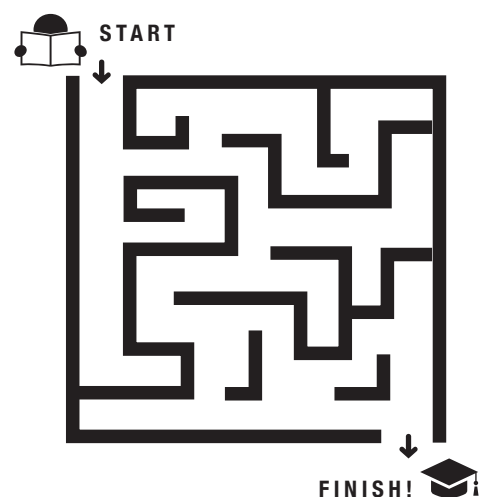
ANSWER KEY:

1. A telephone.
2. A stamp.
3. Wet.

About The Author: Marc Atallah is eight years old and enjoys playing the guitar and drums when he isn't busy telling riddles.

FUN & MAZE

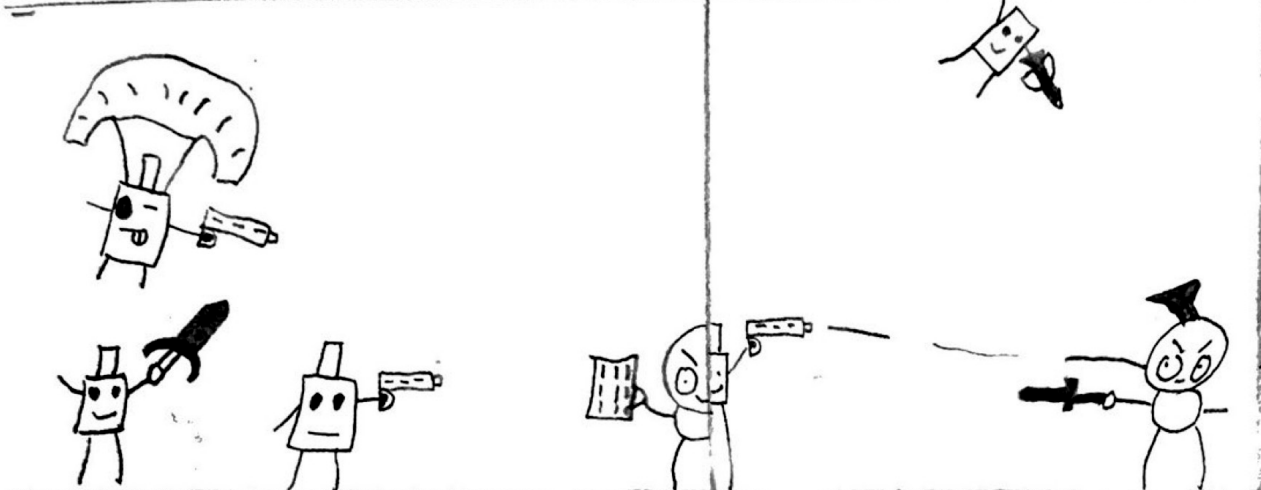
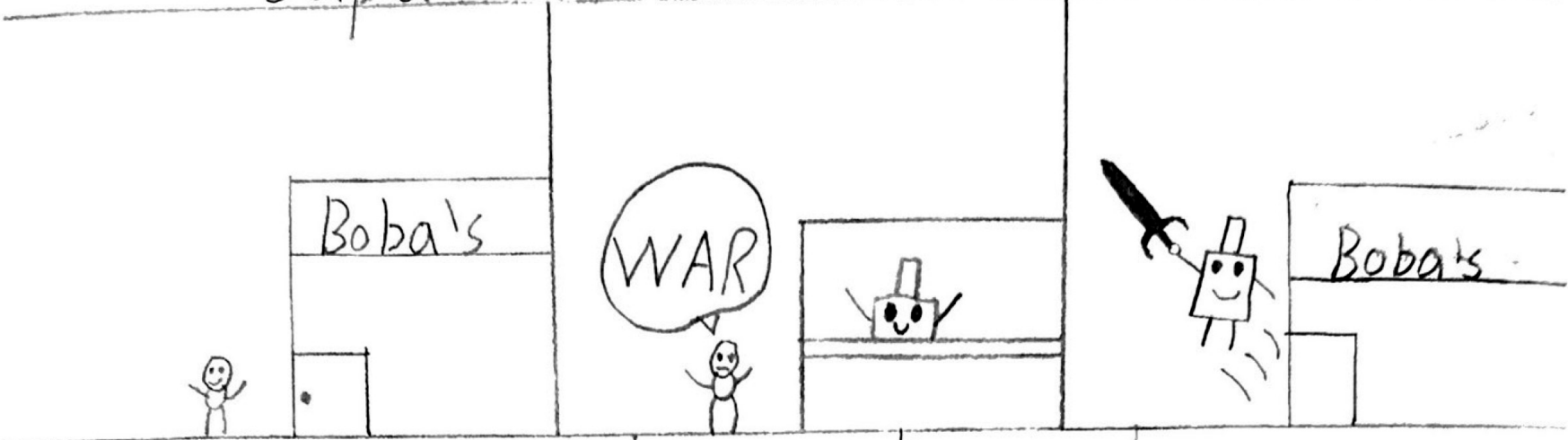
BY ANDREW ATALLAH



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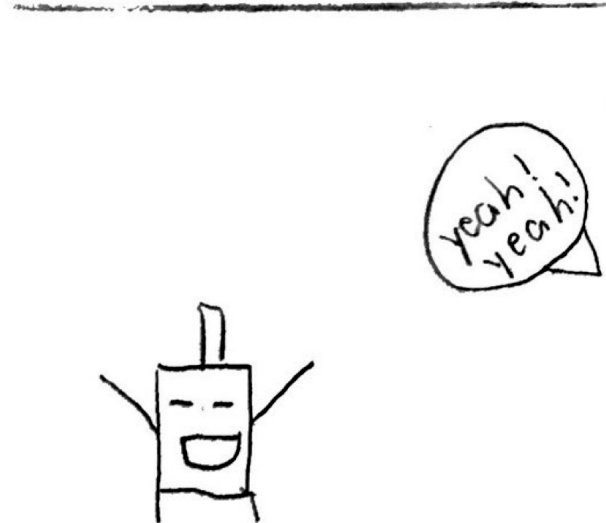
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they lost!

But the king of boba's
naked their enemy and
won!

So the king made
more boba's and
celebrated!



But the king
of their enemy
made more!

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PROFILES

...OUR ART TEACHER

BY FREYA MANGUS

Have you ever wondered about our art teacher Ms. King? Well, I interviewed her. Now you can know all about her because of all the questions I asked her. It filled up three pages in my note-book. I asked her about nine good questions. I hope you like this article, and learn more about Ms.King.

Q: What is your biggest challenge as an art teacher

A: I guess creating a curriculum that interests my students.

Q: Why do you like art?

A: When I was young that's what I did. I came home with artwork to show my father. Back then that's all I did. It is really magical.

Q: Did you have another job before this job?

A: Well, all throughout college I was a doctor's assistant, and I worked in a pet store because I love animals.

Q: Why did you become an art teacher?

A: Well, I had an art major in highschool and a major in college. Then my friend asked me to be an art teacher at St. Patricks. Then I came here in 1997.

Q: How do you pick art pieces especially during the holiday seasons?

A: From my own interest. I research and find something I favor. I pick what I'm interested in and hope that the kids are interested.

Q: What do you do when you're not teaching?

A: I wash clothing, wash dishes, clean my house and hang out with my family. I do read too, that's my new hobby.

Next we talked about the Fall Window Painting Competition.

Q: What makes a good art piece, good enough for you to pick it to paint on a window?

A: We talk about the wow factor. About creativity, neatness, colored in solid, details, do images pop out. There are a lot of factors in a good art pieces.

Q: How do you get permission to paint on the windows?

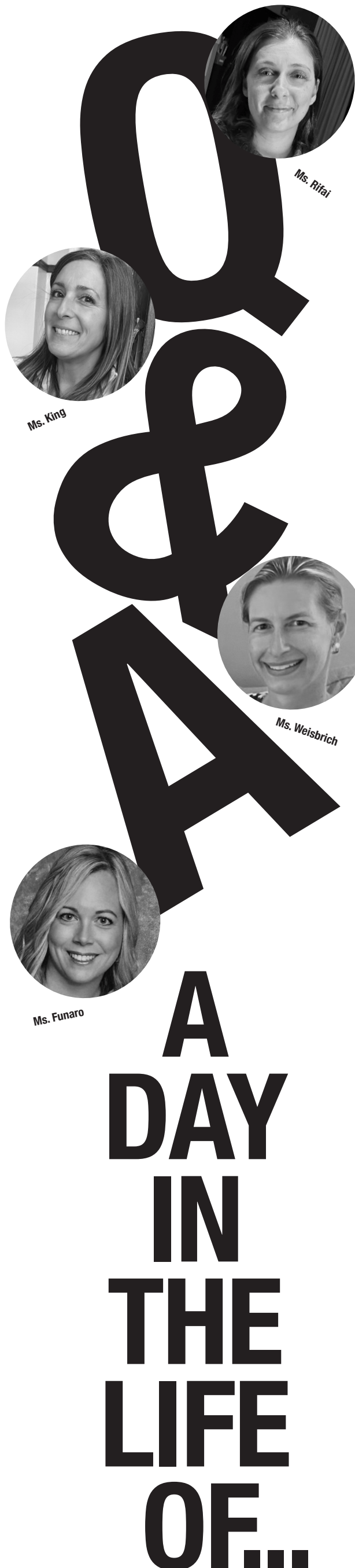
A: We don't need permission. It's a public contest that has been going on for 72 years, and the stores and banks agree to do it every year

Q: Why do you like doing this?

A: I think it's a really fun day. I don't paint but the kids do and like the event.

I hope you learned a lot more about our amazing art teacher, Ms. King! She is one of the best teachers in our school. I hope you appreciate her as much as I do. 🍷

About The Writer: Freya Magnus is in class 5-501. She lives in Brooklyn with her family. She wrote a few articles in the Cub Chronicle last year. She joined this year because she loves to write.



...OUR MUSIC TEACHER

BY ALINA IBRAHIM

What do you think a day as a music teacher is like? If you don't know what it is like then you're in luck because I interviewed our music teacher, Ms. Rifai. Hint: I think the 2nd graders will like my second question.

Q: What's your favorite song?

A: I have many favorite songs. One song is called "Enjoy the Silence."

Q: What is your favorite grade to teach?

A: 2nd grade

Q: Did you have any friends in the school before working here?

A: Yes!

Q: What is your biggest challenge?

A: Not losing my voice.

Q: How do you know so much about music?

A: I devoted my life to music and love listening to music. 🍷

About The Author: Alina Ibrahim loves music and friends. She enjoys making origami and crafts too. She is in 4th grade and is nine years old. She also has the best big brother ever.

...OUR PHYSICAL EDUCATION TEACHER

BY ANDREW ATALLAH

You may think you know a lot of stuff about the Physical Education teacher, but you're about to find out more.

Q: How do you feel to be the only physical education teacher?

A: I feel lonely.

Q: How did you feel when Ms. Paul left?

A: I was sad because I can't see her as often, but happy because she retired.

Q: What made you want to be a gym teacher?

A: I want to stay healthy and be more healthy.

Q: Do you practice before a class?

A: No.

Q: Were you ever on a sports team?

A: Yes, I was on a volleyball team.

Q: Have you ever had another job?

A: Yes, I am a lifeguard over the summer.

Q: Have you taught at any other schools?

A: I have taught at three other schools.

Q: How do you choose seats?

A: A little random, but I put them where they work the best. 🍷

About The Writer: Andrew Atallah is ten years old and lives in Brooklyn with his mom, dad, baby sister and little brother Marc who is also part of the newspaper club.

...OUR ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

BY MIA WALLACE

Do you ever wonder how a day in the life of an assistant principal is? I interviewed her. I was the Vice President of our school so you may have heard me doing the Pledge of Allegiance every day. I always see Ms. Funaro around the building and it makes me wonder what a day in her life is like. I decided to interview her because I know you guys may wonder the same thing. Now, let's get to the interview!

Q: What made you decide to be an assistant principal?

A: I wanted to be able to help as many students as possible. When I was a teacher, I was only helping a small amount.

Q: What is your biggest challenge?

A: As much as I try to plan out my day, there is always an unexpected surprise that arises.

Q: What is it like running an entire school with Mrs. Goudelias?

A: We are a great team and always thinking about how to best help every student in the building be the best they can be.

Q: How long have you been the assistant principal here?

A: I have been working here for 5 years.

Q: Where were you working before here?

A: I worked in another elementary school as an assistant principal and teacher. I taught mostly 3rd and 4th grade.

Q: What were the schools you went to?

A: Saint Anselm, Fontbonne and New Paltz.

This concludes my interview with Ms. Funaro. I hope you now have a better idea what a day in her life is like. 🍷

About The Writer: Mia Wallace lives in Brooklyn with her mom, dad and dog. She's from Puerto Rico and Korea and her hobbies are singing and SLEEPING. She joined the newspaper club because she really wanted to be a part of something so important that goes to the entire school. She's so proud of herself and all her fellow writers of the Did You Hear? newspaper.

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FOOD

IS SCHOOL LUNCH GOOD



BY ADEM AIT-ZIANE

I'm here to talk about food. This food is the food for our school district. There are cheese burgers and sometimes they have french fries and weird shape pizza. There are Chicken Dumplings and Sesame Veggie Nuggets. There's crispy broccoli, which is that mushy broccoli. There is Caribbean Style Beef Patty. There is International Roasted Chicken Drumsticks, O.K.? There is also Crispy Chicken Bites with Dipping Sauce. Do people like this stuff? Maybe? At least it's free. I copied and pasted the recipe names from the lunch menu of the district.

What are they making? I don't know. Some kids like it, maybe no kids actually like the pizza. When I was little, like five, I ate the school lunch. From my experience, well actually I don't remember, but I'm pretty sure that I didn't like the pizza and brought lunch on Fridays. For the younger people, pizza used to be on Fridays not on Mondays. Now I eat the cheeseburger sometimes and the french fries but not the sweet potato ones. Also, I usually drink the chocolate milk. I'm not trying to offend the lunch staff about their food, but I am just talking about the food. 🍷

About The Writer: Adem Ait-Ziane likes video games and books. He wrote for the Cub Chronicle last year about the Pumpkin Patch. He likes this club and his friends in it.



BLUEBERRY SMOOTHIE

BY CLOVER CHEAP

This is one of my favorite recipes. It is a great snack for after a long day of school. If you don't like blueberries, you can make the same recipe, but with strawberries. If you want to try something adventurous, you can go with a tropical theme by adding mango and pineapple. If you like coconut, you can add a small handful of coconut to your smoothie. If you want to go with a PB and J theme, add a big spoonful of peanut butter to your smoothie. I hope you enjoy this healthy and delicious snack. 🍷

About The Writer: Clover Cheap is ten years old and loves to cook, but when she cooks, has one rule: when it comes down to sweet treats, you absolutely must try what you make!

WHAT YOU NEED

- 2 cup frozen or fresh blueberries
 - 1½ cups greek yogurt
 - 1 banana cut into chunks
 - ¼ cup milk
 - 3 tablespoons flax meal or Chia seeds
 - ¼ cup milk, (almond or whole)
 - Ice, as desired
- Blend all together.

CAFETERIA MAGICIANS

BY SIENNA KLEIN

Do you want to know who's behind all the food that is served to us every day? Read to find out!

NELLY

Q: Why did you decide to come and work here?

A: I love to cook and I put love into every meal I make.

Q: What is your biggest challenge?

A: There is no challenge unless I am short on staff.

Q: What is your favorite meal to cook?

A: I like to make salads at the salad bar.

Q: When did you start cooking?

A: I started seven years ago in 2016 and I started as an assistant cook and in 2021, I became the head of the kitchen!

CATERINIA

Q: Why did you decide to come to P.S. 185 and help cook for 500 students?

A: I like to work with kids and we work as a team.

Q: What is your favorite meal to cook?

A: I love to cook pizza!

Q: When did you start to cook?

A: 2018 and I have been cooking for five years.

GILLS

Q: Why did you start to become a worker here?

A: I also want to work with kids and the job is really fun.

Q: What is your favorite meal to cook?

A: Fried chicken and mashed potatoes (at home).

Q: When did you start cooking?

A: August 30 2019.

I hope you learned about all the good stuff and how we got the best of the best food! 🍷

About The Writer: Sienna Klein is a fourth grader that wanted to join the newspaper club because she loves to make people feel like they did not miss out on something important. For example, if a person was not able to go to the Winter Wonderland Dance, they can read about it in the newspaper and feel like they were there!

OPINION



RECESS MISTAKES

BY JOSEPH BURGOS-ISIDORO

Imagine this: A random kid walking around and KABOOM. He falls down because he was in the MIDDLE OF A FOOTBALL GAME, and then he starts crying. Literally, this is recess.

Recess isn't that good because a lot of mistakes happen, like fighting, bleeding and stuff like that. I mean, don't get me wrong, it's fun but gets boring if you don't have people to play with. But if I had to change the rules, here would be my thoughts:

I'm going to be listing five reasons.

- 1: NOBODY LIKES WALKING, so running is enabled.
- 2: We should be able to play games for everyone to play to include the other people being left out.
- 3: We also should try to make recess a little longer because as soon as you're having fun, the whistle goes off.
- 4: If we could, can we just not let the kids play football, or soccer? I saw that a lot at recess.
- 5: The one that everyone wants, well, not everyone but almost everyone. TO BE ABLE TO GET DUCK DUCK GOOSE BACK. Because we haven't been able to play that in a long time. Even I want to do that.

I look forward to some new changes that Mrs. Goudelias has planned like organized games, so hopefully it happens! 🐾

About The Writer: Joseph Burgos-Isidoro is in 4-504. He likes to eat, especially cucumbers.

RECESS IDEAS

BY HAMZA AHMAD

Every kid looks forward to recess but it's not that fun. But I think I have ideas to make recess better. First of all, we should be able to run because after sitting for many hours, we need a way to take our energy out.

We should also add a basketball court in the school yard. We should add basketball because it would be more fun in recess. 🐾

About The Writer: Hamza Ahmed is a fifth grader at P.S. 185 who likes to play sports, especially basketball and soccer. His favorite color is orange.



YOUTUBE IS MESSING YOU UP!

BY EMAN GAILI & SEBASTIEN RAFIN

Lots of people watch YouTube every day. It is a website that impacts humans, mostly kids and teenagers. It can be fun, with tutorials, crafts and entertaining videos! But did you know that there is a DARK SIDE TO IT....

If you are reading this, you probably watch YouTube, like a lot of people. Most people watch YouTube because they think it's entertaining, but it can sometimes be harmful.

If you watch YouTube, you probably know YouTubers like Mr. Beast and PewDiePie and Markiplier. They make entertaining videos, which can be fun, but also can do weird things to your brain, such as making you "chronically online."

What is being "chronically online?" It is when you watch so much social media (like YouTube!), you make internet memes and slang your only focus, and overall interlock it with everything you say and do. For example, let's say there is a kid named "Little Charlie." Little Charlie is on YouTube six hours a day. This is Little Charlie's average speech: "Hey wassup my Gs? Hey guys one two buckle my shoe! My dad got mad at me for staying up on my iPad late at night. EMOTIONAL DAMAGE!!! Bruh!" YouTube has messed up his brain. You don't want to sound like a complete dum dum. Little Charlie is also very sleep deprived.

Google states that screen time for more than about two hours can mess with your sleep. Chances are, you've probably seen this effect. Studies also show that watching too much YouTube can increase anxiety, and also raise crankiness and even DEPRESSION!!! You definitely don't want any of that. YouTube can also be very inappropriate. YouTube can have very adult topics and curse words, and that stuff is just gross. Eugh.

So, in conclusion, you shouldn't watch lots of YouTube because it can be very bad for you. Not saying you shouldn't watch it at all, but you should limit it to at most two hours.

NOW GO PLAY OUTSIDE! 🐾

About The Writers: Sebastien (Preferred to be called Seby) has written for The Cub Chronicle last year. He lives in Brooklyn with his mom, dad and brother. He likes birds.

Eman likes to draw and write comics and stories and has also written for The Cub Chronicle last year. She lives in an apartment in Brooklyn with her mom, dad, brother and sister.



Above: The Fall Cub Chronicle team during their issue publishing celebration.

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