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Dear Students, Parents and Teachers,

We are very excited to present our second issue of Treasures and Dreams. Inside you will find a wide variety of original stories and poetry written by the students of University Lower School. We hope you will enjoy reading it as much as the staff enjoyed putting it together.

Thank you to all the teachers and students who help support this project with their interest and enthusiasm. Thanks also to this session's creative and cooperative staff. Happy reading!

Sincerely,

Nancy Cantor, Editor



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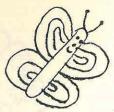
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# Magic Moments



### The Magical Butterfly

Once upon a time there was a woman. She wished she had someone to live with her to help her do her chores like ... water the plants, rake the leaves, and wash the laundry and hang it up on a clothesline and many more. One day while she was raking, one leaf had a butterfly on it. She thought she heard the butterfly saying, "If you catch me, but you can't I'm magical, you'll have three wishes." The lady caught the butterfly and put it in a jar on a shelf. Her first wish was to be a wife. Her second wish she wanted a baby calf then she said "For my last wish I want a bunch of guards and a chief so no thieves can break into my house. So where is it?" "I can't give it to you until you let me free," said the butterfly. "Let me think, I know, I'll take a knife and open it. Pout all her wishes came true.

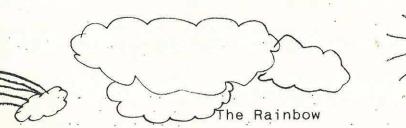


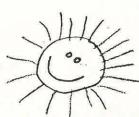
by Allison Gross

Grade 2









I am walking on a rainbow. It is so much fun. I love it. It feels good to be in the sky. I like it a lot.

by Julie Buzgon

Grade 1

## Special Days

### Cheer-Up Day

have created a new holiday that I everyone can celebrate. It is called Cheer-Up day. It will be celebrated on August 28th. It is not really celebrated in a certain You celebrate this holiday by giving place. people that are homeless or sick in the hospital presents and gifts. You can give the homeless clothes or things they need. You can spend the day with someone in the hospital. If you don't have time to give gifts in person there will be an organization that you can send your gifts to and they will be given to people who need them. This has a special symbol that looks like this: Make me 🔨 I hope everyone in the world will take part in my holiday!

by Allison Balick

Grade 5

### My Birthday

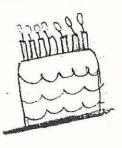
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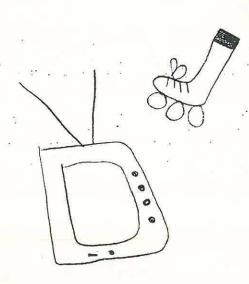
In 19 more days, it is my birthday. I am having a sleep over party. I am turning 7 years old. It is going to be fun. It is going to be very very fun. I am having 2 people sleep over. We are going to be having fun. We are going to have a war with Nerf guns. We are going to build a fort and we are going to play hide and go seek and we are going to tell ghost stories in the night. They are my friends that are coming over my house in 19 more days. I am having a regular party. The regular party is going to be at Skate and Putt and at Laser Storm. I am having 10 people come to the party. It is going to be very very very much fun and I am going to end up with a lot of presents. In the morning me and my friends will open my presents and then we will sit on the couch and watch T.V. Then they will sleep over again and we will have fun again. Then their Moms and Dads will come to pick them up. Then the party will be finished.

by Brandon, Cohen

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Grade 1





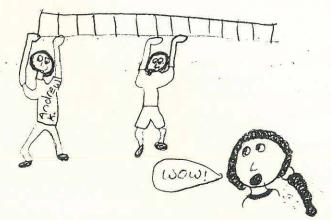


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# **People Poems**

The Prankster

I'm madder than the maddest man. I'm sadder than the sea. I'm mad at Jimmy Comerant 'cause he was mean to me. For starters he is not so nice, he has an attitude. He said that I have head lice which definitely isn't true. Unfortunately that weird old Jimmy lives down the street next door. One day he smeared my name in shaving cream all over the kitchen floor. I decided that I should take revenge and see what I could do. I had thought for hours and I still didn't have a clue. Finally I had an idea. The greatest plan of all. My plan was ingenious and I was sure Jimmy would fall. I thought to tie a rope to the paper at his door with a water balloon on the end. So when he picked up the paper the balloon would fall on his head. The next day I went out in the morn and hid behind a bush. Later did I seem to notice that I was sitting in a pile of mush, but I didn't really care. I wanted to see Jimmy get sopping wet so it would mess up his hair. When Jimmy pulled the paper I heard a very loud splash. I tried to control myself so I wouldn't laugh. Then I saw Jimmy's face turned a shade of bright red. All of a sudden I wished that I was dead. I was quickly running down the street, When he shouted, "You stupid little creep!" So I kept on running until I met up with my dad. After I was done telling him the whole story he gave me a puzzled look and he seemed sorta mad. Then he told me "go to your room" Which I call my messy dungeon of doom. Then I looked up and out of the gloom There was an egg flying across my room. Well Jimmy I said to myself, today you win, But tomorrow this game will really begin. by Emily Pearl Grade 5



### The Two Stars

I went to school one day, When I went there I shouted Hooray! I saw two famous stars, They were exercising with bars. The stars were Andrew Keegan and J.T.T. They were staring at me. I couldn't believe my eyes! They were very cute guys. When I got home I told my brother. I was too surprised to tell my mother.

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by Danielle Steinberg Grade 3

## Freaky Fun



#### Space Invaders

They lived on the planet Mars. One day they went to attack a city and broke a window in each of the twin towers and they also flipped a car upside down. Then they went to trial. Then they escaped from trial and went back to Mars.

The next day they went down to the city again and started shooting. They shot away at the Empire State Building and at the Statue of Liberty. The next day they surrounded the city and brought people back to their planet Mars. They tied the people up on their planet and then threw the earthlings down to the sun and the sun burned them.

by Ryan Scarnecchia

### A Scary Night

I was walking under a dark sky at night with my friends Lauren and Lindsey. It was Halloween night. Everyone was scared to death. Lauren, Ally and Lindsey saw one more kid. Ally said, "What is your name?" "My name is Alexandra." "Come with us and help to find a place to stay."

Alexandra got lost and we got sad. After that we found her. We were so happy to see Alexandra. We found a place to live. We are saved!

We walked into the house and we were scared. We saw a ghost and a flying witch out the window. The witch and the ghost were our Mom and Dad. The next morning we woke up and Ally was gone. We walked all through the forest but she was nowhere to be seen.

Alexandra found Ally's watch. "Ally must have been here. Maybe there are more clues", said Alexandra. Jtist a second ago we found Ally's necklace. Next we found Ally. "Ally, Ally, we are so happy to see you. Where were you Ally?" "I was on Mrzus." "Come on Ally, where were you really?" "I was lost until I found all you. "Let's go home", Ally said.



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by Lauren Shepard and Lindsey Lehmann Grade 2

# Simply Serious

Tortured About Leaving Home

I cried as I left my home With tears and horror inside of me I left with sorrow as I went to roam I feel tortured, leaving only with a prayer of hope When I came to this place I didn't know what to do My heart felt like it will come out of me I wish at day and night that they let me come into the pot of America I wish I knew what's before me

by Tessa Krantz

Grade 4

### My Clock

From the day I was born To the day when I die My clock will keep ticking As my time passes by.

My clock isn't like any ordinary one When my time is done my clock Will go to the sun. Never to be seen again.

Over the years it has shown You cannot see it but it is there It holds your time up High in the air.

From the day I was born Till the day I die My clock will keep ticking As my time passes by.

·by Jodi Horowitz Grade 5













Kindness

Kindness is loving, Kindness is caring, Kindness is sharing, Kindness is giving, Kindness is helping.

by L.E. Odom Grade 3



## Florida's Funniest

#### Greedy Max

There once was a boy in Florida who was very greedy. His name was Greedy Max. He was 2,068 feet tall. He ate 30 pancakes, 20 pizzas, and 10 steaks a day. He would only give \$2.00 for all of it.

One day he was strolling along when he decided he wanted to make some islands. So he took some land and threw it down. It is right under Florida. It is known as the Florida Keys. Then he went back home. He had a nice big dinner. Then he went to bed.

The next day there was an army shooting at him. One of them shot him in the leg. He was so sad. He pounded his fist on the ground. It made a huge hole. But he was crying so much it filled the whole hole with water. it is known as Lake Okeechobee.

The water quickly spread. It went into grassy land. The water filled the holes he had torn off. It is known as the Everglades.

Animals started to go there. Big animals and small animals. They are now known as birds and alligators. A lot of people come to see these exotic animals.

Greedy Max wasn't greedy anymore. He left Florida. He went to a faraway land. He was never seen again. But Florida never forgot what he did for it.

by Michael Winnett



Grade 4

### Tall Bunyan

There once was a man named Tall Bunyan. He was 65,023,503 yards high, and let me tell you--was he strong! He was 23,203,901 yards wide. One day he was playing in the central part of the Atlantic Ocean. He climbed out on Georgia and realized nothing was south of it. So he walked up to Utah and scooped a handful out of Utah. Now that same spot where he scooped the land out is called The Great Salt Lake. He took the scooped land from Utah and took it back down to Georgia. He molded the land in a shape that looks like this: He placed it south of Georgia. He decided he needed more to the state he just built. He took a scoop out of the middle of the state and sprinkled it south of the new state. The part that he sprinkled there is now the Keys. The part that he scooped up is called Lake Okeechobee.

### Ian Interstate

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Ian was born on January 11, 1020. Ian was the cause of Florida's rainstorms. When he took his baths he would wring his washcloth out in the clouds. If you want to know how interstate 95 was formed you came to the right place.

When Ian cried and rubbed his eyes his eyelashes fell out and formed Interstate 95. Ian Interstate was taller than tall but no one knew why. The rest of his family was smaller than small. Ian was as tall as 203 flagpoles on top of Mount Everest.

Have you ever wondered how Ian could be born from such a small mother? Well, when Ian's mother was pregnant with him she caught a disease called 2 big 2 be true. The effect on Ian was after he came out he immediately started to grow.

At the age of 13 Ian was as tall as two flagpoles on top of Mount Everest. At the age of 22 he was as tall as 30 flagpoles on Mount Everest. When Ian was 95 he was watching the clouds move. At that time Interstate 95 was bumpy. But then Ian collapsed and flattened Interstate 95. Since Ian was 95 that's how Interstate 95 got its name.

by Shelly Miller

Grade 4

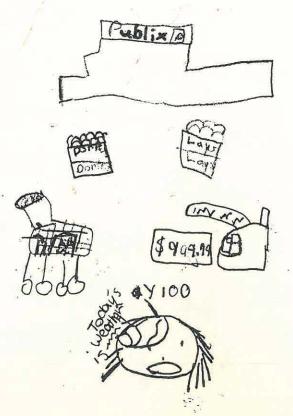
### Mary Okeechobee

Mary was a 100 year old woman. She needed food really bad. Mary went to Publix. Mary was large and ate a lot. Mary bought 200 eggs, 50 bags of chips, 300 pancakes, 9,000 pieces of bacon, 400 grapefruits and 999,999 pounds of beef. Mary went to pay. All together counting tax her grocery bill was \$999.99.

Mary left the building with all of her groceries, which took fifty grocery carts. On the way out she tripped and fell. She hit her head on the parking lot and made a huge hole. Mary went to the hospital and the doctors put a metal plate in her head to fill in the hole in her head. Now the plate gives her radio stations from all over the world.

When Mary hit her head on the parking lot she made a dent in the cement. The dent started growing by the minute. It kept growing and growing and growing. It started to rain and the hole filled up with water. Now the hole that Mary made is called Lake Okeechobee because it was made by Mary Okeechobee.

Mary now lives in Hawaii and is learning to dance the Conga.





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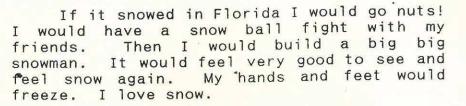
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Wonderful Winter



Grade 3

### Weird Snowy Days



by Dana Hersh 🛶







### Miracle in Florida

If it snowed in Florida I would be excited because it's a miracle. I will have to wear five long sleeve shirts, five long pants, and five gloves. I will drink hot chocolate all night. I will build a snow fort and throw snowballs at my brother. Last but not least school will be out, and that would make me happy.

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by Danny Bernstein

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Snow Sports

Ice skating is good but skiing is better but snowboarding is better than both together!

by Jonathan Share Grade 3

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# Imagine It

#### The Secret Formula

strange discovery of MV the secret formula came quite by accident. Ιt a11 happened the day I dropped the bottle containing the mysterious liquid. Then right before my eyes the purple liquid started to bubble and spread all over the floor. Ιt wouldn't stop spreading! The smell was so good it smelled like bread fresh from the oven. It must have gotten shaken because it was changing color.

The liquid started to suck people into it. I got sucked in too. It sucked the people and I into a dungeon and we turned into cows. When the guards came to unlock the door they saw us as cows and started to chase us. When I tried to tell them that we were really people all I said was MOO! MOO! MOO! MOO! The guards did not understand me.

A man named Frank said (in cow talk) that we might be cows for the rest of our lives if we don't find a way to become humans again fast. We might be dead meat! That whole night we had to sleep in a valley. The next morning we had to eat grass for breakfast. We had to eat it for lunch and for dinner. Boy, were we sick of eating grass, when we went to bed that night.

We were all thinking about a way to get real food from the grocery store. Because none of us wanted to see grass again. I said that we could disguise ourselves as humans and go to the grocery store. We had a little problem at the grocery store. There are only clowns in this town. We got ourselves some clown costumes and went back to the grocery store.

The cows and I got 27 carts full of food. That night we were so full, that we didn't eat for another two weeks. Just when we started thinking that being a cow was cool we turned back into humans. We wound up in the science lab of our school. That is exactly where we were before that mess happened.

by Stefanie Brown

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## **Kids Communicate**



### My Day

Once I was at the football game and the Dolphins and the Cowboys were playing. I left early. But when I was just about to leave, everybody was clapping for the Dolphins. I knew they won, so I left.

I looked Then I couldn't find my car. everywhere and finally I found it. Then I drove home in my car. And when I got home, I had dinner. After I had dinner, I had dessert. And then, I went to bed.

I woke up in the morning and there was So I got dressed and I went to school. school. When I got home, my sister tricked me and I said, "Please, stop it." But the next day she did it again! I said, "Would you please stop?" I guess I have to live with it!

by Jonathan Bernstein

Grade 1

Co My Favorite Animal The Horse My favorite animal is the horse os of course, Horses like to have fun but they also like to run, When you get ready to ride 1212 they hide, Eu When they trot they get hot, TESS I like the animal the horse of course. by Nikki Dimattina Grade 3

## Haiku For You

### Trees

Trees are very tall. They will make you look little. Trees have long branches.

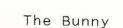
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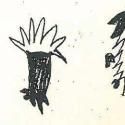
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The bunny is cute. The bunny is black and white. The bunny loves me.

by Allison Newman









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The butterfly sings.

It sings a nice song.

It sings for everybody.

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N., N. Trees are very tall. They make you feel very small. Some are beautiful.

by Ariel Diamant

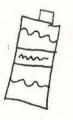
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## Imaginations .



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### The Secret Formula

My strange discovery came quite by accident. It all happened the day I dropped the bottle containing the mysterious liquid. Right before my eyes the liquid slid under the door and out of the building. Suddenly I looked around and all I saw was ice cream cones filled with cookie dough ice cream. When this had happened it was foggy outside so I really couldn't see that much but I could see the cones very well. The cones kept on popping up all over town, saying "Eat me! Eat me!"

Then the sun came up and it got really really sunny and hot. All of a sudden the ice cream started to melt and melt and melt. There was a huge flood caused by melted ice cream. It polluted the oceans, lakes and seas. The fish, sharks and all sea creatures got sick and died because they were allergic to ice cream, I guess. All the cats and dogs liked it, they all went outside and started eating it like crazy! Some kids ate it from the streets. That is really gross, but I guess they really like cookie dough ice cream.

I couldn't believe what happened next! It started to snow and get colder and colder. The ice cream froze! Then three hundred penguins from Antarctica showed up. They had an ice cream party with the kids on the frozen ice cream. It looked like fun! They had an ice cream ball fight, "ice cream" skated and ate some, too. And after the party, the professor mixed up another potion to clean the water and everything was normal again.



by Olivia Young

## ... At Work

#### Imagination

I'll make a wish for you and hope it will come true 'cause I know a flower blooms...

It's in your imagination like a backwards thirteen You see it isn't true, you know It is all a dream.

The sun is always shining in the morning, in the night You need to learn to protect yourself but it isn't nice to fight.

A tree grows in the morning The wind blows in the night Will someone please teach me how to fly a kite?

I know it's just imagination 'cause I thought of it, it's true You all should have a special mind Just the way I do...

by Jana Katz

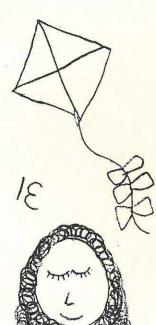
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### Trapped on Skull Island

Once upon a time there was a boy named Billy, Bosun Billy. When he grew up he was very nice. Until he met someone that was a lilylivered, evil-hearted numbskull. His name was Cap'n Swagg. He had a really big ship which had a really big gunwale. Cap'n Swagg spoiled Billy. Billy was his left-hand man. They got on the Sea Serpent to go to Skull Island to find a treasure. They were almost there. Cap'n Swagg leered at Skull Island for 20 minutes. When they got there Cap'n Swagg saw a lass. He shot her. Bosun Billy asked, "Why did you do that?" "I felt like it." "Oh." "Why "Oh no, our ship is sailing away! Great! Now we're trapped on Skull Island." "Look! The lady has a map. It's a treasure map." "It says to go on the right of the waterfall and dig eight feet down to find the treasure." So they dug eight feet down and found the treasure. "Now that we found the treasure how do we get out of this hole?"

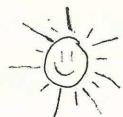
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