

# Pinecrest Schools



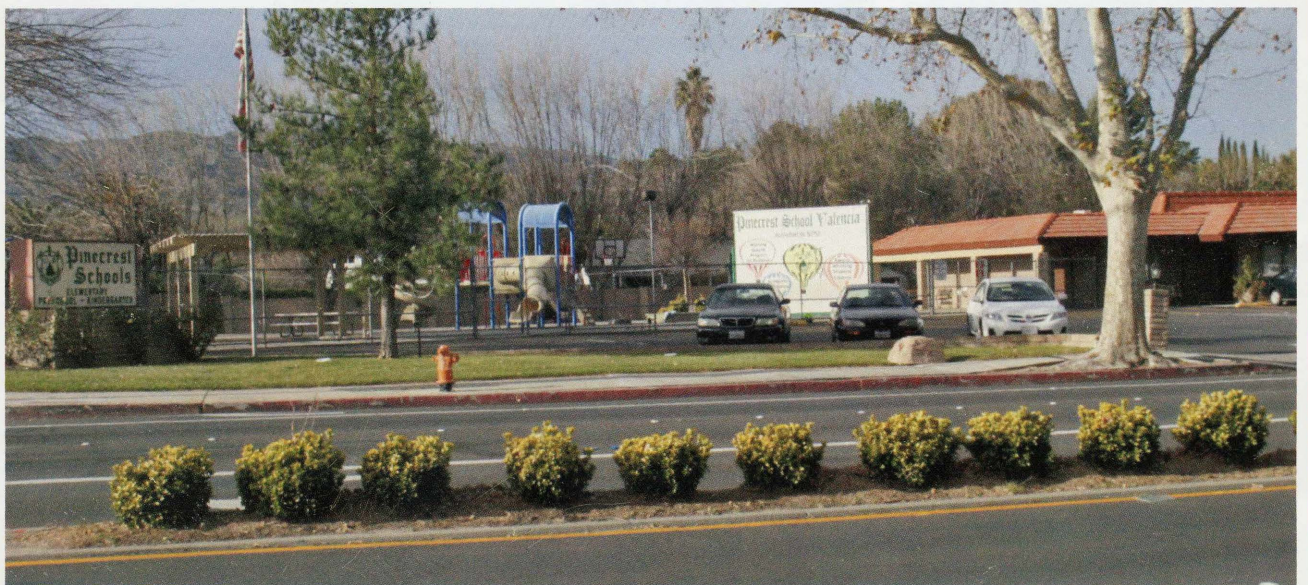
*Valencia 2012 - 2013*





## Mrs. Edna Mae Dye Founder

In 1951, Edna Mae founded Pinecrest Schools in Van Nuys establishing the very first private school in the San Fernando Valley. Over the years, nine additional campuses have been established including our beautiful school here in Valencia.



# Faculty and Staff



Mrs. Kristine Hughes  
Principal



Mrs. Susan Cunningham  
Office Manager



Ms. Kim Vesper  
School Secretary



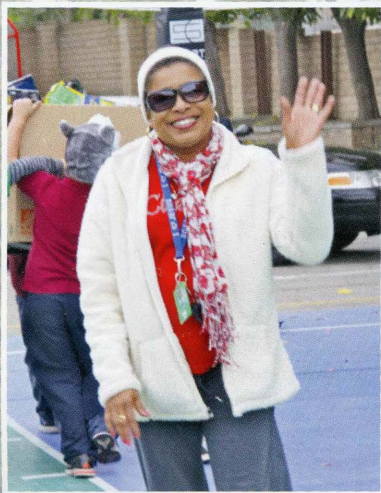
Ms. Michelle Jackson  
Late Care



Mr. Robby Shannon  
Assistant Coach



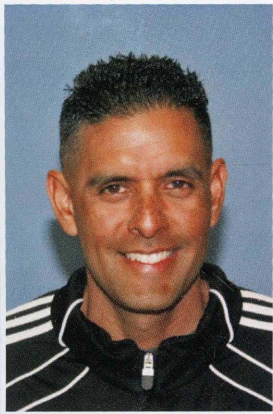
Ms. Dee Dee Alli  
Late Care



Ms. Maxie



Ms. Jonsen with Arav, Rylan, Faris and  
Liam on Cartoon Super Hero Dress Day



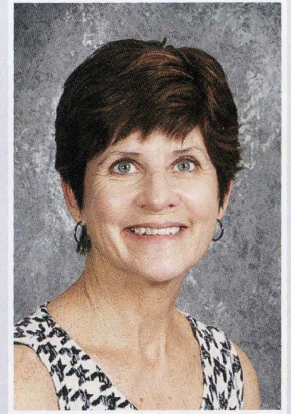
Mr. Jimmie Avalos  
Athletic Director



Mr. Dustin Cleaver  
Athletic Director



Mrs. Heather Scheiffler  
Spanish Teacher



Ms. Robin Shelnut  
Music Teacher



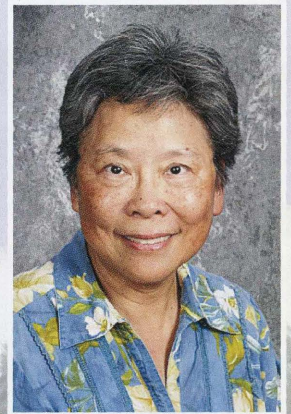
Ms. Kara Skyler  
Computer Teacher



Mrs. Maxia Barnett  
Teacher Aide



Mrs. Becky Hines  
Teacher Aide



Ms. Mary Lee  
Teacher Aide



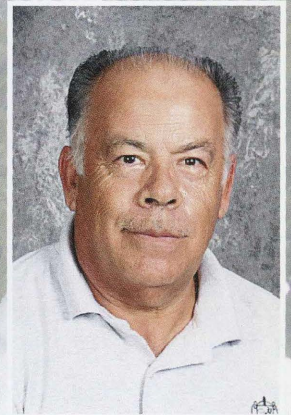
Mrs. Mary Morales  
Teacher Aide



Mr. Valentine Lopez  
Maintenance



Mr. Sergio Martinez  
Bus Driver



Mr. Alfonso Montoya  
Maintenance

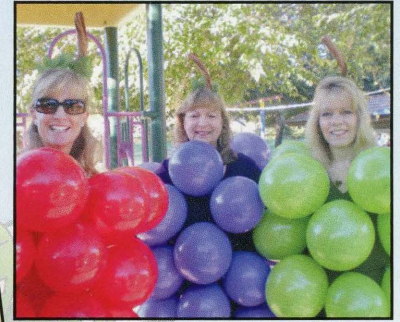
# Pinecrest Staff



Mrs. Wells with Samantha



Ms. Skyer  
and Ms. Kim



Mrs. Keller, Mrs. Wells and  
Mrs. Lamprey



Mrs. Lamprey



Kaitlyn, Marco, Diego and Adele  
after the Spelling Bee.



Mrs. Hughes



Ms. Mary with  
Nikole and Irelynd



Mrs. Hines and Ms. Kim



Ms. George, Ms. Mary  
and Ms. Skyer



Ms. Maxie and Ms. Robin  
on the First Day of School



Mrs. Scheffler, Miss Susan and Ms. Kim



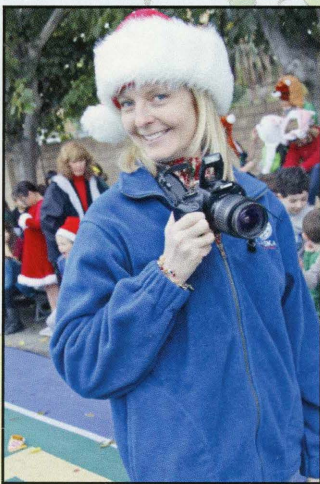
Ms. George and Ms. Mary



Ms. Lee and Ms. Skyler



Ms. Jonsen with Matthew at the Holiday Show



Ms. Skyler



Mrs. Keller, Ms. George and Mrs. Lamprey



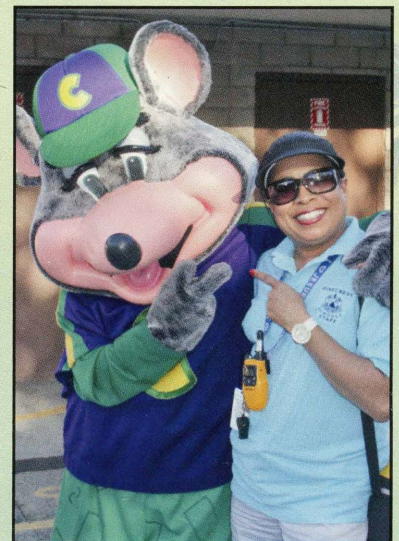
Miss Susan and Ms. Kim



Mrs. Wells, Mrs. Hines and Ms. Maxie



Ms. Lee and Coach Dustin



Ms. Maxie with Chuck E. Cheese!

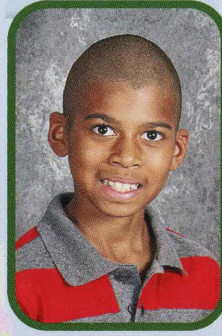
# Mrs. Lamprey's Fifth Grade Class



Mrs. Susan  
Lamprey



Mrs. Maxia  
Barnett



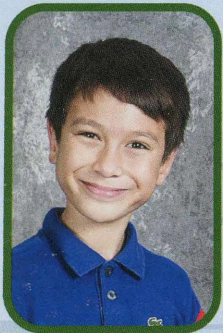
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Barnes



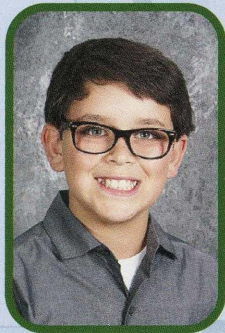
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Barreca



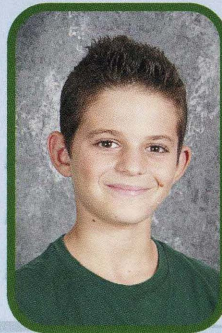
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Barton



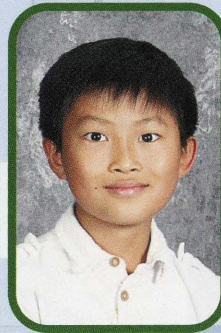
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Blackwell



Bobby  
Burton



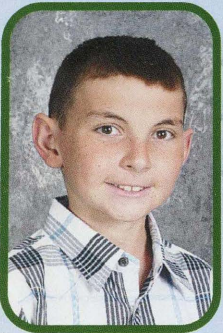
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Gordon



Troy  
Keum



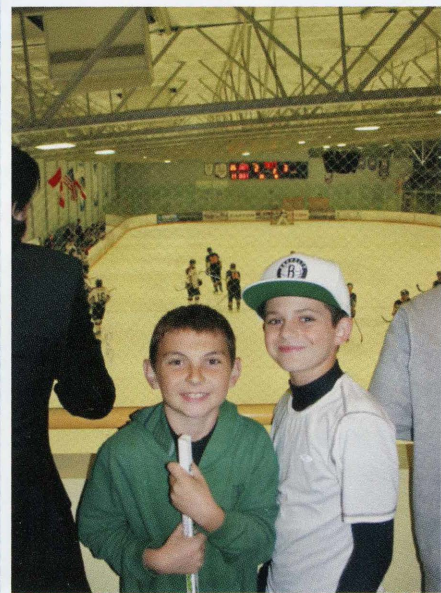
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Mendoza



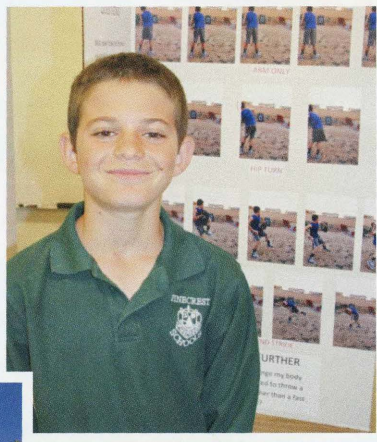
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Torres



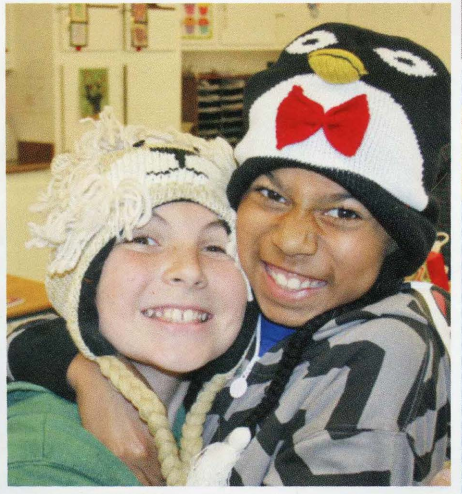
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Yoo



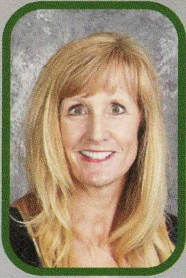




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FIFTH GRADE



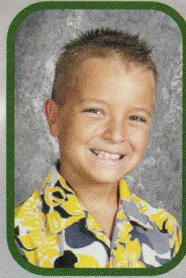
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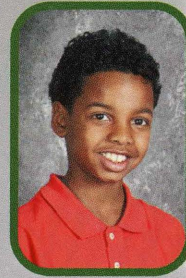
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Keller



Mrs. Becky  
Hines



Jack  
Alexander



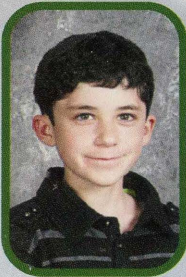
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Baker



Manal  
Barreca



Samantha  
Bucaro



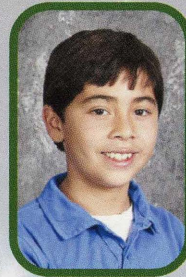
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Frankie  
Cowan



Mahalee  
Dalisay



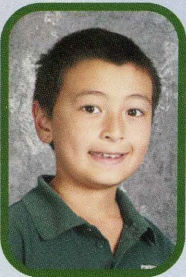
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Hernandez



Logan  
Lee



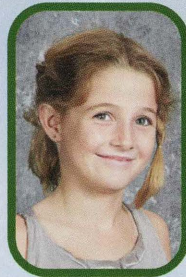
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Lucero



William  
Macioce



Meadow  
McCarthy



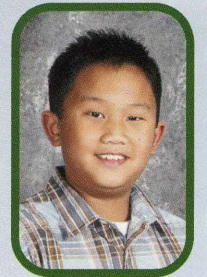
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Joanne  
Palad



Romeo  
Payet



Dylan  
Quach



Christina  
Rodrigues



Mahika  
Saoji

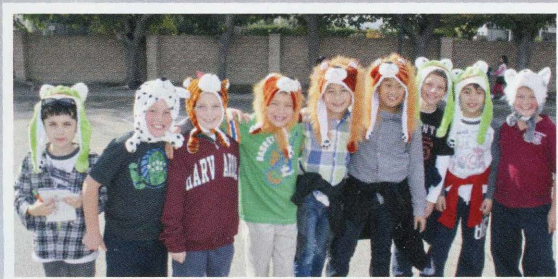


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Stewart

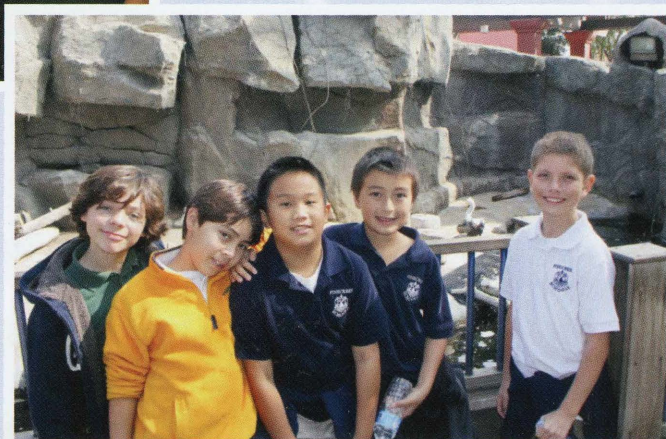
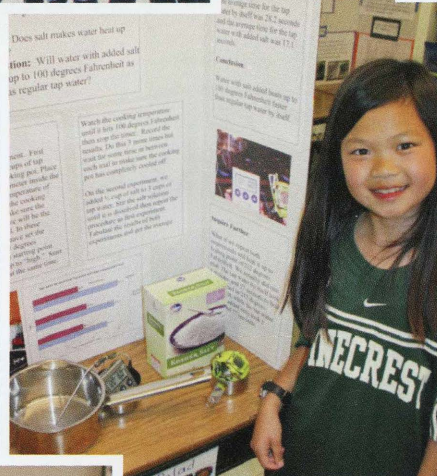


Roman  
Toledo





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FOURTH GRADE



# Mrs. Well's Third Grade Class



Mrs. Cindy  
Wells



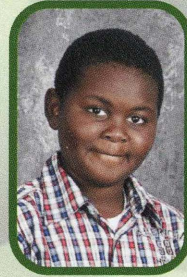
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Hines



Penelope  
Aglubat



Kailey  
Bird



Ibrahim  
Callwood



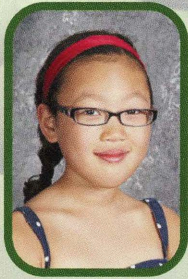
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Carlsen



Samantha  
Cedano



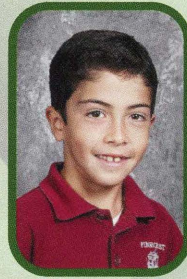
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Chalker



Hannah  
Chung



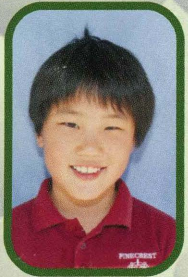
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Kyle  
David



Natalie  
Dekker



Jason  
Lee



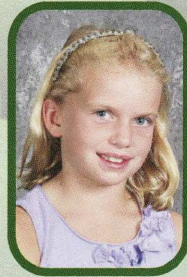
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Natour



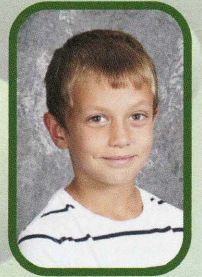
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Redor



Luciana  
Ruiz



Kira  
Sendewicz



Sean  
Sendewicz



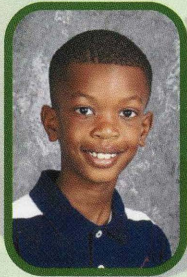
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Stewart



Cassidy  
Straughn

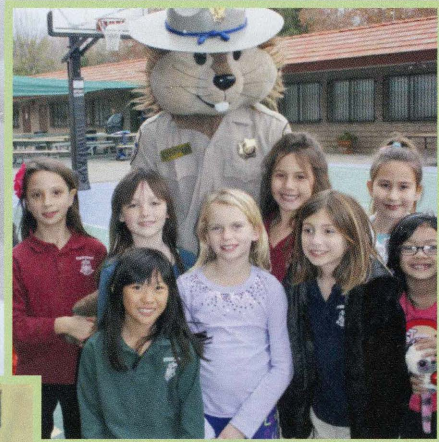


Anne  
Torres



Ogaga  
Usude





3  
THIRD GRADE



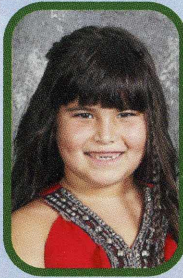
# Mrs. Dalisay's Second Grade Class



Mrs. Pamela  
Dalisay



Mrs. Maxia  
Barnett



Ashley  
Arroyo



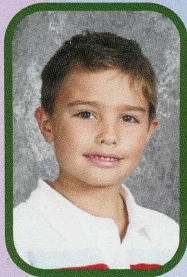
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Hannah  
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Mary  
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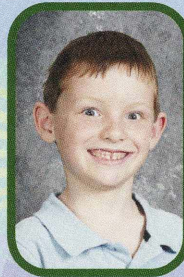
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Crites



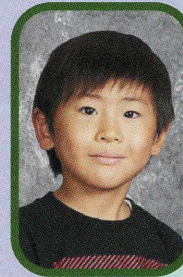
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Faris



Lia  
Franck



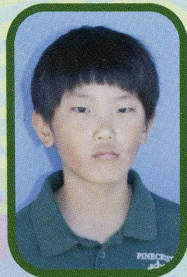
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Hezel



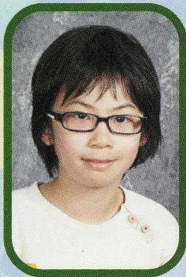
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Brook  
Lander



Jade  
Lee



Jay  
Leung



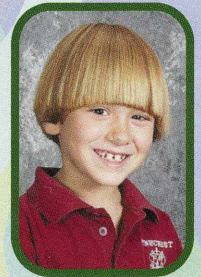
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Michelle  
Pascault



Timy  
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Augustin  
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Samuel  
Rogers

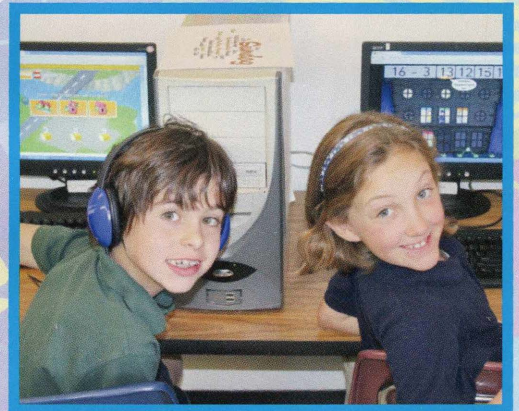


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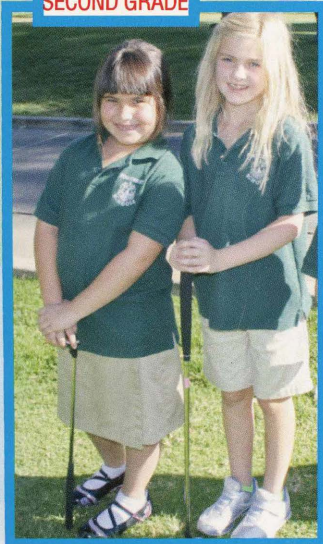


Julia  
Womersley Jackman





2  
SECOND GRADE



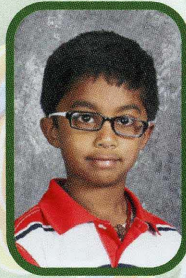
# Ms. George's First Grade Class



Ms. Shirley  
George



Mrs. Mary  
Morales



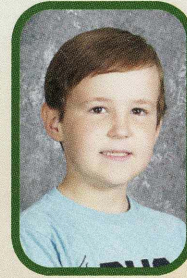
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Arunachalam



Rylee  
Boisel



David  
Brownlee



Christian  
Carlsen



Nathaniel  
Cervantes



Sonny  
Cullen



Trevor  
Hamilton



Sophia  
Ishaq



Michelle  
Klopp



Rowan  
Littauer



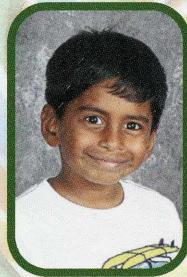
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McCarthy



Alexa  
Potts



Alex  
Ripa



Sachiv  
Sekaran



Sydney  
Sharp



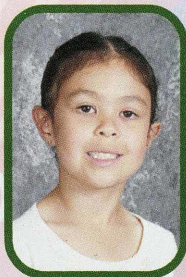
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Smith



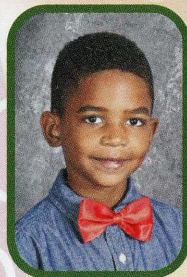
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Steidl



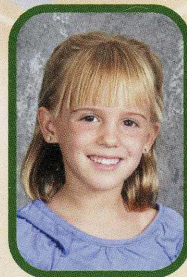
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Emma  
Wilkin



Aaron  
Williams

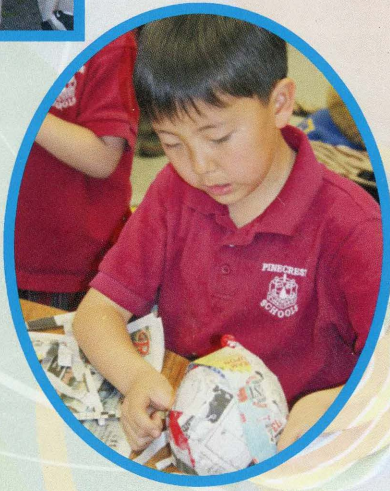


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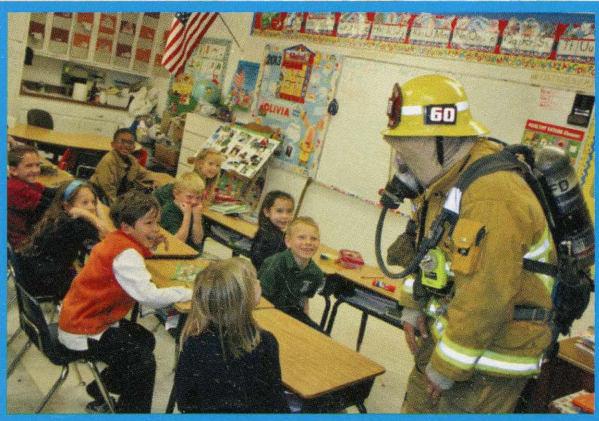
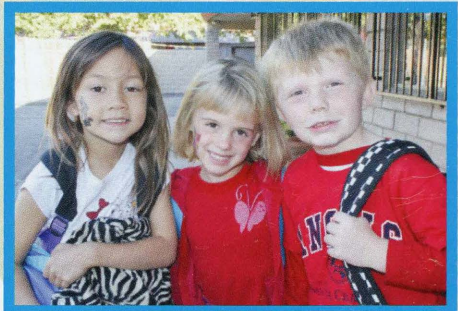


Joshua  
Yoon





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FIRST GRADE



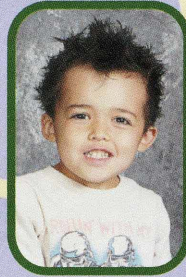
# Ms. Jonsen's Kindergarten Class



Ms. Cris  
Jonsen



Ms. Mary  
Lee



Jaden  
Abeyta



Savanna  
Aglubat



Madison  
Boateng



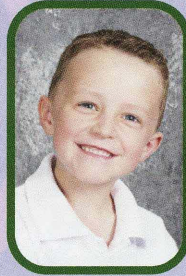
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Ethan  
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Tyler  
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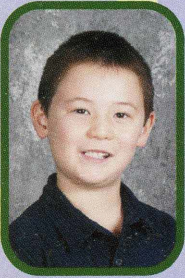
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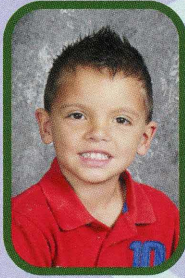
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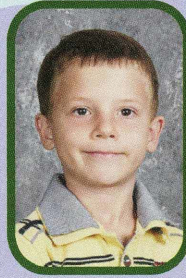
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Hahn



William  
Kitchener



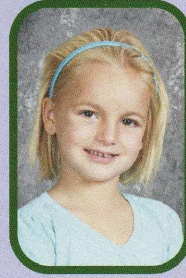
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Murry



Faris  
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Isabelle  
Owston



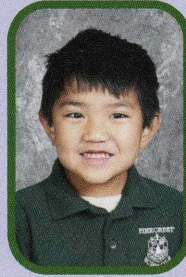
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Pastor



Molly  
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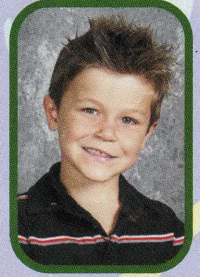
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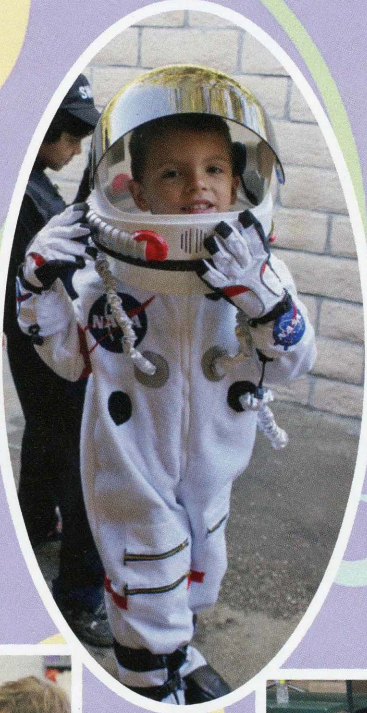
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Arav  
Shah



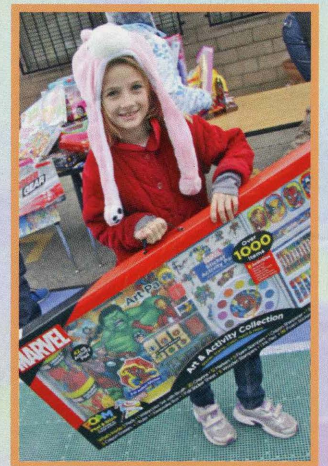
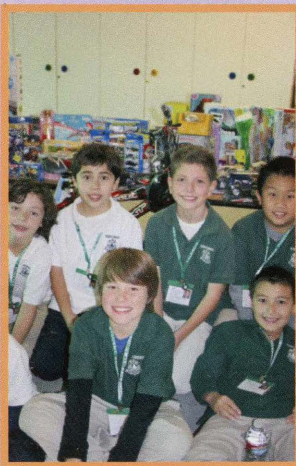
Kayden  
Weigand



**K**  
KINDERGARTEN



# Student Council



The Student Council is learning about animals in need.

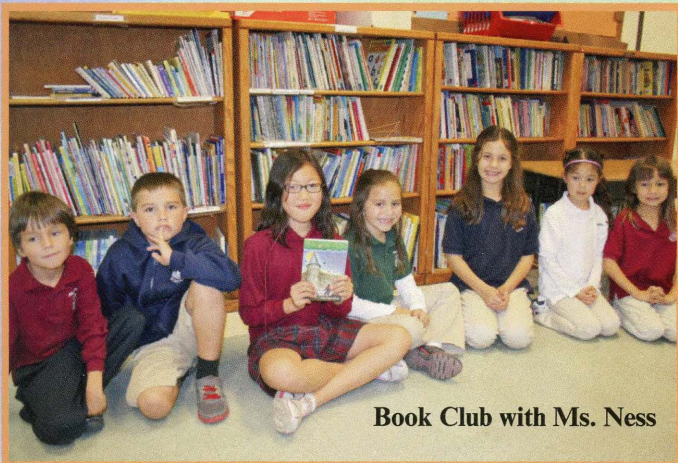
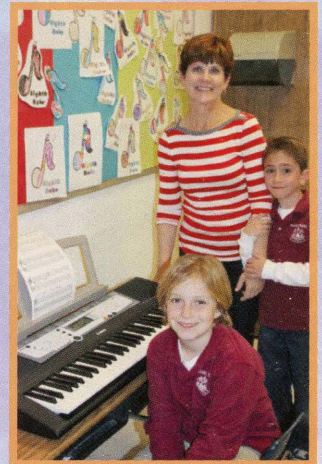
# After School Activities



Chess Club  
with Ms. Ness

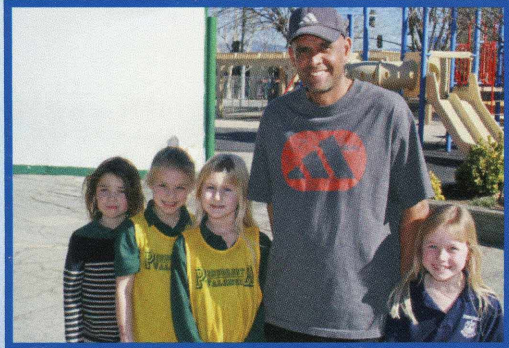
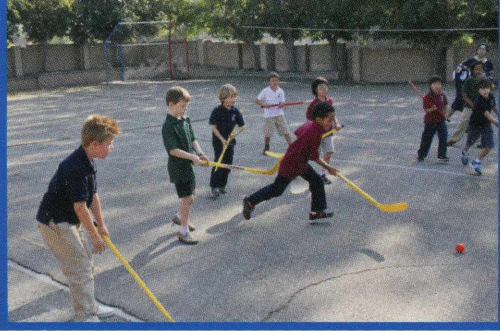


Keyboarding Lessons  
with Ms. Robin

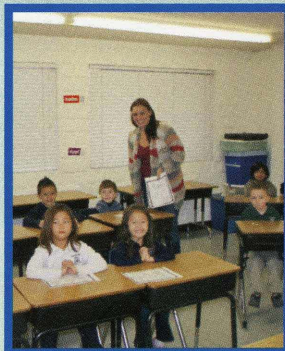
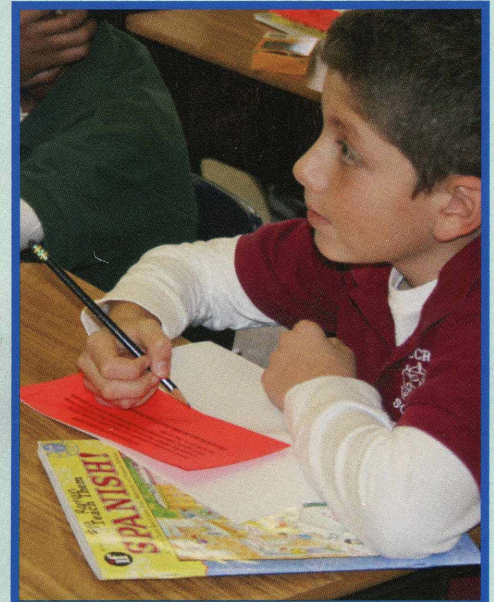


Book Club with Ms. Ness

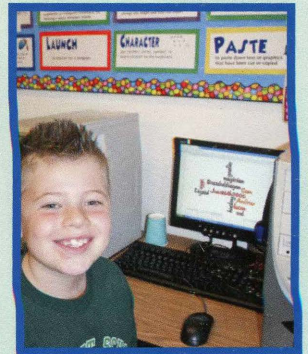
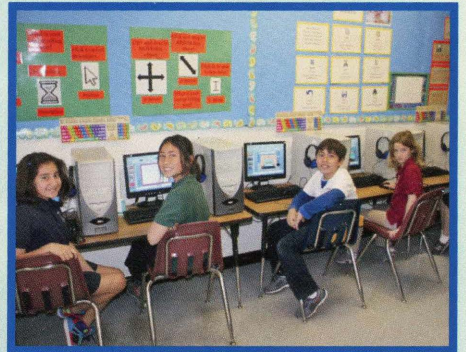
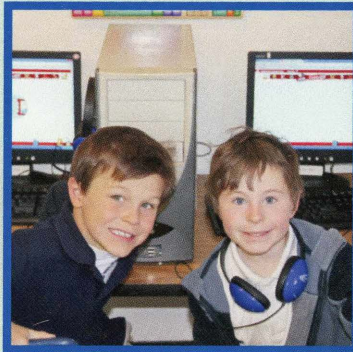
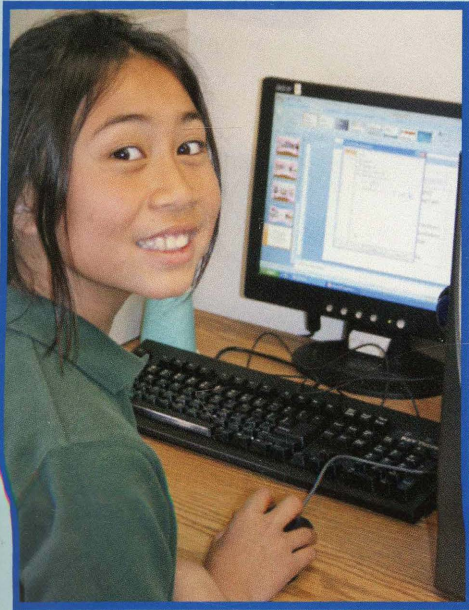




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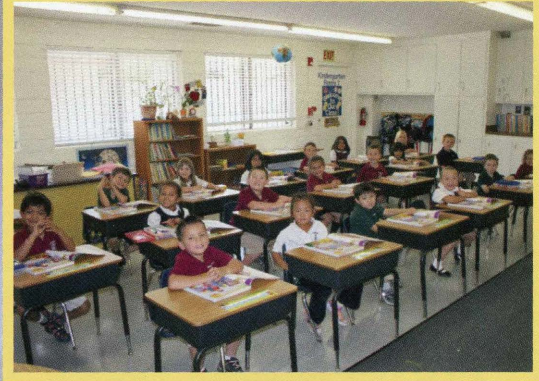
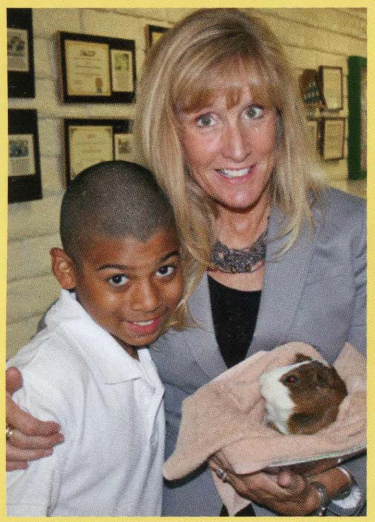
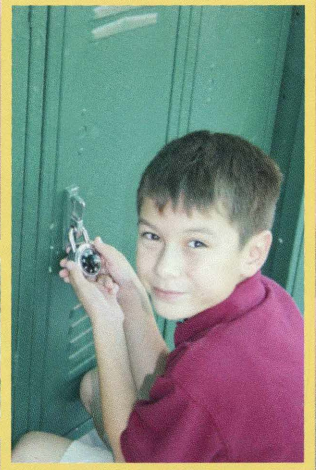
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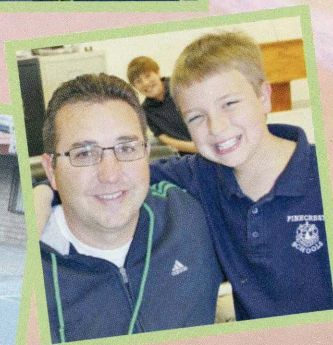
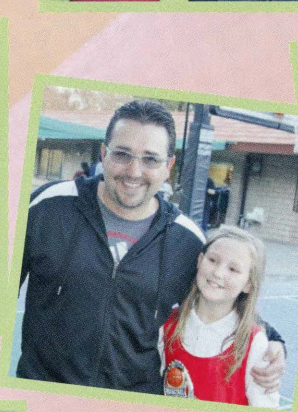


# Back to School!





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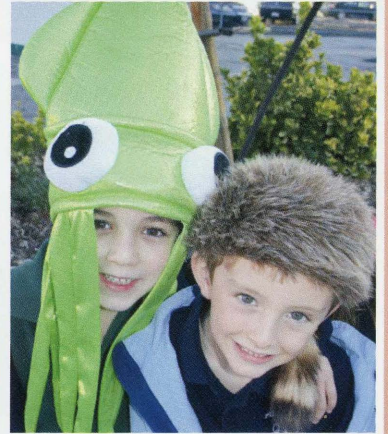
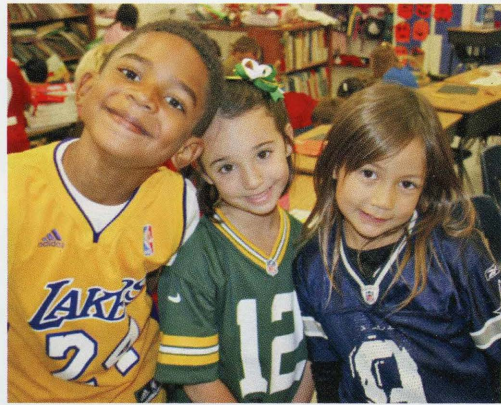


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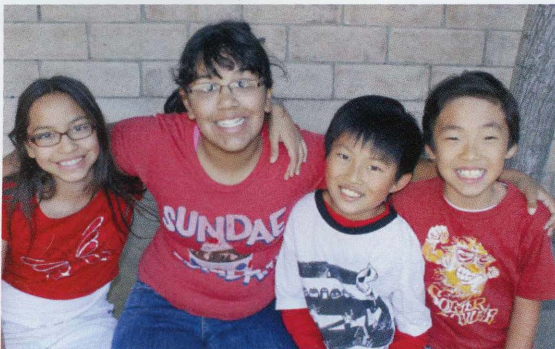


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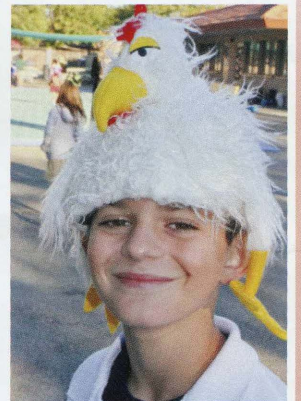
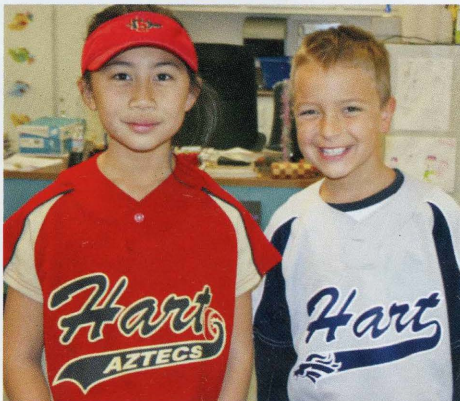
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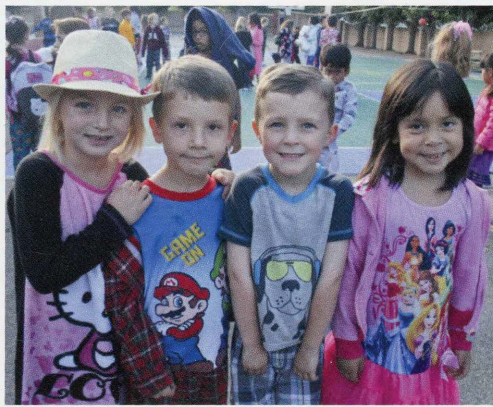


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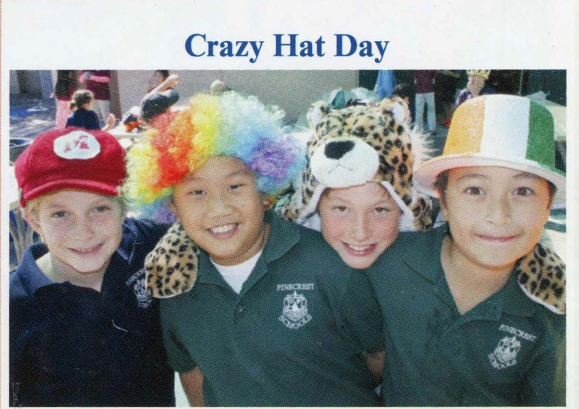
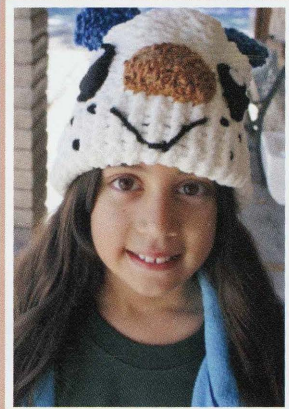


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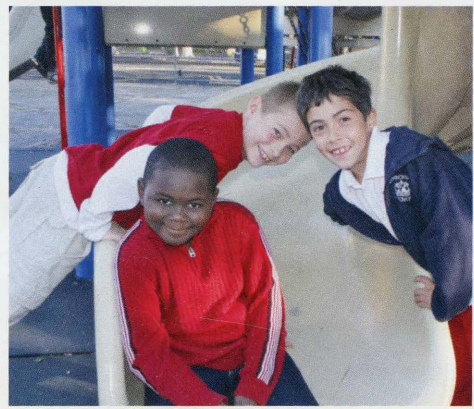
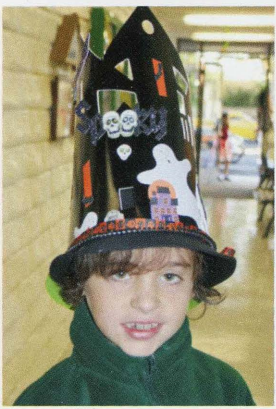




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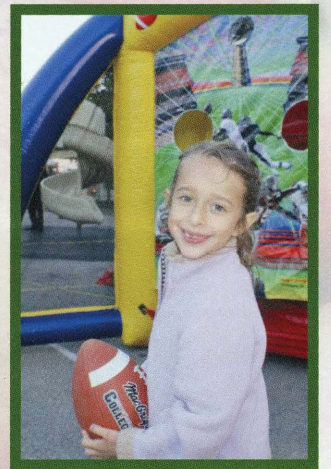
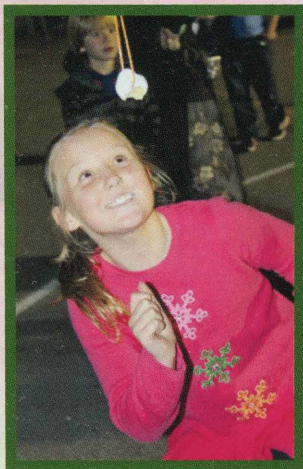


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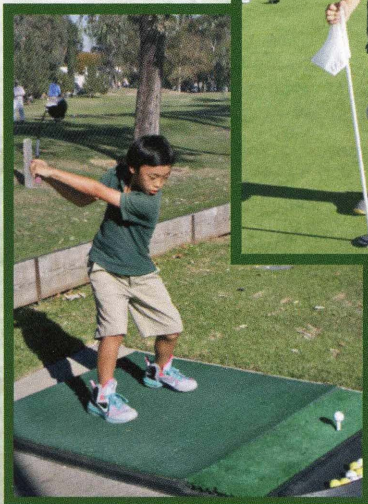
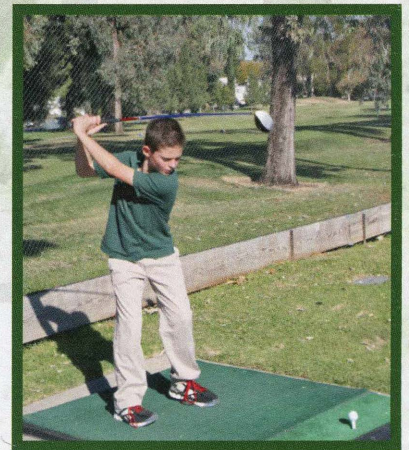


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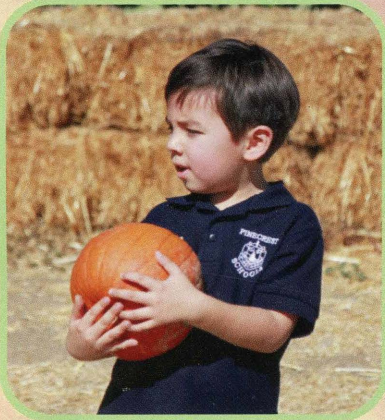
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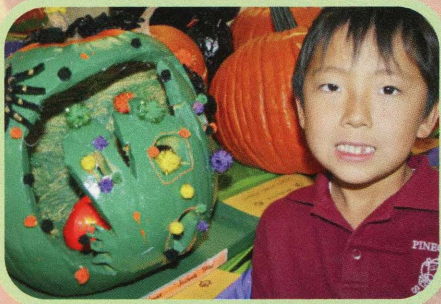
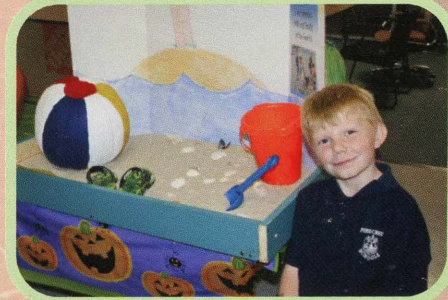
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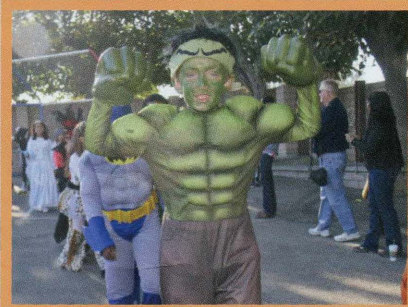
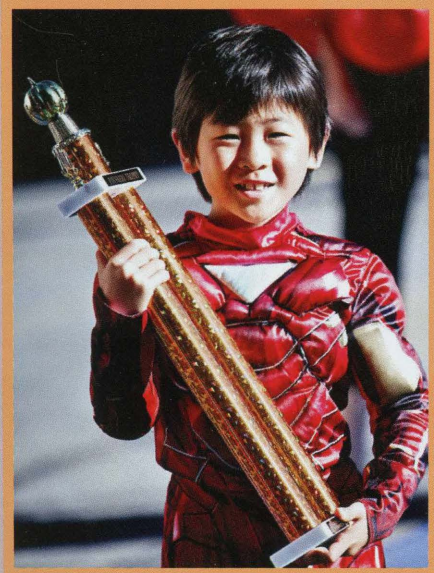
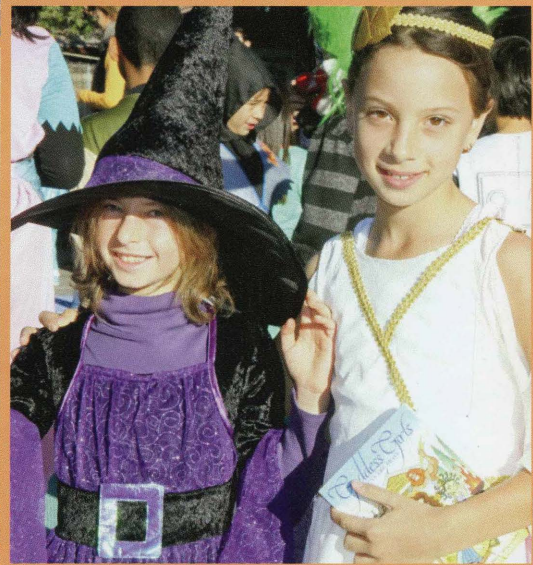
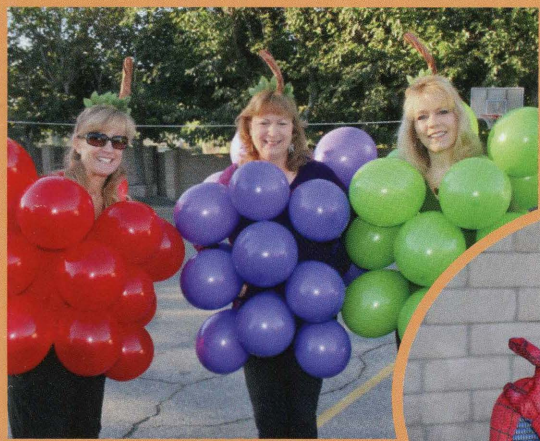
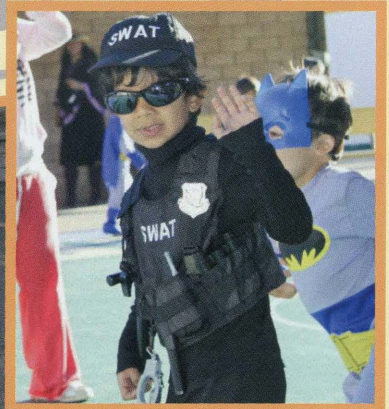
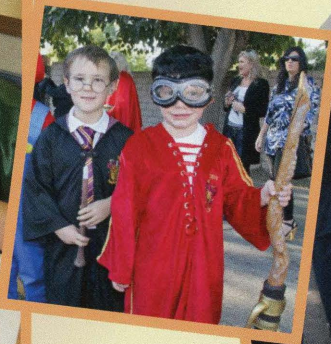
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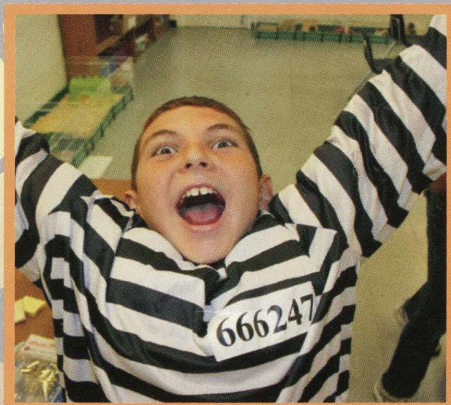
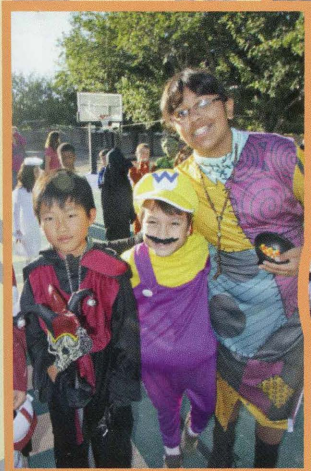
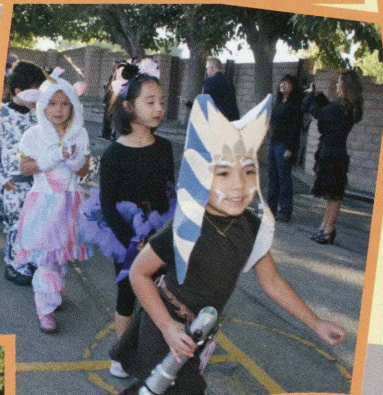
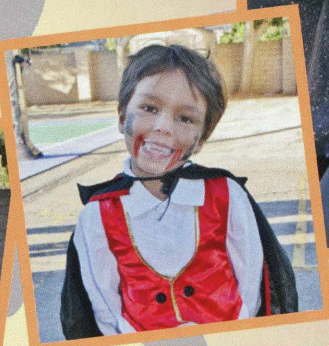
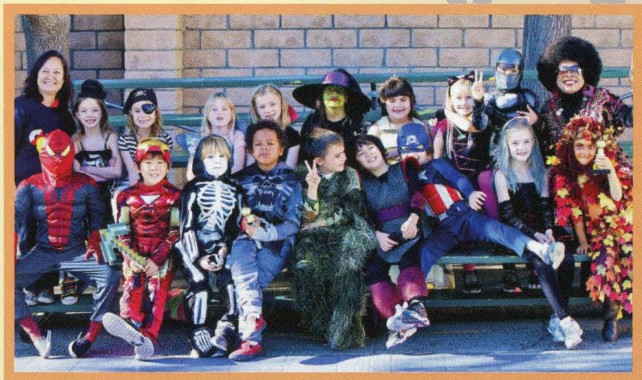
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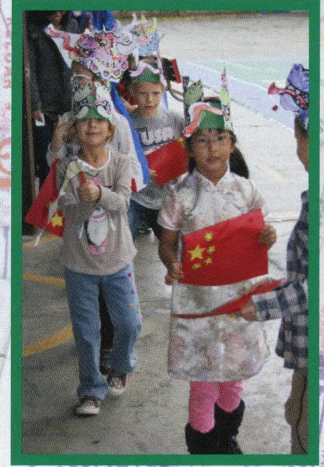
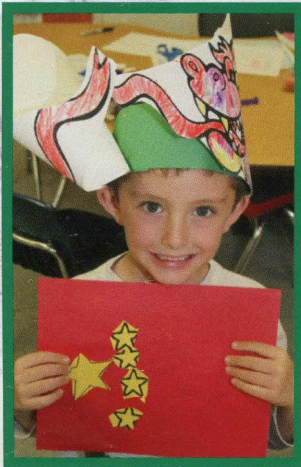
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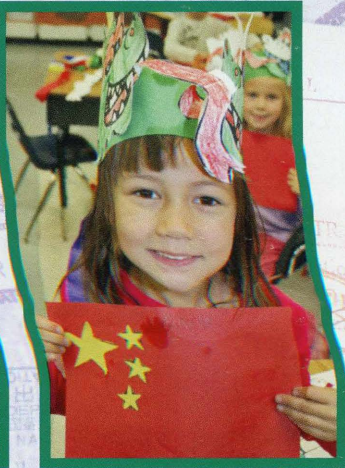
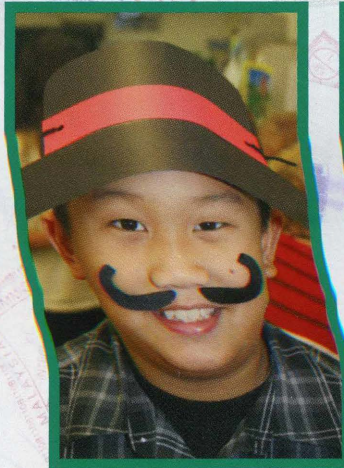
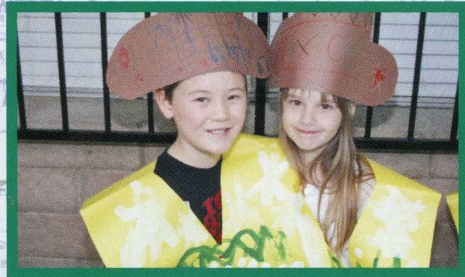




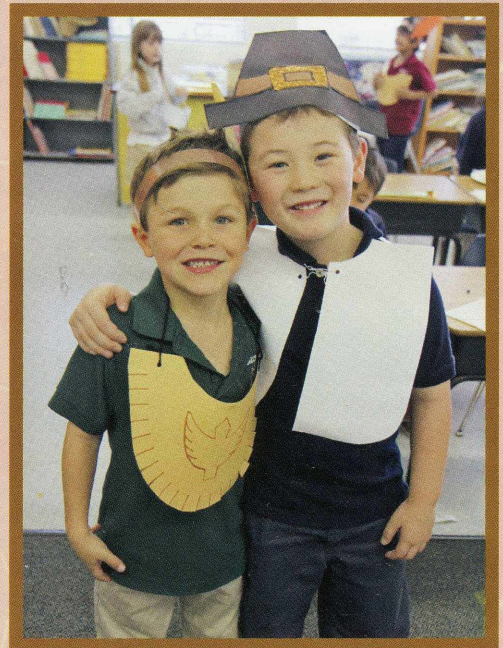
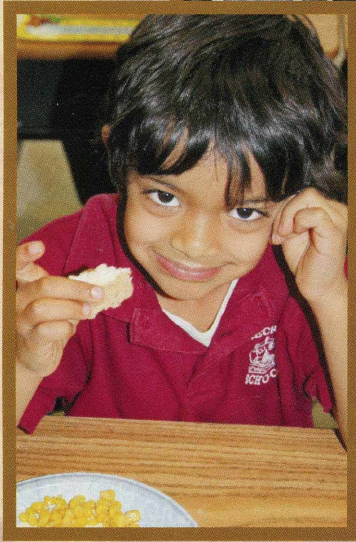


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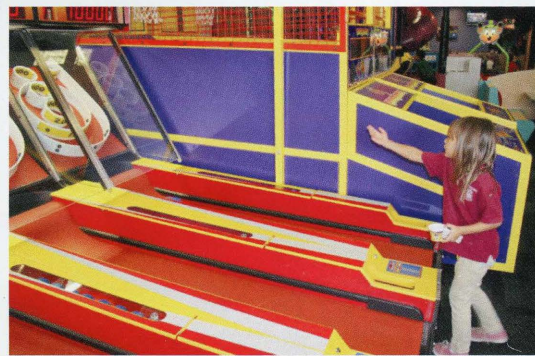
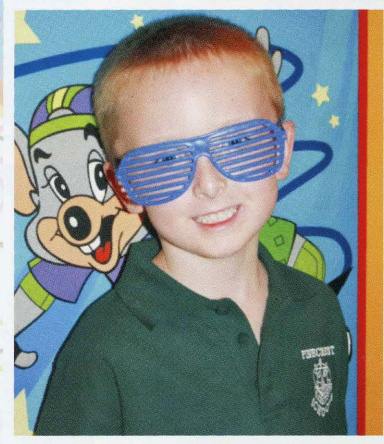




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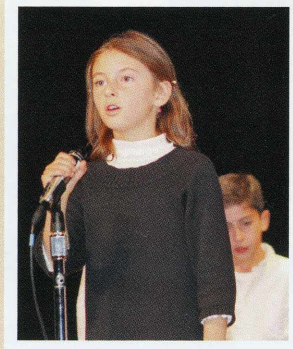
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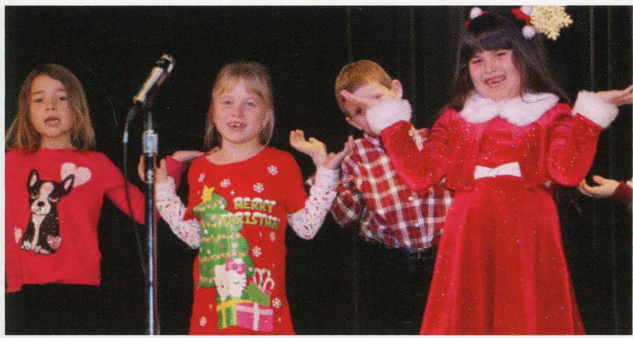
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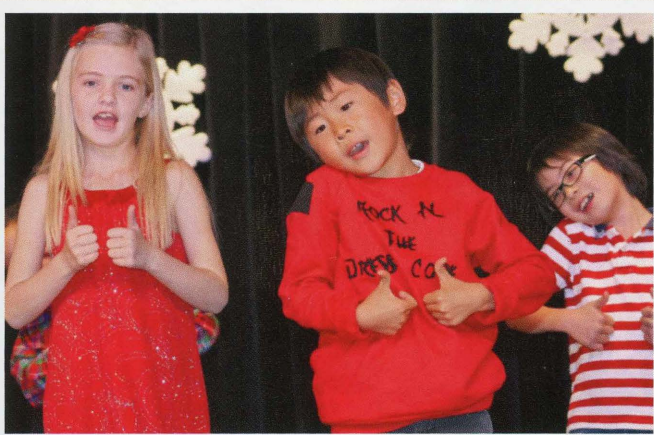
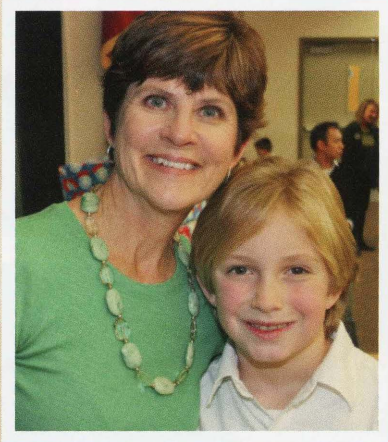
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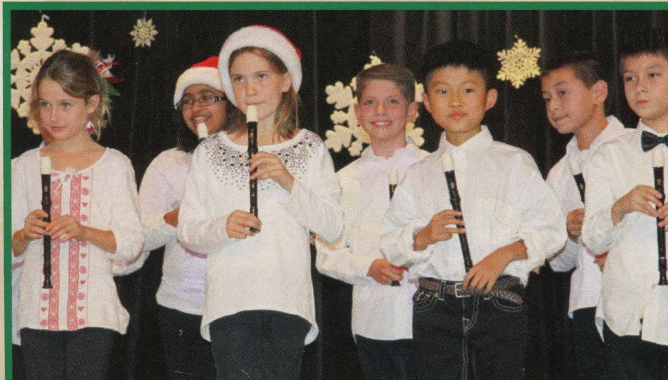
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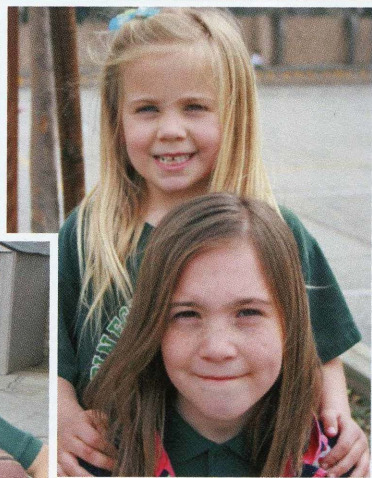
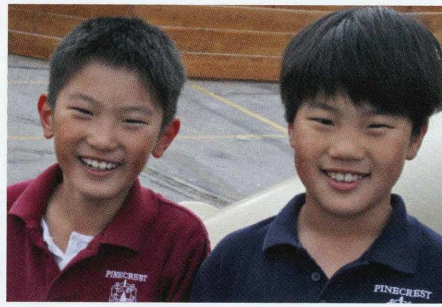
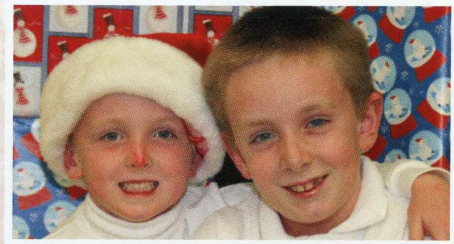
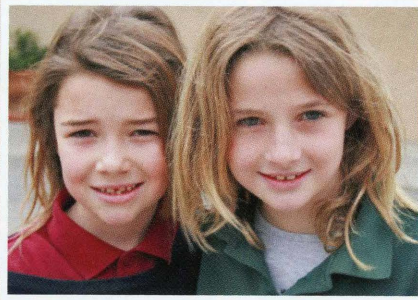
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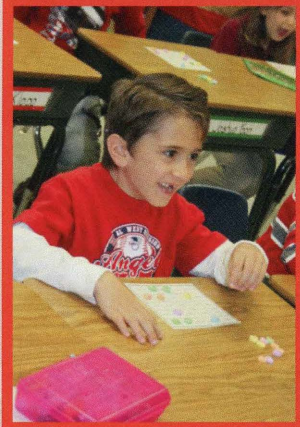
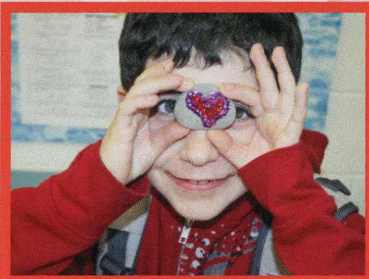


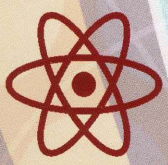
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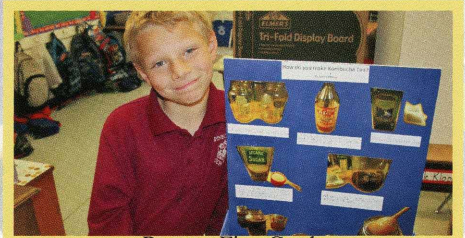
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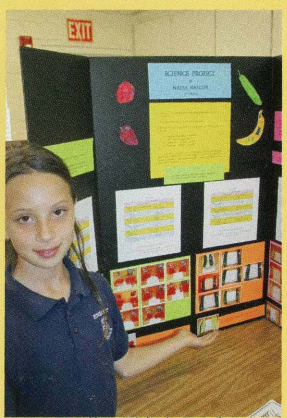
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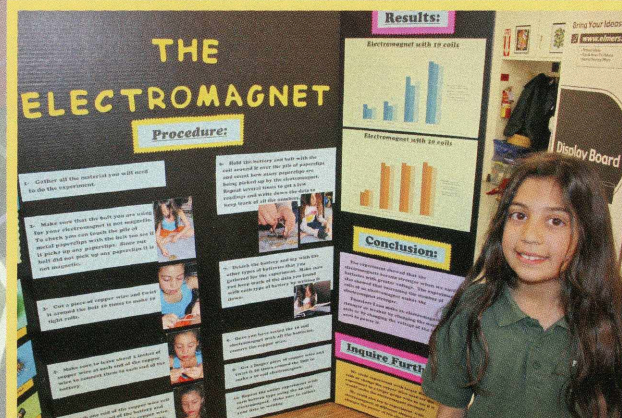
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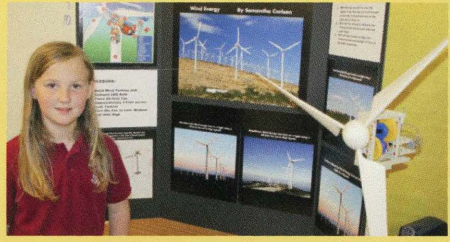
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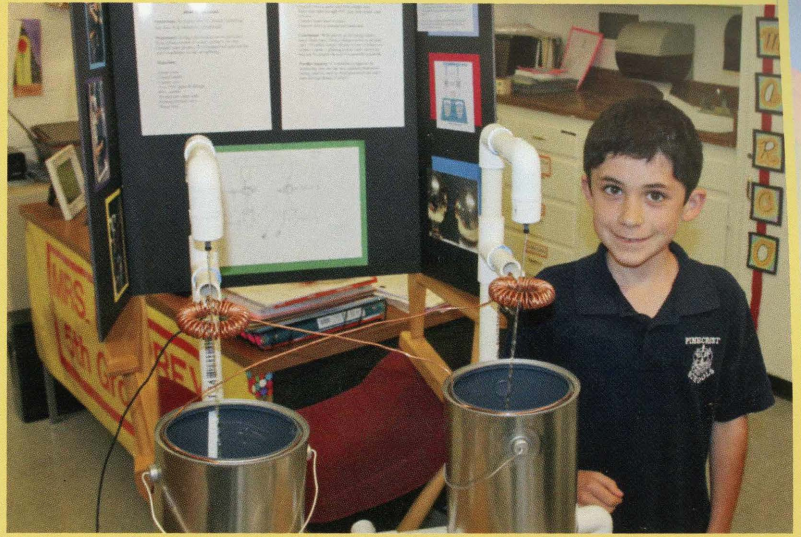
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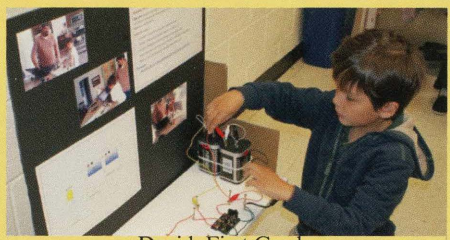
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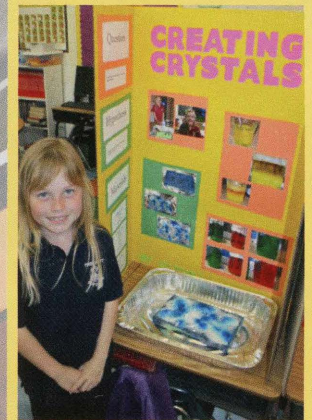
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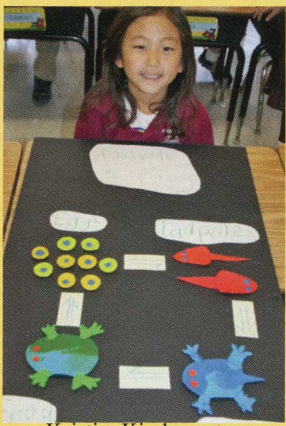
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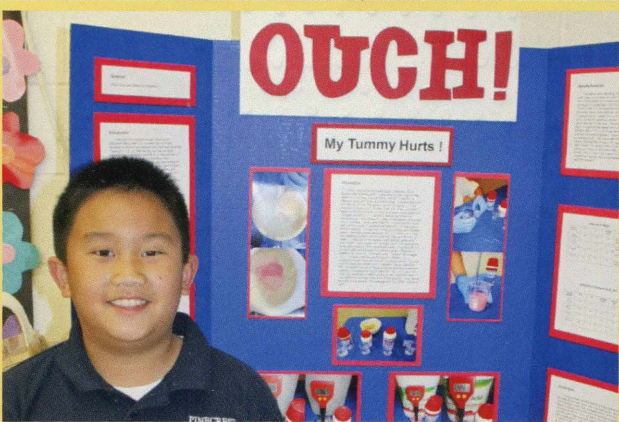
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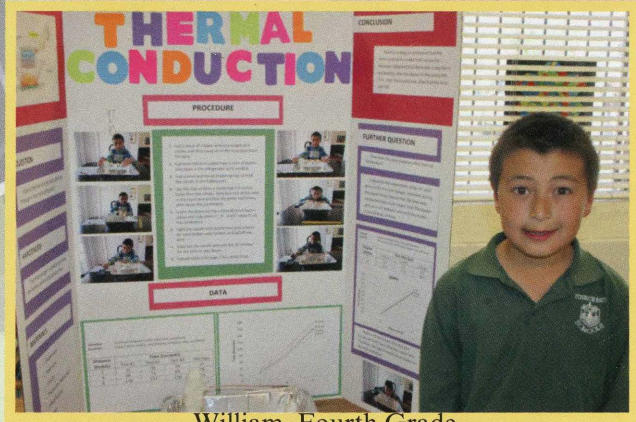
Kristin, Kindergarten



Dylan, Fourth Grade



William, Fourth Grade



# Women in History



**Deborah Sampson**  
Disguised as a man, she served in the Continental Army during the American Revolutionary War.  
Mrs. Lamprey



**Leah "Rosie" Rosenfeld**  
She fought to end job and wage discrimination against women in the railroad industry.  
Mrs. Hughes



**Marie Curie**  
She was the first person to win two Nobel Peace Prizes and she discovered the elements Radium and Polonium.  
Mrs. Keller



**Dr. Mae C. Jemison**  
She was the first African American woman in space.  
Mrs. Maxie

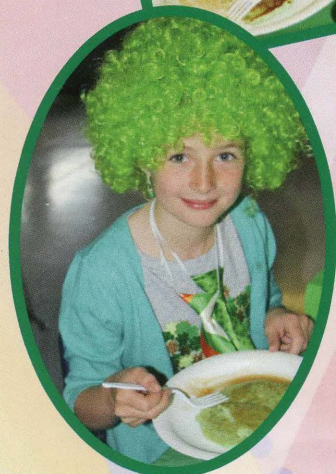
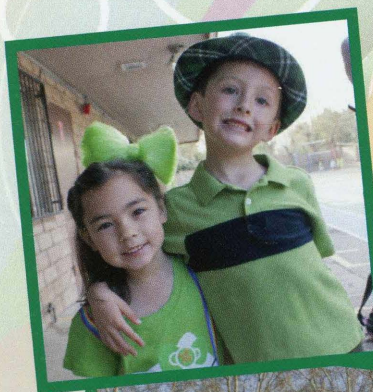


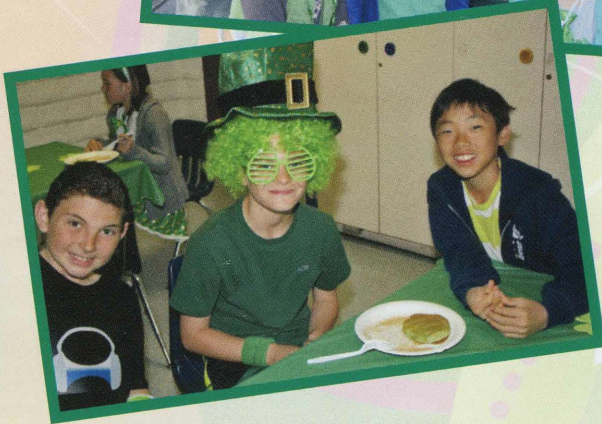
**Florence Nightingale "Lady with the Lamp"**  
She paved the way for modern nursing.  
Mrs. Dalisay

# 100TH DAY OF SCHOOL



# St. Patrick's Day



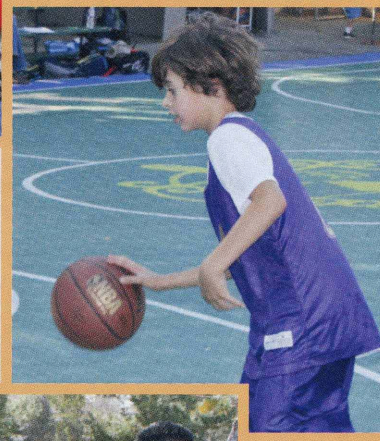
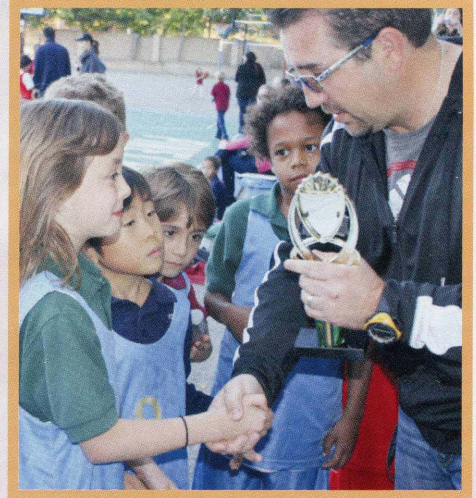


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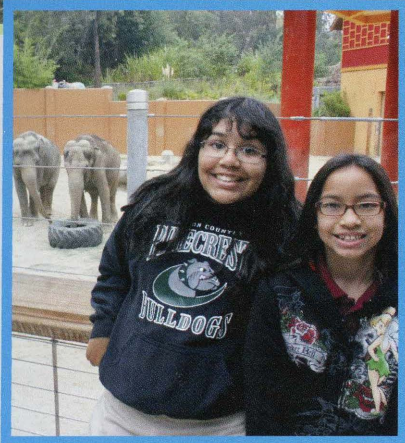




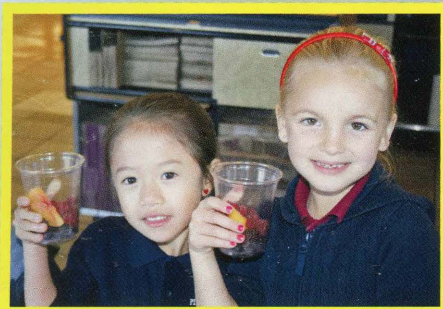
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# Field Trips

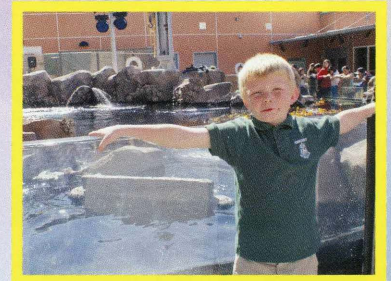


Fourth and Fifth Grade visit the LA Zoo



Kindergarten at Whole Foods

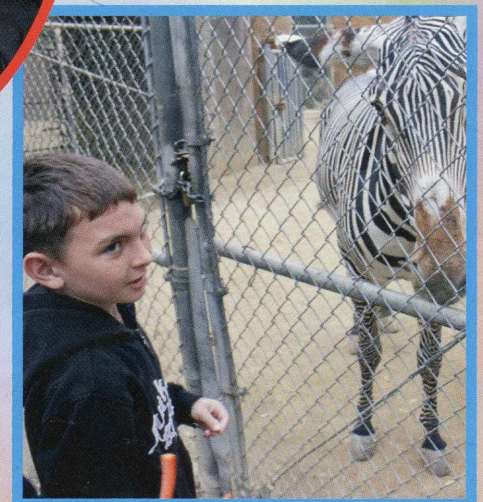
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First Grade at the California Science Center



Ms. George's First Grade Class at the Endeavor exhibit at the California Science Center



Fourth and Fifth Grade visit animals behind the scenes at the LA Zoo

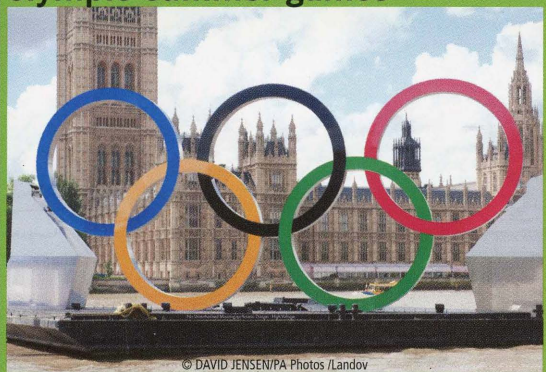


## president wins second term

President Barack Obama won a second term after claiming victory over opponent Mitt Romney with a 332-206 electoral vote. He also won the popular vote by a 51% to 47% margin.

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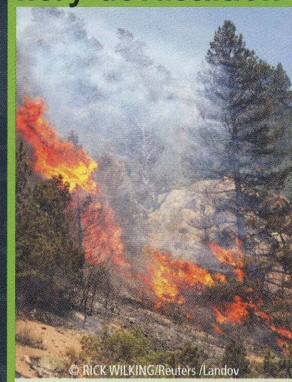
### olympic summer games



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The 2012 Olympic Games were held in London where over 10,000 athletes from 204 nations were represented. Over 16 days, more than 300 medal events occurred. The U.S. won the overall medal count with 104 medals, 46 were gold. China followed with 38 gold and a total of 88 medals.

### fiery devastation



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A wildfire in Waldo Canyon, Colo., devoured over 18,000 acres and forced the evacuation of more than 32,000 residents. The fire destroyed 346 homes and caused 2 deaths, which made it the most damaging in state history.

### minority rules



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The Census Bureau announced that for the first time in U.S. history, minorities made up the majority of births. Minority births comprised 50.4% of the population which revealed the increase of racial diversity within the country.

### a century of girl scouts

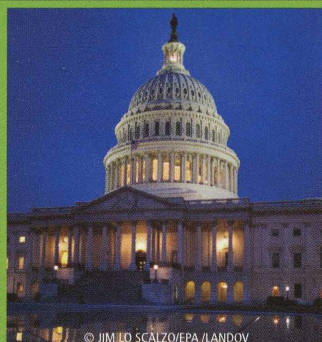


The Girl Scouts' mission is to help girls make the world a better place through courage, confidence and character.

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The Girl Scouts organization marked its 100th year in 2012. Girl Scouts was founded in 1912 and since, 50 million members across 145 countries have joined.

### fiscal cliff



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Both the Senate and House of Representatives approved a bipartisan bill to avert the "fiscal cliff." The bill continued tax cuts to individuals making less than \$400,000 and couples earning less than \$450,000 per year. The bill also prolonged unemployment benefits.

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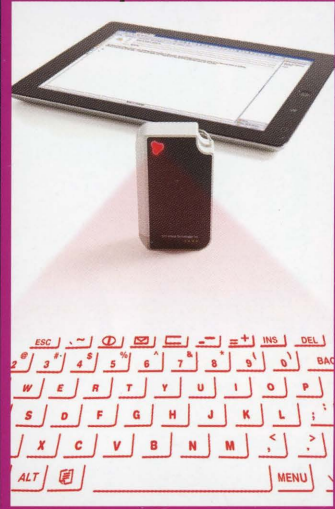
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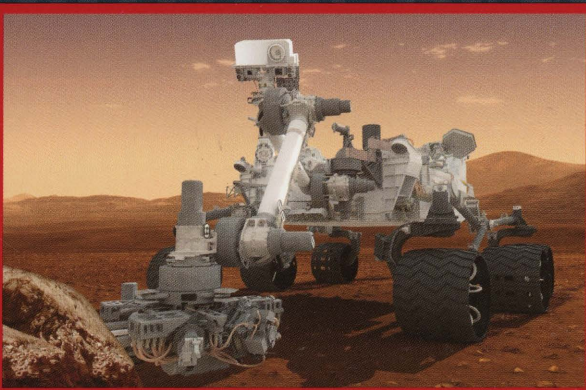
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## tech topics



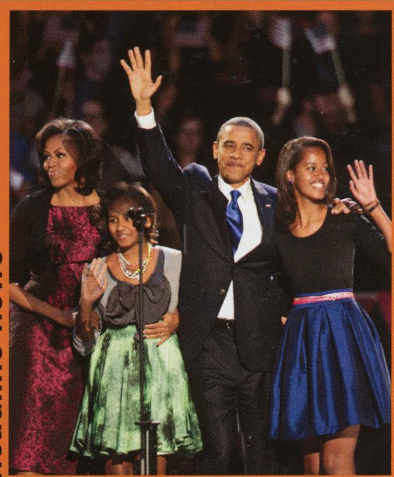
science & discoveries



## chart toppers



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# Yearbooks

## queen's jubilee



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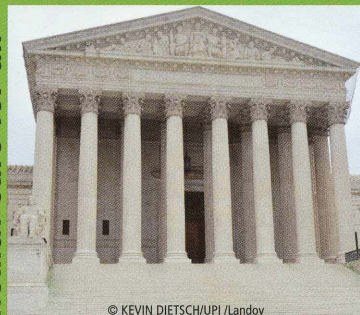
The 86-year-old Queen of England celebrated 60 years as reigning monarch during a 4-day Diamond Jubilee. The festivities drew a crowd of more than 1 million people. Other celebratory events happened throughout the year including national and overseas visits and several garden parties.

## presidential pop quiz

1. What is the minimum age required to be elected President of the U.S?
  - a. 25 years old
  - b. 30 years old
  - c. 35 years old
  - d. 40 years old
2. What is the maximum number of full terms a President can serve?
  - a. 1 term (4 years)
  - b. 2 terms (8 years)
  - c. 3 terms (12 years)
  - d. 4 terms (16 years)

Answers: 1. c, 2. b

## health care for all



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The Affordable Care Act was deemed constitutional by the U.S. Supreme Court's 5-4 vote. The government plans to move forward with reforms that are intended to provide health care coverage for all people.

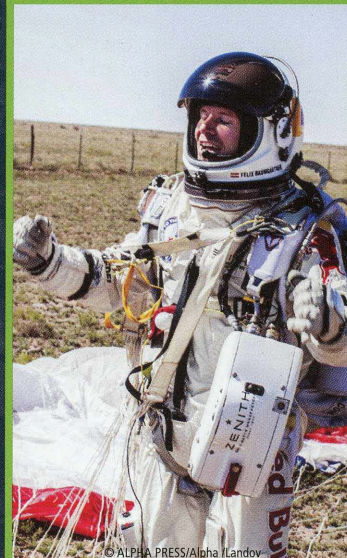
## facebook goes public



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The world's biggest social networking site went public at \$38 per share. Since Facebook's creation, it has expanded to over 1 billion users.

## fearless felix



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Austrian daredevil Felix Baumgartner broke 3 records: the speed of sound, highest free fall without a parachute and highest platform exit in a skydive over the New Mexico desert. His free-falling plunge started 24 miles above Earth; at one point, he reached over 830 mph.

## mag goes digital



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Newsweek® magazine announced it will no longer publish the print version in order to go fully digital. Newsweek existed in print for 80 years but the Internet age resulted in circulation decline. The last print run was at the end of 2012.



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## superstorm sandy

Hurricane Sandy swept the eastern U.S. coast with destruction stretching from the Carolinas to Connecticut. It was the largest Atlantic tropical storm on record and caused over 100 deaths and \$30-50 billion in damages. Homes were destroyed and millions of people were left without power for weeks.

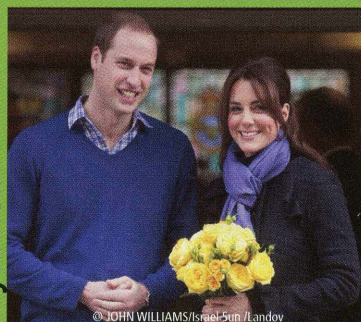
## freedom of choice



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In the country's first free election, Islamist candidate Mohamed Morsi declared victory with a 51.7% vote 16 months after Egypt's political uprising.

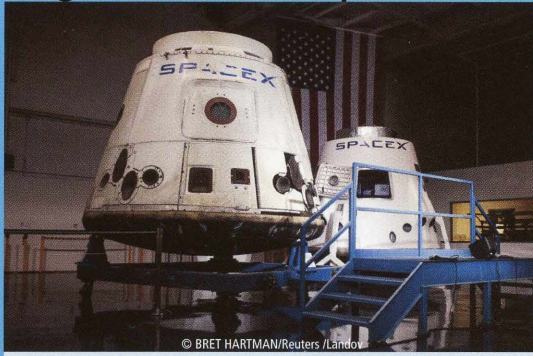
## royal heir



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London's St. James Palace announced Duchess Kate Middleton and Prince William are expecting their first child. The baby will be the Queen's third great-grandchild and is in line as an heir to the throne.

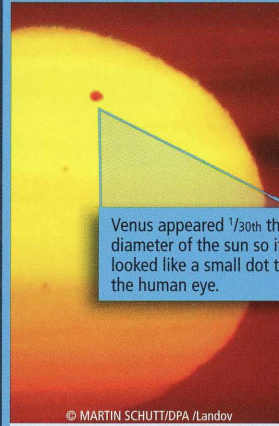
## dragon launches to space



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The first privately funded spacecraft mission was completed by Space X's Dragon capsule, which carried goods such as clothing, food and equipment to the International Space Station. The launch marked a new era for American space exploration.

## out of this world

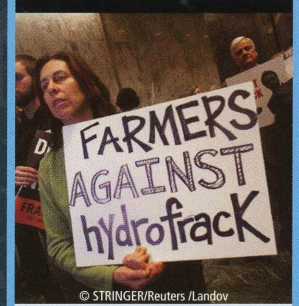


Venus appeared 1/30th the diameter of the sun so it looked like a small dot to the human eye.

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A rare astronomical event called the Venus transit made it possible for people to see the planet as it orbited around the sun. This occurrence lasted over 6 hours and won't be seen again for 100 years.

## energy solutions



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Energy conservation and sustainability were hot topics in Washington D.C. Natural gas was one energy source that was highly debated. Twenty-five percent of U.S. energy comes from natural gas because it is cleaner than other energy sources. However, the process of getting natural gas can cause water and air pollution.

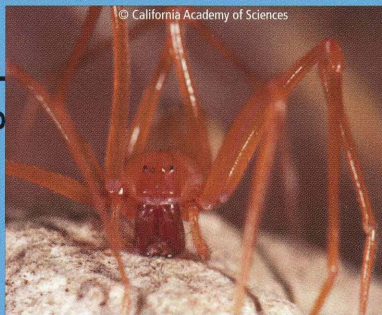
## kicking the habit



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A study published in *Science Translational Medicine* announced a potential vaccine to help smokers kick the habit. The vaccine pumps antibodies from the kidneys through the bloodstream to halt nicotine's addictive qualities before it reaches the brain. Though it has only been tested on mice, scientists are hopeful it could also work for humans.

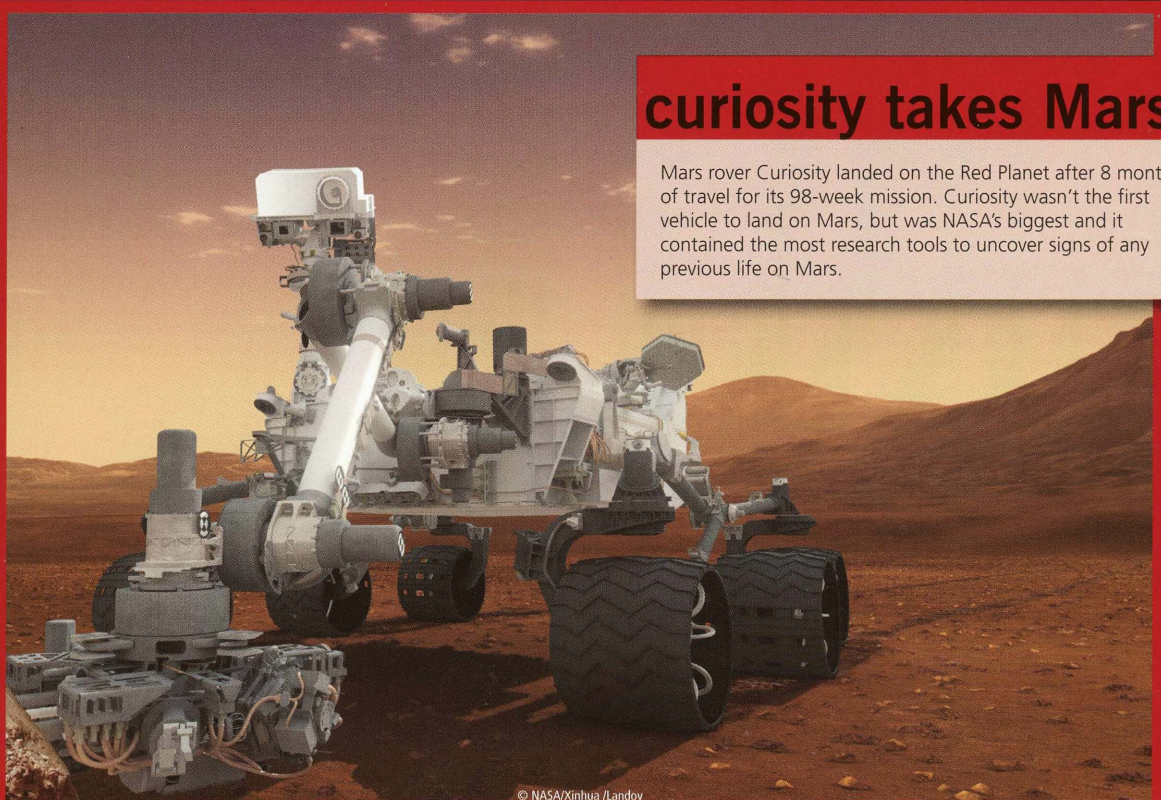
## cave robbing spider



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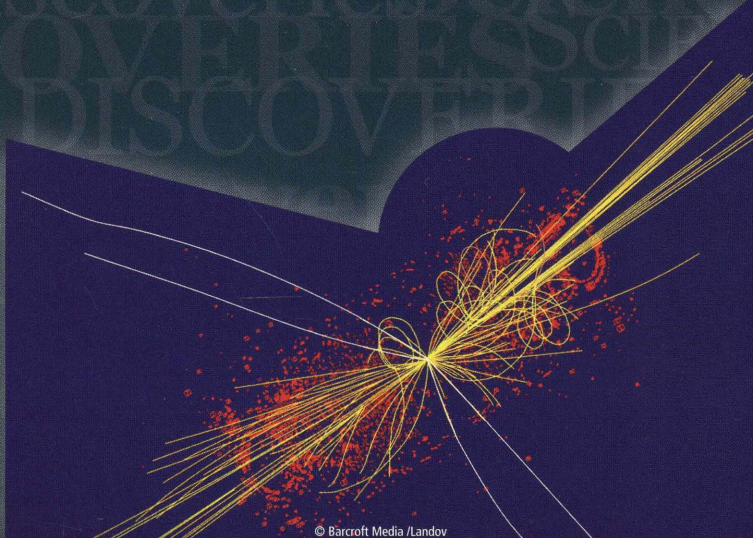
A new spider about the size of a silver dollar was found in the Pacific Northwest. The spider was nicknamed "cave robber" for where it lives and its long claws.

## curiosity takes Mars



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Mars rover Curiosity landed on the Red Planet after 8 months of travel for its 98-week mission. Curiosity wasn't the first vehicle to land on Mars, but was NASA's biggest and it contained the most research tools to uncover signs of any previous life on Mars.

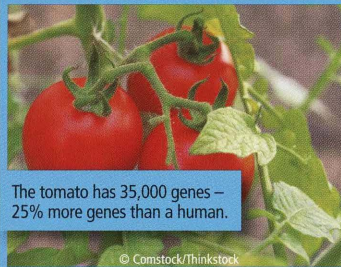


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## Higgs particle

Physicists discovered the Higgs boson, a small particle that carries mass between other particles. The find was monumental since scientists were never able to verify its existence.

## tastier tomatoes



The tomato has 35,000 genes – 25% more genes than a human.

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Scientists determined the entire genome sequence of the tomato, which revealed additional information about the fruit's genetic structure. Researchers can learn how the species adapted over time and how to produce more tasty and nutritious varieties.

## spray-on power



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A team of mechanical engineers published research on their latest invention: spray-on, rechargeable batteries. They broke down the battery components and transformed them into liquid – a discovery that may eventually lead to spray-on batteries for items such as cars.

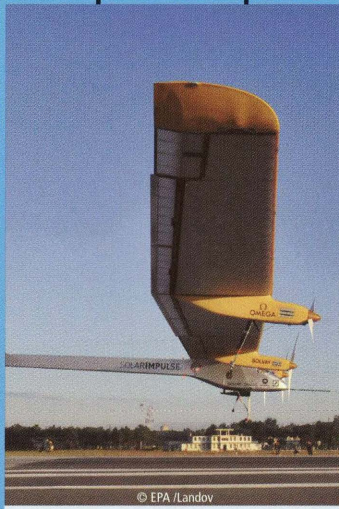
## nowhere to go but up



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Sky Green Farms developed the first vertical, commercial-scale vegetable farm in Singapore. Vertical farms are pyramid-like structures made of metal with many levels containing trays of vegetables. The vertical farms are perfect for areas such as Singapore, where real estate is limited and typical farming practices take up too much space.

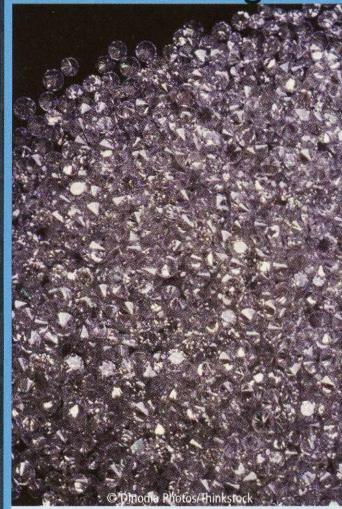
## solar-powered plane



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At 43.5 mph, Solar Impulse made its historic solar-powered intercontinental flight between Switzerland and Morocco, with a stop in Spain. The plane's 12,000 solar cells across its wingspan captured the sun's energy to run its motors and recharge the battery. The mission demonstrated the potential for pollution-free air travel.

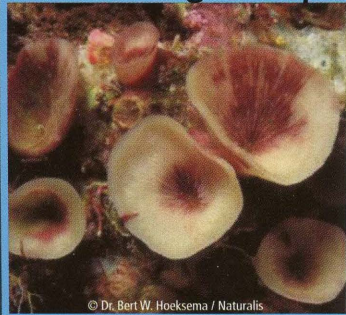
## diamond detergent



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A U.K. team of researchers discovered that very small pieces of carbon called nanodiamonds can help detergents more effectively clean clothing with cold water. These findings were part of the "Cold Water Cleaning Initiative" that aimed to find energy savings by replacing hot water with cold for household chores.

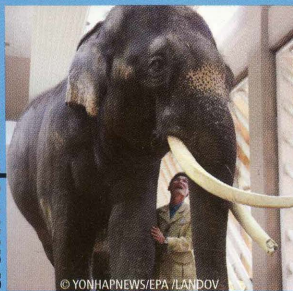
## coral finding in tropical reefs



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A new coral species was discovered in the western part of the Coral Triangle. The coral lives on cave ceilings and is unique because it lacks the bacteria that other coral need to survive. It can tolerate low light levels in deep waters and has small polyp sizes, which cause it to grow slowly.

## trunk speak



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A study in *Current Biology* reported that a South Korean elephant named Koshik could speak. The elephant used its trunk and throat to mimic his trainer's speech, and spoke the Korean words for "hello," "no," "good," "sit down" and "lie down."

## my discoveries

What discoveries topped your list this year?

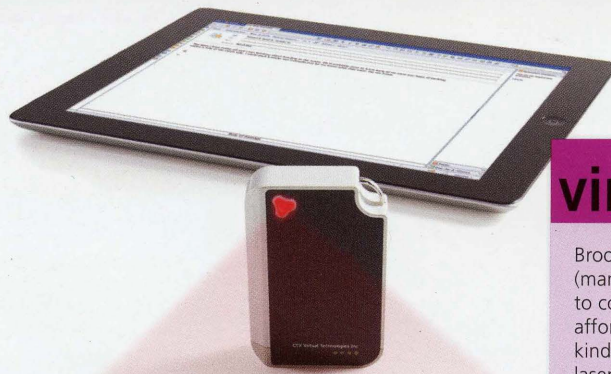
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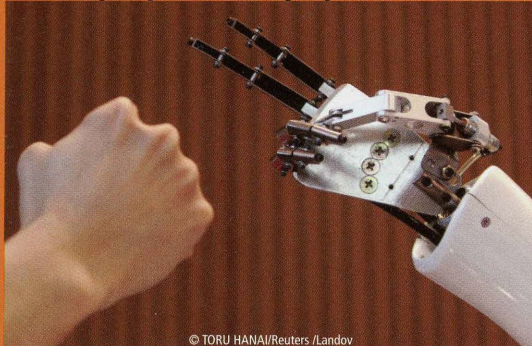
## virtual keyboard

Brookstone stores offered a virtual keyboard (manufactured by CTX Virtual Technologies) to consumers. It is the smallest and most affordable (\$99 each) virtual keyboard of its kind. The keyboard image is projected via laser from a small key chain. Optical sensors track the user's finger movements and Bluetooth technology connects it back to the wireless device.



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## robot plays rock, paper, scissors



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Physicists at the University of Tokyo created a robot that can play rock, paper, scissors and win 100% of the time against humans. The robot was programmed with a high-speed camera that senses human wrist motion in 1 millisecond and determines which move the player will choose before the motion is even made. Someday, similar technology might be used in assembly line work and even in hospitals.

## the egg & i



© Eggasus

A new egg-shaped car called "Eggasus" joined the eco-friendly vehicle market. The 3-wheel car gives off zero emissions and is ideal for compact, urban spaces. "Eggasus" costs \$5,000 and fits one person inside. It can reach 25 mph and travel a distance of about 50 miles.

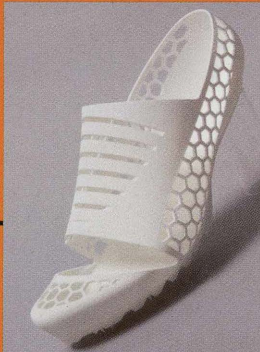
## digital pills



© Proteus Digital Health

The first digital pill was approved by the FDA. The digital chip, the size of a grain of sand, is implanted in a pill that is taken at the same time as the patient's medication. The chip sends an electric signal to a patch worn on the person's skin which sends the information to medical professionals for monitoring.

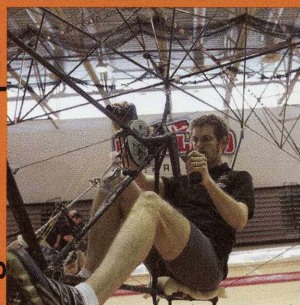
## built for speed



© Luc Fusaro

French engineer Luc Fusaro developed customized shoes to enhance athletic performance. First, a digital model is made of the athlete's foot. Then, using special powder with a 3-D printing technique, the shoes are built for a perfect fit. The shoes can improve speed performance up to 3.5%.

## engineered copter

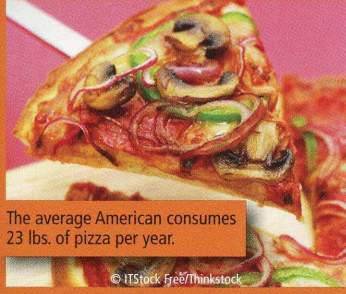


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Students at the University of Maryland Clark School of Engineering set a new (unofficial) record for flight time in the Gamera II, a helicopter powered by foot pedals and a hand crank. The machine weighed nearly 75 lbs. and stayed in the air for about 65 seconds at 9 ft. off the ground.



## presto pie



The average American consumes 23 lbs. of pizza per year.

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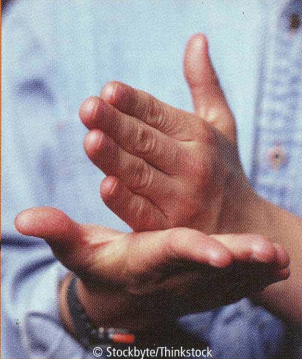
A1 Concepts, a Netherlands-based company, plans to bring its pizza vending machine technology called "Let's Pizza" to the U.S. The machine takes 2.5 minutes to make the pizza and another minute to bake it. The 11-inch pizza sells for \$5.95.

## your ratings

Rank each tech gadget from your most favorite (1) to your least (7).

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<input type="checkbox"/> Tablet	<input type="checkbox"/> eReader
<input type="checkbox"/> Smartphone	<input type="checkbox"/> Portable Video Games
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## smart gloves



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A team of university students from the Ukraine won the coveted Software Design category in Microsoft's 2012 Imagine Cup. The group created Enable Talk gloves that sense movement and translate it to audible speech. The inventors' goal was to help users more easily communicate with people who don't know sign language.

## ebooks surpass hardcover



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American book publishers announced that for the first time they sold more ebooks than hardcover books, mostly due to the increasing number of e-readers. However, paperback books generated more revenue.

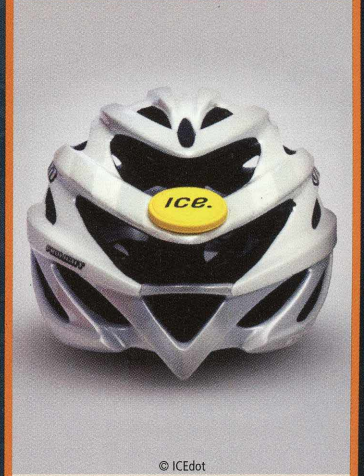
## Google glass



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Google Glass was named one of *TIME* magazine's "Best Inventions of the Year." The glasses look ordinary, but when wearers look up and to the right they'll notice the difference. The glasses have a built-in computer that allows users to access Google tools; it also contains an earpiece and speaker. Google plans to release the glasses in 2014 for \$1,500 each.

## extreme crash sensor



© ICEdot

The ICEdot Crash Sensor was introduced to the market specifically for people who participate in high-risk sports. A GPS sensor is attached to the athlete's helmet. If it detects a high-impact fall, a 30-second countdown begins. The person must stop the countdown, or Bluetooth technology sends a message with GPS coordinates to the user's emergency contacts.



© GroundWave Dance Trainer, by Tom Sykes, Produced at Loughborough University

## dancing shoes

GroundWave Shadow Trainers, a shoe prototype that helps teach people how to dance, was designed by Tom Sykes from Loughborough University. Sensors in the shoes are connected to a smartphone app, which tracks the user's movement and provides feedback. The shoes were created to teach dance and encourage physical activity for kids.

## the mini

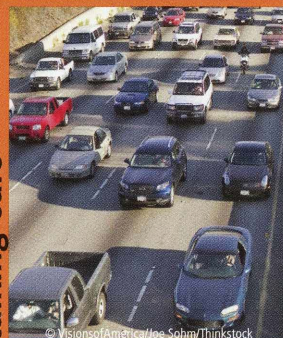


The starting price of an iPad mini was \$329.

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Apple's iPad mini, a smaller version of the iPad, launched to compete with small tablets produced by Google and Amazon. The new device has a 7.9 in. screen, is 7.2 mm. thick and weighs .68 lbs.

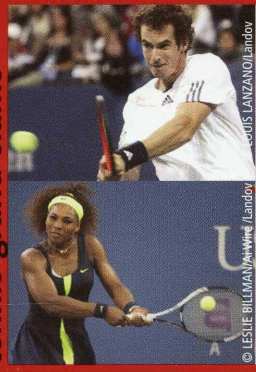
## talking cars



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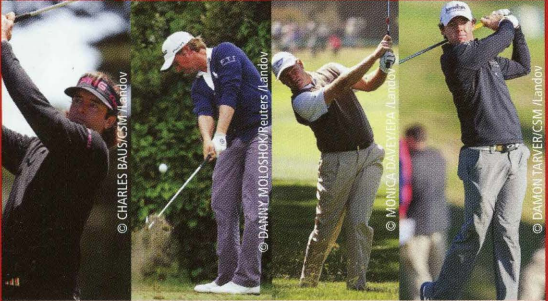
A year-long study with "talking cars" was conducted by the Department of Transportation. Nearly 3,000 cars were equipped with wireless transmitters that sent out the car's location, speed and direction. With this data, the car warned the driver of potential dangers to prevent collisions.

tennis grand slams



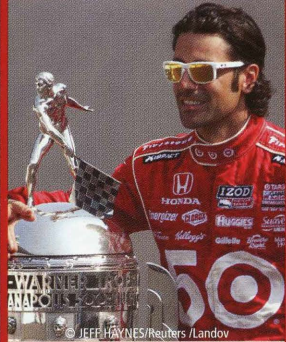
Andy Murray and Serena Williams both won the Singles titles at the US Open. Murray defeated Novak Djokovic in set 5, making it his 1st Grand Slam title. Serena Williams continued to dominate by beating Victoria Azarenka, and earned her 15th Grand Slam title and 4th US Open championship

golf's giants



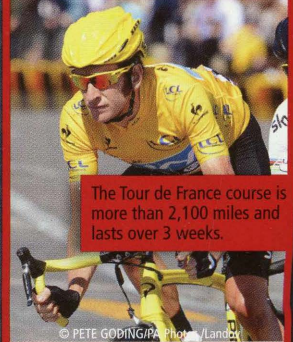
Four different players won each of this year's major golf championships. Bubba Watson finished 10 under and made both holes in a sudden-death play-off to win the Masters Tournament. The U.S. Open Championship went to Webb Simpson, who earned his 1st major title 1 stroke ahead of his closest opponents. Ernie Els' win in the Open Championship made Els the 8th player to win a major in 3 different decades. Rory McIlroy won the PGA Championship by a PGA-record 8 strokes.

indy 500



Dario Franchitti placed first at the Indy 500 to earn his 3rd title. Franchitti drove for his teammate and former race winner Dan Wheldon, who passed away in a crash last year. He wore white glasses afterward in honor of Wheldon.

tour de France



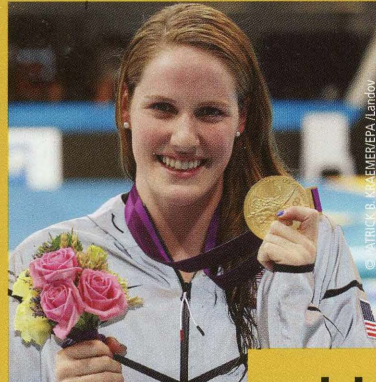
The Tour de France course is more than 2,100 miles and lasts over 3 weeks.

Bradley Wiggins of Britain celebrated a win in the Tour de France and was the first Brit to ever win the race. Wiggins beat out 2nd place finisher, and Team Sky teammate Chris Froome, by more than a 3-minute margin.

basketball fever



The Indiana Fever won their first WNBA championship against the Minnesota Lynx in Game 4 with a final score of 87-78. Tamika Catchings of the Fever scored 25 points in the final game and earned the MVP award.



**Swimming Sensation**  
Missy Franklin won the hearts of many with her big smile and strong strokes at the games. She won gold in the 100-meter and 200-meter backstroke, as well as a record-setting gold and bronze in the women's relays.

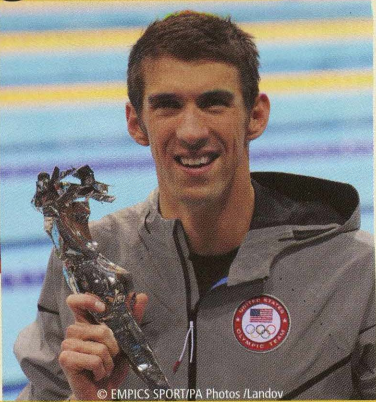


**Fastest Man**  
Usain Bolt made history by winning the 100, 200 and 4x100m relay events in back-to-back Olympic games, holding onto his World's Fastest Man title.

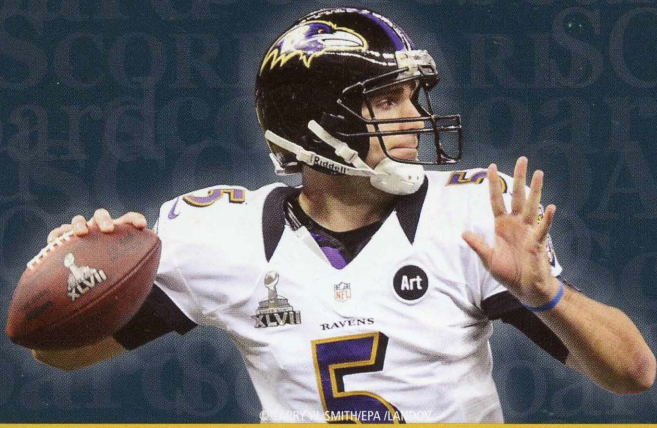
golden highlights - london olympics



**Fab Five**  
The women's U.S. Gymnastics team beat Russia to win gold in an exciting finish. Gymnast Gabby Douglas also won gold in the Individual All-Around.



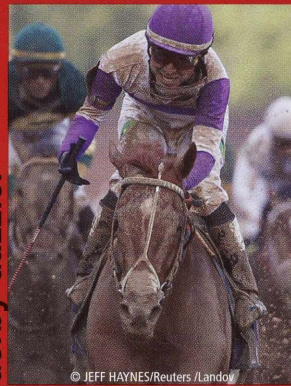
**Most Medals Swimmer**  
Michael Phelps officially earned the title of most decorated Olympian with 22 career medals, 18 of which were gold. Phelps finished his career in London with 4 gold and 2 silver medals.



## ravens fly to victory

The Baltimore Ravens and San Francisco 49ers faced off in Super Bowl XLVII, which was held in New Orleans. The Ravens took a 22 point lead when the stadium's power went out for nearly half an hour. Once the power returned, the 49ers tried to close the gap in a second-half surge but the Ravens held on for a 34-31 victory. The Ravens quarterback, Joe Flacco, earned the MVP award.

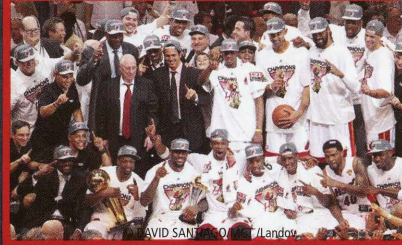
derby dazzler



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I'll Have Another ran for the roses and won the Kentucky Derby by beating out Bodemeister in the final stretch. Only a few weeks later, I'll Have Another won again at the Preakness, and was on the path for the first Triple Crown title in 34 years. However, shortly following the Preakness, the champion developed tendonitis and was withdrawn from the Belmont Stakes.

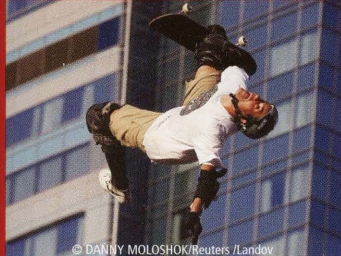
## heat trumps thunder



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The Miami Heat won the NBA title over the Oklahoma City Thunder in Game 5 with a final score of 121-106. Team leader LeBron James earned the MVP award.

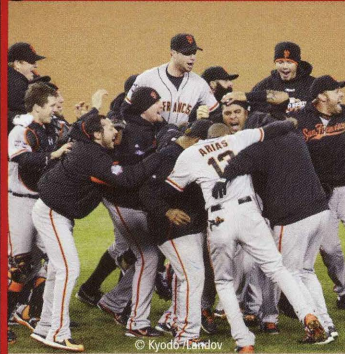
## to the extreme



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Los Angeles hosted the Summer X Games with 18 events held over a 4-day period for BMX, Motocross, Rally Car Racing and Skateboard. Bob Burnquist won his 22nd career medal at the Games and defended his title in the Skateboard Big Air. Vicki Golden won gold in the Motocross for the second year in a row, following an injury earlier in the year.

## giant win



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The San Francisco Giants won the World Series in just 4 games in the best-of-seven series against the Detroit Tigers. The win marked the Giants' 2nd World Series title in 3 years, the team's 7th title in the franchise's 129-year history.

asian sweep



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For the first time in history, Asian women won all 4 majors in the calendar year. South Korean Sun Young Yoo won the Kraft Nabisco Championship in a one-hole playoff. Na Yeon Choi, also from South Korea, earned the first place title at the U.S. Women's Open and beat her closest opponent by 4 shots. Fellow South Korean Jiyai Shin won the Women's British Open with a record 9-stroke victory. Shanshan Feng became the first player from China to win the LPGA title with a 6-under finish overall.

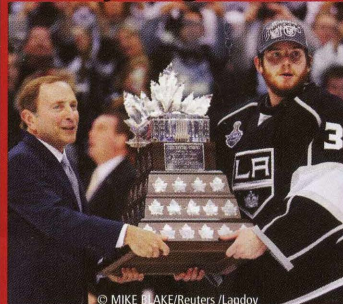
## little league all-stars



This was the 8th title win from a Japanese team, and the 2nd victory in 3 seasons.

The Kitusana All-Stars of Japan won the 66th Little League Baseball World Series against Tennessee with a 12-2 lead. The game was shortened to 5 innings because of the 10-run mercy rule.

## hockey kings



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For the first time in franchise history, the Los Angeles Kings skated off with the Stanley Cup. On home ice, the champions beat the New Jersey Devils in Game 6 with a 6-1 lead. Goalkeeper Jonathan Quick was named MVP.

## olympic question

What was your favorite Olympic event and why?

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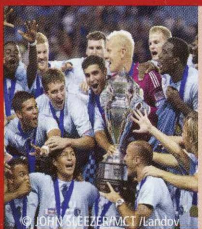
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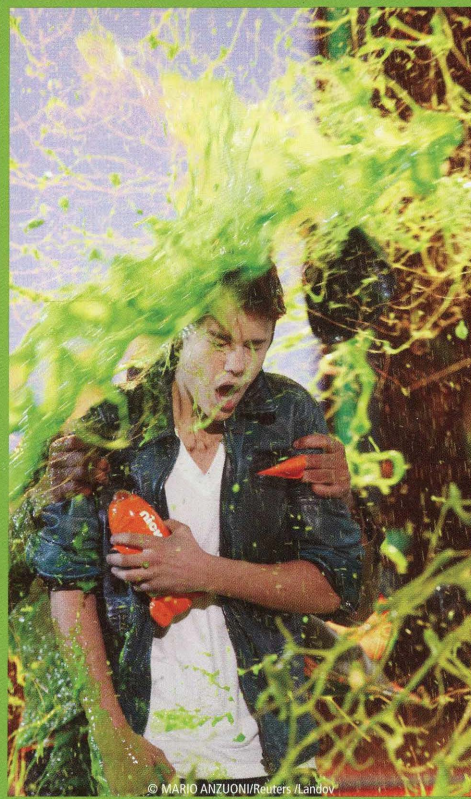
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Would you rather be in the Summer Olympics or Winter Olympics?

soccer stars



The Sporting Kansas City defeated the Seattle Sounders in overtime to win the men's Lamar Hunt U.S. Open Cup after a 3-2 shootout. The Women's Professional League suspended the 2012 season and then announced it would not return for 2013 due to low attendance and lack of resources.



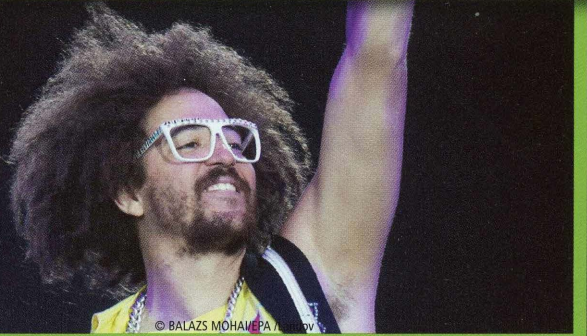
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## young stars shine

No one was safe from the infamous slime at Nickelodeon's Kids' Choice Awards. Blimp award for Favorite Song went to LMFAO's "Party Rock Anthem." Justin Bieber was chosen as Favorite Male Singer and Favorite Female Singer was Selena Gomez. *Alvin and the Chipmunks: Chipwrecked* won Favorite Movie.



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## fan faves

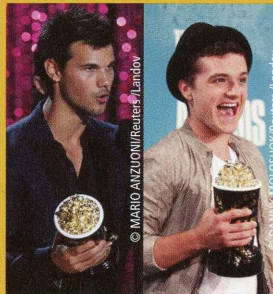


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Over 450 million votes were cast to select the People's Choice Award winners. *The Hunger Games* earned Favorite Movie; Favorite Movie Actor went to Robert Downey, Jr.; Favorite Movie Actress was Jennifer Lawrence; Favorite Pop Artist scored by Katy Perry and One Direction's *Up All Night* earned Favorite Album.

## teen dramas

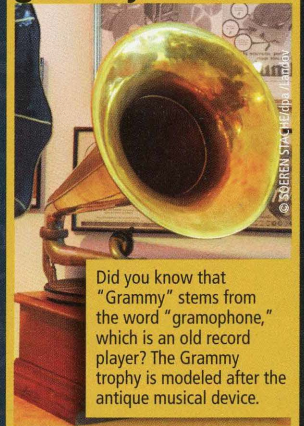


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Best Male and Best Female Performance went to Josh Hutcherson and Jennifer Lawrence for their work in *The Hunger Games* at the MTV Movie Awards. *The Twilight Saga: Breaking Dawn - Part 1* took the award for Movie of the Year and Part 2 of the *Breaking Dawn* series launched November 2012.

## grammys



Did you know that "Grammy" stems from the word "gramophone," which is an old record player? The Grammy trophy is modeled after the antique musical device.

**Grammy Awards**  
Album of the Year

Record of the Year

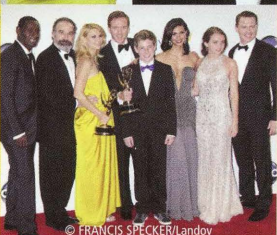
## magical emmys



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*Modern Family* stole the show, winning 4 top awards: Best Comedy; Eric Stonestreet for best Supporting Actor In A Comedy Series; Julie Bowen for best Supporting Actress In A Comedy Series; and Steven Levitan for Outstanding Directing For A Comedy Series. Showtime's *Homeland* also made a strong appearance throughout the night.



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## teen pop



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At the American Music Awards, pop sensation Carly Rae Jepsen won Favorite New Artist of the Year. Justin Bieber went home with 3 awards including: Artist of the Year, Favorite Male Artist - Pop/Rock and Favorite Album - Pop/Rock for his record *Believe*.

latin grammys



The Latin Grammy award winner for Album of the Year went to superstar Juanes, for his record *MTV Unplugged*. Brother and sister pair Jesse & Joy earned awards for both Record of the Year and Song of the Year.

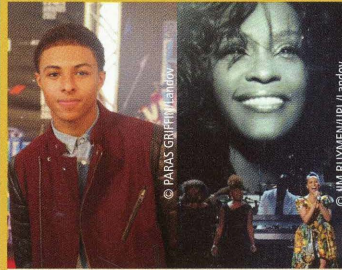
country couple reigns



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Male Vocalist of the Year and Entertainer of the Year went to Blake Shelton. Shelton's wife Miranda Lambert earned the Female Vocalist of the Year award and their duet "Over You" won Song of the Year.

BET awards



Diddy earned the BET YoungStars Award for his album, *Unexpected Arrival*. In addition to the award announcements, the ceremony paid tribute to Whitney Houston in song; "Bridge Over Troubled Water" was performed by her mother and other friends.

word scramble

Unscramble the celebrity names below using name clues from the stories.

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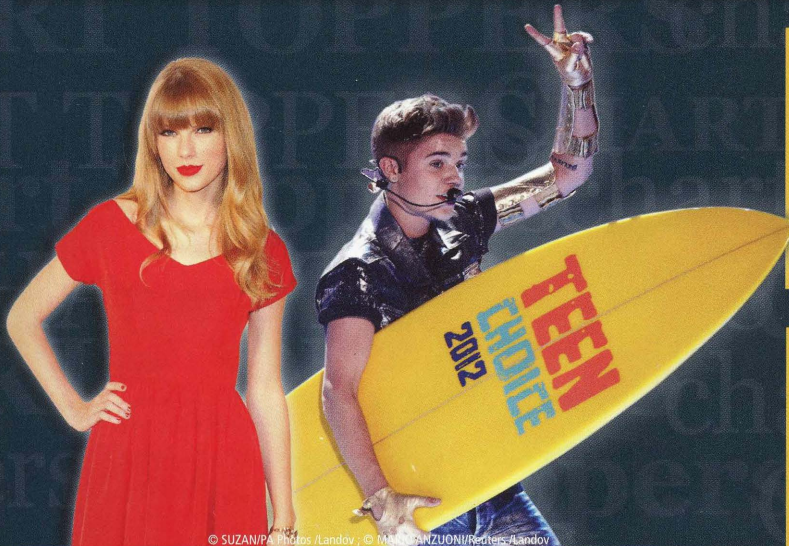
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golden wins



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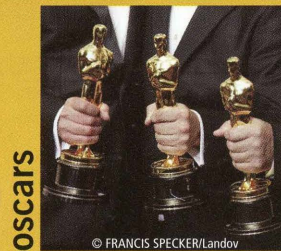
Comedians Tina Fey and Amy Poehler hosted the Golden Globe awards where movies *Argo* and *Les Miserables* both took home multiple awards. *Argo* won Best Motion Picture-Drama and Ben Affleck received Best Director - Motion Picture. *Les Miserables* earned best motion picture - Comedy or Musical; Anne Hathaway took home the award for best supporting actress in a motion picture and Hugh Jackman won Best Performance by an Actor in a Motion Picture - Comedy or Musical.



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teens have spoken

Justin Bieber was awarded Choice Male Artist, while Taylor Swift took the counterpart, Choice Female Artist. The Ultimate Choice Award went to Kristen Stewart, Robert Pattinson and Taylor Lautner, and *The Hunger Games* earned Choice Sci-Fi/Fantasy movie.



oscars

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And the Oscar goes to... Best Picture \_\_\_\_\_

Actor in a Leading Role \_\_\_\_\_

Actress in a Leading Role \_\_\_\_\_

boy band sensation



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It was a big night for the group One Direction at this year's MTV Video Music Awards. The teens won Best New Artist for their song, "What Makes You Beautiful," and earned Best Pop Video and Most Share-Worthy Video.

food & drink



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Specialty drinks like IZZE® sparkling fruit soda were a hit. Hot Cheetos® were also a popular snack.

nail polish craze

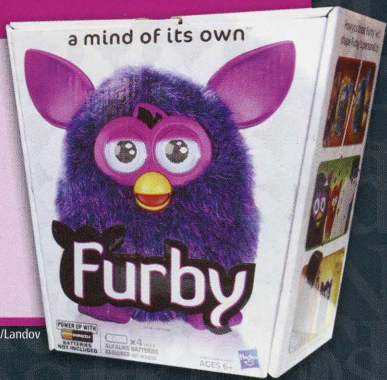


Top polish colors included gem tone hues of blue, purple, red and neutral shades. Fun nail appliques and stickers were also favorites and featured everything from animal prints to lace, and even newspaper text.

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furby 2.0

The Furby®, available for \$60 each, was a top toy request on holiday shopping lists. The toy, first introduced in 1998, made a comeback with new features like brighter fur colors, flashing eyes and a phone app.



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my favorite trends of the year:

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fashion forward

what was in your closet?  
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Fun Hats:  
 Yes  No



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Arm Warmers:  
 Yes  No



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Scarves:  
 Yes  No



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Preppy Cardigans:  
 Yes  No



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Stylish Glasses:  
 Yes  No



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Headbands:  
 Yes  No

Colored Denim:  
 Yes  No



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## gangnam style dance

Korean pop sensation Park Jae-sang, also known as Psy, became an overnight sensation after he released his song and music video "Gangnam Style." The YouTube video received millions of views per day, and became the most watched YouTube video ever. People around the world mimicked his catchy dance moves.

## footwear fads

Hot, neon-colored athletic shoes, boat shoes, moccasins, Osiris skater shoes, UGG®s, and Converse All-Stars were footwear trends.



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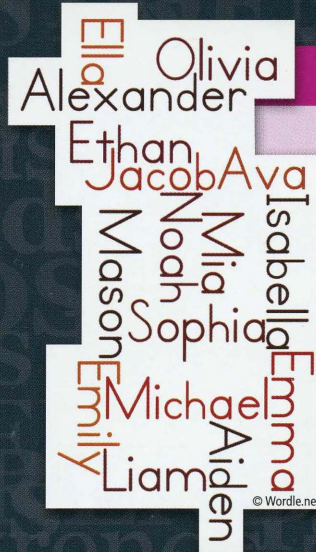
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## name game

Most popular baby names for the year were:

**Girls:** Emma, Olivia, Sophia, Ava, Isabella, Ella, Mia, Emily

**Boys:** Liam, Ethan, Mason, Noah, Jacob, Michael, Alexander, Aiden



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## hot apps

**Pinterest:** Pinterest allows users to "pin" images and ideas to virtual bulletin boards for inspiration.



**Instagram:** Instagram, a phone app for users to snap a photo, apply a filter to alter the look of the photo, and then share it on Facebook.

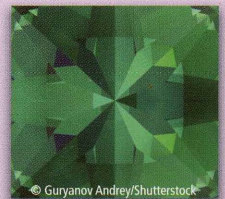


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2012 Color of the Year: Tangerine Tango



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2013 Color of the Year: Emerald

## color of the year

## top reads

Fan favorites included *The Hunger Games* and the *Diary of a Wimpy Kid* series, as well as *The Fault in Our Stars* and *Wonder*.



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## most visited websites

Most visited in the U.S.:

- Google
- Facebook
- YouTube
- Yahoo!
- Amazon



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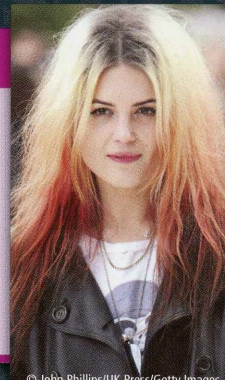
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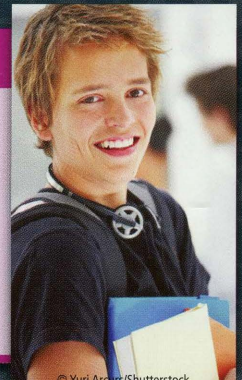
## good hair day

**Girls:** "Chalking" became popular — a way of using temporary hair dye in a rainbow of colors — as well as ombre hair color.

**Boys:** Short, medium or long, boys kept their hair stylishly messy.



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## my favorite websites:

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all about me ★ 😊 🍀 ❤️

me now

name: \_\_\_\_\_

best friends: \_\_\_\_\_

school: \_\_\_\_\_

favorite teacher: \_\_\_\_\_

grade: \_\_\_\_\_

words to describe me: \_\_\_\_\_

◀ Draw or paste your photo here

When I grow up... ▶

my future

job: \_\_\_\_\_

family: \_\_\_\_\_

place to live: \_\_\_\_\_

pet: \_\_\_\_\_

car: \_\_\_\_\_

accomplishments: \_\_\_\_\_

moments

funniest: \_\_\_\_\_

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proudest: \_\_\_\_\_

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my favorites

◀ These are my faves....

book: \_\_\_\_\_

color: \_\_\_\_\_

subject in school: \_\_\_\_\_

movie: \_\_\_\_\_

singer/music group: \_\_\_\_\_

food: \_\_\_\_\_

actor/actress: \_\_\_\_\_

tv show: \_\_\_\_\_

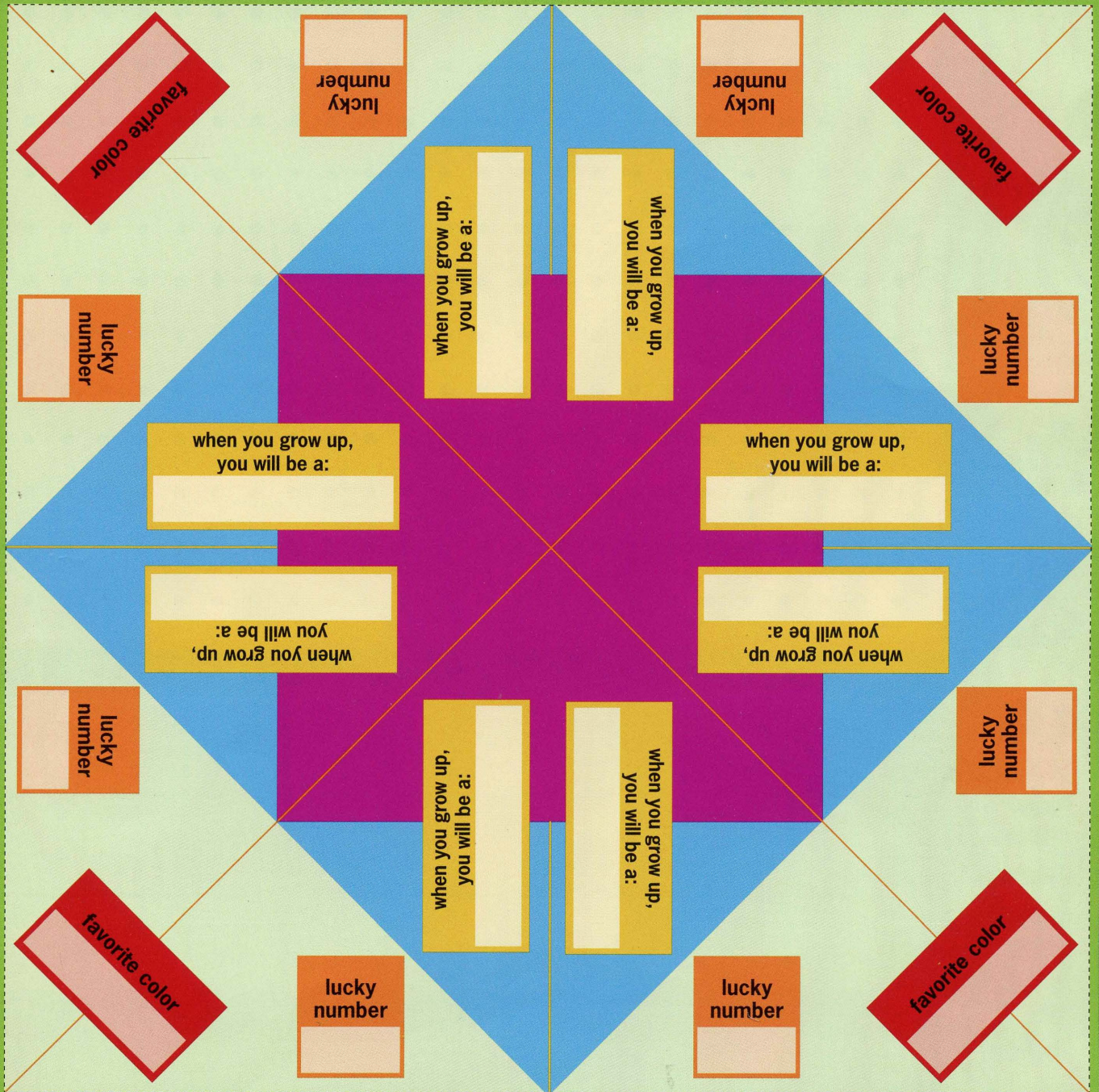
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hobby: \_\_\_\_\_



# fortune teller

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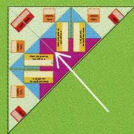


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Fill in colors, numbers & future jobs and cut square

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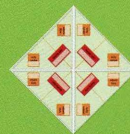
Fold diagonally on orange lines, bringing opposite corners to meet

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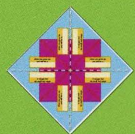
Open paper and fold each corner to center

4



Now each corner meets in the middle

5



Flip folded paper over

6



Fold 4 corners so points meet in the center

7



Your paper now looks like this

8



Fold top back, so paper corners are on the outside

9



Slide your fingers into corners from fold side

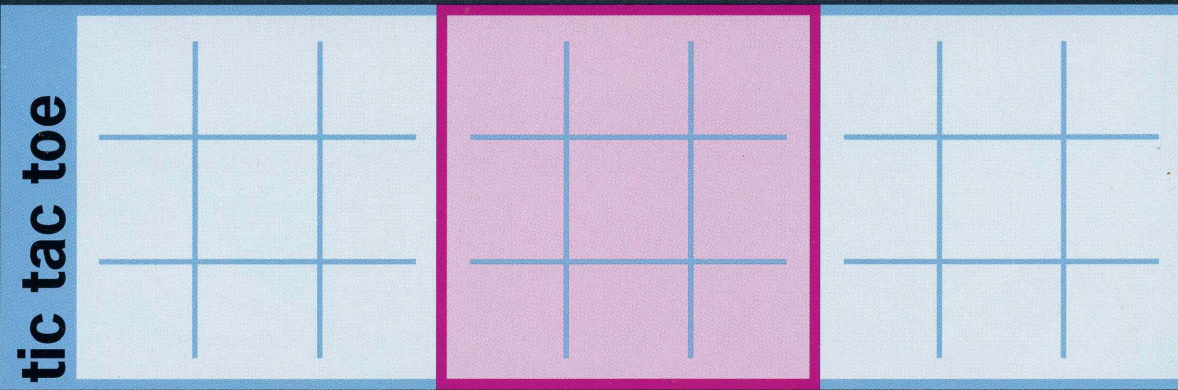
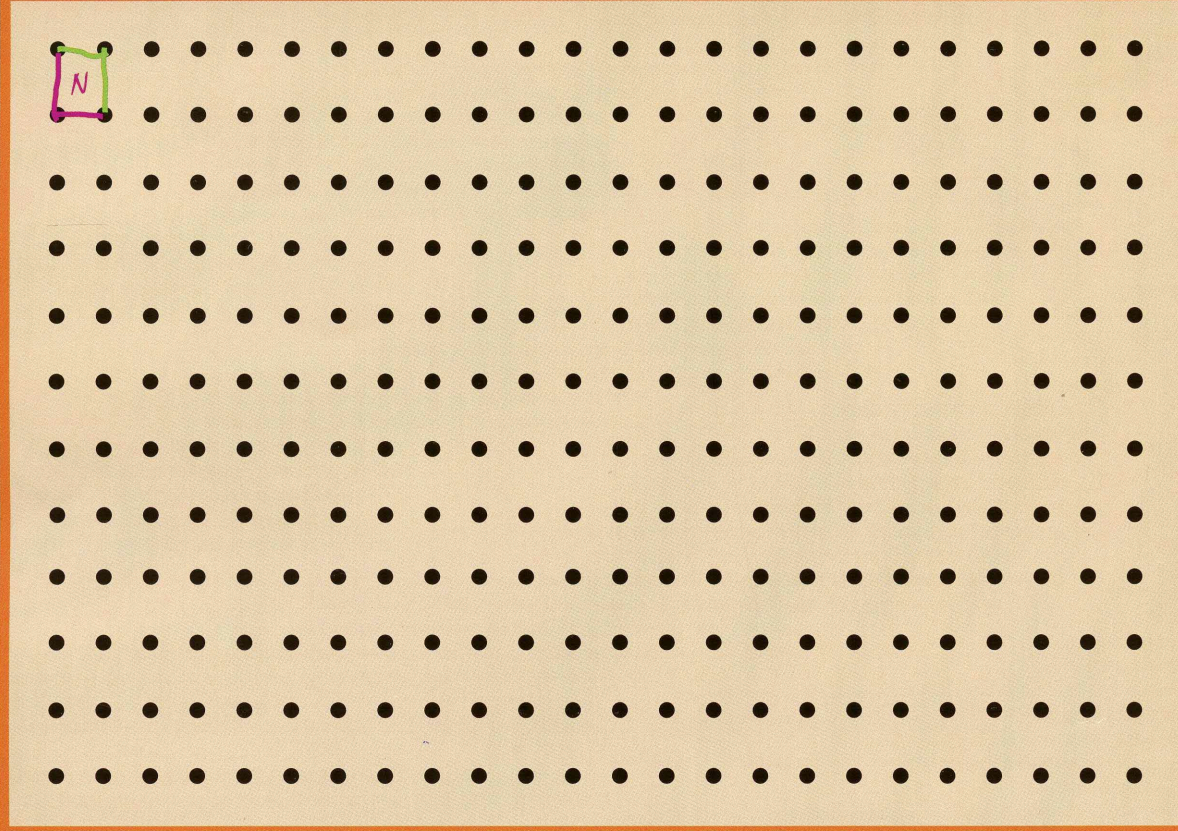
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Work creases with fingers to form points

# connect the dots

**Directions:** Draw a line to connect two dots, one player and one line at a time. The player who completes a square puts their initials in the square and takes another turn. Whoever has the most squares wins.



## jokes

1. Why do bananas need to wear sunscreen?
2. What cereal does a cat eat?
3. Why did the cookie go to the doctor?
4. Why did the chicken cross the playground?
5. Why did the barber win the race?
6. Why is 6 afraid of 7?

1. Because they might peel 2. Mice Krispies 3. Because he was feeling crummy 4. To get to the other side 5. He knew a short cut 6. Because 7 8 91

Timmy  
Have a great  
summer!

Mason



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