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WHAT IS THE BUZZ AROUND THE BUILDING.....

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The Power of Cats by Meriem

Cats, adorable creatures we keep as pets, are cute and cuddly, but can these little guys actually help us with anything? Do they have a benefit to living or staying with us? Well, it turns out these furry pets can actually help people deal with stress and anxiety. Having a cat releases chemicals from your body that lower your stress levels. Not only can cats lower your stress levels, but it's clinically proven that cats purring is very helpful with healing and soothing broken bones and sore muscles. While your cat is purring (a cat purrs because he/she is happy and comfortable), the vibration that your cat makes in its throat is at a frequency at about 20 - 140 hz (hertz). Studies have shown that those frequencies have a positive effect on bones, muscles and tendons after an injury. People, especially women, claim that these little critters help with sleep. Scientists are now trying to find the answer to this claim. While 41% of people enjoy sleeping with their cat, 20 % don't enjoy it. Even if you don't like cats, just watching cat videos can be good for you. It turns out that all the time people spend watching cat videos on youtube actually pays off because researchers at Indiana University of Bloomington found that watching cat videos can put you in an optimistic or good mood and decreases a negative mood. Maybe after reading this you'll consider getting a cat.



Dr. Seuss by Roman

Dr. Seuss, the famous author, was born on March 2, 1904. He is famous because he wrote many amazing books, and of those, some became movies. Some of his creations are The Cat in the Hat, Horton Hears a Who and Green Eggs and Ham. The reason his creations are so great is because of the way he writes and because his pictures are vibrant and amazing. He was a man of many words-in books of course, but did you know he actually made the book Green Eggs and Ham using only 50 words? There is always a beautiful work of art in such a fun style on the covers of his books. He rhymes and he makes up fun animals. All of them seem so fun and straight out of his imagination. Did you know that Dr. Seuss is just his pen name? His real name is Theodor Seuss Geisel. He made many amazing works, but he died in 1991 in California. His stories will be remembered forever. See you soon by the truffula tree!



Popular Footwear by Amirah

Today I'm going to give you facts about some popular footwear. Some of the most popular footwear today are Jordans, Uggs, Timberlands, and Vans. Let's start off with Jordans. Jordans were made by Michael Jordan. If you read my article in December, I told you all about Michael Jordan. Jordans come in all different colors and sizes. Jordans also come in different styles. In this school, many people have Jordans. Now onto Timberlands. Timberlands are also known as Tims. Tims were founded by Nathan Swartz. Tims are a type of boot and snow boot. Tims also come many colors too. Now let's take a look at Uggs. Uggs are boots with fur inside that are mostly for girls. New this year is that Uggs came out with a style for boys. They are like Tims on the outside but with fur in the inside. Ugg boots come in blue, black, chestnut, gray, brown, metallic, and pink. Vans are another popular type of footwear in this school.. Vans come in different colors, some are low top and some are checkerboard. Ashley, a student in 3 grade here at Fostertown, has six pairs of Vans! Jordans are my favorite type of footwear. Jordans are fire and when I say fire, I mean they look cool. What is your favorite style of footwear?



St. Patrick's Day by Ryan

Most of us love St. Patrick's Day, and many celebrate it. St. Patrick's Day, March 17, is the day Saint Patrick died. St. Patrick was the Patron Saint of Ireland. St. Patrick lived in the fifth century and was a minister of Christianity. St. Patrick's Day is sometimes called St. Pat's Day. Most Irish people are very passionate about St. Pat's Day. If Spongebob celebrated St. Pat's Day, he would say, and I quote, "I NEED IT!". Many people that celebrate St. Patrick's Day have an Irish descent, like me. For those who celebrate, there are many things to do. For the kids and some adults, you can make traps to try and capture leprechauns. Leprechauns are magical creatures that go to your porch and eat your chocolate! Usually people eat corned beef and cabbage, and sometimes a special bread called Irish soda bread. Some people eat that even though it is not March 17th! The



reason we wear green is because green is the basic color of Ireland. Here in NY, we have a huge parade and in Chicago, they dye the river green. Happy St. Patrick's Day everyone!

Interview with Mrs. Lehman by Divine

Mrs. Lehman is a good teacher and after you read this, you might learn more about her. In case you don't know, Mrs. Lehman is a 4th grade teacher here at Fostertown. Mrs. Lehman has one sister named Phyllis, three kids named Jennifer, Josh, and Justin, and two grandkids, Noah and Max. Her dog was named Tommy Pickles. Her mom was from Czech Republic and her dad is from Romania. She went to The State University of New York at New Paltz. She has been teaching for 26 years!! WOW!! Her plans for when she retires is to take more classes at New Paltz and to learn how to be a photographer and to paint. Her favorite movie is to watch is "Love Actually". Her favorite food is pasta and her favorite book is Gone With The Wind. Her favorite place to visit is Israel. One thing you might not know about Mrs. Lehman is that she has been to over 20 countries. I hope that you learned something interesting about Mrs. Lehman.



Crimes of Grindelwald Movie Review by Jayde

Are you a Harry Potter fan? If you are, you should watch the movie "Crimes of Grindelwald". The plot of "Crimes of Grindelwald" is that the infamous Gellert Grindelwald has escaped from wizard's prison and is aiming to rid the world of all muggles. In case you do not know, a muggle is someone who is not a wizard. The main characters are Gellert Grindelwald played by Johnny Depp, Newt Scamander played by Eddie Redmayne, and Albus Dumbledore played by Jude Law. The director is David Yates. The movie earned \$629.3 million in box office. The release date was November 16, 2018. You can watch this on dvd but it is not on netflix yet. I recommend this movie to anyone who likes Harry Potter. If you watch this movie, I hope you enjoy it.



Leprechaun Traps by Dharma

Everyone loves catching leprechauns! Leprechauns always come with a pot of gold! If you want to catch one, follow these directions for making a leprechaun trap. **1:** Cut out a hole in the lid of the shoebox for the leprechaun trap. **2:** Wrap the shoebox in green paper or paint green. **3:** Spray paint pennies and a cauldron gold. **4:** Craft a ladder out of natural sticks found outside or popsicle sticks. You can also prop the box up with the sticks. **5:** Attach gold coins to the top of the box, and make a trail to lure him in! If you capture one, be sure to show us! I hope you have some leprechaun fun!



All about Austria by Roman

Have you ever thought about where Mozart's music was created? Well the answer to that question is Austria. Austria is a landlocked country in the center of Europe. It borders many countries; Italy, Slovakia, the Czech Republic, and Germany. Austria is one of the various countries in Europe that speak German. The capital is the city of Vienna. Their national currency is the euro and their population is 8.7 million. Did you know that Austria is known for cool things such as "The Sound of Music" being filmed there and their beautiful rolling hills! Even their food is great. Apfelstrudel, or as we call it, apple strudel, is so good and yummy. If you ever plan a trip to Europe, why don't you go to Austria?



LOL Corner by Divine



Q. What did the referee say when the soccer match was over?

A. Game clover!

Q. What is the leprechauns favorite cereal?

A. Lucky Charms!

Q. Why are leprechauns so concerned about global warming?

A. They're really into green living!

How many words can you make from the letters in the word

leprechaun

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