

Fourth Grade Forum

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Steve Irwin: The Crocodile Hunter

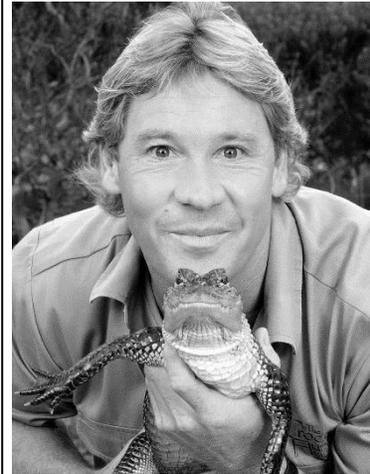
Have you ever watched Crocodile Hunter or Ocean's Deadliest? How about, Happy Feet or Dr. Dolittle 2? If so, you probably saw Steve Irwin... In almost every movie he was in he played himself, but in *Happy Feet* he played the voice of *Trev*.

Steve Irwin was a zoologist, born on February 22nd 1963 in Essendon a suburb of Victoria, Australia. In 1970, he went to Landsborough State School and Caloundra State High School. After moving to Queensland, his parents, Lyn and Bob Irwin started the small Queensland reptile and Fauna park where Steve grew up with different reptiles. After a while, Steve became involved in the park by feeding animals and maintenance activities. For his 6th birthday his parents got him a 12 foot scrub python. At the age of 9 he wrestled his first crocodile under his dad's supervision, of course. In 1991, Steve took over the zoo and in 1998 renamed it the Australia Zoo. In 1991, he met Terri Raines an American naturalist from Eugene, Oregon. They got married in Eugene on the 4th of June in 1992. They had 2 children named Bindi Sue Irwin and Robert Clarence Irwin. He named his daughter after his favorite animals, Bindi, a saltwater crocodile and Sue, a Staffordshire Bull Terrier. And, his son after his dad.

He tragically died on 9-4-2006 at Batt Reef by a stingray tail barb in the heart. They were filming an episode of Ocean's Deadliest when the accident happened. He was scrubbing in the shallow water of the reef, when he saw a stingray and started to follow it. He wanted to film it swim back into the reef... But it turned around and its tail stabbed him.

After he died Bindi carried on his legacy. She kept filming Bindi The Jungle Girl, a show Steve started before he died. She started the show *My Daddy A Crocodile Hunter*. She also created two fun fitness shows for children. You might have heard of or watched *Bindi's Bootcamp*, which was filmed at Australia Zoo. But other than movies, Bindi also spent 10% of the wage on *Wildlife Warriors*, a charity started by her family.

By: Micah Nicholson



Fashion Ideas

Not really good at fashion? Here are some fashion tips that you might want to know. These are fashion tips for kids but could also be tips for adults. The first tip is if you're going on a special occasion, add a little bling to your outfit to make it stand out more. Another fashion tip is to add some sunglasses to your outfit to get bonus points to your style. In addition, the next awesome tip is to complete your outfit with a purse or bag. Never be afraid to try on bright and bold colors to make people notice you more. The last fashion tip is to get a fur coat, but wait, to pull off a fur coat you have to have at least a little bit of attitude. These were just girl fashion tips but I have five boy fashion tips as well.

These are some fashion tips for boys. The first tip is, shoes are a great way to add some color to your outfit. Next, it is always a great idea to mix and match to make an interesting look to your style. In addition, be inspired by your favorite celebrity look. Don't forget to add an awesome hairdo to finish your outfit. Last, an edgy haircut can add a little flair to your style.

These are some great fashion tips that you might want to try out. All of these fashion tips can make you a better fashionista.

By: Morgane Blaine

Snack Bowl

Many students complain about being hungry during class. But Southeast Elementary School gets a snack bowl. A snack bowl is where there's a bowl of snacks like goldfish, Cheez-its, peanut butter crackers, and pretzels. If some students get hungry and if their stomach hurts all they have to do is ask the teacher if they can get a snack. Wondering who brings the snacks? The School would pay for a few things and the rest of the money would come from donations. "The snack bowl is a great idea for the Salem Elementary Schools" says Garrett Menough a Southeast Elementary student. "Everyone in our school loves the snack bowl!" I hope to bring a snack bowl into Reilly Elementary. I think that kids can't work on an empty stomach. What if they don't eat breakfast? They'd be hungry until lunch time. A snack bowl is a great idea. "I eat breakfast to keep me from getting hungry until lunch" said Miss Cantrell. "I agree with the idea of getting a snack bowl". I did a survey on the students and teachers to see if they think it would be a good idea to have a snack bowl. Almost all students said they agree with the snack bowl. Even the teachers loved the idea!

By: Paige Menough

Does Salem Really Need Another Dollar Store?

There are already three dollar stores in Salem and now they're adding two more!!! What do you think? "I am happy to see a dollar store coming to the South side of Salem. We only have a couple businesses there and we always have to go to the other side of Salem if we need anything. Usually you have to wait till the train passes." Says a resident of Perry Township. They are going to locate this Dollar General on pigeon road. There is going to be five dollar stores, three dollar general's, one dollar tree, and a family dollar!

There is another Dollar General opening in March on West St. Street of Salem right by Dairy Queen. They started construction in early October. That will hopefully bring more customers to the Dairy Queen! It might get a lot busier at that end of town too!

By: Paige Menough

How to Make Slime!

Ingredients:

These are the things you will need to make your slime: white glue, lotion, shaving cream, and a teaspoon of borax [or detergent or contact solution]. 1 cup of warm water, coloring [optional]. Do not forget you will need something to store your slime in. You will also need a bowl and a spoon. So let's get started!

Steps:

The first step is to make your activator. To make your activator you have to take your bowl and put in 1 cup of warm water, then add 1 teaspoon of your borax. For your activator you could also use detergent or contact solution. Then you could add your color; this step is optional. After that you will mix with your spoon, then your mixture should be getting thick. Next you will need to add only one pinch of baking soda. The baking soda will help your slime to not be so sticky. Finally, you will need to add only a little bit of activator, then mix. Keep adding more and more drops of your activator until your slime is forming into a ball type shape. Then you can take your slime and knead it in your hands. Soon you will have your finished slime!

By: Elise Bender

Monkeying Around!

Monkeys are very intelligent animals. There are so many types of monkeys. Each one is different but yet the same in some way. Here are three types of monkeys.

Spider Monkey

These monkeys have seven known species. These amazing monkeys are the largest monkeys in its class. Also, these monkeys can hold and do things with its tail. Some things they can do with their tails are dangle from there strong tail and hold food with it. These spectacular creatures weigh up to twenty pounds! For some reason these animals don't have thumbs! I know right?!!! The last amazing feature of these monkeys is they have very thick fur but none on their face.

Proboscis Monkey

Did you know that this monkey's name means long nosed monkey? Well it does. These long-nosed animals were worshiped in Egypt. The reason they were worshiped in Egypt is because the Egyptians thought they were very different than anything they have ever seen. Also, their noses can grow up to seven inches long!!! The male monkeys mostly weigh up to fifty-six pounds, while the female weighs barely twenty pounds. The last amazing feature is that they have a larger stomach than most monkeys.

Vervet Monkey

These monkeys can be up to one and a half feet long but mostly not over a foot long. They are mostly found in Ethiopia in Africa. They are sometimes found in the mountains. As you can see monkeys are fascinating animals.

By: Anna Beck

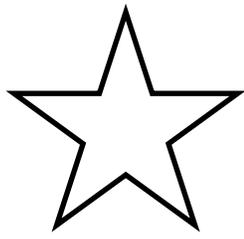
This week In Sports...

Super Bowl 52 will take place on Sunday February 4th between the New England Patriots and the Philadelphia Eagles. This is the 10th time that the New England Patriots have been in the Super Bowl. It will be the 3rd time for the Philadelphia Eagles. The New England Patriots have won 5 Super Bowls and the Philadelphia Eagles have won 0. Super Bowl 52 is a rematch of Super Bowl 39 when the Patriots beat the Eagles 24-21. This year the Eagles won the super bowl 41-33.

The NBA all-star rosters are set. LeBron James will be in the starting lineup with DeMarcus Cousins, Anthony Davis, Kevin Durant, and Kyrie Irving. He also selected LaMarcus Aldridge, Bradley Beal, Kevin Love, Victor Oladipo, Kristaps Porzingis, John Wall, and Russell Westbrook as reserves. Steph Curry will join Giannis Antetokounmpo, DeMar DeRozan, Joel Embiid, and James Harden in the starting lineup. His reserves will be Jimmy Butler, Draymond Green, Al Horford, Damian Lillard, Klay Thompson, and Karl-Anthony Towns. The all-star game will be played on February 18, 2018. It will be the 67th all-star game.

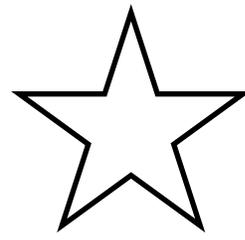
The Philadelphia Eagles won the Super Bowl 41-33. My opinion on the Eagles winning is I thought that the New England Patriots were going to win because the Philadelphia Eagles have only been in the Super Bowl 3 times.

By: Maddy Andres



Star Teacher:

Mrs. Carr



This week the teacher of the week is Mrs. Carr! I picked Mrs. Carr because she was my third grade teacher and she was the best I know a lot about her but... I want to know more about her! She taught me language arts and social studies. My favorite thing that she taught me was cursive! So, I am going to interview her to learn more about her! I am so excited!

Why did you want to become a teacher? Mrs. Carr- "I wanted to help kids."

What's your favorite color? Mrs. Carr- "Purple."

Do you have any pets? Mrs. Carr- "No."

Do you have any kids; how many? Mrs. Carr- "Three girls."

What is your comfort food? Mrs. Carr- "Pizza."

What is your favorite grade to teach? Mrs. Carr- "Third grade."

What is your favorite subject to teach? Mrs. Carr- "Language Arts."

What is your favorite thing to do when you aren't at school? Mrs. Carr- "Read."

What is your favorite book? Mrs. Carr- "The Secret Garden."

When is your birthday? Mrs. Carr- "August 28."

What is your favorite holiday? Mrs. Carr- "Thanksgiving."

What is your favorite animal? Mrs. Carr- "Dogs."

What is your favorite candy? Mrs. Carr- "Peppermint Patties."



What is your favorite restaurant? Mrs. Carr- "Bj's."

What is your favorite stores? Mrs. Carr- "TJ max and DSW shoes."

Do you have any siblings? Mrs. Carr- "2 step sisters."

What makes you happy? Mrs. Carr- "Being with my family."

What are you good at? Mrs. Carr- "Cooking."

What is your favorite movie? Mrs. Carr- "It's a Wonderful Life."

Where did you go for college? Mrs. Carr- "YSU and Malone."

What is your favorite TV show? Mrs. Carr- "Game shows."

Who is your best friend? Mrs. Carr- "J' Nell."

Where did you grow up? Mrs. Carr- "Bristolville."

What is your favorite sport? Mrs. Carr- "Baseball."

What is your favorite sport team? Mrs. Carr- "Pittsburgh Pirates."

What are you not good at? Mrs. Carr- "Singing."

By: Ellie Bender

Movie and Book Review

The 12th *Diary of a Wimpy Kid* is a great book. To escape the stress of the holidays, the Hefley's decide to get out of town and go to a resort instead of celebrating Christmas at home. But what's billed as a stress-free vacation becomes a holiday nightmare. I loved this book and I think you would too.

Ferdinand is a good movie. I highly recommend you watch this film. This film has some sad parts in it but it is still a good video. Did you know the voice of Ferdinand is John Cena? After Ferdinand, a bull with a big heart, is mistaken for a dangerous beast, he is captured and torn from his home. Determined to return to his family, he rallies a misfit team on the ultimate adventure. I loved this movie and I think you would too.

By: Ryan Sampson

The Loss of Lieutenant Shafer

The city of Salem Ohio had recently lost a very fine police officer who has protected our city for many years. On Wednesday, January, 17 Lieutenant Shafer suddenly passed away. Shafer had always kept his fellow officers laughing with his jokes. Then, on January, 21 more than thirty police cruisers, fire trucks, ambulances, and even tow trucks came to honor the fallen officer. Even officers from other departments including Alliance, Leetonia, Lordstown, East Liverpool, and Lisbon came as honor guard to show their support. Shafer had always kept his fellow officers laughing with his jokes. All of the officers lined up to join in a final farewell procession.

By: Camryn Mark



TOP 10 THINGS THAT YOU COULD DO WHEN YOU ARE BORED

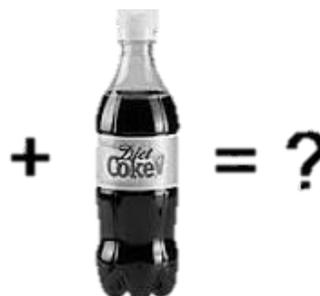
1. Make slime
2. Color
3. Watch a movie
4. Eat
5. Have a friend over
6. Read a book
7. Play outside
8. Take a nap
9. Listen to music
10. Watch YouTube

-Madalynn Andres

Does It Work

Today I tried mixing Mentos and pop. I used 12 mini Mentos and the pop was cold. The fizz oozed out of the bottle for about 1 minute. They say it works better with warm pop so I also tried it with warm pop. I took 7 Mentos instead and it worked so much better. It shot really high. I researched why it happens. It's called nucleation. Nucleation is where the soda is attracted to the Mentos. It is not a chemical reaction it is a physical reaction. And if you want to try it at home use coke and if you make a nozzle the pop will go even higher!

By: Sean Hoffman



Movie Review: Wonder

This is an excellent movie! It is a movie that teaches you about kindness. The movie comes out on DVD on January 30th! Wonder tells an inspiring story about Auggie Pullman whose entering 5th grade. However, he is not a normal boy; he has facial differences. He has always been homeschooled but now he is going to a mainstream school. This will tell you my opinion and how some other people felt about the movie.

Interviewing Paige Menough about Wonder

Elise- "What do you think of the movie?" Paige- "Loved it; because it teaches you to be kind." Elise- "What would you rate it? One star which means not so good through five which means outstanding." Paige- "I would definitely give this movie 5 stars." Elise- "Would you tell your friends to watch this movie?" Paige- "Of course!" Elise- "Would you want to be Auggie's friend? Why?" Paige- "I would love to have Auggie as a friend because I want to stand up for him." Elise- "Thank you so much!"

My Opinion

I would totally recommend this movie because it really tells you how other people feel when they are different and people are mean to that person; it tells you how to be kind. Wonder is a outstanding movie to tell your friends to watch. I wish that I could be Auggie's friend because I want to help him through tough times and also to have a lot of fun with! I don't think Auggie deserved to be bullied by the kids because just because he is different doesn't mean you have to make fun of that. In conclusion, I would totally give this movie five stars.

By: Elise Bender



Groundhog's Day

Punxsutawney Phil, says 6 more weeks of winter in the year of 2018. Punxsutawney Phil, the world-famous groundhog, emerged from his burrow in western Pennsylvania and saw his shadow Friday morning, predicting another 6 weeks of winter. On February 2, 2018 six weeks from that day it would be spring, so it wouldn't matter if he saw his shadow or not. Spring starts Tuesday, March 20. February 2, 2018 is groundhog's day if you add 6 weeks it would be Tuesday, March 20 and that's when spring starts.

By: Ryan Sampson

Lions

Lions are interesting animals. They are one of the largest cats in the world! They can also be the laziest. They can sleep for six to twenty hours!! You might find them laying on their backs or sleeping up a tree. Lions live in groups called prides. Most prides have over thirty lions in each. Normally there are three males in each pride. Now, most people think that the male do all the hunting. Well, you're wrong. The male look after the cubs while the female hunt. Normally lions hunt at night if the hunt is good there is a fair share. If there is less of a hunt they eat in a certain order, like this: male, female, and then cubs. Even though lions need water they can go four to five days without water! Lions live mostly in grasslands, scrub, and open wood. So you can see, lions are amazing animals.

By: Anna Beck

Bobcats

Bobcats are awesome animals. They get their name from their short bobbed tails. Most people think that bobcats are small. When really they're not. They're actually a lot bigger than they look. Bobcats live in almost every state. They eat birds, bats, rabbit, and sometimes deer during the winter. Bobcats are a reddish brown color. They have lots of dens. One main den and other extras. The main den is mostly a cave. While the other dens are under rocks, trees and other hiding places. Bobcats mostly live alone except when they mate and have babies. In conclusion bobcats are amazing animals.

By: Anna Beck

Joke

1. What's brown has a head and tail but, no legs?
2. What's black, white, and read all over?



February Weather

1-6 snow, and flurries, cold

7-11 rain to snow, and flurries, very cold

12-18 snow showers, cold

19-23 sunny, mild

24-28 rainy periods, quite mild

By: Charlotte Bricker