

# SHERWOOD KIDS NEWS

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## Life, Death, and Friendship

*Charlotte's Web* is a book you should definitely read. This book opens up with Fern's dad about to kill a little pig. He's about to kill this baby pig when Fern comes out and takes the axe. She stops her dad from killing the pig and promises to take care of him. She names him Wilbur.

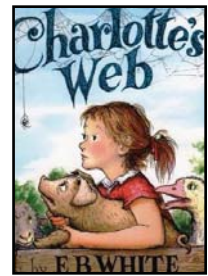
Later in the book, Fern and her family enter Wilbur into a contest at the fair. At the fair Fern goes on a ferris wheel with her friend Henry Fuzzy. Wilbur doesn't win first place in the County Fair, but he does win a bronze medal and a twenty-five dollar prize. Charlotte, Wilbur's friend who is a spider, can't go back to the farm with Wilbur. She is too weak and old. She is dying, but she gives her egg sack

to Templeton the rat to take back to the farm.

When Charlotte's 514 babies are born, they all go flying away in their web balloon, but three of them decide to stay with Wilbur. They make their own web in the barn door that will be their new home.

This story is about life and death. Readers will learn that life is beautiful, but we have to move on. Another lesson in the book is about friendship and how we should all be unselfish and help one another.

by Einar Elias



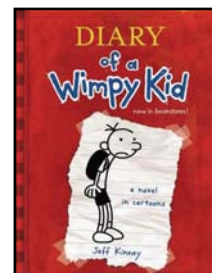
## A Wimpy Kid

*Diary of A Wimpy Kid* is a good book. You will have a good time when you read *Diary of A Wimpy Kid* because when you read about Greg Heffley, the main character in the book, you discover new games to play. The characters in the book are very fun and great.

The book is about a boy named Greg who tries to navigate his way through middle school. His partner in crime is Rowley. Greg also has

an older brother Roderick who is mean to him. Boys and girls will enjoy this book. People will like this book because the plot is entertaining and funny.

by Jesus Jiminez



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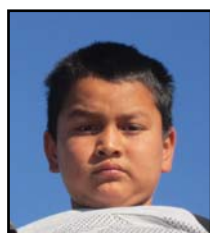
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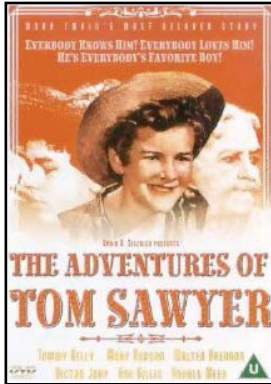
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## Mr. Tom Sawyer



*The Adventures of Tom Sawyer* is a fun movie to watch. The main characters in the movie are: Muff Potter, Injun Joe, Tom Sawyer, Huckleberry Finn, Becky Thatcher, Mr Thatcher, Doc Robinson, Widow Douglas, her husband, and the judge.

In the movie Injun

Joe kills Doc Robinson, but when the judge asks who is guilty of killing Doc Robinson, Injun Joe blames Muff Potter. Injun Joe lies.

This takes place in the cemetery where Injun Joe kills Doc Robinson. The movie is based on a book. The author of the original

book is Mark Twain. This movie is good because eventually the truth about who killed Doc Robinson is told.

Everybody should see this movie because it is very entertaining. Boys and girls in any grade will enjoy this movie.

*by Jose Valdez*

## A Spooky Holiday



Halloween is such a fun holiday! This holiday is fun because you get to dress up and get candy. You also get to knock on doors.

When you knock on the doors you are supposed to say “trick

or treat” to get candy. People celebrate Halloween on October 31<sup>st</sup>. Kids go trick-or-treating at night. You go trick-or-treating with your parents.

You could also go trick-or-treating with

your grandma and grandpa. Halloween is all about getting candy. This holiday can be scary sometimes, but Halloween is all about having fun.

*by Abril Hernandez*

## Christmas



Christmas is a holiday where people help other people who don't have much. It's a time when you give people what presents that they want.

Christmas is about the spirit of giving and caring.

Christmas is a popular holiday because on Christmas kids get to put out cookies and milk for Santa, and he brings them presents.

Christmas is a religious holiday. On Christmas people pray

to God. This holiday takes place on December 25<sup>th</sup>. Christmas is definitely the number one best day of the year!

*by Oscar Mencia*

## Princess Dolls

Toys that girls like to play with are dolls. Playing with a good doll is always fun. Princess dolls are fun. Many kids like princess dolls.

What's so good about a princess doll? Some kids like how

they look and what they wear. A princess dress shines when it twirls and the doll spins! A princess could be Cinderella, Ariel, or Belle.

Princesses live in a castle, wear dresses, and dance. The best

princess is Sleeping Beauty. Sleeping Beauty pricks her finger and falls and sleeps. In the end, a prince wakes up Sleeping Beauty.

*by Dayana Ambriz*



## Mario Kart

Mario Kart is the name of a video game. In this video game Mario drives a car. He has to drive it in between the lines.

When you play there are many different cars you can choose from to use. All you have to do is press a button to make Mario drive.

Sometimes, he crashes into other people. Mario likes to jump over the cars. He likes to win the races.

The course that Mario drives on is right next to water. Mario likes to jump in the water. You can play this video game in your house with your brother. A good

time to play it is in the afternoon after school.

You should only play for a little bit, because you want to make sure your homework gets done. Second and third grade boys would enjoy playing Mario Kart.

*by Eduardo Jimenez*



## Princess Daisy

There are many fun cartoon characters. One popular cartoon character is Princess Daisy.

She is a good cartoon character because she has a

castle and she has a yellow dress. This princess has a crown and she likes to dance. She also has nice shoes that are shiny.

Daisy has brown hair like her dress. Princess Daisy is the

princess of Sarasaland. Her favorite friends are Luigi and Peach. They appear in many of the Super Mario video games.

*by Yadira Vasquez*



## SURVEY TIME!

### What is your favorite sport to play or watch?

- Soccer:** 9 kids
- Football:** 2 kids
- Volleyball:** 4 kids

In the cafeteria, kids were surveyed on which sport was their favorite sport to play or watch. The most popular sport was soccer.

This sport was popular because the kids liked how in soccer you get to run, kick the ball, and score goals. The least favorite sport was football. Kids didn't like how in football you can get tackled.

*by Douglas Galicia*

### Which video game is your favorite one to play?

- Angry Birds:** 3 kids
- Call of Duty:** 8 kids
- Plants vs. Zombies:** 3 kids

### What do you want to be when you grow up?

- Undecided:** 3 kids
- Doctor:** 1 kid
- Policeman/policewoman:** 3 kids
- Athlete:** 2 kids
- Artist:** 4 kids
- Pop star:** 1 kids
- Soldier:** 2 kids
- Violinist:** 1 kids

*Survey conducted by Dayana Ambriz and Lizbeth Morelos*

## RECYCLING

Last year, Mr. Ramos's class started a plastic bags recycling program. The students collected approximately 1,700 plastic bags in two months. This year the recycling program will continue.

So far, teachers have recycled 452 plastic bags in three months. The students would like all teachers to send their unwanted plastic bags to room

21 whenever they want. There, the bags will be recycled for you. One of the reasons there are less plastic bags being recycled this year is that there are teachers who use reusable bags.

That is still a great decision! This has helped save over 600 plastic bags so far. More teachers should use reusable bags.



*by Rachel Cruz*

## CONSERVATION TIPS

Please help Earth stay healthy and clean. Remember that there is only one Earth. People can't just talk about helping the earth, they need to show they truly care by helping it.

Here are some important tips to follow if you want to help the earth last a very long time. One teacher says, "Sometimes, action is better than words." Here are some tips to help the earth!



1. Turn off the lights when you are not in the room.
2. Do not leave the water faucet running when you are not using it.
3. Make sure the heater or air conditioner is off at the end of the day.
4. Use reusable bags instead of paper or plastic bags.
5. Reduce, Reuse, Recycle.

*by Michelle Gallegos*

## Recess Activities



There are many things to play at recess. Monkey bars and kickball are fun to play. Monkey bars are fun because people can hang by their arms, and they can see how long they can hang.

First, you swing your arms to the bar.

Then you keep doing it again until you get to the other side. You can use the monkey bars at ten in the morning at recess time.

The monkey bars are in the middle of the playground by the sand. You can play with friends on the

monkey bars. Kickball is also fun because you need to try to kick the ball and run a lap to get a point.

Kickball is another game you can play with your friends at recess. You should try both of these activities!

*by Jeremy Elias*

## Kickball



A good sport is kickball. Kickball is a good sport because you get to kick the ball really far. How does someone play kickball?

It's very simple. All you have to do is

kick the ball and then run around the bases.

A good player runs fast and is always safe at the bases! One rule is that you can't block people when they are running.

Kickball is played on the cement.

Kickball is a popular sport to play at the recess. If you like to run then kickball is the sport for you!

*by Gabriela Ramirez*

## The Game of Soccer



Goal! That word is shouted a lot during soccer. You can play soccer on a field with lots of your pals. You can even play a game at school!

If you have free time you can go out of your house with your brother or sister and play soccer for the

whole day! All you need to play soccer is a ball and some goals. There are many famous soccer players that are on television.

These soccer players get to earn a lot of money and by playing a sport that they love every day. Soccer is a good sport

to play because it helps you become strong. Boys tend to play soccer more than girls, but girls would have just as much fun playing this sport.

Anyone will love the game of soccer, and that's why soccer is so fun to play.

*by Johnny Martinez*

## Bump, set, spike!

A great sport to play is volleyball. You should play volleyball because it's really fun.

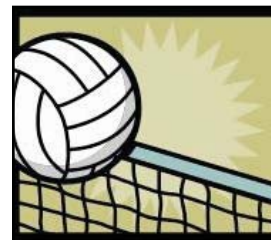
It's really fun because you do a lot of exercise. You have to stretch a lot to make the ball go to

the other side of the net.

If someone from your team doesn't see the ball coming their way, then you have to go in front of them to prevent the ball from hitting the ground. It's

like trying to catch a ball. You mostly play volleyball on the cement. Volleyball is a sport that is played in the fall. You mostly play volleyball in the cement.

*by Lizbeth Morelos*



## A Fast-Paced Game

Kids should definitely play soccer. One reason to play is that you can have friends that can be on your teams.

Before games, soccer players get serious and tough. The best thing in

soccer is when your team wins a trophy.

Another fun thing that happens in soccer is that you can score goals. However if you're losing, the key is to not give up.

Soccer fields are the best place to play

soccer. Soccer fields are the best place to play soccer. Soccer teams will play their game rain or shine. There are many famous soccer teams to follow. One popular team is Chivas.

*by Eric Corona*



## The Sherwood Sharks!

Sherwood School is in Salinas. This school is fun due to many things. Recess is one reason why school is fun. During recess you can play many activities like soccer.

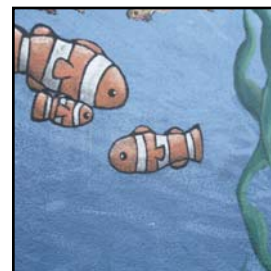
The lunch at school is also really

good. One food that is really delicious is the cheese pizza.

Another aspect of school that is great is all of the learning the students do. In order to learn you have to be in school. At the school there are many

nice teachers. One teacher is named Ms. Larsen. She is a great teacher because she lets her class do art and reading. Overall, school is really fun!

*by Angel Mencia*





## ELECTION

On Tuesday, November 6, 2012, third grade students at Sherwood Elementary School had a mock presidential election. Students voted for who they wanted to be their president. Out of 115 students, 109 students voted for Barack Obama and 6 voted for Mitt Romney.

“I voted for Barack Obama because he is friendlier to the people than Romney,” said Pedro Garcia.

“I voted for Obama because he wants to help

schools and students who want to go to college,” said Douglas Galicia.

“I voted for Mitt Romney because my dad said he can help him get a job,” said a Romney supporter. This election was not real but it was fun for all of the third-graders.

It’s important to vote, and if you can vote you should do it. Who do you want as your president?

*by Marcela Regalado*

## PLANTING

Planting is fun. There are many different types of plants all around the world.

Plants are very helpful to the world. They help the world

stay clean. Some animals count on plants for food.

What can you do to save the world? You and your friends can start with planting.

*by Oscar Muniz*

## DODGEBALL

Dodgeball is a fun sport. One way you can get people out in dodge ball is by touching them with the ball. If you are tagged you are out. Dodgeball is fun to play. Dodgeball is a game that many third-graders

like to play. Physical education is a perfect time to play dodge ball. Dodgeball is best played when the weather is very sunny.

*by Adrian Flores*

## CHECK THIS OUT!

A cartoon that is very entertaining is Scooby-Doo. Scooby-Doo is a dog that helps solve mysteries. He is really funny. Scooby-Doo’s best friend is Shaggy. Scooby-Doo’s other friends are Daphne, Fred, and Velma.

*by Kailyn Urquiza*

## HALLOWEEN

It is celebrated with your parents.

Halloween is fun because you get candy and you decorate pumpkins.

Pumpkins can be decorated funny.

Pumpkins look funny.

Mr. Ramos’s third grade class celebrates Halloween.

Mr. Ramos is a fun teacher.

Sherwood Elementary is the best school!

*by Jacqueline Camargo*



## AN INTERVIEW WITH DOUGLAS GALICIA

**Sherwood News:** Which games do you like to play?

**Douglas:** I like to play Angry Birds, Mall Combat, and WWE Superstars.

**Sherwood News:** What books do you like?

**Douglas:** I like Diary of a Wimpy Kid, Goosebumps, and Captain Underpants.

**Sherwood News:** How many people are in your family?

**Douglas:** There are four people in my family.

**Sherwood News:** What do you like about school?

**Douglas:** That's a tough question. I guess I would say I like recess, the good fun, and the fact that school is fun.

**Sherwood News:** What do you like about Mr. Ramos?

**Douglas:** I like how Mr. Ramos is a good teacher. I also like how nice he is.

**Sherwood News:** Who are your friends?

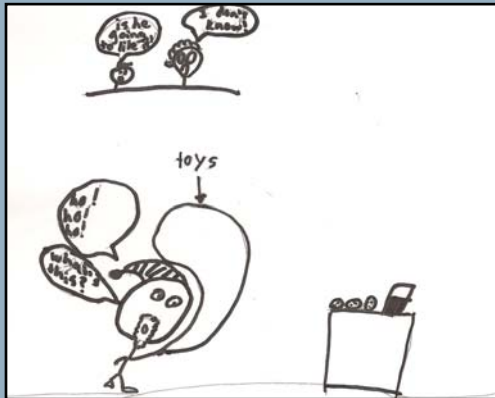
**Douglas:** My friends are Oscar, Einar, Eric, Angel, and Jose.

*Interview conducted by Angel Ceja*

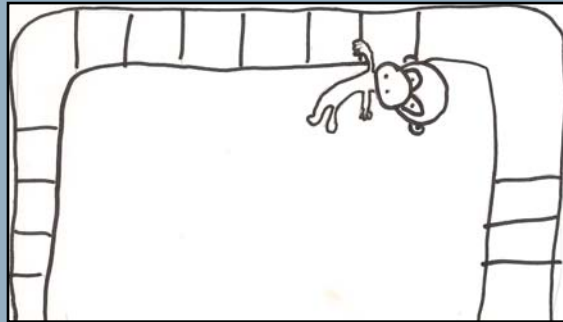


*by Angel Mencia*

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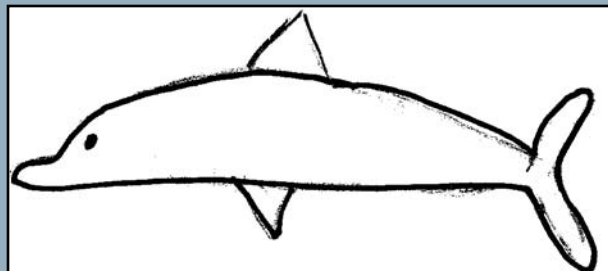
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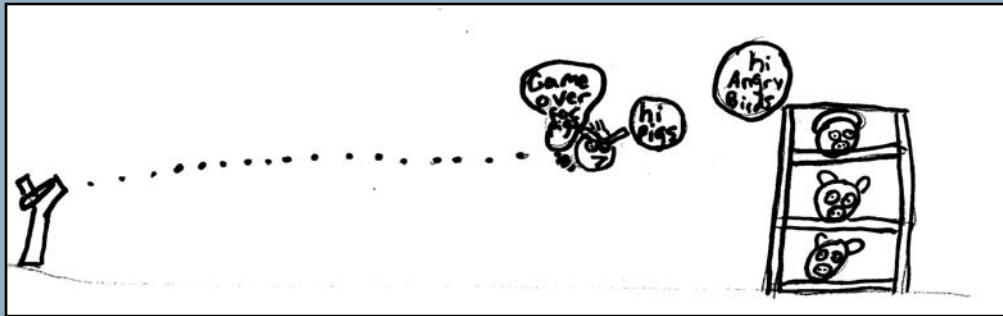


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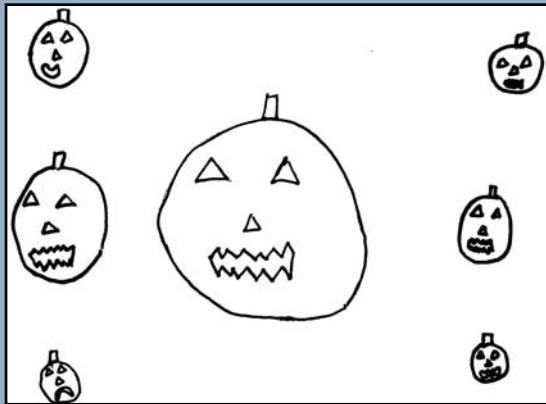


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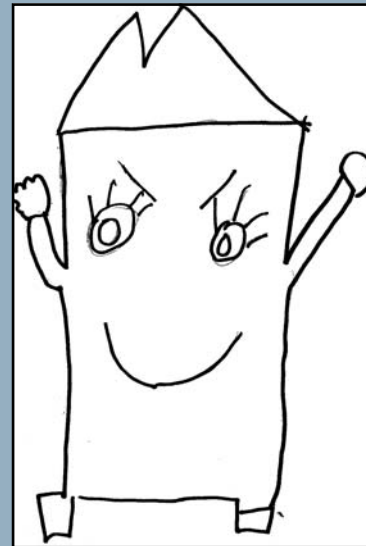
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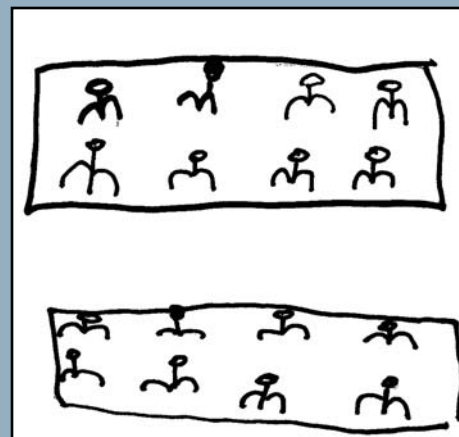
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## Letter from Sherwood Teacher, Mr. Ramos

Dear Parents and Staff,

I present to you our second annual *Sherwood News* newspaper. In this issue you will find student work created during our Family Fun Weekend program. Sherwood students had the opportunity to work with and learn from our Chadwick School friends, who drive up to Salinas from the Los Angeles area 3 times a year. Third grade students were able to participate in a Reader's Theater performance, learn about photography, poetry, gardening, and they helped write the articles for this newsletter.

Chadwick School students and their community also donated hundreds of books and clothing items to all the participants. I want to thank the Chadwick School volunteers, parents, students, and teachers because without them this wonderful program would not exist. We look forward to seeing everyone again during our science-themed weekend and field trip in February.

Sincerely,

*Mr. Ramos*



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