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Lights On! After School Programs

By Elissa E.

Lights On! is an important celebration that is celebrated nationwide by all After School Programs in October.

We celebrated Lights On at RAP. You can also celebrate by showing support for after school programs everywhere in the United States. Without these after school programs all kids would be watching television instead of doing something fun.

After school programs offer a lot of fun activities. If more kids around the United States attended an after school program, then that means more kids will be safe.



In our school district, RAP is our after school program. RAP stands for Realizing Amazing Potential. Kids in the after school program love

RAP. They say it is so much more fun than being stuck at home all-alone.

Lights On

Everyone in Franklin D. Roosevelt and Kit Carson's RAP Program celebrated Lights On! Some visiting sixth graders and parents who stopped by celebrated Lights On with us.

All the Program Leaders had activities planned out. They were all team building activities and were held on the school's black top. You could have played one monkey, two

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A Jam Session with Mr. Jerome

By David O.

Another school year is here, and that means another year with the FDR Rock Band. This will be their third year.

A lot of things have happened in Rock Band, they always gain new band members and they also lose some.

What is in store for this year's Rock Band? The only person who can answer that is



Mr. Jerome, who is the Club's instructor.

Roosevelt Times: What shows do you have planned this year?

Mr. Jerome: We are hoping to perform in Santa Monica, and once again at the Lawndale Parade, as well as right here at FDR. We also plan on having the kids play at the other schools for Student-of-The-Month assemblies, if we get lucky.

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The Amazing “Be Big Contest”

By Alaya B.

PressFriends has done many things for the *Roosevelt Times* students. They have given many new experiences and opportunities, and we’ve seen different places in California. Every event they have invited us has been over the top. This year, PressFriends entered the Scholastic’s “Be Big In Your Community Contest”, and were a first place winner. We talked to the student president of PressFriends, Luke Southwell.

Roosevelt Times: What is the Scholastic’s “Be Big In Your Community Contest”?



Luke: It’s a contest for programs that work in the community, and PressFriends won for their work with schools working on newspapers.

Roosevelt Times: What was the award?

Luke: \$1,000 for Press Friends.

Roosevelt Times: How many members took place in the contest?

Luke: 30 people.

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Endeavour Space Shuttle: Last Flight at FDR

By Alaya B.

This is amazing! A lot of people at our school saw the last time the Endeavour Space Shuttle flew! The last time we saw it flying was on September 21, 2012. There we stood with our teacher, Mrs. Manabat. It was so fun to see it fly around just about 4 times around the school.

Let’s see what Mrs. Manabat thought about it, when she saw it.

Roosevelt Times: How did you enjoy seeing the space shuttle?

Mrs. Manabat: I liked it a lot, it was exciting!

Roosevelt Times: Would you like to see the space shuttle fly again?

Mrs. Manabat: Yes! I want to see it again. I also want to see it in the California Science Center.

Roosevelt Times: Were you the only fifth grade teacher to see the space shuttle?

Mrs. Manabat: No, Mrs. Sipila left early and saw it at her house.

Roosevelt Times: Were you more excited about being able to take pictures of the Endeavour ?

Manabat: No, I was just excited to see it fly for the last time.

Mrs. Manabat enjoyed it as much as everyone else in the student body. She is more than likely going to enjoy the Endeavor Space Shuttle at the California Science Center. If you are as interested as Mrs.



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Score Report: The Mustangs vs. Leon

By David Ortega



The Lawndale Mustangs are a youth soccer team that has played together since the summer of 2012. The team's color is blue, and at away games they wear yellow. The team has 12 members and one head coach, and they all work together as a great team.

The Mustangs' skills include great passing, kicking the ball high, and the hard skill of heading the ball. The Mustangs work hard on kicking the ball straight to the goal, and using lots of power when kicking.

On September 29, The

Mustangs played against local soccer team, Leon. The final score was 7-1, and Leon won.

The game was played in Mexico Stadium, a real professional soccer field. Ivan Ramirez, Alvaro Espinosa, scored the goals for The Mustangs and the team scored a goal as well.

This game was the Semi-Finals for the boy's U-10 league. The first time that The Mustangs played Leon, The Mustangs won.

Overall, Ivan was the MVP of The Mustangs. Ivan played really well, and he scored 3

goals. Ivan is a great team member, and he always passes the ball.

Next, The Mustangs went to the championship for their league.

The Mustangs and Leon trained really hard for that game. The game was a success! The final score for the Championship game was 7 to 1. The Mustangs won!!

All of the team players are excited and feel great about making it to the Championship game and especially about winning the Championship game. ❖

Gobble, Gobble! To the Finish

By Leslie C. & Andrea C.



FDR is coming up with all kinds of new activities in school, you can see and feel the school spirit as each student and teacher come out and support.

This year we have witnessed a new tradition. It is the Turkey Trot. It was held in November, right after lunch. Every grade was on FDR was invited to attend, it was held in Bodger Park. Every student was informed about the trot, the only thing each student had to do was find a buck. The students could find someone to sponsor them.

The participants were divided among grades, by class,

3rd Grade Winners

Dante Durham (Mrs. Bacchetti)
Carlos Contreras (Mrs. Kinney)
Breonah Grant (Mrs. Kinney)

4th Grade Winners

Jaymori Connor (Ms. Stark)
Talia (Mrs. Howard)
Jayla Gage (Mrs. Nguyen)

5th Grade Winners

John Price - Mrs. Safah-Garcia
Alexandria Hayward - Mrs. Sipila
Madda Kappia - Mrs. Manabat
Alexis Solis—Mrs. Sipila



and based on whether they were a boy or a girl. After each individual class students won, it was class versus class, and the

grade class winner was award the prestigious Turkey Hat.

Congratulations to the Turkey Trot Winners! ❖

Mrs. Martinez

By Christina D.

Mrs. Martinez is a Teacher at FDR. You may have seen her walking down the hallway with a smile. She helps with writing and reading. Mrs. Martinez can be funny and everybody likes her. She teaches 3rd through 5th grade at FDR.

Roosevelt Times: Are you a writer or a reader?

Mrs. Martinez: I make time for reading but I really enjoy writing.

Roosevelt Times: What do you think is the most interesting thing about you?

Mrs. Martinez: I had 4 kids that were all born in August and I was married in August.

Roosevelt Times: What's your favorite color?

Mrs. Martinez: Purple to wear, green to decorate and black with everything.

Roosevelt Times: How long have you been working at FDR?

Mrs. Martinez: This is my 2nd year and I have been working as a teacher for 15 years.

Roosevelt Times: What date is your birthday?

Mrs. Martinez: July 5, 1975.

Roosevelt Times: What are you afraid of?

Mrs. Martinez: When people hate each other and fight.

Roosevelt Times: Do you like working with kids?

Mrs. Martinez: Definitely!

Roosevelt Times: How many years did you go to school?

Mrs. Martinez: Kindergarten – 12th grade, Cal State Long Beach - 4 years and Claremont University – 1 year. All together is 17 years.

Roosevelt Times: Will there be another *Catching the Reading Wave*?

Mrs. Martinez: Yes!



Roosevelt Times: Do you help kids with writing in one class or other classes?

Mrs. Martinez: Right now I'm in Mrs. Sipila's class but I'm hoping to go to other classes.

Roosevelt Times: How old are your children?

Mrs. Martinez: Alex is 11, Rubi is 7, Javier is 5, and Tony is 3.

Roosevelt Times: When are your children's birthdays?

Mrs. Martinez: Alex is on August 6, Rubi is August 10, Javier is August 5th, and Tony is August 12th.

Roosevelt Times: What do you want to do when you retire?

Mrs. Martinez: When I retire I want to write children books.

Mrs. Martinez has been doing great working with children. She has been working real hard in school and now it got her here, which is great. Mrs. Martinez is always helpful when someone needs it. Thank you Mrs. Martinez for being part of FDR. v

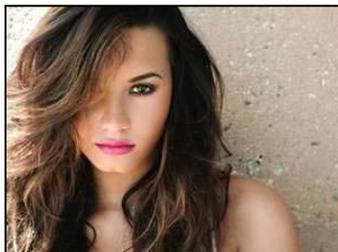


Catch the Reading Wave



Demi Lovato's Dark Side

By Andrea C.



Demi Lovato has a dark side but before looking at this, let's look at how she started out.

Demi Lovato is a singer-songwriter, musician, and actress. She was born on August 20, 1992. She is 20 years old. She starred in several the Disney Channel shows and movies, including *Sonny with a Chance*, *Princess Protection Program*, *Camp Rock*, and *Camp Rock 2*.

Demi has 3 music albums. The first album is "Don't Forget." It was released on September 23, 2008.

The second album is "Here We Go Again," released on July 21, 2009, just one year after her first album. Then, the third album "Unbroken" came out on October 30, 2010.

Seems like Demi has been working a lot to get album after album out so that her fans will always hear something new every year! Most people like to hear her sing; she has a really good voice. Most of her new songs are about what she had been through and teaching us that you can get better, as in the song *Skyscraper*. She tells you that it is not so easy. You really have to fight for what you have and want. You also have to be strong no matter what happens in your life.

All of a sudden on October 30, 2010 just when her album came out, everyone was talking about Demi Lovato going into treatment. She was going into treatment because her personal problem had gone way too far. It started ever

since she was 11 years old and her parents told her that it was a good idea to go into treatment at that moment. She had some "physical and emotional issues".

One day she woke up and everything changed. She realized that the life she was living was dangerous for her, and she changed my whole life around. She said in a tweet, "One of the scariest moments in life, is when you come to the realization that the only person that can save you is yourself."

Demi started her new life by going to the *X Factor* as one of the judges with Simon Cowell and Britney Spears. Demi has showed us no matter how hard we fall, we can get up and choose a different and better path. ❖

A Daily Dose of Justin Bieber

By Samantha N.



Justin Bieber is still a hot topic. Justin is quite talented if you have not noticed. In case you have forgotten who Justin Bieber is, here is a refresher course.

Justin Bieber's birthday is in March. He was born in Canada. His favorite color is purple, remember his purple sweater that everyone had.

Justin Bieber started music when he was 4 years old. His idol is his family. His favorite

song that he wrote was *Never Say Never*. The song *Never Say Never* was featured in the remake of the movie, *Karate Kid*.

Justin Bieber's first song that made him popular was *Baby*; you guys remember it was a huge hit.

He is 18 years old right now. His girlfriend for the past two years was Selena Gomez, former Disney star, but they broke up recently.

If you didn't know, Justin Bieber is a human being, who can get sick, like in that performance where he threw up. Every one has different feelings toward Justin Bieber, there are people who say negative things about Justin, and they don't realize they are making him even more popular. Whether you like Justin Bieber or not? Justin is going be around for many years to come. ❖

Christina Maria Aguilera

By Andrea C.

Christina Aguilera became a national sensation through her musical and acting talents.

She was born in December 18, 1980. She is currently 32 years old and is still a great singer.

When she first started to perform, she was in the *Mickey Mouse Club*. From then on, she started to do many other things.

She entered *Star Search* in 1990. She was the only 9 years old when she was on *Star*

Search. If you think that she won, she really didn't win at all!

In August 24, 1999 she got signed to the RCA Records so that she could become a pop-star. Her first album was in 1999 with a great music video. It was just called *Christina Aguilera*.

Well they sure did make her a great singer. But when things started to go a little off when Britney Spears and Christina Aguilera started to get compared. Ever since that

they were always trying to get more and more music and fans so that they would be the best out of one.

In 2000 she was received the Best New Artist award at the Grammy Awards, and she won Best Female Pop Vocal Performance in 2004 and 2007. Her newest album is called *Lotus*.

You can see Christina Aguilera as one of the judges on the show, *The Voice*, that looks for new music stores. It is on NBC, channel. ❖



Selena Gomez' Stellar Career

By Bertha O.

Selena Marie Gomez was born on July 22, 1992 and she is 20 years old. Her father is of Mexican descent, and her mother, who was adopted, is of Italian descent.

When Selena was 15 her family celebrated her Quinceañera, and they do anything that a Catholic family would do.

Selena earned a High School Diploma through home schooling in May 2010.

Selena Gomez began her acting career at age seven. You might remember her as one of Barney's friends, in the PBS's *Barney 'N Friends*.

The Disney Years

In 2004, a USA-wide

scouting effort discovered Selena Gomez, which helped her into Disney.

Selena Gomez began her career with Disney as an actress appearing as a guest star on the *Suite Life of Zack and Cody*.

She made some appearances on *Hannah Montana* as Hannah Montana's rival, and that later turned into a continuing role from in the second and third seasons.

After appearing in guest roles, she was given a lead role of her own in *Wizards of Waverly Place*. The *Wizards of Waverly Place* ran over four years and was one of their most popular Disney TV shows of all time.

Selena's Music Career

Selena's career expanded into the music industry. Gomez is the lead singer and founder of the pop band *Selena Gomez and The Scene*, which have released three RiAA Gold Certified studio albums. These are: *Kiss and Tell*, *A Year Without Rain*, and *When The Sun Goes Down*.

Her band has also produced three RiAA Platinum Certified singles, *Naturally*, *Who Says*, and *Love You Like A Love Song*.

Selena has worked really hard to get to where she is now. Now that she is no longer on TV, we wonder what new things does she have in store for her career? ❖



The Man Behind the Apple

By Julissa A.



Steve Jobs invented the iPhone, iPad, iPod, and Apple computers.

Steve Jobs started inventing because of his dad. His dad inspired him into building electronics.

Steve Jobs was born in San Francisco February 24, 1955. He died on October 5, 2011. He was 56 years old when he died because of cancer.

In 2003, Steve Jobs was diagnosed with a cancer in the pancreas. Although he believed to be cured and with time he went and got a liver transplant in 2009, and as the time went by he kept on losing weight. On medical leave for most of 2011, Steve Jobs resigned in August that year and was elected Chairman of the Board. He died of respiratory arrest on October 5, 2011.

Steve Jobs lived in Palo Alto. He had a daughter named Lisa Brennan Jobs, who was born in 1978. He married Laurene Powell in 1991, and they had three children and their names are Reed Jobs, Erin Jobs, and Eve Jobs.

The NeXT job for Jobs

Jobs was pushed out of Apple in the 1980s by the board of directors and began a new company called NeXT. This company worked on computer platform development company specializing in the higher education and business markets.

Pixar

Steve Jobs also started Pixar, which helped animate movies like *Toy Story*, which won an Academy Award.



Pixar also produced *Toy Story 2*, *Monsters, Inc.*, *Finding Nemo*, *The Incredibles*, *Cars*, *Ratatouille*, and many more.

Back at Apple

Jobs rejoined Apple as its CEO in 2000. During his reign, Apple came out with iTunes, the iPod, iPhone, iPad, as well as better computers.

We appreciate all of what Steve Jobs brought to our technology world. Without him, a lot of our favorite gadgets would not be available today. ❖

Xuan Mai

By Christina D.



Have you ventured from American music and taken the time to explore other kinds of music?

Here is Xuan Mai who really popular in Vietnam. She was born in Ho Chi Minh city, Vietnam and was born on April 5, 1995. Xuan Mai is 17 years old right now.

Xuan Mai is a singer in Vietnam and she is able to sing

in English too. Xuan Mai began her singing career since she was at least 2 years old. She had performed, "The Three Little Ducklings".

Xuan Mai was born into a family of musicians. Her father is also a singer, and her mom is a guitarist. She has a very cute little voice even now when she is basically a grown up.

She has a little brother, whom she featured in her music video when they were very young. Xuan Mai was two years old and her brother was one year old.

Her music genre is pop and R&B.

Everyone agrees that Xuan Mai is a very good vocalist. Her music will make you want to get up and dance. ❖

Brrrr! Sweater Season

By Ruben G.

Sweater season is here! It is important to have the latest fashions. Not only do they keep you warm, but also they make you look a little sassier.

The colors that are popular for this month are black, white and blue. So get up from your bed and look for them. Even if it means to go into your closet, the basement, any storage place.

If you can get to a car, drive to a mall, Ross, Marshalls, TJ Max, or GAP. Don't get the wrong idea; you do not



need to buy a new sweater, if you have them already. Who cares if it is a hand-me-down

sweater? It is ok even if you wore it last year.

Sweaters come in many different ways. Some have designs and some are just in plain colors.

The only fashion "don't" is to sweaters with holiday designs. These were meant for teachers and grandparents, not for going out and having fun.

Fashion goes thru an endless cycle, it just keeps repeating, soon it will be colorful flip-flops again. So hurry and go get your sweaters and stay warm and cozy this season. ❖



Redbana Audition

By Christina D.

Audition is a dancing game. You download the game from your computer from Audition.Redbana.com. Before you do this, make sure you first ask your parents for permission.

Audition is a game is about avatar dancing to the latest artist, although it is mainly Pop music.

When you play you need to click on the arrows and when this little dot goes in the middle of the white bar you click on space. It will start everybody's avatar with short red hair, shorts that are to their knees, a pink tank top, and black with white shoes.

You can either be a boy or a girl. You can chat with friends online if your parents say it's okay or whisper as in chatting privately.

The game will give you Beats when you play or win a game with a person online. If you only play by yourself it will not give you any Beats. With your Beats, you can go shopping in the mall for clothes for your avatar.

To get Beats, you need to do the best in hitting the combination of arrow keys on your computer as they show up on the screen. If you ever did the dance game, Dance Dance Revolution, it is like that but

you use your fingers to follow the steps instead of your feet on a pad.

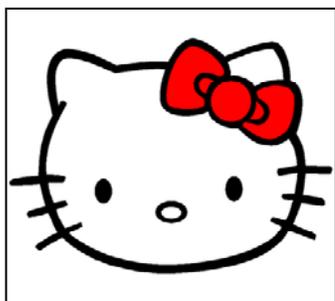
When you play a lot you can level up. When you level up, it will give you a gift at the mall. When you have any Cash or Beats and you don't like your look or want to add something like pet you go to the mall. You can only get Cash at a store like Target or Gamestop. If you buy Cash, you can use those points that you buy to buy more at the mall.

If you like catch dance music and computer dancing games, this is the game for you. ❖



Hello Kitty White!

By Sara H.



How much do you think you know about Hello Kitty? Did you know that her name in Japanese is Kitty White?

Yukio Shimizu created Hello Kitty, for the company Sanrio. Her real bow color is red.

Hello Kitty became 38 years old in 2012. Hello Kitty's height is five apples stacked up and her weight is 3 apples. Hello Kitty was not given a mouth, because Hello Kitty speaks thru the heart.

The first time Hello Kitty was seen was on a purse,

which launched a successful start for Hello Kitty.

Hello Kitty was introduced to the United States in 1976. She was originally for young girls, like elementary school girls. Then, in the 1990's teenagers and adults began to show interest in Hello Kitty. Now, Hello Kitty is everywhere, you can find her on plates, bags, clothes, pens, backpacks, hair accessories, bed wear, jewelry, toys, video games, books, and shoes.

Hello Kitty has also had her own TV animated show. With all the support Hello

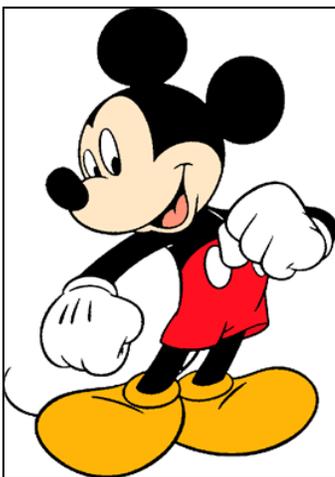


Kitty has given, she has made a lot of money over the years.

What does Hello Kitty have in store for the year 2013? What new merchandise is waiting for all of us? We won't know until we shop for our favorite Hello Kitty items. ❖

Mickey Mouse

By Sara H.



Mickey Mouse is a cartoon that was created, by Walt Disney. Mickey Mouse was created by, Walt Disney and Ubbe Ewerks in 1929.

Mickey Mouse has yellow shoes and red pants with white gloves. Mickey Mouse is known all over the world. Disneyland would not have a theme park without Mickey. Mickey is in every kind of merchandise.

Mickey Mouse has a girlfriend Minnie Mouse by his side, and he also has a dog-named Pluto, and his friends Donald Duck, Daisy Duck, and Goofy.

Mickey Mouse has an animated show called Mickey Mouse Clubhouse, which is really famous on Disney Jr. One of the favorite songs on the Mickey Mouse Clubhouse is the Hot Dog Song.

Mickey Mouse has two nephews Marty and Fred, and two nieces Millie and Melody Mouse.

Mickey Mouse is really cute; and he even has his own store called the Mickey Mouse store.

Mickey Mouse is also a character in a number of video games. Mickey Mouse has a new game called Epic Mickey 2, in which Mickey and his friend Oswald saved the world from being destroyed.

Mickey is one of those characters that are loved by many people around the world. No matter how many years go by, Mickey will always be there, ready for the next generation of kids. ❖



Polar Bears

By Joanna A.

Polar Bears are the biggest meat eaters, on our planet. Polar Bears are found in the Artic, not Antarctica.

Polar Bears have thick fur and that's how they keep warm. A polar bear's fur color is of course white, which allows them to blend in the white icy snow.

The Polar Bear's favorite food is a big juicy seal. Polar Bears eat these animals by going to their breathing hole, and once the seal comes up the Polar Bear smacks the seal with one powerful smack.

Polar Bears also eat fish, beluga whales, and young walrus.

Polar Bears population is between 20,000- 25,000. Polar

Bears almost never live beyond 25 years. The oldest bear was 32—Wow that's old!

These beautiful bears are endangered species, because of a big oil spill, also, because of the green house gases. The greenhouse gases have caused the ice to melt. This makes finding food for a Polar Bear



difficult, with the ice melting they have to swim and some of the Polar Bears never find ice, so some Polar Bears have died in the cold water.

Help these bears so they won't end up dead in the freezing water. How you can help? You can help by walking instead of driving, because the gas goes up to the atmosphere, which affects greenhouse gases, and you can also plant more trees. The tree leafs clean the air so there can be less green house affect.

If we all make an effort, we can help these bears so they won't be extinct. ❖

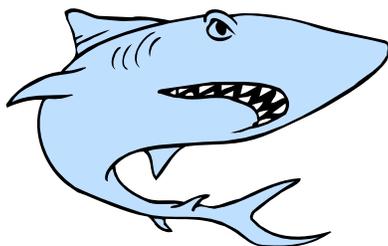


Panda vs. Shark

By Charles K.

One time in the forest there was a panda named Po and a shark named Sharkzilla.

Many generations apart panda Po came across the



beach and started a war through the whole city. This made Sharkzilla mad, which made him start blowing fire out of his mouth.

Po started jumping off buildings with his bamboo stick when he realized Sharkzilla was fighting back. When Po jumped he got to hold on to Sharkzilla's dorsal fin. Po started hitting him with his bamboo stick and got the

shark mad and blew up a 5-story building. It blew up like a TNT bomb and it was awesome. Then he thought it would be a good idea and started blowing up everything in his sight. Po started to run toward the ocean and made a bamboo wall as well as a triple mega wall that made him trip and made him bust his nose.

Sharkzilla decided to just give up and let Po win the battle. ❖



Disneyland

By Mia O.



Disneyland is truly the happiest place on earth. There are many rides. There are a lot of fun things to do.

During the fall is when Disneyland is at its best. They celebrate Halloween and they leave the park open late during the month of October. They have an event called Mickey's Halloween. During the Mickey's Halloween event they give out a lot of sweets, like Snickers and Hershey's, but also healthy stuff, like carrots and apples. It is very fun because you'll visit the castle and at night, they put it on fire. You'll see all your favorite Disney characters and you are more than

likely to run into the villains, like Jafar, Captain Hook, Ursula the Sea Witch during this month.

Disneyland wouldn't be Disney if there weren't any fireworks. It is amazing how they keep up with the themes.

While you're watching all those cool decorations, don't forget about the rides. They are all the same ones, like Peter Pan, Splash Mountain, and Space Mountain, to name a few. On some of the rides you just can't help yourself but scream.

If the sweets that were offered at Mickey's Halloween weren't enough you can always find a store that sells more. Who knows what Disney may have in store for its next holiday event, we will just have to wait and see. ❖



Nutz for Knott's Soak City

By Kimberly F.



The wonderful thing about living in California is the weather. It is always sunny. Making Knott's Soak City the best place to get wet!

There are a lot of activities to do. It is a for sure a fun place to be. You can go there with a friend, or your family. One activity that you can go on and get wet is the water slides. If you're not into water slides, you can go on the lazy river or the tide pool.

If one of your parents wants to get tanned

there are lounge chairs just for them. You can also rent an entire tent just for the family.

Just in case you have younger brothers or sisters they also have an area for them.

If you catch yourself with the munchies, you don't have to worry they have many places where you can find food and drinks. They have everything you would want to eat pretzels, pizza, hamburgers, chicken tenders, cotton candy, snow cones, and candy apples, to name a few.

Take advantage of the California weather and go down to Knott's Soak City— don't forget your towel! You'll have a great time at Soak City!❖



Who Could It Be?

By Alaya B.

What person will it be? Who is the chosen one? Is it you? Is it me? Here are some clues, to see if you can guess who it is...

For starters, the mystery person is a teacher in FDR

This person likes the color blue.

The person's hobby is going fishing.

This person's favorite animal is a dog.

For food the mystery person prefers steak.

The person was born in December.

Here's one last clue, if you haven't yet guessed, ...

The mystery person is a male.

Solving the puzzle

Did you figure out who the mystery teacher is?

All the clues are true, so which of our Teachers could it be?

I hope you figure it out because you won't know until the next issue. ❖



Teen Derp

By Daniela D.



Mr. Nibble's Wild Adventure

By Jameela J.



Here's a funny little tale about Cousin Dominique and Jada.

They took their Guinea Pig, Mr. Nibbles from his cage. They started playing with him. It began with some petting and grooming. They didn't ask their sister if they could play with Mr. Nibbles.

Uh-oh! all of a sudden, one of them had the idea of getting a toy car, a power

wheel. They put on their seat belts, safety first of course. With all the excitement they forgot about Mr. Nibbles!

They didn't put his seatbelt on. Like a crash test dummy, Mr. Nibbles flew out of the car! Yes, it's true Cousin Dominique's Guinea Pig flew out the car. He got stuck in the car's wheel and she started crying, and that is the end of this story.

Mr. Nibbles was still alive, but their sister is still mad at them because her Mr. Nibbles was a few moments from death and then died within a week.

Poor Mr. Nibbles, he will be missed. This goes to show you, that our pets are not our toys. We need to protect them, since they are our own responsibility to care for and to protect. ❖

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monkey, red monkey blue monkey, steal the bacon with a twist, hockey, bowling and more. Each activity involved teamwork and critical thinking

which, made the games fun.

We were also able to work on Light Bulbs to share on paper what our after school program is all about and what

we love about RAP. Now we wait to see what next year's Lights On brings. ❖

The Endeavor

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Manabat, you should go see it at the California Science Center. We were lucky enough to

attend the California Science Center with RAP to see the Endeavour and let me tell you,

it was AMAZING! Great Experience! ❖

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A Jam Session with Mr. Jerome

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Roosevelt Times: How does this year's Rock Band compare from last year's Rock Band?

Mr. Jerome: It is different but I can see the difference in both years' kids. Some of the kids that played with us in last year's Rock Band are playing this year so this year's Rock Band picked up some of the same characteristics as those of the kids from last year. But I like to see all of the kids performing from this year and last year.



Roosevelt Times: Are you going to play any new songs?

Mr. Jerome: Yes, they will end up playing a lot of new songs this year. There are always those songs that they may not want to play or hear or that I don't want to hear, but if it's what the crowd wants to hear, then they will play what the audience wants to hear to make the audience happy.

So every year they learn their own set of new songs and then, in some sort of way end up learning last year's songs and making their own list of songs we perform.

Roosevelt Times: Are you going to receive new equipment?

Mr. Jerome: Well hopefully we can receive some but if not I am already very happy with what we have. Miss. Maggie has worked very hard to get us equipment and we just make sure that we keep the equipment from breaking. But the things we have are just super awesome for the moment!



Sounds like the FDR Rock Band is getting ready for another year of touring, with some new and old places they will be visiting.

They spent the fall of 2012 doing a lot of practicing. With all those hours practicing, you can expect great performances whenever you hear the Rock Band this year. ❖

PressFriends win national contest

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Roosevelt Times: What do you plan to use the money for?

Luke: We are holding a workshop at USC, and all of you are invited. It is on February 9, and you'll get a tour of the campus and meet USC football player Marcus Martin, who went to Roosevelt Elementary, some ABC7 Cool Kids and other speakers.

Roosevelt Times: Where did the contest take place?

Luke: We put in an application on the Internet.

Roosevelt Times: Did you prepare for the contest?

Luke: No, we just filled out a simple form

Roosevelt Times: How did you all feel when you heard that you won the contest?

Luke: Very happy and proud of our hard work.



Marcus Martin with the Roosevelt Times at USC

This is amazing that the Press Friends Mentors that help us, won a contest and get to use it on other people like us.

Maybe when we grow up, we all could be like our mentors. ❖

RAP Roundup

By Maggie Guillen, RAP Program Supervisor



We are back! I cannot believe it is our 5th Volume of *Roosevelt Times*. This is definitely something to celebrate!

What is going on in RAP?

RAP has incorporated some new concepts this year. We continue to support students academically by introducing activities like Creative Writing twice a week and Math Matters twice a week. This is a great way to write about fun things going on in each student's lives and in our community. Math Matters is all about fun, simple and engaging math games. Aside from this, we continue with our Lesson Planning however, this year we are focusing on

STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering & Mathematics). This is a fun way to introduce fun concepts into our Lesson Plans as well as building those great skills students need to gain for their future lives. On the Health side we also incorporated this year more SPARK (Physical Fitness) activities and Harvest of the Month (HOM). A fun way to learn how to stay healthy and fit.

We still provide our one hour of homework assistance and clubs. Yes, our schedule is full but with a lot of fun! Kinder—5th grade enjoy all of these activities and we are happy to have all of this for them in our after school program.

Vacation Time

RAP is not open this Winter Break or Spring Break. But we will be open for Summer! Look for the applications and more information about Summer RAP in February 2013. We are starting planning early this year.

Roosevelt Times

Thank you to all of you for taking the time to read our student's articles. Just a reminder to all of you, if you are interested in submitting an article for the Roosevelt Times please bring it by the RAP office after school. ❖

Sincerely,
Ms. Maggie

Service Learning Project: Corazon de Vida



This year our students in RAP were invited to participate in a Service Learning Project called Corazon de Vida. For the month of November we collected items like toilet paper, shampoo, conditioner, socks, diapers, wipes, toothbrushes, toothpaste, underwear, hair accessories, hand soap, and dish detergent. All of these items that students

donate will be taken to an orphanage in Baja, Mexico.

Our students have learned about the children in these orphanages and how they are in need of these items and much more. We decided to be part of this movement and give back to other children in need.

The month of November was a month to give Thanks. We decided in RAP to give

Thanks by giving back and this is how we gave back.

This is a project where children give to other children. I am proud of all of our students for being committed to giving back and being part of this project.

I am sure the children in the orphanages are thankful for all of the items given to them by RAP. ❖

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