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BOYS & GIRLS CLUB

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BGC at Fox Studios

The reporters from *Harbor Times* joined six other PressFriends newspapers at Fox Studios to see a screening of "Star Wars Phantom Menace 3D." We interviewed the reporters from other elementary student newspapers to find out what they thought about the movie's change from 2D to 3D.

Bradley, a reporter with the *7th Street Sailor*, said, "The movie was cool, because of the special effects. My favorite part was when Qui-Gon Jinn died, and my favorite character is Yoda."

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The Making of a 3D Movie

The *Harbor Times* interviewed Dorne Huebler of Industrial Light & Magic, who worked on "Stars Wars Phantom Menace 3D."

Harbor Times: How long did it take to make Star Wars Phantom Menace into a 3D movie?
Huebler: It started in 2010, ended in 2011- a little over one year

Harbor Times: How many people worked on making it a 3D movie?
Huebler: Too many to count...

Harbor Times: What were your favorite 3D effects in the movie?
Huebler: I love seeing the Pod Race in 3D! It was also really fun to see Watto come to life in 3D too. I felt that was the way he was always meant to be seen!

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Hello from PressFriends

Hi everyone,

We're so glad to be working with you on *Harbor Times*. Congratulations to all the reporters who worked on this issue!

Next time PressFriends has a workshop for *Harbor Times,* be sure to join us. PressFriends is open to all fourth and fifth graders. You'll work with our middle and high school mentors. PressFriends is run by kids for kids, so you can become a mentor too when you are in middle school.

To make writing fun, we also do a lot of fun activities.

Star Wars 3D

In January this year, we went to Fox Studios for a pre-release screening of *Star Wars Phantom Menace in 3D,* hosted by Twentieth Century Fox. The newspaper club when with five other schools in the PressFriends program. We interviewed kids from other schools.

Diary of a Wimpy Kid Dog Days

In May, we are going to a pre-release screening of Diary of a Wimpy Kid Dog Days, which will be out in the theaters on August 3. We will be going to Fox Studios to see the movie. We will also get to interview some of the kids actors from the movie.

PressFriends Third Annual Conference at Knott's

In May we will also be going to Knott's Berry Farm for PressFriends Third Annual Conference for Elementary Student Newspapers. Kids from the other PressFriends programs will be there too.

PressFriends has a lot of really fun activities, and you get to see your name in print, so be sure to sign up!

PressFriends

Rock da Runway

Barbara Boyd is producing the Boys & Girls Club's second fashion show "Rock Da Runway," for the boys and girls. The program aims to build up girls', and even boys', self-confidence and inspire others in the world of fashion.

Barbara is a beautiful person who teaches many things to her students. Barbara works at the Boys and Girls Club Teen Center. Her modeling classes are from 5:00p.m~6:00p.m. every Thursday.

The modeling practices will take place in either the Teen Center or in the Children's side of the Boys & Girls Club. All you have to do is check in with Barbara daily. You can even ask her to practice modeling with you when she is free.

Barbara is a very important staff member to the kids in her class. These days she attends school, so it has become harder for her to keep up the modeling classes. She really tries her best. Her program is going to be 12 exciting weeks of learning the basics of modeling.

Barbara will be organizing fundraisers and providing clothes that have been donated by clothing companies. Barbara Boyd is a very important role model and she hopes you will consider joining! .

by Candace N.

Ruby's Diner

Have you ever heard of the family friendly diner Ruby's? At Ruby's, they serve many delicious dishes such as hamburgers, hotdogs, macaroni and cheese, chicken fingers, fries, fruit bowls, milkshakes, salads, chowder chili, and much more.

A favorite dish is the Buffalo wings. The wings can be ordered as an appetizer.

The price range is around twenty to fifty dollars per person. This restaurant is located on 1 Main Street, Huntington Beach, California. If you would like to call to order, the number is 714-969-7829.

If you need help locating it, just remember, it's the restaurant with lots of red!

by Jennifer M

There also are other Ruby's close by.

In Palos Verdes, at 550 Deep Valley Drive, Rolling Hills Estates, CA 90274, 310.544.7829. In Redondo Beach, at 245 N. Harbor Drive, Redondo Beach, CA 90277, (310) 376-7829. In Long Beach, at 6405 E. Pacific Coast Highway, Long Beach, CA 90803, (562) 596-1914.

Ode to Ice Cream

Thee are all different flavors of ice cream, and different types of ice cream all around the world, like gelato.

Gelato can be most heard of and found in Rome, Italy. Gelato is made with milk, many varieties of sugar, and artificial flavoring, like fruit and nut purées.

Another type of delicious ice cream is sorbet. Sorbet is mostly made of sweetened water, and its flavor comes from any fruit juice puree or other flavors.

Another type of dessert is frozen yoghurt. Frozen Yoghurt is a frozen dessert containing yogurt and other products. Yoghurt is a dairy produce, like milk. Frozen yoghurt is a little tarter than ice cream, but very delicious.

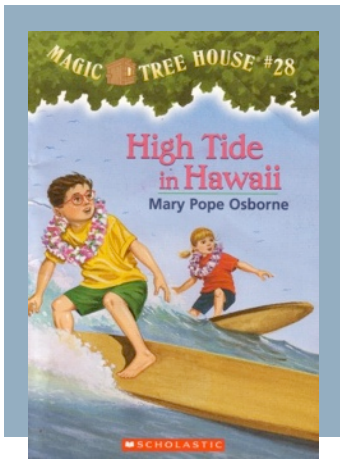
by Caitlyn C.

100 Greatest Kid Books

Scholastic Parent & Child magazine listed the top 100 "Greatest Books for Kids:"

1. Charlotte's Web by E.B. White
2. Goodnight Moon by Margaret Wise Brown
3. A Wrinkle in Time by Madeleine L'Engle
4. The Snowy Day by Ezra Jacks Keats
5. Where the Wild Things Are by Maurice Sendak
6. Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone by J.K. Rowling
7. Green Eggs and Ham by Dr. Seuss
8. The Diary of a Young Girl by Anne Frank
9. The Giving Tree by Shel Silverstein
10. Frog and Toad Are Friends by Arnold Lobel
11. Anne of Green Gables by L.M. Montgomery
12. The Very Hungry Caterpillar by Eric Carle
13. Madeline by Ludwig Bemelmans
14. The Wind in the Willows by Kenneth Grahame
15. The Dot by Peter H. Reynolds
16. Tuck Everlasting by Natalie Babbitt
17. Pat the Bunny by Dorothy Kunhardt
18. When Marian Sang by Pam Munoz Ryan
19. Knuffle Bunny: A Cautionary Tale by Mo Willems
20. Where the Sidewalk Ends by Shel Silverstein
21. Bud, Not Buddy by Christopher Paul Curtis
22. Corduroy by Don Freeman
23. The Phantom Tollbooth by Norton Juster
24. The Little Engine That Could by Watty Piper
25. The Giver by Lois Lowry
26. Where the Mountain Meets the Moon by Grace Lin
27. Black on White by Tana Hoban
28. Don't Let the Pigeon Drive the Bus! by Mo Willems
29. Are You There God? It's Me, Margaret. by Judy Blume
30. My Rotten Redheaded Older Brother by Patricia Polacco
31. The Mitten by Jan Brett
32. The Runaway Bunny by Margaret Wise Brown
33. The Hunger Games by Suzanne Collins
34. Swimmy by Leo Lionni
35. Freight Train by Donald Crews
36. The Secret Garden by Frances Hodgson Burnett
37. The Little Mouse, the Red Ripe Strawberry, and the Big Hungry Bear by Don & Audrey Wood
38. Diary of a Wimpy Kid by Jeff Kinney
39. Zen Shorts by John J. Muth
40. Moo, Baa, La La La! by Sandra Boynton
41. Matilda by Roald Dahl
42. What Do People Do All Day? by Richard Scarry
43. The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe by C.S. Lewis
44. Good Night, Gorilla by Peggy Rathmann
45. The Composition by Antonio Skarmeta
46. Not a Box by Antoinette Portis
47. Brown Bear, Brown Bear, What Do You See? by Bill Martin Jr. and Eric Carle
48. Hatchet by Gary Paulsen
49. Martin's Big Words by Doreen Rappaport
50. Sarah, Plain and Tall by Patricia MacLachlan
51. Sylvia Long's Mother Goose by Sylvia Long
52. The Lightning Thief by Rick Riordan
53. The House at Pooh Corner by A.A. Milne
54. Through My Eyes by Ruby Bridges
55. Smile! by Roberta Grobel Intrater
56. Living Sunlight by Molly Bang & Penny Chisholm
57. 5The Bad Beginning by Lemony Snicket
58. Harvesting Hope: The Story of Cesar Chavez by Kathleen Krull
59. Dear Juno by Soyung Pak
60. Head, Shoulders, Knees, and Toes… by Annie Kubler
61. The Lion and the Mouse by Jerry Pinkney
62. Diary of a Worm by Doreen Cronin
63. The Invention of Hugo Cabret by Brian Selznick
64. My Truck Is Stuck! by Kevin Lewis
65. Birds by Kevin Henkes
66. The Maze of Bones by Rick Riordan
67. Esperanza Rising by Pam Munoz Ryan
68. Counting Kisses: A Kiss & Read Book by Karen Katz
69. The Magic School Bus at the Waterworks by Joanna Cole
70. Blackout by John Rocco
71. Bridge to Terabithia by Katherine Paterson
72. Are You My Mother? by P.D. Eastman
73. Tea With Milk by Allen Say
74. Owl Moon by Jane Yolen
75. Holes by Louis Sachar
76. Peek-a Who? by Nina Laden
77. Hi! Fly Guy by Tedd Arnold
78. Mrs. Frisby and the Rats of NIMH by Robert C. O'Brien
79. Llama Llama Red Pajama by Anna Dewdney
80. What Do You Do With a Tail Like This? by Steve Jenkins & Robin Page
81. Lincoln: A Photobiography by Russell Freedman
82. Ivy + Bean by Annie Barrows
83. Yoko by Rosemary Wells
84. No No Yes Yes by Leslie Patricelli
85. Tales of a Fourth Grade Nothing by Judy Blume
86. Interrupting Chicken by David Ezra Stein
87. Rules by Cynthia Lord
88. Grumpy Bird by Jeremy Tankard
89. An Egg Is Quiet by Dianna Hutts Aston
90. Puss in Boots by Charles Perrault
91. Team Moon: How 400,000 People Landed Apollo 11 on the Moon by Catherine Thimmesh
92. What Shall We Do With the Boo Hoo Baby? by Cressida Cowell
93. We the Kids: The Preamble to the Constitution of the United States by David Catrow
94. I Took the Moon for a Walk by Carolyn Curtis
95. A Single Shard by Linda Sue Park
96. Gossie by Olivier Dunrea
97. The Adventures of Captain Underpants by Dav Pilkey
98. First Words by Roger Priddy
99. Joyful Noise: Poems for Two Voices by Paul Fleischman
100. Animalia by Graeme Base

Book Review: High Tide in Hawaii



The book *High Tide in Hawaii*, by Mary Pope Osborne, is a part of the Magic Tree House series.

In this book the main characters are Jack and Annie. Annie is seven years old and Jack is nine years old.

Jack and Annie are siblings. They go on adventures where they have to solve mysteries .They have to find a ship that rides waves, and they have to find something that is sticky. In this book they are in Hawaii.

A good character in this book is Annie because she is funny, smart, and happy. The book is fun to read because it is interesting and exciting. The book is also great because it is magical and it is a suspenseful, life or death book.

This book is recommended for elementary children, both boys and girls.

Finally, *High Tide in Hawaii* is awesome because there is a lot of action.

by Jasmin M.

Book Review: Unfortunate Events

A *Series of Unfortunate Events* is a great series written by Lemony Snicket. This series is about three very unfortunate kids: Sunny, Klaus, and Violet Baudelaire.

The parents of these very unfortunate kids die in a fire. After their parents die, they are taken to their new guardian Count Olaf. They end up leaving his house, but that isn't the last of him. He follows them everywhere they go, and brings them more misery.

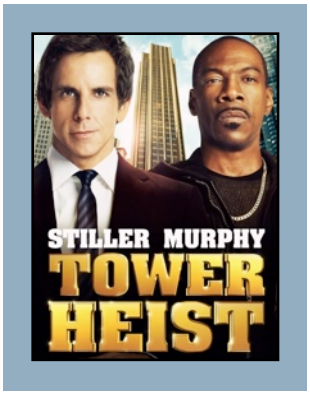
The kids travel from mountains to carnivals, but eventually run out of places to live.

The best character is Sunny because as the series goes on she really grows up. She also really helps her brother and sister defeat obstacles along the way.

This is a really good series because every book contains some sort of adventure for the kids to experience. The book appeals to boys and girls of all ages because of its interesting story line and unique situations.

by Jennifer M

Movie Review: Tower Heist



Tower heist is a fun movie that is good to see with your family. It takes place in the one of the tallest towers in New York City.

This is a good movie to see, and if you see it in the theater, be sure to get the popcorn and candy

The movie Tower heist is mainly about business that is firing its workers because the boss does not have enough money to pay the workers. Josh (played by Ben Stiller) gets together with a highly trained thief (Eddie Murphy) and some other boys to try to get some of the money back.

The movie is exciting and will keep you on the edge of your seats! The movie is rated PG-13.

by Janai B.

Big Bear

Here are some facts about the best traveling spots. Big Bear is a good place to travel for the whole family! For six family members, the price is three hundred dollars.

A good time to go is in March. The weather is extremely cold and it snows!

A good place to stay would be in a warm cabin near all of the trees and nature.

An amazing place to eat would be on Big Bear's deck where they have nice restaurants and activities.

by Celeste B.

Summer Vacation Word Search

BEACH
DISNEYLAND
FUN
HIKE
KNOTTS
PICNIC
PLAY
RELAX
SAND
SEAWORLD
SLEEP
SUN
SWIM
SWING
WATERMELON

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Interviews

Let's Hear it For Wendy

Wilmington News: What do you like about art?
Wendy: I saw a Picasso art project and I started to like art.

Wilmington News: What is your favorite part of art?
Wendy: My favorite part about art is that I like to paint, draw, use oil pastels, crayons, and water colors.

Wilmington News: Do you think you can finish your career of art?
Wendy: Yes I think I would finish my career of art.

Wilmington News: what would you create for people to be surprised?
Wendy: I will create art that expresses my feelings.

by Aurora V.

Let's Hear it For Jordan

Wilmington News: What is your favorite subject is school?
Jordan: My favorite subject in school is art.

Wilmington News: What kind of art do you like?
Jordan: I like sculpting.

Wilmington News: When did you started to like about art?
Jordan: I started to like art when I was in Pre-school.

Wilmington News: What did you always want to have as a little kid?
Jordan: I always wanted to have my own theme park/ water park.

Wilmington News: What do want to be when you grow up?
Jordan: I want to be a theme park designer..

by Aurora V.

Let's Hear it For America

Wilmington News: What is your favorite subject in school?
America: I like to do math.

Wilmington News: Why do you like math?
America: Because it's easy.

Wilmington News: When did you start to like art?
America: I started to like art when I was in Kindergarten.

Wilmington News: What do want to be when you grow up?
America: I want to be a teacher.

by Aurora V.

Let's Hear it For Ayana

Wilmington News: What would you say if you were president?
Ayana: I would say work hard, listen to grow ups, and work really hard.

Wilmington News: What is your favorite subject in school?
Ayana: My favorite subject is reading.

Wilmington New: Why do you like reading?
Ayana: Because it's fun.

Wilmington News: What do want to be when you grow up?
Ayana: I want to be a doctor.

by Aurora V.

Star Wars 3D

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Brittany, a *7th Street Sailor* reporter, said, "I liked the movie and the 3D effects."

LA's BEST Times reporter Francisco, from 135th Street Elementary said, "I liked the movie because it was in 3D. I saw my favorite characters like Master Yoda, Darth Maul, and little Anakin."

Felix, a reporter from *Everything Twain* in Lawndale, said, "I didn't think the movie was scary at all. I liked the 3D effects in the movie."

Dhruv, a *Peacock Press* reporter said, "The 3D effects were interesting, and I thought the movie was good."

Sarah from the *Peacock Press* said that "Star Wars in 3D is a blast. The special effects were cool, and I liked the movie because it was extraordinary."

Everything Twain reporter Eunice from Twain Elementary in Lawndale said her favorite character was Obi Wan Kenobe, and that she liked the movie because it was "a blast, literally." She thought the movie was awesome.

Kevin from 135th Street Elementary liked the movie, and his favorite character was the queen. He thought that Anakin Skywalker was going to turn evil, but didn't think the movie was scary.

Thanks Lucasfilm and Fox for such a fun day!

by Harbor Times reporters

Industrial Light & Magic

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Harbor Times: What type of technology did you use to make the movie into 3D?
Huebler: When you see a movie in 3D, you are actually seeing two images at once for each frame of the film - one for each eye. They are slightly offset from each other, but when seen together at the same time, it creates the 3D effect. It was a lot of work, but using computer rendering and painting software (and lots of talent), digital artists did this for every shot in the entire movie.

Harbor Times: What kind of changes did you make to the force field to make it 3D?
Huebler: The force fields are examples of the hardest things to pull off in 3D because they are semi-transparent. You need to be able to see through them but know that they are at the right depth in the scene.

Other than that, we tried not to change the look or design from the original movie.

Harbor Times: What was the hardest scene to make 3D?
Huebler: Like the force fields, anything that was partly transparent posed huge challenges.

Examples would be the windshield in front of Anakin in the Pod Race, any hologram shot, or the blur of Wattos' wings.

Another challenge was making sure every little wisp of hair was at the right depth so it didn't look like the hair was floating way behind the person it should be attached to.

Harbor Times: What part of the movie was fun to make 3D?
Huebler: I really enjoyed seeing the whole battle sequence come to life in 3D! You had a little bit of everything in those shots - cutting between Darth Maul fighting with Obi Wan and Qui Gon, ship to ship space battles, and Gungans fighting the droids on the ground.

Harbor Times: What was your least favorite part of making the movie into 3D?
Huebler: Once we got started, we knew that finishing the 3D process was going to be a lot of work—and we wanted to make sure that the film would look great.

Sometimes it took a lot of patience, especially when you just wanted to be done so you could sit back and enjoy watching the final 3D film in the theater.

Harbor Times: Was everything in the original movie made 3D?
Huebler: The whole movie was made into 3D but this is the first time people will be seeing Yoda in 3D on the big screen.

Harbor Times: How long have you been making 3D movies?
Huebler: I've only gotten involved in 3D movies in the last few years. With 2200 shots, this project is definitely the biggest one I've worked on!

Thanks, Mr. Huebler, giving us a look at the making of Star Wars 3D!

by Harbor Times reporters