



Saint Michael School Recognizes Teachers of the Year

An Exclusive Interview with Mrs. Dickey

By Samantha Curley

Mrs. Dickey, one of our school's Kindergarten teachers, has been nominated for teacher of the year! I had the opportunity to sit down and ask her some questions, so everyone can get to know her a little better.

Mrs. Dickey has wanted to be a teacher since she was in the first grade, but one person especially inspired her. One of her teachers in high school was very understanding. He gave extra help for college subjects and was always there for everyone. He was an inspiration to many students. She was motivated to be that kind of teacher. Her favorite part of being a teacher is seeing the delight on her students' faces at their accomplishments. She talked passionately about teaching and seeing her students' eyes light up at newfound knowledge.

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Interview with Señora Reardon

By: Jillian Masse and Ashley Hall

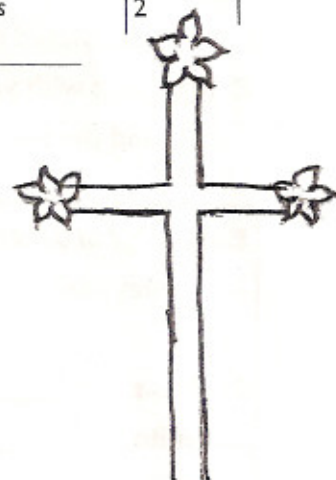
Señora Reardon, our school's Spanish teacher, has been nominated for the EAA Teacher of the year. We had the opportunity to talk to her and ask her some questions about her nomination. We would like to share what she said with you all.

First off, when she found out about her nomination, she couldn't believe it. She described her reaction as being flabbergasted. She had never expected anything like this to happen to her. She hopes that her nomination was based on her fellow teachers seeing her teach and see the variety of ways she helps her students. Señora Reardon is very proud of her students here. She said that her classes have progressed so much in the short time she has been here. She sees many of her students learning, understanding, and demonstrating much more Spanish than when she started here.

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People Blind

Chapter 2: Problems and Solutions

An original story by Jacob Desruisseaux

Dr. Bejee tells Eathan the news, he has a disease in which he can no longer see people. He takes it calmly. Dr. Bejee tells Mrs. Machand to visit Mr. Salvatonry to get medicine. Mr. Salvatonry gets out a list.

"Mrs. Machand, I only have one solution for ambrygalarioglyaiu."

"What is it, doc?"

"Everyone must make a noise so Eathan knows where they are."

Mrs. Machand calls the school recep-

tionist and tells her the news.

"Mrs. Panolo, Eathan will not be in today. Also, tell Mr. Ayscalan that everyone needs to click."

"What!"

"Oh, Mr. Salvatonry didn't call yet?"

"No, he didn't."

Just then Mrs. Panolo gets a call on the other line.

"Oh Mrs. Machand, I need to go."

Mrs. Panolo starts her other call.

"May I ask who is calling?"

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Spring Haiku

By: Jacob Desruisseaux

Easter and Springtime
 Fun and holy happenings
 During this season.

Spring Poem

By: Sonny Puleo

Spring is mild or humid days
 Spent near ocean bays.
 Do not spend spring watching television
 Go outside, you will get a good vision.
 If you get bored
 you should read a good book,
 Or hang out with your friends
 and the fun never ends.

**Easter Word Scramble**

By: Ashley Hall

1. rEesat _____
2. uynBn _____
3. eoLv _____
4. yFlaim _____
5. gsEg _____
6. eCthaolco _____
7. tBesak _____
8. srweFol _____
9. cskhCi _____
10. espPe _____
11. eRsni dorL _____
12. llaiuAle _____

A Movie Review: The Lorax

By Philip Facendola

The Lorax is a movie for the family. It is a funny movie based on a children's book by Dr. Suess. A young boy likes a girl who loves all the beauty in nature. For some reason there are no trees. The boy ventures to a magical place in search of trees. There he meets the Lorax, an orange creature who is king of all the trees.

Why have all the trees gone away? Will the Lorax help bring the trees back? You will need to see this movie to find out these answers. This movie was so funny. But there is also a special message about pollution and nature conservation. Every minute you will be laughing.

The characters are colorful and unusual, a trademark of the original writer, Dr. Suess. In one part of the movie they find a bear in the fridge eating butter. I give it 4 stars. This is a movie you do not want to miss.

Jellybean Prayer

By: Jillian Masse

Red is for the blood He gave,
 Green is for the grass He made,
 Yellow is for the sun so bright,
 Orange is for the edge of night,
 Black is for the sins we made,
 White is for the grace He gave,
 Purple is for His hour of sorrow,
 Pink is for a new tomorrow.
 A handful of jellybeans, colorful and sweet,
 is a prayer,
 a promise,
 and a special treat!

A Rabbit's Easter Story

By: Sonny Puleo

There once was a rabbit that lived in the forests of America. The rabbit had a dream. His dream was to find the biggest carrot and eat it. The rabbit's friends thought he was being selfish when he spoke on keeping that special carrot all to himself so they didn't talk to him. The rabbit did not seem to care. He thought they were over reacting. If he found the biggest carrot, he thought he deserved what he got.

One day, the rabbit was out for a hop and he ran into a hunter. He almost did not survive. He quickly leaped into a bush. In the bush, he amazing found the biggest carrot. He was so tempted to begin chomping on it! Would the noise of him eating give away his hiding spot? Would he become the main ingredient of the hunter's evening meal? If only his friends were there to help him. Then he really thought and even though he was starving, the rabbit remained very quiet until the hunter walked away.

The rabbit went home and shared that gigantic carrot with his friends. Believe it or not, the rabbit's friends actually started talking to him again. And the rabbit quietly learned just how important his friends really were.

From p. 1 Interview with Mrs. Dickey

Mrs. Dickey has been teaching nineteen years in the Archdiocese of Boston. She taught at Ste. Jeanne d'Arc for fifteen years, and has been here at St. Michael's for four years. She has always taught kindergarten. She loves teaching to them because they are enthusiastic, and excited to learn. She loves being able to build upon their knowledge as well. She told me about a typical day in kindergarten. They begin the day with religion, math, and phonics. Next, they work on handwriting and read a couple of stories. Then come crafts and creative writing about the stories they have read. They decorate the classroom, do jobs, and celebrate holidays like the hundredth day of school and Dr. Seuss's birthday. Kindergarteners learn about their days of the week and love to paint. They also have the specials: art, music, gym, and computer. They have a busy day!

When she found out about her nomination, she felt honored, surprised, touched, and shocked. She finds out if she has won on April 26th at a Lenzi's dinner at six, and anyone who would like to go and support her is welcome.

If you see Mrs. Dickey in the hall, be sure to congratulate her on her nomination!

Top 20 Things to do Over Vacation

By: Samantha Curley and Jillian Masse

20. Work on a school project.
19. Learn about/ research a new topic.
18. Go Green to celebrate Earth Day (4/22)
17. Go to a museum.
16. Visit a new place.
15. Surprise your family by cooking a meal for them.
14. See a play.
13. Read a book.
12. Do a craft.
11. Enjoy the great weather!
10. Have a picnic.
9. Go to the park.
8. Play sports for fun.
7. Go shopping.
6. Go to the movies.
5. Stay up late.
4. Go to Church.
3. Get together with friends.
2. Spend time with family.
1. Sleep late!!

People Blind Cont. from p.1

"This is Mr. Salvatorny. I am calling with news of Eathan Machand's disease. Please tell everyone to click."

"Sure, if you think this will help Eathan know where people are."

Mrs. Panolo calls in Mrs. Zajado, the school principal.

" Mrs. Zajado, please tell this announcement to the school."

" Sure, Mrs. Panolo."

Mrs. Zajado tells the announcement to the school. Eathan comes in the next day.

Stay tuned for chapter 3 of "People Blind: School and Fights" in the next issue of the Saint Michael Archangel Times.

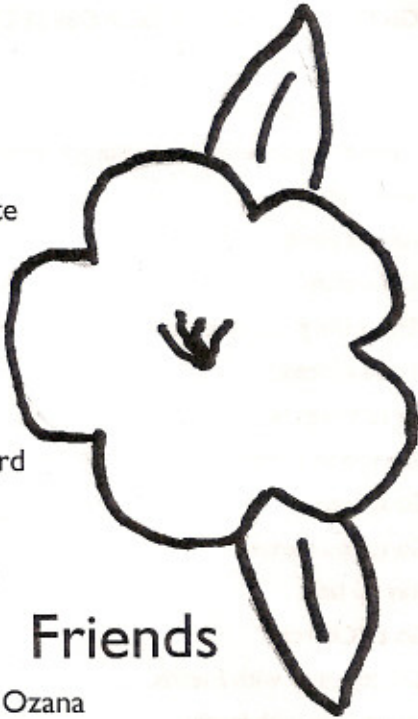
Corn Dog Recipe

By: Andrew Spanos

Easter Word Scramble Answers

By: Ashley Hall

1. Easter
2. Bunny
3. Love
4. Family
5. Eggs
6. Chocolate
7. Basket
8. Flowers
9. Chicks
10. Peeps
11. Risen Lord
12. Alleluia

**Friends**

By: Shauna Ozana

Friends

Best, silly

Talking, laughing, texting

Together forever

Amigos

Ingredients

- 1 cup of yellow cornmeal
- 1 cup all-purpose flour
- 1/4 teaspoon of salt
- 1/8 teaspoon of black pepper
- 1/4 cup of white sugar
- 4 teaspoons of baking powder
- 1 egg
- 1 cup of milk
- 1 quart of vegetable oil
- 2 packages of hot dogs
- 16 skewers

Cooking on the stove may need adult supervision

Directions

1. In a medium bowl, combine cornmeal, flour, salt, pepper, sugar, and baking powder, stir in eggs and milk
2. Preheat oil in a deep saucepan over medium heat.
3. Insert skewers into the hot dog then roll in batter.
4. Fry 2-3 corndogs at a time for 3 minutes
5. Drain off extra grease on paper towel
6. Serve with your favorite dip or eat them plain!

cont. from p.1 **Senora Reardon**

She says that her students are very receptive and respectful, and she enjoys teaching them.

In order for you to know more about Señora Reardon's teaching, we asked her some additional questions about her life and how she came to learn Spanish. It turns out that she took Spanish class in school starting in fourth grade. Then when she was seventeen, she went to live with her grandfather in Costa Rica. Being immersed in this culture really helped her increase her fluency of Spanish. We also learned that all of her jobs have involved Spanish. Before she became a teacher, she was involved in International Education Administration. She had that job for twelve years. Then Señora Reardon became a teacher and has been teaching Spanish ever since.

Señora Reardon wanted us to share this advice with her students. She encourages all of her students to have curiosity and travel! She encourages anyone to explore other cultures and increase your knowledge. She also expresses her belief that living in a Spanish-speaking country can only be beneficial when learning Spanish. Now that you know a little bit more about Señora Reardon, you can see why the other teachers nominated her. We all wish you good luck, Señora Reardon! We are all rooting for you!

Science Fair Winners

Overall

Josef Juscak- Will switching to solar power save a homeowner money?

Maggie Barros- What really makes cookies burn?

Sawyer D'Amato and Hannah Hession- Can subliminal messages alter simple decision-making?

7th Grade

Stephanie Torres- Who has better reaction times?

Mikayla George and Katherine Daskiewicz- Are humans more afraid of a known fear or an unknown fear?

Bridget Porter- Which material biodegrades the fastest?

8th Grade

Jillian Masse and Walter McKenna- What is the fastest way to get rid of a brain freeze?

Samantha Curley- How well can someone determine whether a smile is genuine or fake?

Madison Lamarre- Does music affect plant growth?

Easter Bunny

Color by Number

By: Shauna and Marlaina

- 1 Pink
- 2 Brown
- 3 White
- 4 Green



Science Fair 2012

Questions with Ms. Daley

by: Jacob Desruisseaux

I had interviewed Ms. Daley about the science fair.

Who were the judges?

There was one professor from UMASS Lowell. There were several grad students who work with him as well.

How long have you been doing science fairs?

I have been doing them for three years, all at Saint Michael School.

Did you have a favorite project?

No, but I found out many interesting facts from viewing the interesting projects this year.

What is the hardest part of the science fair?

The hardest part is the conferencing with every student.

What is the easiest part of the science fair?

The easiest part is the science fair itself. Once it is set up, I am just a spectator.

Do you start preparing before January?

Yes, I start preparing during Christmas vacation.

What is your favorite part of the science fair?

My favorite part is the day of the fair.

Did the science fair go as well as you planned this year?

Yes, it went better than planned.

How were the projects scored?

There was a grade for the poster board, presentation, and the lab report. The lab report was worth the most points.

Do you think any other projects should have gotten an award?

Yes, many more could have placed. So many of the projects were fantastic. Luckily, I don't get to decide. I leave that to the judges.

How do you choose what goes on the front of the science fair guide?

I try to pick an idea from each grade or very interesting ones.

How did you come up with the Project Guide?

I came up with it from my English skills and a website I found from another teacher.

Thank you, Ms. Daley for all your planning and preparing. This was a very successful Science Fair!



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Spring Word Search: by Cameron Ozana

- 1. Spring 4. Birds 7. Easter Bunny 10. Basket
- 2. Easter 5. Butterflies 8. Jesus
- 3. Flower 6. Life 9. Resurrection

SPACE

By: Nathan Houde, Sean Doughty and Christian Cormier.



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To Be Continued..