



# THE LINKS SCOOP

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## We've Got Spirit, Yes, We Do!

By Sophia Acosta

Spirit week is a week for students and staff to show off their school spirit. Learning Links School has celebrated spirit week for 10 years. Spirit week was supposed to be March 16<sup>th</sup>-20<sup>th</sup>. Schools closed starting on Monday, March 16<sup>th</sup> because of the coronavirus which meant Spirit Week at school was cancelled. We celebrated a virtual spirit week from April 6<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup>. On Monday, April 6<sup>th</sup> was Pajama Day. On Tuesday, April 7<sup>th</sup> was Superhero Day. On Wednesday, April 8<sup>th</sup> was Christmas in April. On Thursday, April 9<sup>th</sup> was Dress to Impress. On Fun Friday, April 10<sup>th</sup> was Disney Day. Usually, royal court winners are crowned on Friday during spirit week. However, because schools were closed the winners were crowned on Monday, April 20<sup>th</sup>. Mrs. Olga, Mrs. Yarisa, Mrs. Stephanie, and Mrs. Ari surprised all the winners by going to their houses to crown them. Congratulations to all the winners!



### Royal Crown Winners:

#### Primary

Lord Leandro Mendez



Lady Stephanie Lopez



#### Intermediate

Duke Alexander Rodriguez



Duchess Briella Navarrete



#### STRIDE

Prince Kevin Deive



Princess Sophia Acosta



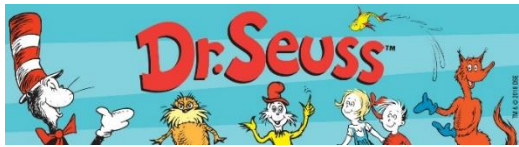
#### PACE

King Christopher Fernandez



Queen Daniela Puig





# Happy Birthday, Dr. Seuss

By Isabela Arellano

Dr. Seuss is a famous author who writes children’s books like “Horton Hears a Who,” “The Cat in the Hat,” “The Sneetches,” “One Fish, Two Fish, Red Fish, Blue Fish,” “Fox in Socks,” and “Green Eggs and Ham.” We celebrated Dr. Seuss’s on March 2<sup>nd</sup>. Elementary students dressed up as Dr. Seuss characters. I interviewed Ms. Rachel, one of the primary teachers, who dressed up as a thing. Her favorite Dr. Seuss character is Horton and her favorite Dr. Seuss book is “Fox in Socks.” During that week, the book fair was open for students to buy books. As Dr. Seuss says, “The more you read, the more things you will know. The more you learn, the more places you will go.”

# Keep Calm and Shamrock On

By Orlando Llera

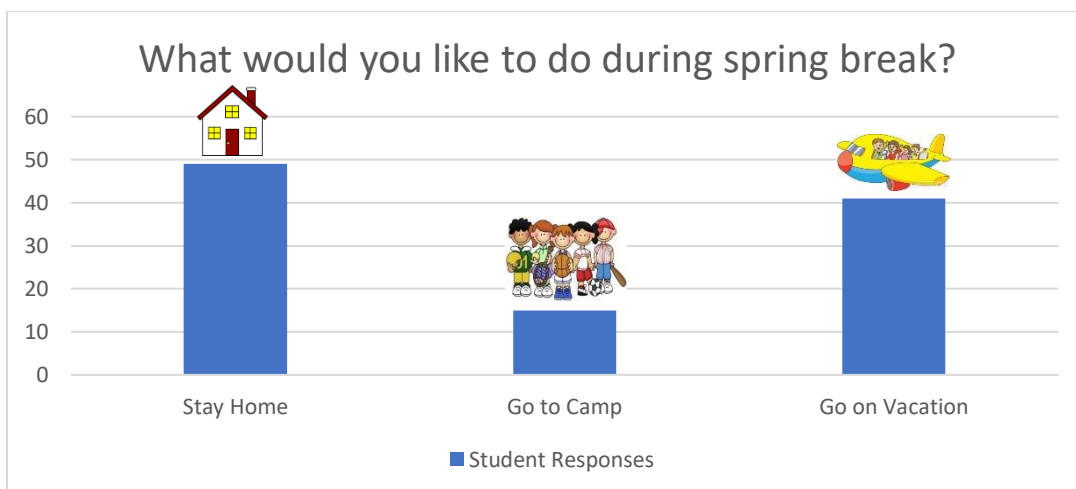


St. Patrick’s Day is an Irish holiday that is celebrated around the world on March 17<sup>th</sup>. It observes the death of St. Patrick. St. Patrick is a patron saint, who started teaching others about Christianity in Ireland during the fifth century and converted many to the religion. Blue was originally associated with St. Patrick’s Day in a time when it was ruled by Britain. The color changed to green in the 18<sup>th</sup> century when the Irish rebellion began and the shamrock became a national symbol. The shamrock, which is a three-leaved plant, is a symbol of the Holy Trinity. Wearing green is supposed to make you invisible to leprechauns, which like to pinch anyone they can see. Leprechauns are known to find gold coins beneath the Earth and keep them safe in a pot of gold at the end of the rainbow. You should not wear orange on St. Patrick’s day because it is the color of Protestants. Many Irish-Americans celebrate by eating corned beef and cabbage.

# Stay Safe and Enjoy the Break

By Andres Manzur

A spring break is a school recess during springtime. It is five days of no school in the week. The spring break started on March 21<sup>st</sup> and ended on March 29<sup>th</sup>. Some people have fun. Some kids go to camp. Some people stay home. Some people go on vacation. Some people go to the beach. This year everyone had to stay home because there is coronavirus.



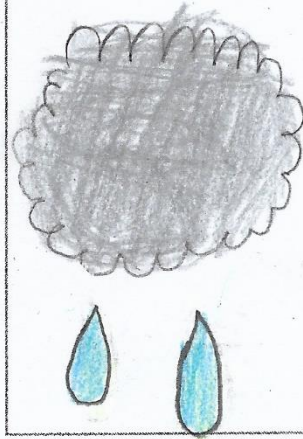
# At the End of the Rainbow

By: David Guerra

The Leprechaun is happy.



It started to rain.



Then the rainbow came.



He has to find the pot  
of gold.



He starts to run.



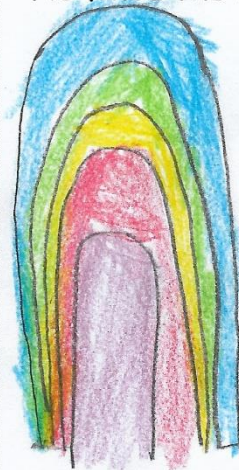
He comes across a big  
hill monster.



Then he fights it.



He finds the rainbow.



THE END

## Cyclone, Witches and Slippers, Oh My!

By Kevin Deive

On Friday, March 6<sup>th</sup> STRIDE students went to the Actor's Playhouse to see "The Wizard of Oz". In the play, a girl named Dorothy gets blown away by the Kansas cyclone and lands her in the middle of nowhere. Dorothy meets the munchkins and the Good Witch and finds the magical slippers. They tell her to follow the yellow brick road. First, she finds the Scarecrow. The Scarecrow needed a thinking cap. Second, she finds the Tin Man. The Tin Man needed a heart. Third, she finds the Lion. The Lion needed courage. Fourth, she finds the Bad Witch with the monkeys. The Bad Witch tries to take the magical slippers from Dorothy but is not able to. Dorothy finds the Wizard of Oz because she wishes to go back home. The Wizard of Oz was not able to grant any of their wishes. Finally, she finds the Good Witch again, who tells her to tap her magical slippers together and they will take her anywhere she wants. Dorothy taps her feet together and goes back home. I liked the play and thought it was interesting.



*The "Wizard of Oz" cast at the Actor's Playhouse.*



## Little Children, Big Challenges

By Alia Jamaledin



On Friday, March 13<sup>th</sup> Elementary went on a field trip to Urban Air. This was their first time going and they were so excited. The little children bounced on the trampolines and played dodgeball. The older children and the teachers were able to ride the Sky Rider which is a zipline. The kindergarten class was too small to do the Sky Rider. They were not able to play the VR games because it was closed. Only Ms. Bernice's class was able to rock climb. They loved playing in the tubes. They also played in the Warrior Course which has a ball pit. Ms. Ariana said, "They were able to do free play at the end. Some students even played the battle beam." The children ate cheese pizza. The teachers were able to try a cauliflower pizza. Everyone had a great time!

# TEACHER SPOTLIGHT

By Viridiana Valladares



Ms. Alexas



Q: What is your favorite animal?  
 A: Monkey  
 Q: What is your favorite candy?  
 A: M&Ms  
 Q: Do you like the sonic movie and why?  
 A: Maybe  
 Q: Do you have any pets and what kind?  
 A: 2 dogs  
 Q: What is your favorite pizza topping?  
 A: Tomatoes and extra cheese  
 Q: What is your favorite movie?  
 A: Peter pan  
 Q: What is your favorite stuffed animal?  
 A: Monkey  
 Q: What do you do in the weekends?  
 A: Shopping  
 Q: What is your favorite fish type?  
 A: Clownfish  
 Q: Do you like Sushi?  
 A: Yes



Mr. John



Q: What is your favorite animal?  
 A: Dog  
 Q: What is your favorite candy?  
 A: Nerds  
 Q: Do you like the sonic movie and why?  
 A: Yes I do, I used to play Sonic when I was a kid.  
 Q: Do you have any pets and what kind?  
 A: Yes, a Colombian Boa Constrictor and an American Bulldog  
 Q: What is your favorite pizza topping?  
 A: Chicken, pineapple, and hot sauce  
 Q: What is your favorite movie?  
 A: Shawshank Redemption  
 Q: What is your favorite stuffed animal?  
 A: 1979 Snoopy dog  
 Q: What do you do in the weekends?  
 A: I coach soccer for my son and ballet with my daughter  
 Q: What is your favorite fish type?  
 A: A pufferfish  
 Q: Do you like Sushi?  
 A: I love Sushi

## shout OUT!

Thank you teachers for your patience, cooperation, and support throughout this difficult time!



Thank you students and parents for your patience, hard work, and determination!



- 4/3 Isabella Gonzalez
- 4/4 Yasar Bendana
- 4/6 Adam Hernandez
- 4/9 Mrs. Stephanie Hernandez
- 4/11 Mr. Kevin
- 4/12 Noah Torres
- 4/16 Mr. Miguel
- 4/17 Emilia Macias
- 4/19 Ms. Ana
- 4/21 CJ Narvarte
- 4/22 Dominic Hernandez
- 4/24 Carolina Canales
- 4/26 Mrs. Ileana

**we're all in  
this together.**

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- 716 – Mr. Roger Martin
- 717 – Ms. Martina Baldwin
- 718 – Ms. Michelle Cabrera
- 719 – Ms. Artavia

**UPCOMING EVENTS:**

- April 1 April Fool’s Day
- April 4 National Walking Day
- April 6-10 Spirit week
  - Monday – Pajama Day
  - Tuesday – Superhero Day
  - Wednesday – Christmas in April
  - Thursday – Dress to Impress
  - Friday – Disney Day
- April 16 National Wear Pajamas to Workday
- April 17 Have a family game night
- April 20 Make a birdfeeder out of recycled materials
- April 22 Earth Day
- April 23 National Picnic Day
- April 28 Go on a scavenger hunt around your neighborhood



**Student Reminders:**

Remember to check in with your teachers daily on Zoom! Parents, please email or call your child’s teacher if your child is unable to log on.



**Staff Reminders:**

Remember to come to school at your allotted time to scan, make copies and pick up completed student packets.

**WE** miss you!  
**LOVE** you!  
hope you are **SAFE!**

We know that this distance learning thing is new. Sometimes it can seem overwhelming and make you feel blue. No matter what, we are here for you. We see your hard work and are proud of you, too. We hope to be together again sometime soon!  
Most importantly, remember you are safe, and you are loved!

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