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Bosnia Peace Mission

Room 24 has written letters to soldiers in Bosnia. They hope the peace mission is successful.

In 1991 Slovenia and Croatia declared their independence from Yugoslavia. Bosnia became independent 6 months later. Since 1992, Bosnia Muslims, Croats and Serbs have been fighting for control of Bosnia.

The long war has changed life in Bosnia. Friends have become enemies. City streets have become battle fields. People have lost their homes, their jobs, their schools, and their way of life. Many people have lost their lives.

Many people agree with President Clinton on sending the soldiers to Bosnia. They say the United States has a responsibility to protect innocent people in less powerful countries.

Others don't agree. They say what happens in Bosnia does not affect the United States. They say U.S. soldiers should risk lives only in wars that threaten the U.S. citizens at home.

Do you think U.S. soldiers should be in Bosnia? Why or why not... Send your answers to Alissa ... Room 24 ddorr@cks.ssd.k12.wa.us

April 1, 1996

Hi Kids,

It's April fool's month, but I don't think it would be a good time to fool around! It's getting near the end of the quarter and report cards are coming out soon. We have a lot going on in the month of April. Is any one doing any thing special for Easter? Are you all looking forward to spring break? I know I am.

Oh, and don't forget about the reading challenge, talent show, and these special days, holidays, and famous people who have birthdays in April.

April 1 — is April Fool's Day

April 2 — is Hans Christian Andersen's Birthday

April 6 — the North Pole was discovered

April 7 — is Easter

April 26 — is Arbor Day

April 28 — is Great Poetry Reading Day

Have a safe and fun spring break.

Bye. . .

Your friend,
Kate
Student editor

Mr. Wilkie's Computer Trivia.....

Let's see what you know.

My first question for the older kids: **What is the difference between a compact disk and a CD ROM?**

This question is for the younger kids: **What is a mouse used for?**

Last question: **What is the ESC key used for?**

Now remember if you can't figure out the answers to the questions, I will post them in the next issue of the **Jr. Seahawk News**.

If you are reading the *Jr. Seahawk News* on the Internet and would like to answer questions by e-mail my address is:

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- Stories, poems and articles by Arbor Heights Students
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Arbor Heights Students Write...

Arbor Heights
Baseball Trivia

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much do you know?

- (t) (f) The Mariners are in the minor league.
- (t) (f) After 4 balls are thrown a batter walks.
- (t) (f) Lou Peniella is not the owner of the Mariners.
- (t) (f) The Mariners do their spring training in Arizona.
- (t) (f) The abbreviation SO stands for strikeouts.
- (t) (f) Baseball lasts 8 innings.

Baseball Abbreviations:

1. AVG, SB, CS.
2. IP, EAR, HR
3. DP, SO, SB

Check *The Seattle Times* or *P.I* sports page for the answers.

Mystery and Adventure . . . by Room 25 - 5th grade

Danger by Nick

Hi, I'm John Danger, a detective. I work with a skilled partner, Nick Ranger. It was a slow Monday, just like any other Monday, until we finally got a client.

"My name is Amanda Lubonk. I think someone's trying to get rid of me."

"Let's move."

We went to the club where Amanda worked. We got there around 9:00 PM. Nick and I were about to check out the fat guy in the corner when we heard a scream. Nick and I were about to check out the fat guy in the corner when we heard a scream.

"It came from back here," Nick said.

We ran as fast as we could. We saw Amanda tied up in a chair and next to her was the owner, Sam O'Neal.

"I know you want to know why I'm doing this," Sam said. If I put Amanda out of the picture I can collect the insurance, which leaves me a millionaire.

"We're here to stop you, so we're not leaving until she's safe," I replied.

Then without warning, Nick rammed into Sam, knocking him out.

The next day Sam was doing 30 years in jail. I'm proud of Nick, really proud.

The Alien Who Lost His Shoe by Tony

One day a boy was in his backyard, when he heard a crash. A funny looking spaceship just crashlanded.

"Wow," the boy said, astonished.

Now the boy was surprised to see an alien, his size, stepping out and saying, "Hi, my name is Max. What's yours?"

"Holy Grasshoppers," Sam said.

"Your name is Holy Grasshoppers?"

"Oh, no, no, my name is Sam."

"Why are you here?"

"I'm looking for my other shoe. I lost it."

"How did that happen?"

"I can't tell you because I'm evaporating. I'm fading away . . ."

New Students in Room 21 . . .

Nguyen and Mylinh are new twins in 5th grade. Mylinh likes to make new friends and enjoys the music classes. Nguyen likes computers, lunch, and his new friends.

Classroom News *by Arbor Heights News Reporters*

Room 21— Sonya, 5th grade

We just finished the story *Babe*. Then we watched the movie and compared the two. There were a few differences, but it was basically the same. We are working with angles in math. In S.S. we are working with the time of the frontier. My favorite lesson in S.S. is the Revolutionary War time. I'm glad the levy on the schools passed. Have a great spring vacation.

Sincerely,
Sonya

Room 25— Kate and Sarah, 5th grade

In room 25 we are making Viking ships. Our class is studying the Vikings in Social Studies. The Vikings were the first people to explore the New World or the United States. The Vikings came from the Netherlands and discovered the New World 500 years before Columbus.

We are also learning how to play chess. We learning different moves and how to put people in check. Mr. Wagner is very good at chess. Today is the chess tournament. Who ever wins the most games will be the Chess Champion of Room 25.

In science we are studying the skeletal system. Room

25 is looking forward to



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break.

Room 24— Alissa, 5th grade

Our class is doing biographies on woman who changed America's history. My partner and I are doing one on Juliette Low. A lot of people probably don't know who she was, like me, for instance. I didn't know who she was until I started doing this report. She was the one who started Girl Scouts!

Room 23— Mary and Jesse, 5th grade

We did electrical inventions. Mary and Kiera made a math game board. Jesse made a lighthouse. Arondo made a school house with a bell that rang. Sean and Robert W. made volcanoes. Sarah made an experiment with a lemon. Robert B. made a city. Young and Reggie made cranes. Justin made a telegraph board. Sandra and John made a lighthouse. We learned a lot.



Room 19—Hannah, 1st grade

In science we are studying plants. We are growing bean plants and we record in our science books how they are doing.

We learned plants need sun, water, air and soil to grow. Some plants don't have sun, soil, air, or water and they aren't growing!

Room 18—Joseph, Troy, 2nd grade

We did the egg drop for the Science Fair. The eggs that survived were wrapped in marshmallows, masking tape, and flour and water mixed together. The egg with marshmallows packed around the egg in a 1/2 pint milk carton was the best. We made charts to show the winners, losers, and if the egg was smashed or cracked. The chart showed the materials used.

Room 17—Ashley 1-3rd grade

We are going to a puppet show April 11th. In class we are making our own puppets for our own puppet show. We are making hand puppets made out of cloth.

The talent show is coming up. Taylor is doing roller skating. We are really excited about it.



More Classroom News

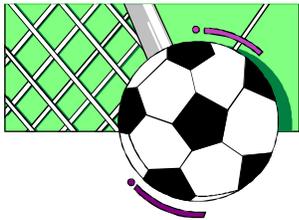
Room 16— Alex, Brittany Grades 1,2,3

We are going to the puppet show, *Pinocchio* with Room 17, Mr. Pharis' class. We are also reading the book, but may not finish before the show. They use millions of puppets in the show.

Room 15— Amanda and Alex Grade 1 and 2

We have pen friends from Kristen School on Auckland's North Shore in New Zealand. They have 1,100 students in the school. They have a gym, and playing fields for rugby, hockey, soccer, tennis and netball, basketball, volleyball, and water polo.

We are writing back and forth. They have restaurants that we don't have. They like pizza just like us. They start school in February. We're hoping to learn more about their school and what they like doing.



Room 14— Tony and Hilary Gr.2

DINOSAURS! We are studying about dinosaurs. They lived 65 million years ago. Some dinosaurs are related to animals we have now. For example, a tyrannosaurus is re-

lated to a rhinoceros. Some



water sharks are related to dinosaurs. Some have sharp teeth and some have flat teeth. The sharp teeth dinos eat meat and the flat teeth dinos eat plants. Plant eaters use their teeth to grind up their food. The meat eaters shred their food. We are watching movies and writing down facts.

Room 12— Shannon Grade 3

Hi, in two weeks my class gets to go swimming at Evergreen Pool. I think we will have fun. When we get there, our classes will split up. The half of our class that are beginners go with Mr. Warford. The other half of the class (the ones that swim) go with Mr. Wilkie.



In art we made some clay sculptures. Mr. Ahlness fired them in the kiln. After that we painted them and Mr. Ahlness glazed and fired them. We put a piece of cardboard on the bottom and named our sculpture.

Room 9— Wendy Grade 3

We are going swimming every Friday for four weeks. In reading we are writing poems. In gym we are working on the physical fitness tests. Pricilla A. moved to Kent. Did you have fun on Easter? I hope so! See you next time.



Room 8— Giang and Elysia Grade 4

We went on a field trip to Underground Seattle, Chinatown, and the Klondike Museum.

In social studies we learned about Lewis and Clark. In math we are learning how to average.

The Science Fair was March 21st. You could do demonstrations of experiments or collections. Everyone had a great time.

In language we did a webbing. From the webbing we learned about outlining. We need to learn about outlining for our country reports.

In Ms. Lukes' reading group we are reading *The Upstairs Room*. We are doing our last book report. You can do either written or oral. I chose Sacajawea.

Arbor Heights Bytes

Instrumental Music

The Instrumental Music Program for the fourth and fifth graders is well under way. There are a total of 30 students taking music lessons each Thursday. There are 20 first year students and ten second year students. Students are taking lessons on the violin, flute, clarinet, saxophone, trumpet, trombone, and drum.

The first year students need to learn how to: (1.) to assemble the instrument, (2.) to properly hold the instrument, (3.) to blow the correct sounds on the instrument, and (4.) to finger the notes on the instrument. This is quite a task for the students to learn but not an impossible one. Through consistent practicing, they can learn to play an instrument successfully.

Mr. Ken Aoki

Instrumental Music Teacher

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Great in math

Olympic Games are fun

Chess is my favorite game

**Summary of an article in
USA Today,
about John Stanford . . .
Seattle Schools
Superintendent
by Ryan, Room 24**

Crusader for Children

John Stanford was in the army for 30 years. He has no background in school administration. He likes to call himself a "Crusader for Children." He is like a tornado. He picks up every piece of trash, he says hello to everyone he meets. He speaks French and German. He says, "If you don't communicate well, you won't succeed in work or with others." John Stanford says, "The public school system is the most important institution. If we don't fix it we are going to be in big trouble.



Lisa

Loves all kinds of Nikes

Independence

S is for very strong

**Always doing all kinds of
sports**

Biography Poems 4th/5th grade

Nguyen

**Nice to be with
Gentle and kind
Understanding toward people
Youthful, fifth grader
Excellent at video games
Newcomer to Arbor Heights**

Mylinh

**Mysterious
Yappy, talks a lot
Likable, brown eyes
Intelligent, smart, new to U.S.
Never gives up
Happy, I'm very happy . . .**

Bao

**Baseball player
Always makes home runs
Outstanding**

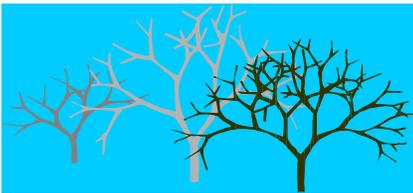
More Classroom News

Room 7 Stephanie Grade

Two 4th grade classes, Ms. Sato and Ms. Luke, are planning a field trip to Pioneer Square and the International District. We are going to leave Arbor Heights at 9:10, take the Metro bus to Pioneer Square, tour "Underground Seattle," walk back to Pioneer Square for a presentation at the Klondike Museum and catch the bus back to Arbor Heights.

Room 1— Adam and Cheri-dan Grade 1

We are learning how trees help us. We are looking in magazines for pictures of things made out of wood. Then we will put them on the bulletin board in our room. Trees help us by giving us apples to eat and shade to sleep in.

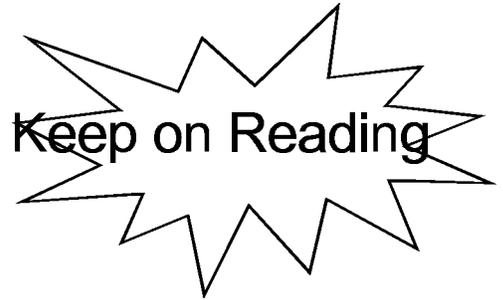


Room 4— Lindsey K

We went to QFC and studied recycling. They have a huge dump where they put their recycling. They take the fat off meat and turn it into soap. We got to draw pictures of what we saw. We made a book with our pictures.

Room 3— Kelsey

Today we went on a field trip to QFC. They showed us how they recycled. The vegetables they can't sell are given to animals. The boxes are given to people who need them. The lobsters were my favorite and they had rubber bands on them. We went to Rainbow Park and played. It was neat!



Read Mr. Leatherman on the Roof! April 30th ... Deadline

Mr. Leatherman has made a deal with the boys and girls at Arbor Heights School. If they are able to read 2,000 books between April 1st and April 30th, He will sit on the roof of the school all day on May 3rd (rain or shine) and read nonstop all day. (Mr. Leatherman will get a 15 minute lunch break and one 3 minute bathroom break!) You will be bringing home a form for your parents to sign each time you complete a book. A graph showing the number of books read will be kept in the hall outside the library.

World Wide Web — Save these Urls

Each edition of this newsletter is published on the **World Wide Web...** More Arbor Heights student work is published on **Cool Writers' Magazine...** Ms. Broome's *Little Red Hen* stories and pictures of kids grinding wheat are new. Mr. Dorr's barometers and Miles Good's science project, *The Sounds of Music*, will be ready soon. Check out our Student Projects on the web. Here are the URLs.

<http://www.halcyon.com/arborhts/arborhts.html>

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