## The Tiny Eagle Press

Brookfield School's primary grades newspaper, 2012 - 2013 edition

Note from the editor:

During the 2012 - 2013 academic year, our junior journalists were once again introduced to some of the basics of print journalism. The children learned to prepare for and conduct interviews, as well as to write news stories and editorials.

Our young reporters also learned the importance of keeping informed about the events that help to shape our lives and our world—and how we all can make a difference by being aware and getting involved.

For educational purposes, you will see some of the events reported on by more than one student. It was an exciting second year, and much was learned by all. We're very proud of our little journalists, and hope you enjoy our paper!

#### A Wonderful Year

By Preston Rabey

Many wonderful things happened in 2012. My favorite thing is I bought a Christmas tree and put lights on it. We decorated it too. My family and I put the angel on the top of the tree.



## BPA Sponsored Pancakes and Books a Hit!

By Kaili Abay, Olivia Luong, Milan Taylor, and Benjamin Margulis

The annual Brookfield School pancake breakfast and book fair was held in the Social Hall October 9 - 11, 2013. On the first day, the breakfast was good. They served pancakes, eggs, juice and coffee.

Brookfield parents and students were there. Parents working there helped raise money for the school and so kids could buy books. There were all sorts of cool books. There were chapter books, dog books, animal books, other books and toys.



Tiny Eagle Press reporters at the book fair

#### Mrs. Cullen Interview

By Milan Taylor, Vanessa Lee and Sharvani Andurlekar

Milan: How long have you been a teacher?

Mrs. Cullen: eleven years

Milan: If you weren't a teacher, what

would you be?

Mrs. Cullen: a veterinarian

Sharvani: What is your favorite subject

to teach?

Mrs. Cullen: science

Vanessa: Why didn't you pick a different school than Brookfield to teach at?

Mrs. Cullen: I chose Brookfield because I like the kids and teachers.

## Losing a Tooth By Jadin Norman, reporter

Losing a tooth feels exciting because the Tooth Fairy comes in through the window and takes your tooth and replaces it with money! When you lose another tooth, the Tooth Fairy comes again. I put my teeth under my pillow, and the Tooth Fairy leaves me five dollars.

# The 2012 Brookfield School Winter Concert

By Olivia Kim, first grade reporter

The 2012 winter concert was really fun! The pre-first kids sang, "Twinkle, Twinkle, Little

Star." First and second grade sang, "This is the Way we sing a Song," and "Puff, the Magic Dragon." Everyone clapped because we did a good job.

Dr. Gonsalves welcomes everyone. After the show, she gave Ms. Cooper flowers. The winter concert was fun!



Mrs. Cooper conducts pre-first students at the winter concert

### **Brookfield's 2013 Talent Show**

By Jolie Utter, reporter

The talent show was a great success! Mrs. Renaud organized the show. Kids from all grades participated. There was piano, singing, and dancing. There were string instruments too.

The Luong family won the grand prize for this year's talent show. They played a cello and two violins. They played a song called, "Spring" by Vivaldi. The talent show was an exciting moment.

## Brookfield is Moving

By Milan Taylor, reporter

Brookfield School is planning to move soon! The teachers are planning and the kids are getting ready. We are moving so we can have a better school. We'll have bigger classrooms and air conditioning. We'll also have a sports field and an art room. I hope everyone likes the school!



signage at the site of Brookfield's new campus

# Brookfield's 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary By Jolie Utter, first grade reporter

Brookfield had its 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration this year. There were cheerleaders doing a cheer—and much more. In the Social Hall, there were two large cakes. One was chocolate, and the other was white with raspberry jam inside.

Many people were at the celebration, including people who already graduated from

Brookfield. Dr. Gonsalves was there, along with Mr. and Mrs. Sitter, the school's owners. Some of my first grade classmates were there too.

The 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration was a big success!



Brookfield cheerleaders at the celebration



## Red Ribbon Week is All Over America

By Shirin Jamali—second grade

Red Ribbon Week teaches kids and teenagers to say no to drugs. For example, they learn to say no to cigarettes, alcohol and illegal drugs.

One reason why alcohol is bad is because if you have it when you are driving, you can get dizzy and crash. One reason why cigarettes are bad is because if you breathe in the

smoke it can make your lungs sick and you might die.

Some things that are good for your body are fruits, vegetables, healthy drinks and exercise.

## Say No to Drugs—Red Ribbon Week By Milan Taylor, Jadin Norman, and Benjamim Margulis

We have Red Ribbon Week because some people don't make good choices. It is about saying no to smoking, drugs and alcohol. It is also about not forgetting to eat healthy food. Otherwise, you can get really sick, do crazy things, or even die. Instead, you should eat fruits and vegetables like strawberries and broccoli because they will help you grow strong and healthy.

The posters at Brookfield say we are against drugs and will never take them. We wear red ribbons because we want to remember not to take drugs.



#### Mr. Flolo is Great!

an editorial by Olivia Kim and Preston Rabey

Mr. Flolo is a great teacher! For example, he lets us play and we get to exercise. Sometimes he lets us do speed walks and obstacle courses. Those are my favorite things. I also like how Mr. Flolo lets us eat in P.E. on Tuesdays because that's healthy snack day. I like healthy snack day because it gives us extra time to eat. He even gives us gum when we do something good. Finally, Mr. Flolo is really funny, and I like that. Mr. Flolo is the best P.E. teacher.

## A Wonderful School Year

An editorial by Vanessa Lee

Many wonderful things happened during the 2012-2013 school year. My favorite things was that Olivia Kim and I made two new friends. I'm happy because my dad told me to make some new friends.

## Brookfield's New Tennis Program

By Jolie Utter and Sharvani Andurlekar

Brookfield School started a tennis program this year. Tennis rackets and balls are provided. The coach, Mr. Flolo, teaches students how to play. It may look easy, but it's not.

Tennis is taught on Mondays and Wednesdays. Students do drills like holding a racket and hitting the ball over the net to the person on the other side. Mr. Flolo teaches us how to run and hit and ball back and forth. Tennis teaches us to be focused. Kids seem to like it.

## Brookfield's 2013 Entrepreneur Fair

By Jolie Utter and Bryce Marta

Mrs. Renault and her fourth grade class set up the Entrepreneur Fair on April 12, 2013 in the Multi—Purpose room. All of Brookfield's pupils and teachers were invited. Mrs. Renault was teaching us what goods and services are.

There were a lot of things to do and buy.

There was frozen yogurt, chocolate chip cookies, milk and dark chocolate, other candy, cupcakes, and popcorn. You had to buy things with pretend money, except for the magic show, which you had to buy tickets for.

I loved the Entrepreneurial Fair!



Student magicians perform at the 2013 entrepreneurial fair.

#### School Uniforms are Good

an editorial by Olivia Kim and Kaili Abay

School uniforms are a good thing. For example, if you are wearing a uniform, you can find your classmates and won't get lost. Another reason is we won't fight over clothes at school. In addition to that, you don't get distracted when you are working. Finally, you won't be late for school from picking out clothes. Brookfield uniforms also look nice too.

#### Being a Wolfette

an editorial by Milan Taylor

I've been asking my co-"Wolfettes" what it's like to be in Brookfield School's upcoming play, "The Big Bad Musical." They said they are the wolf's sidekicks, and they follow him around and sing. They also said that they try to make the wolf look not guilty. I am happy to be a Wolfette because I like singing.



Mrs. Shackelford helps students with face painting during the Halloween party.

## **Brookfield School Celebrates Halloween**

By Kian Jamali, Sharvani Andurlekar, and Ben Margulis

Brookfield School celebrated its annual Halloween party again this year on October 26<sup>th</sup> in the multi-purpose room. There were a lot of people there. There were mermaids, Ninjas, skeletons, princes, and Swats.

There were games played in the multi. Audrey Shackelford's mom did face painting. There was also music and a dance party! Food included pizza, cupcakes and cookies.

#### Halloween Fun

By Jadin Norman, Olivia Luong, and Vanessa Lee

On October 26, 2012, we had the annual Halloween party in the multi-purpose room at Brookfield School. There were moms and dads, little children not at Brookfield yet, and students.

There were games like finding eyeballs in a pot. We got to do a cake walk, and even got tattoos. There were monsters, mermaids, princesses, and Swat.

There was pizza and cookies to eat. There was also music, and we danced!



## **Leprechauns Strike Room 7**

By Jadin Norman and Vanessa Lee

The Leprechauns made a gigantic mess in room seven at Brookfield the Friday before St.

Patrick's Day! They left green footprints all over the floor. They threw math tiles, paper money, crayons, chalk, and books all over the room. In addition to that, the Leprechauns painted the number 17 all over the classroom calendar.

They probably came through the classroom window. Mr. Davis was warned to lock the window, but he didn't listen. We had to clean up the room before our spelling test.

## The Leprechauns are Out of Control!

By Bryce Marta, Olivia Luong, and Ben Margulis

Leprechauns were messing up everything again this year! They threw blocks, books and cubes around room seven. On our classroom calendar, they wrote that every day was March 17<sup>th</sup>.

They even put the stories we wrote upside down! They taped two green folders on the classroom door window because they didn't want us to see the mess in our classroom. The Leprechauns even climbed on Stella's desk to write on the board. They left a lot of green footprints.

In addition to all of this, they turned our spelling words sideways, and even tied green string to the windows and to the rocking chair and our desk chairs.

This all happened the second time they visited. Two days earlier, they made a mess and wrote a note on the whiteboard that they were not through yet! They made a big, big mess!

## The Amazing Shakespeare Play

By Jolie Utter

There was a Shakespeare play at Brookfield School on April 18, 2013. The name of the play was a Midsummer Night's Dream. It was a comedy about love.

It was performed by the sixth, seventh, and eighth graders. The whole school was invited. The costumes were beautiful. All students got to dress up as Shakespeare, princesses, or in other costumes. We also got to eat lollipops during the performance. I loved this amazing play!



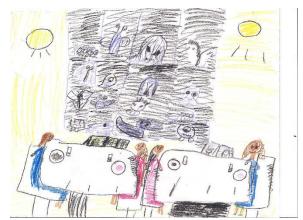
Brookfield upper school students perform in A Midsummer Night's Dream.

#### The Brookfield Art Show

By Olivia Kim

The 2013 Brookfield School art show was really great! There was student artwork displayed on walls and tables. Some of the parents brought artwork home. Some grown-ups paid some money for tickets so their kids could maybe win free dress or no homework for a day.

Eighth grade students helped by serving food to parents and other students. There was chicken, bread, and different fruit like grapes and apples. Students got to play outside and had root beer floats! The Brookfield art show was amazing!



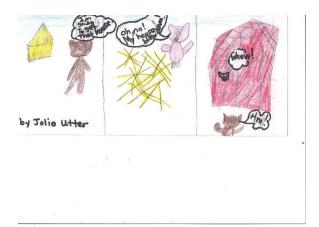
Tiny Eagle Press reporter Olivia Kim's illustration of the 2013 Brookfield Art Show

## The Jelly Belly Field Trip

By Benjamin Margulis

The Jelly Belly Factory in Fairfield, California is fun! For example, we got to look at sculptures of American presidents made out of jelly beans! We also got to try three different flavors.

Brookfield's first grade class went on a field trip to the Jelly Belly factory in late April. There were big bags of jelly beans. In addition to that, we went on a huge tour!



## Cartoon inspired by Brookfield's, "The Big Bad Musical," by Jolie Utter



Olivia Kim and her dad at the Lunar New Year celebration

#### A Great Celebration!

By Olivia Kim, reporter

The Lunar New Year celebration was fun! The pre-first, first grade, and second grade classes went to the Lunar New Year celebration in the different classrooms. Some activities included dragon dancing, zodiac- making, and decorating fans.

After the celebration, we ate in the courtyard. We had dumplings, egg rolls, and sushi rolls. Some of the parents, including Mr. Kim, helped with the crafts. Lunar New Year was exciting!

#### What I Like from 2012

By Sharvani Andurlekar

Many things have happened in 2012. My favorite part was math time. The lesson I liked best was using addition to check subtraction because math problems are important to know. Math is smart!

#### **Disco Inferno**

By Kaili Abay

The 2013 Disco Inferno was so fun! Disco Inferno is when groups of kids make up their own dance. One group was named the Beautiful Bluebirds. My group was named The Snowflake Fairies. One pre-first group was named, Chicken Noodle Soup.

Mr. Flolo, our P.E. teacher, was teaching Disco Inferno. In our dances, we had to do push-ups, jumping jacks, sit-ups and squats.

When the event was almost here, we were nervous. When it started though, all of the dances were very good. Mr. Flolo was very proud. Lots of parents were there too.



Disco Inferno illustration by Kaili Abay