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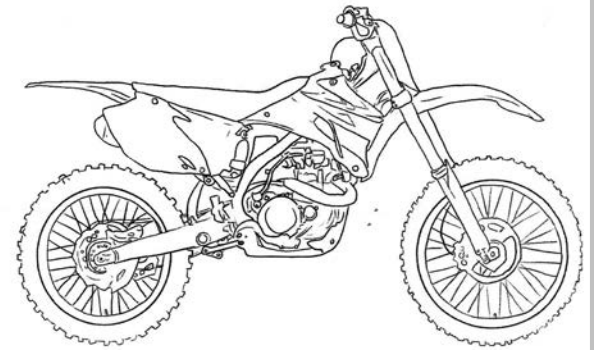
June Gutbier,
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VRP's Summer issue is dedicated to student writing and drawing.
We compliment the student's creativity.

Schools participating in the School Program this year are Manchester Elementary and Middle School; Currier Elementary, Danby; Fisher Elementary, Arlington; Floodbrook Union School, Londonderry; Sunderland Elementary; Molly Stark, Bennington; Shaftsbury Elementary.



Book Art by Tyler Cyr, 7th Grade, MEMS.
Tyler's tutor is Pam Nalefski.



Dirt Bike

My friend has a dirt bike. It has two wheels and is gas powered. It has handles that steer it. They also make it stop and go faster. You can only ride it in open spaces with grass, dirt and mud. That is why it is called a dirt bike. You wear a helmet when you drive it for safety.

Written by Jordan Martinez

Written by Jordan Martinez, 1st grade, Currier Memorial School. File Photo. Jordans's tutor, is Jane Marino.



Left: Tutor Curt Russell and Bromley ESL students from South America at Curt's home awaiting dinner. Missing from the photo are tutor Kate Orme, tutor Yuval Sela, and Barbara Price, wife of Curt and the photographer, also the chef!

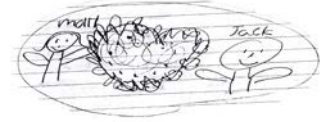
The Bamboo Monster
By Jason Morse

This is Leaf guy. He is made out of leaves, flowers and bamboo. He has brown on him, green on him, and white and black. He is fun and I found him in nature.

Jason dated his writing, 10/24/13 and said "My first written story in VRP."

*Jason is in 2nd grade at Fisher Elementary School. His tutor is Elizabeth Luca.

Back story: Jason's drawing of the Leaf Guy was lost in the mail and we are left to imagine what he looks like. I bet he looks cool!



The Valentine Nest by
Carley Putnum,
3rd grade, Floodbrook School

One day Molly and Jack were walking in the woods trying to find stuff for a Valentine's gift for their Mom. They found bark, sticks, leaves. They made a Heart nest.

When they were walking home, a chicken popped out of nowhere. They discovered the chicken can talk.

She said "I want that nest."

She kept saying in a song. Jack and Molly hid the nest and said to the chicken "we hid the nest so you can't find it!!

Da,da,dada. The chicken ran in the woods to find the nest while Jack and Molly made a trap for her. 20 min.

later when the trap was done, they saw the chicken with the nest walking across the field. The chicken said "I found it. They decided to make a new nest for their Mom using different materials. They will be using rocks from a river, feathers from a nest, leaves from a tree, and a bouquet of flowers. As they were walking to the river they came upon a fallen down nest in a bush. The nest was full of bright yellow goldfinch feathers. They finished the hike to the river for rocks, pebbles and leaves from an apple tree. On their way they found roses, daisies, sunflowers, and put them in a bouquet. After that they made the heart nest. The leaves were the bottom floor of the nest, the rocks were on the edge of the sticks. John and Molly head back home hiding the nest from the chicken. When they got home they showed the nest to their Mom and said Happy Valentine's Day, Mom. She loved it so much she hung it on her bedroom wall. The end.

Maia-Jo

Maia Jo Hill-McDermott is my baby sister. She squeaks in her sleep and giggled one time. She also sometimes opens her eyes a lot. She has light brown hair and brown eyes. She tries to sing with me sometimes but she can't; at least she likes it. She was born on Friday, March 28, 2014 at 2:20 p.m. She weighed 6 lbs and 7 oz. She was 18 3/4" long. She was born at home.

Maia opens her eyes a lot. Then she will whine, and start to cry, then she will squeeze your finger. I read to Maia and she looks at the page. She sometimes whines because of the scary pictures. She likes to hear your voice. When you read to her, she sometimes smiles.

Hunter Benjamin Hill-McDermott
grade 3
Fisher Elementary School

Hunter's Tutor is Norma Peebles

Carley's tutor is Donna Madison.

★ DaDDY'S Surprise ★ 5/13/14

By maria Blay

We got a new bunny for daddy. She is a ^{tan} tan bunny and is six months old.

Daddy calls her Sneezy Pebbles because she sneezes a lot and she loves pebbles.

We are going to breed her with a bunny named Star. We hope to surprise daddy with new baby bunnies.

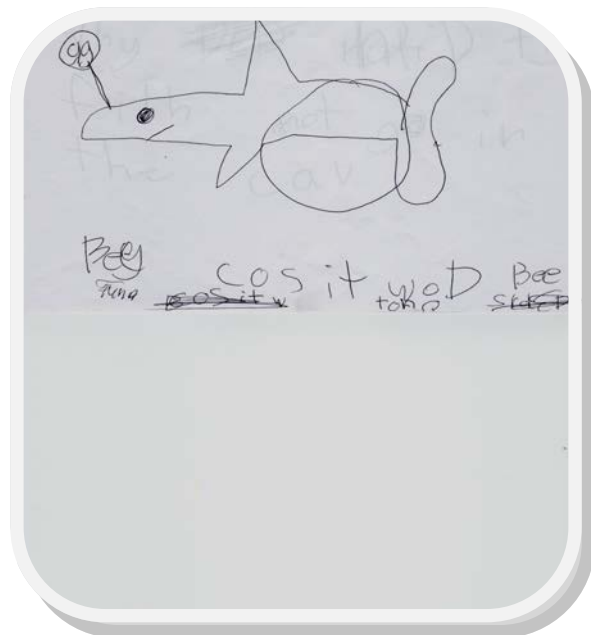
Maria Blay, 4th grade, Fisher Elementary School.
Maria's tutor is Valerie Oakland.

Made up Riddles
by Destiny Tekencamp, 1st grade, MEMS .

Why did the cat cross the road?
Because the dog would follow.

Why did the fish not go in the cave? Because it would be a tuna.

Destiny's tutor is Pam Nalefski.



A Whale of a Tale

By

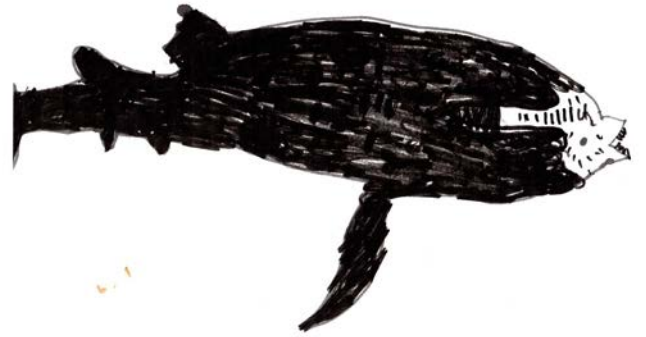
John Duffany

Grade 3, Fisher Elementary School. John's tutor is Bonnie Barnes

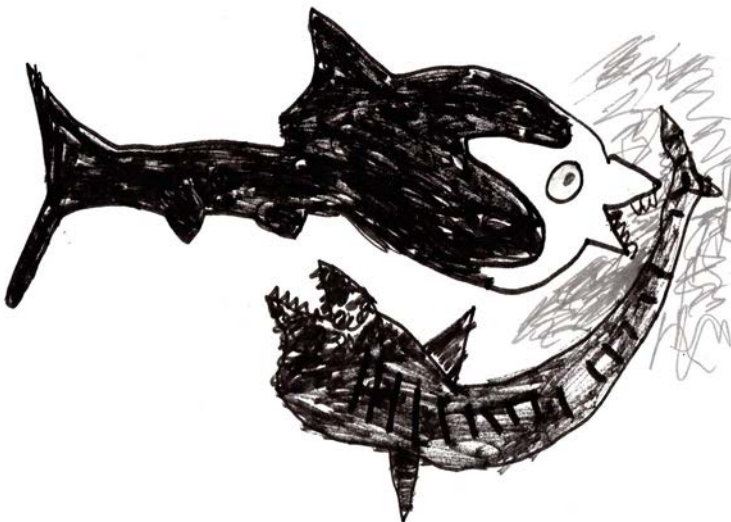
Once there was a killer whale who thought he could win a fight with a great white shark.



The whale was bigger than the shark and he was smarter.



The whale outsmarted the great white shark and bit him.



The shark swam away.

