



ROYAL GREEN CHRONICLES

A SHORT HISTORY OF ROYAL GREEN

By: Israel Mendez

Royal Green opened its doors to students in 1972. Royal Green has been fortunate to have been led by an elite group of principals such as Mrs. Aragon, Ms. Misas, Dr. Zampino, Ms. Richardson, Mr. Liebman, and Ms. DeLaurier. One special feature Royal Green introduced to the community was its open pod design. You may ask, what is an open pod design? In the 1970's, it was a new way of building schools with basically very few walls. This means that teachers and students are able to see and hear each other's classes. There is a lot of open space. This was known as the open education system. Some may have differing opinions. How can a place with open spaces be conducive to learning? Let me start by saying that Royal Green is a school of excellence. The teachers and students have adapted well to this design. Did you know that Royal Green has been an A

school for over 20 years? That's amazing! Some of our students had some amazing comments about our school. Adriana Fiallo from 5th grade said, "Teachers teach you life lessons." Nathalie Garcia also from 5th grade said, "We are getting an amazing education." Bernardo Sierra from 4th grade likes that many field trips are free for students and that all can participate. Jorge Hernandez from 5th grade mentioned that our special area classes rock. Royal Green is a place where teachers and students like coming to each and every day!



ROYAL GREEN IS NO PLACE FOR HATE

By: Bernardo Sierra

Royal Green is a no place for hate school. Mrs. Carreno, our counselor, implemented the program. She wants RGE to be a kind, peaceful and loving place. This way, students feel safe coming to school. As part of the program, the students must complete three activities to create a culture of peace in our school. We started by having a workshop on December 10, 2019, where students learned about the program and how to make our school a better place. Students in grades 4-5 were nominated by their teachers to participate. In this program, the students learned different ways to

stop bullying and what to do if they witness someone being bullied. We learned key terms like the bystander, aggressor, and victim. Thank you, Mrs. Carreno for implementing this program in our school and caring for our students.



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ROYAL GREEN SHOWS HOLIDAY SPIRIT WITH NOT ONE BUT TWO SHOWS

By: Oscar Sicle

Here at Royal Green Elementary we are very lucky because we had two holiday shows! The first holiday show was on December 11, 2019. Students from all grade levels performed holiday songs. The students and teachers took time to practice and rehearse each performance. Ms. Matusow, our music

teacher, prepared the music for the show. This is a tradition we have had for many years. Parents loved all the performances. However, one show was not enough! We also had a second show on December 18, 2019. This time, our Afterschool Care students entertained the parents. Everyone had fun and the show was also a success.

One of the favorite performances was “Hot Chocolate” from Ms. Amanda’s class. Royal Green sure knows how to spread holiday cheer!



BETA JUNIOR HONOR SOCIETY SPREADS HOLIDAY CHEER WITH TOY DRIVE

By: Niliay Juiz and Leah Pedraja

The Beta Junior National Honor Society was busy working to bring joy to the children at Nicklaus Children’s Hospital during the holiday season. With the leadership from Ms. Carreno, these students held a toy drive during the month of December. They

placed boxes in classrooms so that students would be able to donate toys. Then, all the toys were packed in Ms. Carreno’s car and delivered to the hospital. Thank you to all the students for this special act of kindness.



STUDENTS GO HOLIDAY SHOPPING AT SCHOOL

By: Rosely Guibert and Alvaro Garcia

The Holiday Shop comes once a year during the month of December. The PTA puts together the Shop to fundraise for our school. The Holiday Shop was held in room 75. Students visited the shop and

had fun shopping for family and friends. The shop had jewelry, books, toys, and many more items. The best part is that students took the gifts purchased home to give to their parents. Thank you P.T.A for organizing this event and making our holiday merry and bright.

MERRY MULTIPLICATION MADNESS

By: Nicole Medina and Isabella Caballero

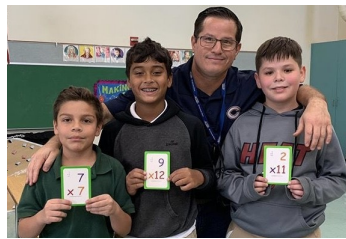
On Friday December 13, 2019, students from grades 3-5 participated in an amazing winter competition called Merry Multiplication Madness. It was held in the music room, and the participants showed their knowledge of multiplication facts as they raced against the clock to answer each multiplication fact. Mr. Garcia organized this event and led the participants on this special day. After an exciting competition, we had three winners.

The first-place winner was Jason Hernandez.

The second-place winner was Dorian Torres.

The third-place winner was Miguel Freites.

These students demonstrated their Math readiness. Thank you, Mr. Garcia and congratulations, to all the participants and winners!



GET READY FOR FIELD DAY

By: Kaylee Hernandez, Giamcarlos Serradet, and Dyland Rodriguez

Field day happens once a year. All the classes in a grade level go outdoors to participate in many activities. Some of these activities include tug of war, relay races, basketball shot, and hula hoop among many others. Ms. Coe, our PE teacher, works hard to organize these events so that

the students at RGE can have fun and exercise. Field day is just around the corner. The monthly calendar will have these dates posted once scheduled. Don't miss out! Get ready for field day!



READERS "A.R." LEADERS

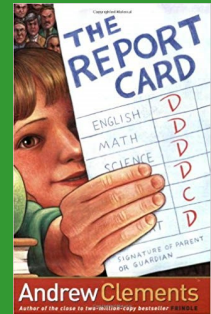
By: Jesus Fernandez

Reading books are fun. When you read books, it makes you smarter. That's why we have the A.R program at Royal Green. Students read books and take A.R quizzes. Students have a goal to reach each quarter. All the students that meet the goal get to

participate in a celebration. On January 24th, students whom met the goal were able to enjoy playtime outdoors. The children enjoyed making bubbles, sack races, hula hoops, and music. The students with the most points in each class received a medal at the awards ceremony. The new goals for the third

Roary's Reading Corner:

Book Review *The Report Card*



By: Jesus Fernandez

The Report Card by Andrew Clements is about a girl named Nora Rowley. Nora Rowley is a genius and she's hiding it from her whole school. Even her parents don't know and she's doing it well. Nora is hiding her genius because everybody is going to make a big deal of it. After reading *The Report Card*, I learned that it is okay to be a genius and to be yourself. It is important to accept others as they are. I recommend this book. You can earn AR points as well.

grading period are due on March 18. Keep reading! What will the A.R. celebration be like this time? Meet your goal and you will get to experience it!



WORLD NEWS



THE HORRIBLE WILDFIRES OF AUSTRALIA

By: Ediline Lopez & Adriana Fiallo

Have you noticed that there have been wildfires all over Australia and it's not even summer yet? This year the wildfires have started early. It has affected 95% of Australia. A wildfire is an uncontrollable fire that destroys anything in its path. These fires are made by the combination of oppressive heat, extra-long droughts, and strong winds. The conditions for wildfires don't show any warning. Australia also has brisk winds that don't only spread fires, but also ashes into huge cities! There are 73 bushfires burning and 30 are uncontrolled. Did you know that 1 billion animals are dead because of Australia's fires? The number of kangaroos and koalas is

dropping very quickly. There are also other animals which are dying due to this massive fire, like the long-footed potoroo, the mountain pygmy possum, the yellow-bellied glider, and the brush-tailed wallaby. There are also bird species that are endangered that have also died. About 12.35 million acres of land in Australia have been burned, according to the Associated Press. Australia has been shaped by fiery heat, floods, and droughts. This is not the first time Australia has experienced droughts and wildfires. The Federation Drought, which started in 1895 and ended in 1903, was very well known. That's not the only familiar drought, though. The World War II drought started in 1939 and was over in 1945, and the

recent Millennium drought that commenced in 1997 and ended in 2009. People all over the world have been trying to help by donating to a fundraiser by Celeste Barber in New South Wales. Celeste has raised over \$20million in just two days! Over time, fundraisers have earned \$30 million and more than 1.1 million people have donated. Big businesses have also donated. Many people have decided to help Australia. With a conscious, collective effort, we can help make Earth a better place.



EARTHQUAKES SHAKE PUERTO RICO

By: Nathalie Garcia and Yohanny Castro

There have been many earthquakes in the last month in the island of Puerto Rico. Earthquakes are caused when an underground rock breaks along a fault and releases sudden energy. The strength

of an earthquake is measured by the Richter magnitude scale, which runs from 0-10. A strong earthquake hit on December 28, 2019 with a magnitude of 6.4. This is the strongest earthquake Puerto Rico has experienced since 1918. However, this was not the only earthquake. Other earthquakes also hit because of

the continuous motion of the underground rock. For example, a moderate one hit on February 4th 2020 with a magnitude of 5.0 at 7:11 p.m. Many people had to leave their homes to find proper shelter. Puerto Rico continues to monitor earthquake activity to keep its citizens safe.

STUDENTS LEARN OUTSIDE THE CLASSROOM THROUGH FIELD TRIPS

By: Nicole Gonzalez, Rachael Palacios, and Richard Llerena

What are some of the places students and teachers have gone this year? The 2nd grade teachers wanted students to experience activities outside the classroom. They embarked on a journey to the zoo in October and got to see animals in their habitats. The next field trip they are planning is to The Actor's Playhouse. The 3rd grade classes went to The Frost Museum on January 31st. This group of teachers took their students on field trips to get a hands-on experience on what students are learning in class. Now, let's make a stop at 4th grade. They went to the Deering Estate. They learned about different fish around the world and their habitats. Fourth graders said they loved the field trip. They also love going on field trips because it is an educational experience where they get to learn new things. Ms. Baeza, a 4th grade teacher, said, "We do field trips mostly because of learning. It's a great idea to do field trips, but it is really hard to plan them. It's a great way to spend time together as a group." Kindergarten went to Pinto's Farm and had much fun! They saw many animals like horses, sheep, and more! Fifth graders also joined the fun. They had an amazing field trip to The Frost Museum and saw a lot of awesome animals and exhibits! A few examples are stingrays, snakes, sharks, turtles, puzzles, a mirror maze, and an observation to see space! This trip took place on January 30, 2020. On March 20, fifth grade will also be going on another field trip. First graders also went to The Frost Museum, but when they arrived, they went straight to exploring! Mrs. Francisco said, "The first-grade team put a lot of effort on planning the field trip." First graders will also have another field trip coming up soon! PreK didn't miss out on the fun. Our youngest group of students visited the Firefighter's Memorial Building. They definitely learned



many things!
At Royal Green, students get the opportunity to learn inside and outside the classroom!

The History of Videos Games: Indoor Entertainment



By: Jorge Hernandez

When I think of indoor entertainment, I ponder about video games. In this article, you will read a brief history about the invention of video games. There will also be a discussion about the advantages and disadvantages of video games. Video games go way back to the 1950s. Computer scientists started creating simple simulations like 3-D Tic Tac Toe for research and fun. In the 1960s, professors and students at M.I.T. started playing these games. These games were played on computers like the IBM 1560 and the controls or movements were made by punch cards. Later in the 1970s, video games began to be advertised. The new generations of video games included Nintendo's Mario and Pokémon. Video games have both its pros and cons. Ms. Baeza, a 4th grade teacher said, "Video games can distract from what is important. They can also take away the challenges from learning". However, video games can also have their advantages. Roberts Parra, a 5th grader shared, "I can learn some useful things when playing video games and they also keep me entertained. It is fun to solve the mysteries and challenges in a video game." While video games may have advantages and disadvantages, they have become an integrated part of society. Stay entertained, Lions!

GO BEHIND THE SCENES OF WRGE TV NEWS

By: Anthony Llerena

Have you ever wondered what happened before WRGE goes live? Well, it is more than just newscasters behind the scenes. WRGE informs the viewers about upcoming events, attendance, birthdays, and more. The news team arrives to the studio at 8:30am daily to set everything up. The news takes place in a studio in the media center. Before they go live, the crew preps all the information needed to present to the school. They get the information by researching the internet, asking the school's staff, and referring to the monthly calendar. Ms. Quinto is the teacher guiding

the crew. She also arrives early and assists the students with research. Ms. Quinto chose to be in charge of the news because she "wanted to be able to let the students in our school know about the different events and activities that are taking place daily." Ms. Quinto shared, "I was excited to work with my EFL class in such a great club, which teaches them about responsibility, individuality, and allows them to show their personality." Ms. Quinto was very excited when she was chosen to help lead the news team. "I

felt flabbergasted!" Ms. Quinto shared, "I was excited to be part of a group where I was able to allow my students to show some of their unique qualities. Moreover, I was flattered that Ms. Aragon thought that I would be a good guide for these students." Stay tuned for our next broadcast. You definitely don't want to miss out!



STUDENTS EXPLORE JOBS DURING CAREER DAY

By: Liz Cano and Isabella Valdes

At Royal Green, Career Day took place on December 17, 2020. The students enjoy this day because they get to learn about different careers. Mrs. Carreno, our counselor, organized Career Day. She contacts parents and people in our community to come in and present to the students. Some of the careers that were represented this year were Dental 1, Pedestrian Safety, Firetruck, Urban Air, Fit Kids, Elections, Home Depot, Agriculture, I-9 Sports, MDPLS, Storyteller, Crime Watch, Helicopter, Share Your Heart, SWAT, Physicians Assist, Ethics, Military, Well's Fargo, History Miami, Kendall Reg Doctor, Social Worker, Business Analyst, and an Accountant. One

presentation that stood out was Share Your Heart because they utilized an innovative technology to create activities for kids. Career Day is also a day to reflect on what we want to be when we grow up. What would you like to be?



HAVE A LAUGH: JOKES AND RIDDLES

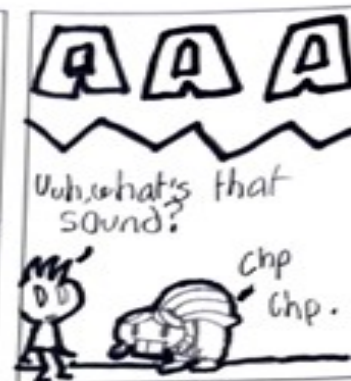
By: Victoria Martinez

1. What did the ground say to the earthquake?
2. Why did the music teacher need a ladder?
3. Why did the nose not want to go to school?
4. How do you get straight A's?
5. Why did the kid study in an airplane?
6. What is full of holes but still holds water?
7. What question can you never answer yes to?
8. What becomes wetter the more it dries?
9. When things go wrong, what can you count on?
10. What is always in front of you but can't be seen?



Check for the answers on the last page of the newspaper!

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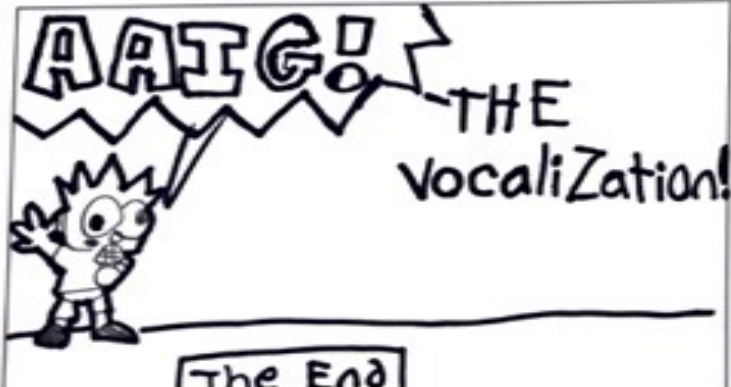
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THE HAT

By: Reinaldo Medina

Welcome!
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trick a
bunny
will
appear
from
this
hat.

OOOH

I will make
a crazy craig
appear from this
hat.

HOORAY!

Tada!

what happened

Yay Yay

Hello?

THE END

Answers to Jokes and Riddles

1. You crack me up!
2. To reach the high notes
3. He was tired of getting picked on
4. By using a ruler
5. Because he wanted a higher education
6. A sponge
7. Are you asleep yet?
8. A towel
9. Your fingers
10. The future

