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### Editorial Team's Message

Pranam, namashkaram, bonjour, hola, ni-hoa, koneechiwa and hello from the Rockwell editing team. Putting together the newsletter has definitely taught us a thing or two about working as a team.

Although it took a lot of coordination and effort to bring this newsletter, it was an enriching experience. There was nothing more inspiring than reading all the stories, poems, and marveling at the creative work of the rocking rockwellers! With every page that is turned you would feel like stepping into a different world. The magic will stay with you even after you shut the newsletter.

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## Parent's Message

Hearty congrats! Team Rockwell really rocks! A year back when we came to Hyderabad we were searching for good schools in the city and we came across Rockwell and some other schools as well. We went around to see the schools and surveyed few others as well. While we were contemplating to finalise, kids came to us and said " we want to go to Rockwell!!" . Curoius to know the reason, we prodded them and they unanimously said "it felt like home". Time has gone really fast. After a year with your team I am sharing this to convey my heart felt compliments to team Rockwell. As parents we could see the real transformation in our children. The curriculum, the engaging and participative manner of coaching, encouragement from all of you have helped my children to come up a long way and now are confident that they will surely come out as accomplished "young" people.

The love and care these kids experience towards them well as the way it is taught to them to give their care back to special children has immensely helped in their evolution as good human beings.

Encouraging and efficient teachers courteous and kind staff spread the cheer and above all is your warm spirited guidance which makes this a real home. We wish team Rockwell the very best in your journey to bigger success. Also we are confident that you will retain the homely feeling even then.

All the very best!!!

Ms. Rema Mohan (Parent of Ria , Grade 7)

# Principal's Message

February 2013

#### Dear Parents,

It gives immense pleasure to see our kids growing, from being lead by the facilitators to being creative leaders. This is the first issue of news letter completely weaved by the student editorial team. Their hard work appeal appreciation and encouragement from all.

This year the students were engaged in activities that helped them to develop understandings about achieving harmony, co-operation and team work in their interactions with each other. This was seen during the days of rehearsal for Annual Day and many events. All these are were possible because of the support of our dedicated staff and obliging management.

I would like to thank the parent community for guiding and extending support to our journey of learning and sharing.

"[Kids] don't remember what you try to teach them. They remember what you are." Jim Henson, so let's be the best memories of their growth.

> Ms. Manija Subrahmanyam Principal

#### Teacher's Message

It is heartening to see the interest and enthusiasm shown by our students who have been the core workers of this magazine. It has been their endeavour to showcase the effort of many Rockwellers in possibly the best format.

It was remarkable to observe in students the approach that, when they start thinking, they can do things, they truly can!

Remember always dear students, your aspirations are your possibilities.

Ms. R. Karuna Class Teacher, Grade 6

#### We can't help everyone, but everyone can help someone.



# This is a Bird

This is a bird. It is special you see. And it is quite different from you and me. A bird has wings and a very fine tail. To help it to fly, swoop and sail. A bird has feathers and a beak that is strong. It might eat seeds or bugs, or worms that are long. And when springtime comes, a bird builds a nest. To lay its eggs in and sit in and rest.

- Neal.K, Grade 2



# The Tiniest Bird

The Bee Hummingbird or Zunzuncito (Mellisuga helenae) is a species of hummingbird that is endemic to dense forests and woodland edges on the main island of Cuba and (formerly) on the Isla de la Juventud, also part of the nation of Cuba. With a mass of approximately 1.6-2 g (0.056-0.071 Oz) and a length of 5-6 cm (2.0-2.4 in), it is the smallest living bird. As the smallest bird in the world, it is no larger than a big insect and, as its name suggests, is scarcely larger than a bee. Like all hummingbirds, it is a swift, strong flier. It also can hover over one spot like a helicopter. The bee hummingbird beats its wings an estimated 80 times per second — so fast that the wings look like a blur to human eyes. The bee humming bird is lighter than a U.S. penny, and slightly lighter than a paper clip.Using bits of cobwebs, bark, and lichen, the female bee hummingbird builds a cup-shaped nest that is only about 1 inch (2.5 cm) in diameter. Nests have been built on single clothespins. She lines the nest with soft plant fibers. In this nest she lays her eggs, which are no bigger than peas. When it flies from flower to flower, it transfers the pollen. In this way, it plays an important role in plant reproduction. In the space of one day the bee hummingbird may visit 1,500 flowers.

- Rashi, Grade 7

# My Trip to El Santargo

One day I was feeling adventurous so I packed my bags and started driving to the East of America. I reached there by night, but I was too tired to explore. So I ate some snacks and fell asleep. When I woke up, I looked outside the window of my car and saw a breath taking sight. I quickly ate some sandwiches and jumped out of my car to explore! As I was exploring I saw a lake with a boat just lying there as if it was for me. So I got in the boat and kept rowing for hours and hours and finally I saw some land. When I got off, there were so many bushes, when I finally got through the bushes I discovered a whole different part of the island. There were so many buildings, there was this one building that looked like a tower, but the weird thing was nobody was there. I went to that building and on the last step, there was a scroll and on that scroll there were pictures of monsters on each floor and it showed me killing the monsters. On the top floor there was a treasure chest. As the floors increased the monsters looked harder and harder to kill. There was a sword with my name on it wrapped up. Thankfully I had a satchel to keep the scroll in. I was about to walk inside, I had my sword with me. As soon I walked in I heard a giant roar, I thought I was going to go deaf. The monster looked furious, as soon as he saw my sword, he picked me up with his tail and was about to eat me, but I cut off his head. There were five flights of stairs and I was so tired I didn't think I could fight the next monster, but thankfully I could manage with the energy I had. This monster was really scary, but when he saw my sword he dropped dead because, he was really scared of swords. On my scroll I only had to climb one flight of stairs to get to the floor with the treasure chest on it. When I got to the floor, sitting there on a table was a bottle of blue potion saying "energy boost". There were also keys on the table, I took the keys and opened the treasure chest. The treasure chest had a lots of gold and a book, I didn't know what the book was for, but I took it with me anyway along with the treasure ...

- Tarika, Grade 4

- Shreya, Grade 6

#### Either you run the day or the day runs you.

#### Books to Read

#### Grade 1-2

Series of The magical tree house By: Mary Pope Osborne

Where the wild things are *By: Maurice Sendak* 

Giraffes can't dance By: Giles Andreae

Series of junie b. jones By: Barbara Park

#### Grade 3-4

Malory Towers By: EnidBlyton

Horrid Henry By: Francesa Simon

Geronimo Stilton Series *By: Geronimo Stilton* 

The true story of the 3 little pigs By: Jon Scieszka, A. Wolf and Lane Smith

How the leopard got its spots By: Rudyard Kipling and Heather Adams

Narnia Series By: C.S. Lewis

#### Grade 5-7

Diary of the wimpy kid Series By: Jeff Kinney

Harry Potter Series By: J. K. Rowling

Percy Jackson Series By:Rick Riordan

The curious incident of the dog By: Mark Haddon

The series of the unfortunate events By: Lemony Snicket

Poison apple books By: Mimi McCoy,Brandi Dougherty, Clare Hutton

Cathy Cassidy Books By: Cathy Cassidy





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# Butterfly

Oh my lovely, colorful butterfly, You fly up in the sky.

You are the little queen of this garden, If I pluck flowers please pardon.

You have nothing to do with money, All you love is honey.

But when you fly to cities, You get numerous pities.

Oh butterfly, I would say, You are the best part of my day.

- Tushika, Grade 5

# Weekends

I love my weekends, Its lot of fun. Friends and family, Get together all as one.

We play all day, Till we get a call from mom. We play some more, And before dark, we all get home. - Diya.K, Grade 2

# The Pearl

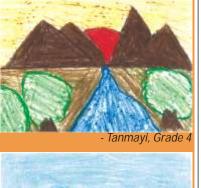
There once lived a young rich girl, Whose fine old name was jane. She found a pretty little pearl, On the middle of the lane.

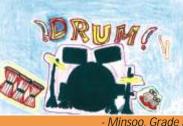
She put it in her money box, Which had at least a thousand locks. She thought the pearl was safe and sound, Never to be seen or found.

There was a thief called Mr. Earl, Who stole away jane's pretty pearl. Poor Jane wept sadly all day long, For her lovely pear was surely gone. - Prisha, Grade 7



- Anagha, Grade 1





# The Princess and the stone

Once there was a princess. Her pet dragon was awfully sick. "I think I am going to die", said the dragon. The princess was crying very hard... suddenly a magical wizard came out of the forest. She was an old woman with a white and silver dress. She said a riddle.

In the forest you will see, The stone shall be given to them

The princess was scared, but she was willing to do anything for her dragon.

She went to the forest with her map.

"I wonder where that stone is", she asked. Right when she thought that, all hope was lost, a door opened up in the middle of the forest. The princess walked in with fright. She saw a big huge glass table. She stepped near it. On it lied a small stone." That is it ". She exclaimed she put her hand on it with a big, THUD! The stone shattered to pieces. The princess broke into tears. The pieces turned into a cup. The princess looked in it. There was a green liquid. "I think the dragon has to drink this". She thought and, without sparking a moment she took the cup and ran home.

Then she got home, she told the dragon to drink the liquid "Elv! That is grass". The dragon whined "you have to drink it"! The princess demanded with a big frawn the dragon drank it up. The princess waited for a long time and then he was back to normal and both the princess and the dragon were happy again.

- Nandita, Grade 5





# I am writing a letter

I am writing a letter, to send by the post. It is to the person, I care for the most.

I write the date clearly, And begin dearest mummy, Did anyone guess? My pen travels slowly, All along the sheet. Because I'm so anxious, To keep it all neat.

I carefully blot it, And dry up the ink. Such nice blotting, The paper is pink. I turn the page over And on goes my pen. Till lastly come kisses, There's just room for ten.

The envelope is ready I put the stamp on, And run to the post box and now it has gone.

- Sneha.C, Grade 4

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- Sahiti, Grade 6

If you wish to accomplish nothing in a day, and you do, in fact accomplish nothing. Did you accomplish something or not?

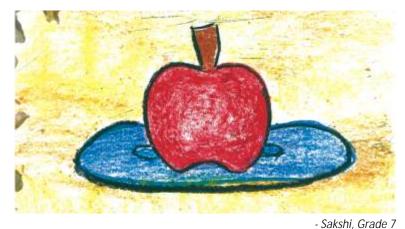
# Facts

Not much is known about Makemake, a dwarf planet that circles the Sun beyond Pluto. But scientists got a closer glimpse of it last year, when it passed briefly in front of a star (an event called an occultation), and they report their findings in the current issue of the journal Nature. Previously, researchers believed that because the surface temperature of Makemake (pronounced MAH-ken MAH-ken) is heterogeneous, it might have an atmosphere. "If you have some patches with a higher temperature, the ice melts and creates vapor," said an author of the new study, Noemi Pinilla-Alonso, a planetary scientist at the University of Tennessee. "And with vapor the planet can develop an atmosphere around it."

But the new measurements - base on observations from multiple telescopes in different parts of South America - indicate that Makemake, like another dwarf planet, Eris, does not have a significant atmosphere. But the new measurements - base on observations from multiple telescopes in different parts of South America - indicate that Makemake, like another dwarf planet, Eris, does not have a significant atmosphere.

The researchers also determined that Makemake reflects about 77 percent of th Sun's light, comparable to the reflection made by dirty snow, and that it is flattened at both poles.





# Water

Everybody knows that when you cool water to 0°C (32°F) if forms ice.. except that in some cases it doesn't! You can actually chill very pure water past its freezing point (at standard pressure, no cheating!) without it every becoming solid.

At a molecular level, water is even weirder. In 1995, a neutron scattering experiment got a weird result: physicists found that when neutrons were aimed at water molecules, they "saw" 25% fewer hydrogen protons than expected.

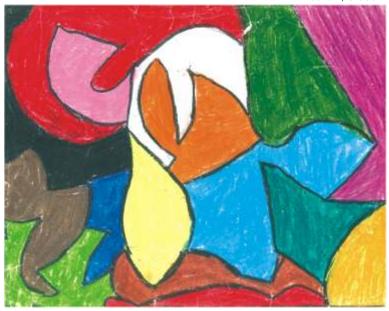
Long story short, at the level of attoseconds (10<sup>-18</sup> seconds) there is a weird quantum effect going on and the chemical formula for water isn't H<sub>2</sub>O. It's actually  $H_{15}O!$ .

In the alternative medicine of homeopathy, a dilute solution of compound can is purported to have healing effects, even if the dilution factor is so large that statistically there isn't a single molecule of anything in it except for water. Homeopathy proponents explain this paradox with a concept called "water memory" where water molecules "remember" what particles were once dissolved in it.

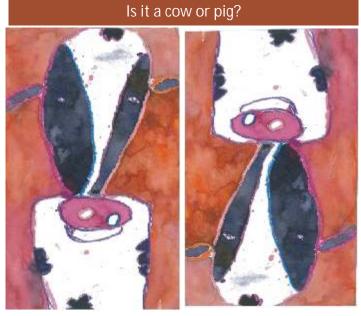
Quick: how many phases of water are there? If you answer three (liquid, gas and solid) you'd be wrong. There are at least 5 different phases of liquid water and 14 different phases (that scientists have found so far) of ice.

Remember the super cooling we talked about before? Well, it turns out that on matter what you do, at -38°C even the purest supercooled water spontaneously turns into ice (with a little audible "bang" no less). But what happens if you continue to lower the temperature? Well, at -120°C something strange starts to happen: the water becomes ultraviscous, or think like molasses. And below -135 °C, becomes "glassy water", a solid with no crystal structure.

- Tanishka, Grade 6



- Sneha, Grade 6



- Yashni, Grade 1B

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#### Brain is like a parachute it won't work unless its opened.

- Amay, Grade 6

# **VAXO**

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# Mariposa

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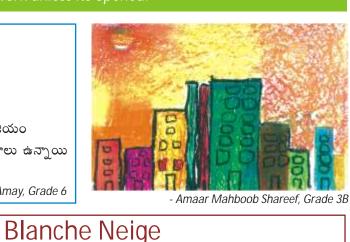
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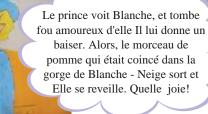




Un jour, dans un pays lointain, le ro et la reine donnent naissance a une fille. La petite princesse est belle comme la neige, ils l'appellent Blanche – Neige

Un jour, pourtant, le miroir répond : C'est Blanche - Neige. Quoi? comment? La reine Jalouse se met en colère et décide de faire tuer Blanche - Neige. Mais l'homme qui doit tuer la princesse n'a pas la courage de la faire.

Pendant ce temps au palais, la reine interroge son miroir : Il répond : C'est Blanche - Neige ! qui vit dans la forêt. La reine est furieuse ! Elle décide de se déguiser en vielle femme et de se rendre dans la foret avec une pomme Empoisonnée.



# Peu de temps après, la reine tombe

malade et meurt. La nouvelle reine possède un miroir magique. Elle lui demande souvent : Miroir qui est la plus belle femme au monde? La miroir répond toujours la même chose

il dit à Blanche - Neige : Sauve - toi, vite ! Cache - toi dans la forêt. Dans la forêt elle trouve une petite maison. Dans cette maison habitent sept nains. Blanche -Neige et les nains deviennent de bons amis. ils chantent, ils dansent et ils vivent

heureux ...

Elle trouve Blanche - Neige et lui donne une pomme. - oh merci! vous êtes gentille. Elle croque la pomme... Crunch ! arrgh! et tombe par terre. Les nains ont beaucoup de hagrin. Ils pleurent : Blanche - Neige est morte!! C'est alorrs qu'arrive un Prince

Blanche - Neige et la Prince se marient et vivent heureux ! Fin ....

- Shrikar & Tanishka, Grade 6



# Know Your Sports

#### Throwball

Throwball is a non-contact ball sport played across a net between two teams of seven players on a rectangular court. Throwball is popular in Asia, especially on the Indian subcontinent, and was first played in India as a women's sport in Chennai during the 1940s. Like volleyball, the



game's roots are linked with the YMCA. Both volleyball and Newcomb ball, share many similarities with throwball. Throwball rules were first drafted in 1955 and India's first national level championship was played in 1980.

#### Kho Kho

Kho Kho is an Indian and Pakistani sport played by teams of twelve players who try to avoid being touched by members of the opposing team, only 9 players of the team enter the field. It is one of the two most popular traditional tag games of South Asia, the other being Kabbadi.

#### Association Football

Association football, more commonly known as football or soccer (especially in countries where another sport is commonly referred to as "football"), is a sport played between two teams of eleven players with a spherical ball. At the turn of the 21st century, the game was played by over 250 million players in over 200 countries, making it the world's most popular sport. The game is played on a rectangular field of grass or green artificial turf, with a goal in the middle of each of the short ends. The object of the game is to score by driving the ball into the opposing goal.

#### Dodge ball

Dodge ball is any of a variety of games in which players try to hit other players on the opposing team with their own balls while avoiding being hit themselves. This article is about a well-known form of team sport with modified rules that is often played in physical education classes and has been featured



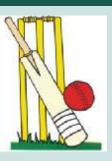
in a movie, Dodgeball: A True Underdog Story. In the United States, the game is typically played among children 6-12 in elementary school. However, internationally, the sport has also emerged as a popular middle school, high school and college sport. It is also popular in informal settings and is often played on a playground, in a gym, or in organized recreational leagues.



- Shreya, Grade 6

# Cricket

Cricket is a bat-and-ball game played between two teams of 11 players on a field, at the centre of which is a rectangular 22-yard long pitch. One team bats, trying to score as many runs as possible while the other team bowls and fields, trying to dismiss the batsmen and thus limit the runs scored by the batting team. A run is scored by the striking batsman hitting the ball with his bat, running to the opposite end of the pitch



and touching the crease there without being dismissed. The teams switch between batting and fielding at the end of an innings.

In professional cricket the length of a game ranges from 20 overs of six bowling deliveries per side to Test cricket played over five days. The Laws of Cricket are maintained by the International Cricket Council (ICC) and the Marylebone Cricket Club (MCC) with additional Standard Playing Conditions for Test matches and One Day Internationals.

Cricket was first played in southern England in the 16th century. By the end of the 18th century, it had developed into the national sport of England. The expansion of the British Empire led to cricket being played overseas and by the mid-19th century the first international matches were being held. The ICC, the game's governing body, has 10 full members. The game is most popular in Australia, England, the Indian subcontinent.

- Amay, Grade 6

# Mama's Recipe (Kulfi)

#### Ingredients:

4 cups milk

8 tsp. sugar or to taste

1/2 tsp. ground green cardamom seeds (chottielaichi)

1tbsp. skinned pista (pistachios), thinly sliced

1tbsp. skinned badam (almonds), finely ground (optional)

#### Preparation of kulfirecipe:

Put the milk into a wide, heavy pan and bring to boil over high heat, stiring constantly.

Now lower the heat and cook the milk, stirring constantly, until it has thickened and reduced to about 13/4th cups. (This will take about 40-45 minutes). Stir the sides of the pan constantly to avoid scalding.

Now add the sugar, nuts and cardamom seeds, stir well, allow to cool.

Pour the mixture into Kulfi molds or small ramekins, distributing evenly. Cover with plastic wrap or foil and freeze until set, about 6 hours.

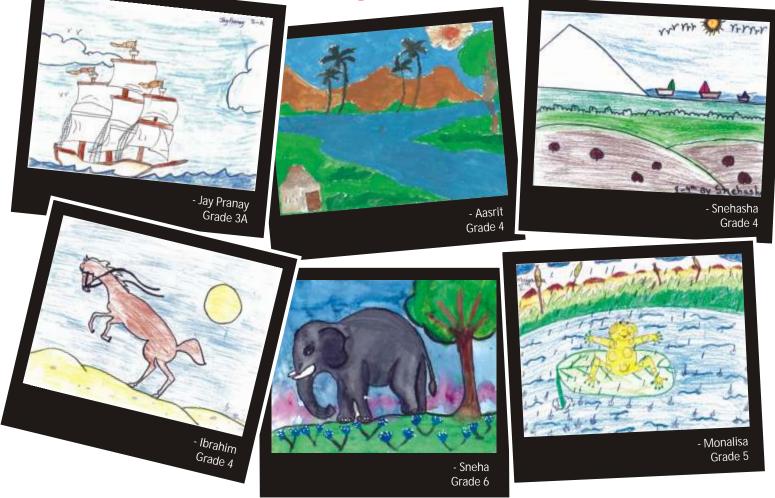
To serve, remove the ice-cream from the molds by running a sharp knife around the edges of the pistakulfi. Slip each kulfi on to a dessert plate, cut across into 3-4 slices, and serve.



- Sneha, Grade 6

- Krishna, Grade 3A

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- 1. Answer the following questions
- 2. The answers are hidden in the word search
- 3. Check the answers on Rockwell's Facebook page!

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- Q1: Who is the author of 'Adventures of Tom Sawyer'?
- Q2: Who was the first Indian to go to space?
- Q3: What is India's national emblem?
- Q4: 7 is the \_\_\_\_\_ of 49.
- Q5: What do we celebrate on 14th of November?
- Q6: The longest river is the \_
- Q7: The river Jordan flows into the\_\_\_\_\_



- Sanjna, Grade 3B

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