



The Palette

***Penn Alexander School's
Literary Magazine***

Betsy Okrent



Dear Reader,

I'm so excited to give you the first edition of the Penn Alexander School literary magazine. It's amazing to me how talented every student at our school is. I just want to thank all the PAS staff for their amazing amount of support. We could not have done this without the help of Mr. Hibbard, so thank you so much. I hope that you will be inspired by this edition. If your work is not included, I encourage you to submit next school year. Thanks to everyone for all of your awesome support!

Love and kisses,
Betsy Okrent *The Palette*

Violet Brenner



Dear Reader,

Thank you for reading the magazine and being a supporter. We worked really hard on this magazine and hope it will inspire the lower school at Penn Alexander to speak up and do more creative things. We've realized that our school is very accepting and Mr. Farrell will be very open to any creative and interesting ideas that you have. We thought of the magazine because we wanted to make something artistic, fun, and inclusive. While there wasn't room to include every work we received, we tried to make sure the magazine represents the diversity of Penn Alexander. The magazine shows that everyone should get a chance to voice their creativity!

Love,
Violet Brenner *The Palette*



Sara Elhanafi

Sara is a student at Penn Alexander. She likes drawing and art. She also likes gardens.



Lily Richman

Lily is seven years old and in second grade. She goes to Penn Alexander School, and she loves to read and draw.



Springtime



The smiling flowers
The singing birds
The buzzing bees
The beautiful butterflies
The glowing sun
All tell you
That spring has begun

Ava Golzari-Hunt

Ava Golzari-Hunt is six years old and in kindergarten. She loves drawing and writing. Her favorite book is The Name Jar. Her favorite season is Spring.



Violet Brenner

Violet is 11 years old and in 5th grade. She enjoys making movies and photography. She looks forward to middle school.

Jane McDaniel

Jane is an amazing girl that is in fifth grade. She has a dog named Charlie and she loves chickens.





Yi-Le April Lu

Yi-Le Lu is in second grade. She likes to play chess. She also likes to ride horses and make art.



Anisa Jahan

Anisa is a fifth grade student at Penn Alexander. She loves drawing her favorite characters.

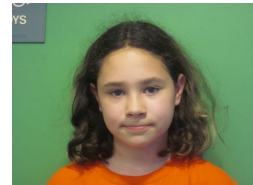




Mia Bracali

Mia is a ten-year-old fifth grader at PAS. Mia enjoys drawing and reading outside of school. Mia has written five books.

Wynn Glazer



Wynn enjoys writing comics for one reason: they're funny. She likes to listen and tell jokes. When she's not in school she likes to dance, read, play basketball, and of course, write comics.





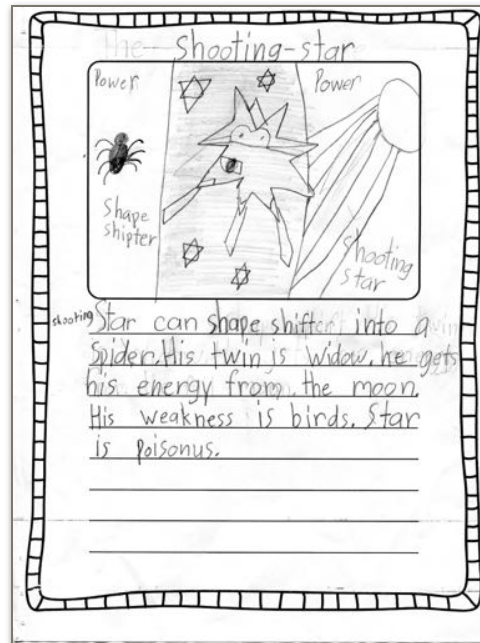
Zoe Stathis

Zoe is in second grade and was born on February 26, 2010. She is in room 117. Her teacher's name is Ms. Carter. She is eight and loves writing.



Lucas Kearney

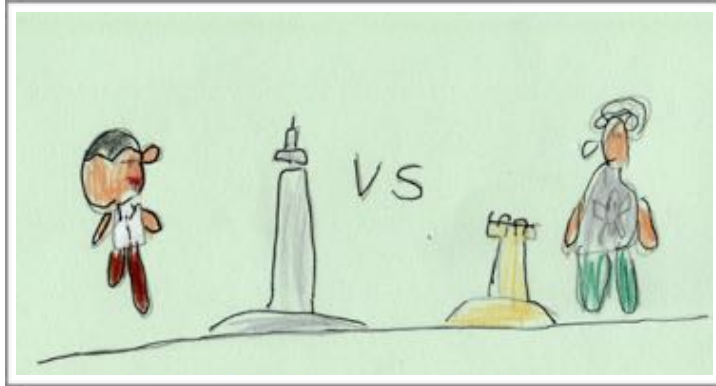
Lucas is in second grade. He is eight years old and has two brothers named Ray and Calvin. He loves reading, playing piano, playing outside, and building.



Chau Truong

Chau is seven years old. She is in second grade. Her birthday is September 29th, 2009. She hopes you enjoy her characters.





Silas Chen



Silas Chen is six years old. He has an older brother named Jamison, a mom, and a dad. He likes to do karate.

The Chess Game

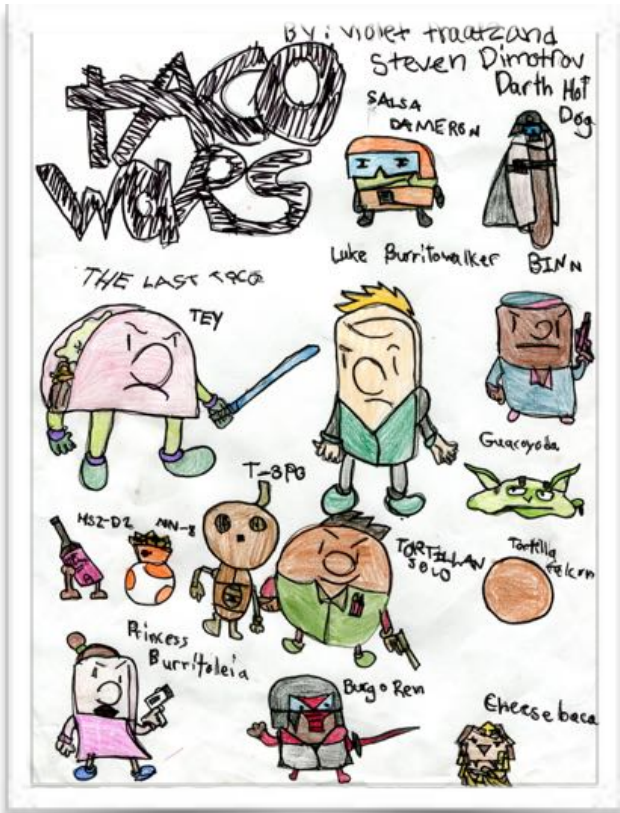
After my dad taught me how to play chess, I was ready to play him for real. I said, "Now I'm ready to play you, Dad." "Ok," said Dad. Then we started. First, I started to win. Dad wasn't catching up. The game was almost over, and I was going to win. After the game, I won and did the victory dance. I hope I win again!



Pryanshi Segupta



Priyanshi is in kindergarten. She loves cats. She also likes exploring and she explores a lot. Red and yellow are her favorite colors.



Violet Fraatz

Violet is a fourth grade student. Her favorite color is magenta. One of her favorite things to do is gymnastics.

Steven Dimotrov

Steven is a fourth grade student. He likes to read and draw outside of school.



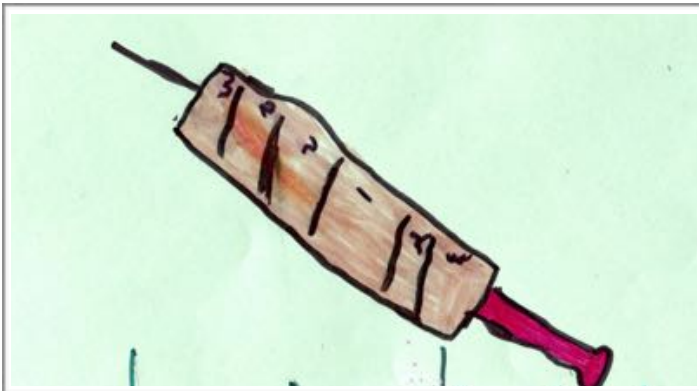
Daisy Bloodwell

Daisy Bloodwell is in first grade. She is very wacky so she thinks this fits her personality. The name of the picture is "Crazy Art."



Jillian Rhyshek

Jillian is eleven years old and in fifth grade, room 217. She has two parents, a sister, and three dogs. Jillian likes to swim, read, and ride her bike.



The Flu Shots

by Annelise Wagner

We were going to the doctors to get our flu shots. When we were driving I said, "I'm nervous." We finally got there. We waited in the waiting room. Finally, the doctor came. The doctor called us in. Ben went first. He hopped up on the chair. He tried to breathe, and put out his arm. Then my doctor said to Ben, "when I count to three take a deep breathe. Then it was my turn. I held my mom's hand. My doctor said the same thing to me. When the shot went into my arm, I started to cry. My doctor said, "It's okay," and put a bandaid on. I felt better. The next time I get a flu shot, I'll be ready.



Annelise Wagner

Annelise is six years old and lives in Philly. She has a mom, dad, brother, dog, and cat. She likes to dance.



Owen Myers



Owen is in first grade. He likes to draw. He also likes to play sports. He lives with his parents and his big brother.

A Report on How Book Reports Were Invented

Once upon a time, there was someone named GaGa GooGoo. She wrote a book report called "Where I'm From." When she was little, no one knew what a book report was because she was a cave man. But GaGa GooGoo did because she invented the book report. So, since she invented the book report, she decided when she grew up she would be an inventor. So, when she grew up, she invented a book, which is kind of the same thing as a book report because a book is a book report published except it's not a report. Oh, I forgot to tell you- she also invented a report. When she died, people still used her inventions.

Alexander Okrent



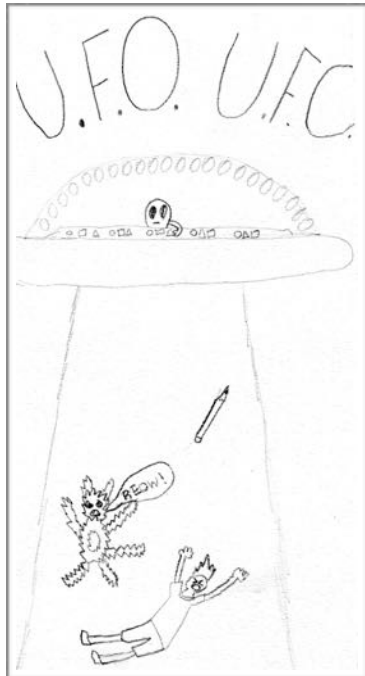
Alexander is in first grade. He has a twin sister and an awesome older sister that he loves very dearly. He likes to do hip-hop dancing and play video games.

Courage

I am Rosa Parks
Sitting in the front of the bus
I am Malala Yousafzai
Walking to school
I am Helen Keller
Reading for the first time
I am Harriet Tubman
Running in the night
I am bravery
I am strength

Ammar Sharaf

Ammar Sharaf is a fifth grade student at Penn Alexander School. He enjoys drawing. His favorite genre of painting is abstract. Ammar also loves graphic novels.



Leila Golzari-Hunt


Leila is in second grade. She likes reading and poetry. She also likes to swim.



Ella Johnstone

Ella is a second grader who very much enjoys kittens, puppies, babies, rainbows, junk food, bounce houses, and much, much more. She is eight years old and she also enjoys drawing.





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