

# FLYING AROUND... THE GROVE



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## JOKES OF THE MONTH

Why did the leprechaun climb over  
the rainbow?

Two pickles fell out of a jar onto the floor.

What did one say to the other?



## What is National Reading Month?

March is National Reading Month, a fun day that encourages reading for all ages and advocates reading as an important trait for learning! See our News Crews' favorite book list on the next page!

## The Poet's Corner

By Ava Wise

I see rain clouds,  
I see bird's nests,  
butterflies along the side, flowers too!  
Everything is growing,  
wind is blowing,  
spring is here, spring is here!



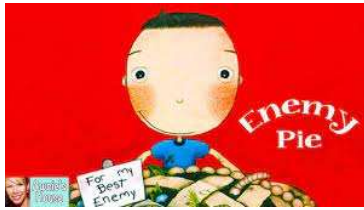
Joke answers:

To get to the other side!  
Dill with it

# Our Favorite Books!

Recommended by your favorite News Crew!

For National Reading Month we thought we would share our favorite books with you!



## Enemy Pie, Derek Munson

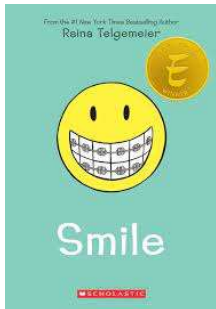
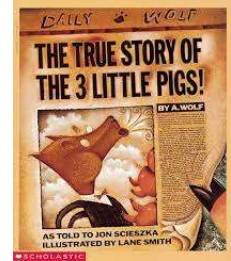
I recommend this book because it teaches us that who we think is our enemy can become friends with us.

Phoenix Pullen

## The True Story of the Three Little Pigs, by Jon Scieszka

In this book, the wolf tells the real story of the three little pigs from his point of view. My favorite part of the story is on page 12 because it has a picture of the wolf blowing down the house.

Ellie Roberson



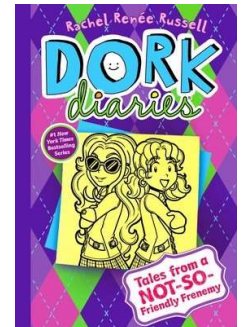
## Smile, by Raina Telgemeier

Smile is a book about a girl, Raina, who knocks out her two top front teeth. She will have to go through so many dentist appointments to get her teeth fixed, but she eventually gets used to it. Find out more by reading Smile!

Charlotte Pearigen

## Dork Diaries, by Rachel Renee Russell

This is one of my favorite books because It's a diary about a girl and her daily life, and it just reports about everything that's going on. The series of dork diaries is very long, they have books 1-15. But I do recommend reading this series of books to see about her life every day. Ava Wise

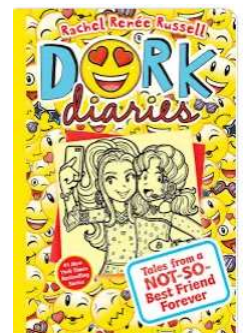


## Swimmy, by Leo Lionni

This story is one of my favorites because the story's theme is about working together to accomplish a goal to improve life for all. I enjoy reading this story at the beginning of the school year to my classes so I can open a discussion with my students about cooperating and working together. I also love Leo Lionni's illustrations. He uses the techniques of crayon resist, cross-hatching to make shadows, rubbings, and paint to make his beautiful pictures. Mrs. Mills

## Dork Diaries: Tales from a not-so-Best Friend Forever, by Rachel Renee Russell

Because it's like reading somebody's diary but not in a mean way. Because it's got cool stories inside. Lily Williams



Are you interested  
in joining News Club next year?



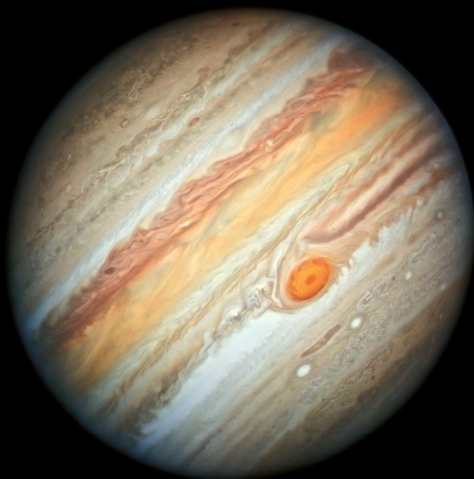
If so, just contact Ms. Mills! We work on interviewing teachers and other school workers. We look for events that go on around here in our town, so we can keep you informed of fun things to do! We tell you about events at our school. We love finding funny jokes to make you laugh and sharing articles with you on things we like! If you like writing, laughing, and working on the computer, News Club is just for you! Reach out to join us next year!

## SPACE

by Lily Williams  
continued...

In this newsletter, we will be flying to the gas giants and exploring them! We will start on Jupiter. I am first going to tell you we will not be landing on the gas giants because they are made of gases. Jupiter is a giant planet, and it is the biggest planet in the solar system with a mass of  $4.184 \times 10^{27}$  pounds! The length of the planet is 43,440.7 miles (about 69911.03 km).

Next, we fly to Saturn with its beautiful rings! Scientists say Saturn may be losing its rings. The mass of Saturn is  $1.253 \times 10^{27}$  pounds. 74,898 miles (about 120536.65 km). The length of Saturn 74,898 miles (about 120536.65 km). Tune back in for April's News to learn more about our planets!





## The Oak Grove Talent Show

**WHEN:** This fun event will be held on March 28<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm.

**WHERE:** Oak Grove Auditorium

**PRICE:** OGES Students & teachers get free admission!  
All others are \$5.00 each.

Mr. Murray, our awesome Music teacher, is leading the Talent Show.

Only 15 acts will be chosen for the talent show, so bring your best talents to the auditions on March 18<sup>th</sup> in the music room.

Mr. Murray will be posting a sign-up sheet soon for students to sign up for an audition time. Students who wish to participate must keep their talent act under 4 minutes. The students will audition in front of a carefully selected panel of judges.

After Auditions, Mr. Murray will post the 15 acts that have made it to the show on Tuesday, March 19<sup>th</sup>. The show itself will have judges from around the Oak Grove Community.

Students are reminded that their talent **MUST** be appropriate for school. If the student wishes to sing or dance, they need to let Mr. Murray know what song before the audition to get music ready.

Bring your special talents to the Auditions!  
You may be Oak Grove's next American Idol!



# Interview with Mrs. Valle...

by Ellie Roberson and Charlotte Pearigen

In case you've been sleeping under a rock, our Principal, Mrs. Valle, will be retiring this May! We wanted a chance to get to know her a little better before she leaves Oak Grove!

**What are some of the best accomplishments you have made as a principal?**

Steam certification, students improving reading, and student teacher parent relationships.

**Why did you want to become to principal?**

I like leading and working with others to improve student education.

**How many years have you been teaching?**

29 years

**What was your dream job as a kid?**

To be a teacher or a flight attendant.

**What was your favorite memory at Oak Grove?**

I liked when I was taped to the wall in the cafeteria, and my feet did not touch the floor.

**Do you like teaching, or being principal better?**

Being a principal.

**What is your favorite food?**

Shrimp

We wish Mrs. Valle the best! We will miss her!



# OAK GROVE MARCH EVENTS

- 3/1 - **Read Across America Day**
- 3/4 - **Kindergarten Registration Begins**
- 3/6 - **Chick-Fil-A Spirit Night**
- 3/6 - **Spring Picture Day**, 8:00 am-11:30 am, gym  
**DRESS YOUR BEST!**
- 3/7 - **PTA General Meeting**, Ice Cream Social & Literacy Night, Book Fair 5:30 -7:00 pm, in the café & media center
- 3/12 - **Digital Learning Day**- no school on campus  
Professional Learning Day staff
- 3/14 - **Menchie's Spirit Night**, Towne Lake, 3:00 -7:00 pm
- 3/18 - **Pre-K Registration Begins**, 3/18-3/29
- 3/19 - **STEAM Night**, Art Show, Robotic's Presentation, Chorus Performance, 5:30 -7:00 pm
- 3/22 - **1<sup>st</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> Grade Report Cards** go out electronically
- 3/22 - **GKIDS Kindergarten Report Cards** go home
- 3/22 - **Science Olympiad Competition**, 8:00 am-1:00 pm, River Ridge HS
- 3/26 - **Rising 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Parent Meeting**, E.T. Booth MS, 6:00 pm, gym
- 3/27 - **Kindergarten Cap & Gown Pictures**, 8:00 -10:30 am
- 3/28 - **PBF Rally and Vocabulary Parade**, 7:50-8:50 am, Gym



## ***ACWORTH FAMILY EVENTS***

### **INAUGURAL ACWORTH FAMILY DANCE PARTY**

**WHEN:** Saturday, March 12, 2022

**WHERE:** Acworth Community Center in Tanyard Creek Overlook  
4361 Cherokee St., Acworth, GA 30101

**ABOUT:** This is a fun family event – the dance theme is DISCO.

For more information or to register, please visit [acworthparksandrecreation.org](http://acworthparksandrecreation.org)

### **ACWORTH EASTER EGG HUNT**

**WHEN:** Friday, March 22, 2024

**WHERE:** Acworth Sports Complex, 4000 South Main Street, Acworth, GA 30101

**ABOUT:** This event is for children ages 10 and younger. This event includes a visit from the Easter Bunny and the Egg Hunt will begin at 6 pm which includes 50,000 eggs filled with toys, candy and prizes.

For more information Acworth Parks and Recreation Office at (770) 529-6006.

### **MULBERRY STREET ARTS & CRAFTS FESTIVAL**

**WHEN:** March 23-24, Saturday 10AM-6PM, Sunday 10AM-5PM, 2024

**WHERE:** 500 Mulberry Street, Macon, GA 31201

**ABOUT:** Arts and crafts are open to all ages, with no price needed at all. Call 478-744-9557 for more information. They will also get to learn so much about different types of plants.

### **PETTING ZOO AND KONA ICE**

**WHEN:** Saturday, March 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2-4PM

**WHERE:** Qualusi Vineyards 440 Blossom Trail, Acworth, GA 30101

### **DROP-IN FAMILY PROGRAM: NATURAL EGG DYEING**

**WHEN:** Saturday, March 30<sup>th</sup> 10am- 12pm

**WHERE:** Atlanta Botanical Garden 1345 Piedmont Ave, NE, Atlanta, GA

**ABOUT:** \$6 per child plus garden admission and \$5 per member child. This event includes egg decorating and learning about different types of plants.

For more information call 404-876—5859.