

Bloomington High School Creative Writing

Presents ...

Mrs. Foley's Third Grade Oakland Student Stories

NOTE: This document collects stories written by Mr. Foley's Creative Writing students. They wrote these stories based off of characters, settings, and ideas originated by Mrs. Foley's third grade students. The final step is for Mrs. Estabrook's Advance Art Studio students to create works of art inspired by both. Due to the outbreak, this project got delayed midway through. However, we wanted the third grade students to have the opportunity to see their ideas realized. Here are the stories.

BHS: Erin and Aidan

Oakland: Liam and Tyler

The Adventures of Pickle Dude

“Pickle Dude is an absolute menace, but I can’t catch him,” the cop whined over his morning coffee. As if summoned by these words, the phone rang with Pickle Dude on the other side of the line.

“Hello ... What?!... No, I cannot help you sir!” the cop gruffly shouted through the phone.

Meanwhile at Richwood Mansion, Pickled Dude now knew he’d have to save his pet ferret alone. Pickle Dude picked up the ransom note once again. “IF YOU WANT LIL JIMMY BACK STOP WITH THE PICKLES” was scrawled in huge letters on what looked like a... a Subway wrapper! Pickle Dude knew that his arch enemy, Mr. Impossible, worked at Subway on Fridays from three to six. Pickle Dude jumped into his hot dog shaped car and drove across town. As soon as he stepped into the store, Pickle Dude was met with a blast of mustard. He screamed in anguish. He hated mustard. Quickly, Pickle Dude shot back at his attacker. Now it was Mr. Impossible screaming. Mr. Impossible was soon encased in sticky pickle slices. And that was how the police found him once they arrived on the scene. By then, Pickle Dude had left safely with his sidekick, Lil Jimmy.

BHS: Lucy, Brianna, and Kelsey

Oakland: Jesiah and Isaiah

Life in the Amazon

The jungle buzzed with life, as monkeys swung from their vines, snakes slithered under rocks, and big cats zoomed through the trees. Up in the tallest tree of the Amazon stood Team Speed Limit's treehouse. Jessi and Issac, the cops of the jungle, watched for any animal who ran faster than the speed of 65 miles per hour, to keep the Amazon as safe as possible. Suddenly, Chip the chimpanzee, Team Speed Limit's lookout, jumped through the tree house as the speed siren wailed.

"Jemma the jaguar has been running at 70 miles per hour!" Chip warned Jessi and Issac, and the Team swung on their vines to give Jemma her speeding ticket.

Meanwhile, in Scientist Jacky's secret laboratory, hidden in the darkest part of the jungle, he was testing out his new potion to increase the speed of animals in the Amazon.

"Pllleeeaaasse dooonn'tt maakee meee driinkk thhaat," pleaded slow Sylvia. The sloth did not want to go fast, because then she would get a speeding ticket.

"This will show Team Speed Limit!" The nerdy scientist cackled with evil intent. He gave Sylvia the magic potion, and she sped off into the Amazon as fast as Jemma the jaguar. Jacky was jealous of the sloth's new found speed, and decided he wanted to be King of the Amazon. So, the scientist drank his own bubbling potion. However, the drink turned him into a scary ripper, and he zoomed through the green vines at lightning speed.

Back at the treehouse, Jessi and Issac were giving Jemma her speeding ticket.

“I’m sorry, I will try to contain my speed the next time my dinner runs away,” cried the jaguar.

“It’s all right, Jemma. Just don’t let it happen again,” Issac reassured, when suddenly the siren from their treehouse rang out.

Team Speed Limit raced through the vines to see what new animal was speeding through the Amazon.

“Ha ha ha, you will never be able to catch me! I’m the fastest animal in the jungle!” Jacky the ripper sang, taunting Jessi and Issac as he easily ran circles around them.

“We have to find a way to stop him,” Jessi said, as the team brainstormed ideas.

“Hmmm...I got it!” Issac joyfully announced.

They gathered up all of the scientist’s magic and reversed his speeding potion into a slow moving one. They poured the new magic over a speeding ticket and gave it to Jacky the ripper. The ticket forced Jacky to go as slow as Sylvia the sloth for the rest of his days, and the jungle burst with happiness.

BHS: Jordan

Oakland: Harsith and Jayden

Garbage Universe

In a distant galaxy, a planet called Garbage World in the Garbage Universe has been under attack by Garbage Evil. He wants to take all the garbage in the galaxy for himself, and not share it with anybody. Luckily, a rebel group would stop him and share all the garbage with the poor on the planet. They named themselves the Garbage Resistance, the leader being Garbage Man. They met at Wastepool Beach where Garbage Evil was waiting.

Garbage Evil laughed as he rode off with his ship. Garbage Man had resilience in his eyes as he watched him. Garbage Man hopped off his trustworthy Garbage Horse with weapons and swam out. He hopped onto Garbage Evil's ship and faced him.

"I'm not going to allow you to do this," Garbage Man threatened.

"Then come put me in time out," Garbage Evil responded. They leaped into battle with Garbage Evil shooting out garbage and Garbage Man avoiding it all. They felt the ship shake and out came the Garbage Whale in all of its wasteful glory. It gave a big yell with a smug look as it whipped it's lower back and knocked Garbage Evil and his ship out.

"This isn't the last of me," Garbage Evil said as he plunged into the sea. Garbage Man and the whale swam out in the distance. Another victory for Garbage Man.

BHS: Natylie

Oakland: Zoey and Fallon

Watermelon World's Ultimate Softball Tournament

Today, I get to play in Watermelon World's Ultimate Softball Tournament! I am most excited because my friend Honey the carrot is coming to watch me play. She moved to Earth three months ago, but came back to the moon to watch me play and to get free watermelon candy. Once we got to the game, Mama Melon told me to go join my team on the field. I had to step over millions of melons to get there, but once I did, I realized that Milo the dog was our umpire. He was known for being obsessed with bacon and getting distracted during the game. Coach said I was up to bat first. I was great at batting, but not so great at running the bases. The pitcher pitched the ball and I swung. The ball went all the way to the fence. I ran as fast as I could and barely made it!

"You're out!" Milo said, his face still buried in the bacon.

"What? No way! Sweet Pea totally made it!" Everyone argued in my favor. The crowd yelled at Milo for not paying attention. Milo looked up from his bowl of bacon and saw me standing on the plate.

"Safe," he called. An hour later, we won the game, and Honey and I went back to my house to eat watermelon candy.

BHS: Claire

Oakland: Oliver, Jackson, and Lyla

Super Squirrel Man vs. the Evil Hot Dog

It was a calm day in Squirrel City, Nut Lake and Squirrel Lake glimmering in the warm sun. Super Squirrel Man, Super Mama Squirrel, and Nut Nerd were celebrating at Acorn Restaurant for Super Mama Squirrel being elected as Squirrel City's new mayor.

Suddenly, a large crash came from outside the restaurant.

"What was that?" Nut Nerd asked his friend in his British Accent.

"I don't know, but I have a feeling it's something very bad!" Super Squirrel Man said. He hurried out the door, Nut Nerd right behind him, and saw a large Hot Dog swallowing many hot dogs from a large hot dog sack in his hand. As he ate more and more hot dogs, he became bigger and stronger.

"I am the evil Hot Dog! I am here to destroy this city!" he bellowed, stuffing more hot dogs into his mouth.

Squirrels and nuts started running and screaming in fear.

"What do we do, Nut Nerd?" Super Squirrel Man asked.

Nut Nerd got a great idea. "I'll spin into a tornado and take the hot dog sack away from him! He's getting stronger from eating all those hot dogs! You and Super Mama Squirrel can then punch him and take him down!"

Nut Nerd started spinning as fast as he could, a large gust of wind circling around him. He spun over to the evil Hot Dog and snatched the hot dog sack away from him.

While he took the sack away, Super Squirrel Man and Super Mama Squirrel grouped together and punched the evil Hot Dog, knocking him out.

Everyone in the city started cheering and hugging the heroes, happy that their city was saved by the incredible Super Squirrel Man and his friends.

BHS: Ruby

Oakland: Jax and Liam

Scientists, Cavemen, and Dinosaurs

The scientist has designed an amazing science experiment. He wants to see what will happen if cavemen and dinosaurs meet. For years, he has been working on a time-travel machine, and today it is finished. His dream will finally come true.

Ooga-Ooga, the caveman, began his day by hunting for grubs to eat. Little does he know that the time-travel machine is locked on to his location. There is a blip in time as Ooga-Ooga is quickly removed from his home and transported to the lab.

Jeff the stegosaurus and Bob the brontosaurus are best friends. Little do they know that the time-travel machine is currently locked on to their location. Another blip. Jeff and Bob disappear from their time and appear moments later in the lab.

The experiment begins. Ooga-Ooga, Jeff, and Bob begin to interact with each other. Before they know it, they are all friends. Soon after, it is time for the experiment to end.

It's the end of the day. The lights are off at the lab as the evening sun sets. The same sun sets on Jeff and Bob in their time. In the morning, the same sun will rise on Ooga-Ooga in his time as he searches for grubs. The scientist is fast asleep after a hard day's work and a large plate of cookies.

BHS: Christina and Jake

Oakland: Charlee and Sara

A Weird Day

Once upon a time in a tiny school in New York, little Ella was on her way to class, when all of the sudden Ella looked up and realized a new girl was headed right for her. But for some reason she couldn't move and Stella, the girl not paying attention, ran straight into her. They both fell down, got up, and headed back their own ways. When they got to class, their classmates were laughing because they didn't recognize the people who walked in. Since they were both dramatic, once they walked in, and realized what happened, they ran to the bathroom in a fit. They looked at each other, confused, and screamed, "We switched bodies!" They had no other choice but to be best friends. After deciding to be best friends they went to Ella's house. Ella showed Stella her bedroom and all the dolls she had. Ella told Stella that she liked Stella's purple and blonde hair. Ella's mom came home and they begged her to go to an amusement park. Ella's mom agreed to take them to the park and drove them there. Once Ella and Stella arrived there, they ran off to ride the Ferris Wheel. Ella and Stella laughed and giggled the whole time they were there.

BHS: Katie

Oakland: Chloe and Cora

Superbaby and Superpup

The moment the headlights of their mom's car fade from view, Rose calls, "Hey kiddos, wanna go see the carnival?" Her brothers, Briggs and Christian, answer with cheers; even their puppy Coda yips in delight.

It's in full swing when they arrive, games flashing and kids screeching. Rose pays for wristbands before setting them loose with a cheery request to stay in her sight.

Briggs grins at Coda as they race off to play, only to trip over Christian's outstretched leg. "Superbaby and Superpup will get you for that!" he declares tearfully, pointing at Christian. The eight-year-old only smirks.

The pair vanishes into the crowd, and soon a different set appears. Superbaby, clad in a mask, cape, and diaper; and Superpup, soaring above on winglike ears, mask and cape fluttering behind him.

Superpup sees Christian almost immediately, guiding his partner through the crowds to a booth. Both kids step up, and the challenge begins. First the beanbag toss, then boat races, then the ring toss; Superbaby wins them all, leaving Christian scowling.

Rose reappears then, a knowing smile on her lips. "Why don't we get some ice cream?" she suggests. With the promise of a treat, the siblings' rivalry is briefly forgotten.

BHS: Ina and Thomas

Oakland: Camila and Aubry

A Halloween Spook

The very clever girl, Susie, likes to walk her Husky, Risk, on the night of Halloween. It is a great time to see the living in their costumes, running and playing. Susie loves seeing them! She walks her big, fluffy dog past them, and hopes that they ask her to pet him. But when they do, their hands go right through Risk, because he is a ghost, too! Risk doesn't like it much, though. He growls and snaps at those silly children, who think they can pet him. But Susie just giggles at another night of silly games before going home to her loving parents.

The three of them haunt the scariest house on the block, and enjoy spending their time trying to get people to come into their house, just to scare them away! It is great fun, especially on Halloween. But Susie knows that her parents are both kind and wonderful parents. They always help clean up and love to sit and watch the thunder storms with her. They always look after and help each other, and even keep grumpy old Risk happy!

Some say, if you go and visit their house today, you'll be greeted by a little girl, her see-through dog, and their kind parents.

BHS: Rachael, Ellie, and Kamryn

Oakland: Randhir and Eli

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It was a normal day. The birds chirped, the air cool. Inside the window of the man's apartment stood a beautiful golden retriever and Petro, the super scary and tattered doll. The young man walked into his apartment, his black hair messy and a smile on his face. His dog greeted him with joy. Not known to the man, the boy doll waited for him behind the dark corner. After the dog's daily greeting, it began to growl in the direction of the corner. Curious as to what the dog was growling at, the man crept around the corner not knowing what to expect. A jolt of fear went through the man, his hands reached out and grabbed the doll. When he lifted up the doll to get a better look, a ray of light caught the doll right in his eyes and made the doll flinch with pain and jump from the man's arms. On the doll's way down he latched onto the dog's ear, a yelp echoed from the dog and caused the doll to let go. The man grabbed a cardboard box with shaky hands as he trapped the doll inside it. The man quickly ran outside to throw the box on the curb before running back to love his dog.

BHS: Parker

Oakland: DaMia and Layla

The Emergency Room

Maya, Ellie and Katelynn were all ready for track practice with Coach Michelle. It was a hot day, and all four of them were very sweaty. Maya was feeling a little sick, but she couldn't miss track practice. If she missed it, she couldn't run the race tomorrow. Coach Michelle wanted them to run one lap around, and she had a secret surprise for the fastest runner. Maya wanted that prize badly, so she ran as hard as she could.

Ellie was faster than Maya and Katelynn, so she won the race. Coach Michelle walked over to the finish line. Maya was feeling really sick by then, but she didn't want to leave practice early. Everyone was getting ready to run another race, when Maya suddenly fell to the ground. She had passed out!

When she woke up, Maya noticed she was in a hospital room. There was a nurse who was in there with her, and she was smiling at Maya. The nurse offered Maya a cup of water and said that she wasn't feeling good because she hadn't been drinking water. Maya thanked her, and Ellie, Katelynn, and Coach Michelle walked into the room. Ellie said that the secret surprise was a cookie from Coach Michelle, but she wanted Maya to have it. She smiled and gave Ellie a hug. That's what best friends are for!

BHS: Jilian and Stephanie

Oakland: Alayna and Maci

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THUMP. THUMP. THUMP. “I think the child is coming!” Cheese Puff yelled as he looks to his friend Rose. Rose is a very nice potato chip but she doesn’t like boys and Cheese Puff is, well, a nice cheese puff, but he gets sad sometimes.

“Ha! He won’t ever find me, unlike you guys,” Pipa yells from behind her potato chip bag. Like Rose, Pipa is a potato chip but she is very mean and hates school but loves pink!

“I have an idea that will help everyone!” Cookie God says as they stand in front of the rest of them. Cookie God has magical powers that no one really knows about, “I will freeze the kid and you three jump off the counter and then hide underneath the dishwasher!” Cheese Puff and Rose nod with agreement, but Pipa is not so sure; Pipa never really believed in Cookie God’s wonderful powers. Just as the kid enters the kitchen, Cookie God freezes them! Cheese Puff and Rose jump down and hide under the dishwasher successfully, Pipa tries to but she ends up going underneath the oven. Once everyone was hiding, Cookie God jumped down and hid with Cheese Puff and Rose. Nowadays they spend the rest of their days helping other snacks live.