

# PAW PRINTS

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## Jog-A-Thon Returns to Peters

by Megan Turner, 5th Grade

On October 7th, Kindergarten through 5th grade ran in the Jog-A-Thon for 25 minutes each.

Mr. Ritter is a big help with the Jog-A-Thon. I interviewed him to learn about this event. Did you know that we have only been doing the Jog-A-Thon for five years? The all-time record is 34 laps. The reason we do the Jog-A-Thon is for school spirit, fun, and physical fitness. Also did you know that one lap is 500 meters? Thank you Mr. Ritter and all the moms and dads who volunteered. It was a great day for the Jog-A-Thon!

## Scholastic Book Fair Comes to Peters

by Liz Borgelt, 5th Grade



I went to the library and asked Mrs. Leslie some questions about the book fair.

1. What do you like most about the book fair? She said she likes all the great books and getting to get books for the library.
2. What do you not like about the book fair? She said that there's nothing she doesn't like about the book fair.
3. How much money did we raise? The estimate was \$6000.
4. What was the most popular book? The most popular books were Infinity Ring, The Legend of the Ghost Dog, and Diary of a Wimpy Kid: Do it Yourself.
5. What was the least popular book? The adult books were least popular.

## Can You Help?

by Alyssa Gil, 4th Grade

This year some families may not have a lot on their table. So Peters Elementary is helping donate canned foods, so if you can help that would be great! Bring stuff such as pudding, canned meat and anything that won't break. This is going to start October 24 and last through November. The grade level that has the most pounds of food gets an extra recess!

## Helping United Way

By Lily Lamb, 5th Grade

Peters students and teachers worked together to raise money for United Way. United Way is all about helping families in need. It helps provide clothing, shelter, and food. Some activities included the selling of Blow Pops, lemonade, popsicles, beef jerky, and bubble gum. The last day we celebrated our United Way campaign by dressing up in 80s fashions. Our school raised about \$5,744.

## Peters Students Publish Newspaper

by Ashley Fisher, 5th Grade

Hello students! This is our first Student Council newspaper. In the newspaper you will see articles about upcoming events, book reviews, and student work. You can even put your own work in the newspaper. How? By putting your poems, book reviews, and your own thoughts in the box outside of Mrs. Harding's room. We hope you enjoy our newspaper!



## Bringing the Farm to School

by Emily Langdon

and Jared Crawford, 5th Grade

On October 12th, some of us had some fun because it was Farm to Student Day at Peters. Farm to Student is about eating healthy and to see what people on a farm do.

There were 11 stations. At one station we got to see what it was like to milk a cow. At another station, we took a water bottle, put it on a newspaper, and folded the newspaper into a pot for a plant. There were also a couple of stations where you got to try some new foods like watermelon salsa and zucchini.

One of the most popular stations was the worm station. We learned that worms have 5 brains and 8 hearts!

We also learned about agriculture. Agriculture means farming, and farming is very important in Oklahoma.

# Peters Recycles!

by Amelia Kannon, 5th Grade

Mrs. Gold’s class is in charge of recycling. We started recycling in the beginning of September and we will recycle the very first week of every month. Mrs. Gold assigns each team member with a partner. The twosome visits the classrooms and retrieves the recycling bins from the classroom and deposits the contents in the recycling containers in the parking lot. The team returns the bins and repeats the process each month. The community is welcome to recycle in the Peters containers as well. Please only junk mail, paper, magazines, and newspapers.



Recycling is important because it helps the air and the things around us. If the environment is unhealthy, the world is unhealthy. So please recycle. It’ll help!

# Thank You, Mrs. Cairl

by Braxton Tempest, 4th Grade

As you may know, Mrs. Dirks had her baby, Riggins, on the first day of school. She was gone for almost two months. During that period, we had a long-term substitute. Her name was Mrs. Cairl. She was a very nice sub. It was very nice of her to come and sub for us. I interviewed her and this is what she said: “I like my class because they follow directions and are nice to others. I love to teach school and learn new things. I think kids are a lot of fun. I have taught in Colorado, Kansas and Oklahoma. I have been teaching for 35 years. My favorite part of teaching is making new friends. I will miss my class.” We thank Mrs. Cairl very much. We will miss her, too.



# Union Defeats Enid

by Braxton Tempest, 4th Grade

The Union Redskins are the four-time defending state champs so we are pretty good, that is why the score was Union 63, Enid 7.

Union kicked a booming kick and we held Enid on our ten yard line. On the very first play of the game Enid threw a five yard pass and we intercepted the ball and scored.

Then we kicked it again and they turned it over to us. You probably saw that coming. Then we scored again, held them, and then scored again. It was 21 to 0 in the first quarter.

We scored once more and we had a huge gain of yards. We scored twice more so that makes the score 42 to zero in the first half. Then we scored twice more. It surprised me that Enid actually scored. Who saw that coming? Then we scored once more and the final score was Union 63, Enid 7. Maybe next time Enid.

# Tulsa Run a Fun Family Event

by Gabi Ponio, 5th Grade

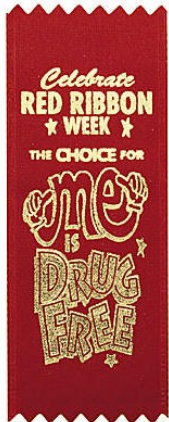
This past few days I have asked Mr. Ritter a few questions about the Tulsa Run, which will take place on Saturday, October 27.

One question was about the importance of the Tulsa Run. It is very important because it promotes physical fitness, is a good family activity, and it’s also lots of fun!

Last year, about 300 kids came to the Tulsa Run. That’s a lot of kids! You’re probably wondering how long the Tulsa Run has been going on. Well, here is that answer: 25 years! Mr. Ritter has been to all of them but ONE. That’s a lot of years!

When we have won money from the Tulsa Run we have bought many things. Some of them are soccer nets, basketball nets, basketballs, soccer balls, and new playground equipment.

I will have another article about what happened at the Tulsa Run in the next newspaper. Look for my article!



# Red Ribbon Week

by Jared Crawford, 5th Grade

As you may know, Red Ribbon Week is coming up. Red Ribbon Week is about not doing drugs and knowing that they’re bad for you. What drugs do to you (if they’re not prescribed to you) is mess with your head, like criminals. A lot of criminals these days do drugs, that’s probably why they’re so whacko.

In honor of being drug free, we celebrate once a year for an entire week by doing a bunch of fun activities.



## Writing in the Bathroom

Editorial by Holli Meyer, 4th Grade

We are having some difficulty with the bathrooms. Kids have been writing inappropriate words. They have also been interrupting classes with their loud voices. The words that have been written are also making our school look bad. Some of the words have been about kids. Let's try to change the problem and set a better example.

## Have Grammar?

Editorial by Megan Turner, 5th Grade

Are you tired of teachers correcting your grammar? No? Well I am!

OK, so I have trouble with saying a person's name first, then saying I. For example, I will ask my teacher, "Can me and Bob go to the library?" and right in the middle of my sentence, my teacher will interrupt me by saying "Bob and I." It gets really annoying!

I also have trouble with saying "y'all" and "bud" and "guys."

My teacher tries to correct me, but learning grammar is really hard for me. So to all of you guys who have bad grammar, follow my journey to learn to talk gooder. Check out my column, Megan's Grammar School, in next month's newspaper.

## Gossiping: Good or Bad?

Editorial by Trinity McMahon, 5th Grade

Is gossiping good or truly bad? Some people think gossiping is just sharing news with others. While others think gossiping is another word for spreading rumors. Most people will believe everything they hear, but I like to make sure it's true before I believe it. I have even seen gossip groups around school.

So if you see or hear people talking badly about someone behind their back, here are a few good things you should or could do...

1. Tell the person who is gossiping to stop.
2. Stand up for the person.
3. Tell a teacher.

So do your share. Gossiping is bad. Help our school stay bully free!

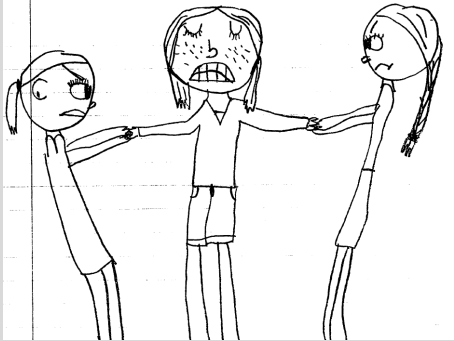
Editorial (n) - A newspaper or magazine article that gives the opinions of the editors or publishers.



## Ask The Panther

by Camden Barker, Skylar Davis, and Emma Jackson, 5th Grade

Dear Panther,  
I'm stuck. I have two friends who want me to play with them, but one wants me to play soccer and the other wants me to swing with her. I try to play with both of them on the monkey bars, but they just don't get along. I feel like I'm being torn apart!  
--Sadness



Dear Sadness,  
If your friends don't get along, don't play with them. Go to Mrs. K and see what she has to say. Then, talk to your friends one on one. Try to find out why they don't like each other.  
--The Panther

Dear Panther,  
My friend is rubbing a Pride Card in my face. What should I do?  
--Madness

Dear Madness,  
Act like you don't care, try hard to get a Pride Card so she can't do that to you, and if it keeps going on, play with someone who respects you.  
--The Panther

Dear Panther,  
My sister has dyslexia, and I need to help her. I just don't know how. What should I do?  
--Caring Sister

Dear Caring Sister,  
Encourage her to do her best, work on reading and other things you see she is struggling on. Tell her teacher that she might need a little more help than others. Remember, don't give up.  
--The Panther

Need Advice?

Send your questions to Ask the Panther by using the Paw Prints drop-box outside of Mrs. Harding's door.

## Remember the Golden Rule

Editorial by Brayden Parrish, 5th Grade

Just the other day I was watching a cartoon, The Coyote and the Road Runner. Every time the coyote tried to eat the road runner he failed epically, and it reminded me of bullying and how people do it for fun and that's just wrong.

We should all be using encouraging words to our classmates. Words can hurt and sometimes never be forgotten. That is why I am writing this article to tell all the bullies out there to stop. Remember the Golden Rule: treat others how you would want them to treat you.

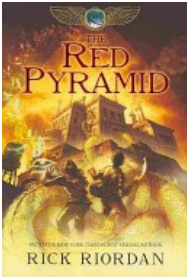
## Only You Can Stop Bullying

Guest Editorial by Dominic Hamilton and Bryson Wolfe, 5th Grade

Bullying is bad, you can hurt the inside and out. If you try to fix it, it is not going to work because you hurt them. For example, if you crumble up a nice, smooth paper into a ball and unroll it, it still has wrinkles. That's what happens to somebody else's heart when you or your friend bully somebody. So think before doing. Only you can stop bullying.

## The Red Pyramid

Book Review  
by Braxton Tempest, 4th Grade



The Red Pyramid by Rick Riordan is about Carter Kane who lives with his Dad, Julius Kane, after his Mom disappears. Julius is an Egyptologist. An Egyptologist is a person who studies Egypt. They travel around Egypt a lot.

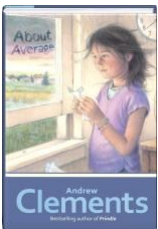
Every Christmas, Eve Carter and Julius go to visit Carter’s sister, Sadie Kane. Their dad takes them to the museum and the Julius gets kidnapped by an evil villain. Carter and Sadie discover that they each have magical powers and they need to work together to save their dad, with a little help along the way.

Discover what happens next when you check it out today.

## About Average

Book Review  
by Emily Langdon, 5th Grade

Jordan Johnston is not plump, not skinny, not tall, and not small. She is definitely average. This year is Jordan’s 6th grade year. She wants it to be great. She doesn’t think it will be great because all she is, is average. All she wants is to hold yellow roses in her arms and people clapping like crazy for her. Is she asking too much? Find out in About Average by Andrew Clements.



## Peters Poems

by Emma Jackson, 5th Grade

Pre-school to fifth grade,  
Everyone is learning.  
Teachers work hard,  
Especially Mrs. Randall.  
Reading, writing, and math —  
School is the best!

Passionate teachers and students,  
Enthusiastic about learning.  
Together we work:  
Education, our goal,  
Respect, our way,  
Success, our story.

## Joking Around

by Trinity Tanner, 5th Grade

Why didn’t the skeleton cross the road?  
*Because it didn’t have any guts!*

Where do ghosts go to get their food?  
*The ghost-ery store!*

What do you call a fake noodle?  
*An impasta!*

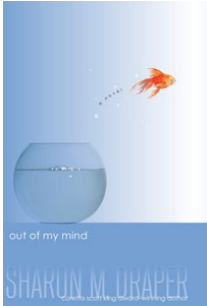
## Submit Your Writing!



## Out of My Mind

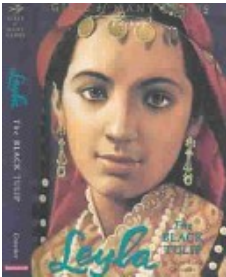
Book Review  
by Amelia Kannon, 5th Grade

Out Of My Mind by Sharon Draper is a funny, sad, embarrassing, and just a plain great book! It’s about a girl named Melody who can’t talk, walk or write. Not being able to walk must be hard enough, but can you imagine not being able to talk, too? Her mind is out of control until she discovers something amazing. At last Melody finds a voice but not everyone is ready to hear it from her. I loved this book so much, and I’m sure you will too.



## Leyla: The Black Tulip

Book Review  
by Meghana Venkatesha, 3rd Grade

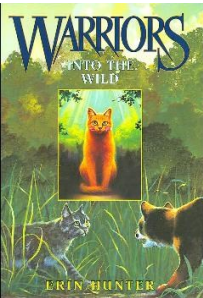


Leyla: The Black Tulip by Alev Lytle Crouther is about a twelve-year-old girl named Laleena whose father was a painter. He was asked to paint the

scene of the war. After he left they did not have that much money because normally he would sell his paintings. One day a man came to her house and said, “Can I exchange some money for your daughter?” Did her mom say yes or no? Check out the book to find out.

## Warriors: Into the Wild

Book Review  
by Ashley Fisher, 5th Grade



For generations there have been four clans in the forest and they all follow the warrior code and believe in Starclan. One day a kitty pet named Rusty comes into the forest and makes an important decision-to be made a warrior, and his new name is Firepaw. With the help of his new best friend named Graypaw they might save their clan or all the clans. Read Warriors: Into the Wild by Erin Hunter to find out.

## Letters to the Editor

### More Time Requested

by Braxton Tempest, 4th Grade

I think that we need more time for lunch and recess. The reason I think that we need more time for recess is because that kids have such a short morning or a long afternoon and they need more time to burn energy. The reason I think we need more time for lunch is that kids get all this food and they don’t have any time to eat it.

### Bottled Water

by Gabi Ponio, 5th Grade

This year I believe we should have bottled water at lunchtime. You’re probably wondering, why? Because too many kids are spilling their drinks and complaining that its not enough. Plus bottled water is better for us than pop or juice. If we don’t finish our water, we can take them back to our classrooms and finish them. Thank you for your time!

Idiom Illustrations by 3rd Grade ARC

He lost his head

It's raining cats and dogs.

You lost control

driving someone up the wall

Hold your Horses

It means to be annoying.

Hold on

October  
Citizens of the Month

Faith Ayele - 4th Grade (Borgelt)  
Lillie Arnold - 4th Grade (Dirks)  
Kayla Grant - 4th Grade (Lewellen)

Hector Ramirez - 5th Grade (Bowen)  
Rachel Farrell - 5th Grade (Gold)  
Liz Borgelt - 5th Grade (Harris)  
Angeline Huynh - 5th Grade (Lira)

Word Search by Anonymous

Word Search

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1. Panther

2. peters

3. fun

4. school
5. class

6. teacher

7. play

8. work

Comic by Hector Ramirez and Evan Mann, 5th Grade

One hot afternoon

Busted Boys

Nothing

They took my ball

Busted

Busted

Busted

AHHH

Kreack

Dungeon