



# The Memorial Times



## Principals Corner

This year has gone by very quickly. The implementation of improved curriculums, an almost new facility, and the overall atmosphere that makes Memorial School what it is today have added to the excitement. This year has been a very successful and enjoyable one both for students and staff. I will be sorry to see this eighth grade class leave Memorial. They have worked together, without division, to help each other to accomplish their goals. The seventh grade shows promise to continue on in their desire to learn and graduate. The fifth and sixth grades have also been a wonderful group full of motivation and the ambition needed to attain superb academic achievement. I want to thank the entire staff for all of their efforts this year and for always going “above and beyond.” Although I am somewhat sad at this year’s conclusion, I am already looking forward to next year. I wish you an enjoyable and healthy summer.

-Mr. Silverstein

## Editor’s Note

The school year has come to an end and with that, we say goodbye to the year and welcome new adventures. The newspaper and all of its staff are delighted to have been part of the newspaper club this year. We are proud to present the wonderful highlights of this eventful year!

As summer arrives, we hope that everyone is able to get some rest, and more importantly, have some fun. Enjoy the latest edition of this newspaper. We wish a happy summer to all of the Memorial students and staff and a huge Congratulations! To the graduating eighth graders!!!

Your Editor,  
Diya Patel

## A Letter From the Advisor

Summer break is around the corner! I’m sure you are all gearing up for some relaxation and fun in the sun! This year has been a wonderful one for the newspaper club at Memorial Middle School. I would like to recognize that this is the first year that the Memorial School Newspaper has been published online in accordance with the Woodland Park School District paperless initiative. As a result, staff, students, and community members have all been able to enjoy a the complete color version of The Memorial Times.

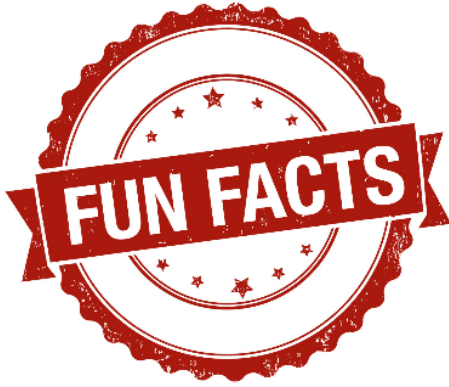
This year we had over 30 members from all grade levels. Each and every member worked very hard to publish articles and features that appeal to all Memorial students. Additionally, seven valuable members will be graduating this year. I want to thank them for their commitment in helping edit and format the newspaper and lending a helping hand to their underclassmen. We wish them well in their high school endeavors.

I would especially like to thank our Student Editor, Diya Patel. Diya has been committed to the Newspaper Club since 5th grade. Diya has a natural gift for writing and is also a tremendous positive influence and leader amongst her peers. Her time, effort, and energy has not gone unnoticed. On behalf of the Newspaper Club, I would like to wish Diya great achievement and prosperity in high school!!!

I hope everyone has a safe and enjoyable summer break! We are glad to provide some interesting summer reading material to you!

~Ms. Riviera





## Weird Facts

by Grace Martinez

Face it. We all love strange facts. From the crazy to the plain outrageous, we delight in discovering new facts. So, while you're on summer break, have a little fun with these facts. And maybe learn something new while you're at it. (Facts courtesy of funology.com and coolkidsfacts.com)

- Even though, Mercury is the planet closest to the sun, Venus is the hottest planet, thanks to its thick atmosphere that traps in the sun's rays.
- About 20% of Earth's surface is desert.
- If the night is clear, the human eye can see 2,000 – 3,000 stars.
- The Amazon rainforest creates one-fifth of the world's oxygen.
- The deepest lake in the world is Lake Baikal in Russia. It can hold all of the Great Lakes' water combined.
- There is only one food that never spoils: honey.
- Thomas Edison, who created the lightbulb, was afraid of the dark.
- There is no word that rhymes with orange.
- Cleopatra became the queen of Egypt at 12 years old.



## The Turtle Back Zoo Animal Club Field Trip

by Alissa Gencarelli and Erin Ryan

The Memorial Middle School recently went to the Turtle Back Zoo and there was much more to do than just look at animals. Here are some of the things that you could do if you went there. There is a zip line course and it is not small. You could also touch the sting rays in the touch tank! You can feed some farm animals. You can also bring money and go to the gift to buy a variety of souvenirs. The thing that I loved was looking at the reptiles. That is what you could do while you were at turtle back zoo.

The Turtle Back Zoo was founded on June 3, 1963 and was originally a showcase for animals indigenous to New Jersey, but currently features species from every continent except Antarctica. The rock The Lenape Indians called a formation near the site Turtle Back Rock, hence the name Turtle Back Zoo.

The zoo was founded in West Orange. By 1973 the zoo animal collection had Turtle Back Zoo currently features over 850 animals. In 2015 the zoo added giraffes. The Turtle Back Zoo also has classes that you can learn about all different kinds of animals and their diet. The zoo also offers all different kinds of activities for babies to adults. Currently there is an animal sleepover that will occur June 9-10. "Sea Lion Sounds" is also an event happening all Sundays in June. There is also a movie night on June 22nd. If you want to learn more about the Turtle Back Zoo, you can go to their website.



## The C.U.P.S. Clean Up Plastic after Field Day

by Mohammed Abualouf

On June 1<sup>st</sup>, marking the Memorial Middle School event known as “Field Day”, three boys (JJ M., Anthony R., and Mohammed A.) stayed after the party and picked up nearly every single water bottle inconsiderately left on the ground. It all started with JJ and myself helping out the custodians with the 6<sup>th</sup> grade basketball match on the court. Since we were horrible at basketball, Anthony and I just stayed off on the side of the building. After I horribly sang “Believer” by Imagine Dragons, we decided to start collecting water bottles left on the floor. Why? Because we had nothing else to do, really. After we had collected enough water bottles, Anthony, JJ and I all headed to the recycling bin and dumped out the plastic bottles. That gave JJ idea.

We asked one of the custodians to carry around the garbage can to pick up any more bottles on the court and the field. The moment they said “yes”, the fun began. We collected many, many, many bottles from the 5<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> graders, the teachers and parents. We even got to use the tools some garbage men use to pick up trash without bending over. By the time we were finished, the garbage can was over  $\frac{3}{4}$  full. It was at that moment when JJ founded C.U.P.S. (Clean-Up People Sanitationaters).

We even have our own nicknames, but only a true C.U.P.S. member can know them. And by members, I mean just Anthony, JJ and I. Cleaning up was not just for fun, though. As you know, some inconsiderate people always throw their litter on the ground without bothering to pick it up. For example, some folks just moved near my father’s apartment, and before they came the front of the building was clean and fresh. But ever since the new people moved, the front has been very dirty.

That is what we as the C.U.P.S. are trying to prevent: littering. Littering can hurt the environment in many ways, not to mention that it is against the law. Here are some ways you can help keep your neighborhood clean and healthy (citations from [gwinnettc.org](http://gwinnettc.org)):

- Keep a litter bag in your car and hang on to litter until you find a garbage disposal.
- Report litterbugs.
- Make sure your trash cans have tight-fitting lids.
- Share with others the proper way to dispose of trash.
- Put papers in a paper bag before placing them in your recycling bin.
- Encourage your neighbors, clubs or families to Adopt-A-Road or join you in an area cleanup. “Adopting” an area can significantly reduce future litter because people litter less in maintained areas.
- Look for ways to beautify your neighborhood and community, including landscaping and repairing fences. Attractive, maintained neighborhoods are littered less and research shows that they are usually safer, too.
- Ask business owners to keep loading docks clean and check dumpsters every day to make sure they are securely closed.

Remember that we can also help save the environment by reducing the use of plastic utensils and recycling water bottles, which is what JJ and I always do. You *can* do something about it. So, *do* it.

*“Let’s make plastic in our school go extinct.”*

-JJ M., founder of C.U.P.S.



## The World's Deadliest Organism May Be Our Savior

### Medicine

by Mohammed Abualouf

The bacteriophage, or “phages” for short, are the world’s deadliest creatures. There are more phages in the world than there are all other organisms *combined*! They look like something out of a science-fiction movie, but these are completely natural. Their head, or capsid, is a geometric shape called an icosahedral that has 20 sides and 30 edges and contains the bacteriophage’s DNA and proteins. It is usually attached to a long tail which is connected to fiber legs. It is a virus, and millions of them are on you right this moment! Fortunately, there is no need for fear. Phages go after bacteria, specifically only the types of bacteria that they are destined to go after, and maybe some close relatives of the bacteria.

Here is the process: they land on the bacteria and puncture a hole wide enough to stick their tails inside. Next, they release its genetic information into the host. At this point, the bacteria have been completely taken over and it is forced to produce new phages. Finally, the new phages release an enzyme called ‘endolysin.’ These puncture a hole in the bacteria. The host barfs out all its insides due to the high pressure and dies. The new phages then search for their next victims, and the cycle continues.

Let us now explore the world of human medicine and how phages are included in it. In the very old days, a single cut could be your death sentence. Bacteria are like that. They are merciless killers that kill at least 2 million people that fall victim to them each year in the U.S. Thankfully, we came up with the revolutionary medicine antibiotics. For a long time, antibiotics fended us off from deadly bacteria-borne diseases. But, as humans, we became careless. The bacteria, or ‘superbugs’ as we now called them, evolved to become completely immune to almost all antibiotics. As it spreads across the world, it is estimated that by 2050, superbugs would kill more people a year than cancer. About 23,000 people died from superbug-borne diseases in the year of 2017. Bacteriophages to the rescue?

How could injecting the deadliest virus on Earth actually *HELP* us? Phages are extremely specialized bacteria-killers, yet we humans are immune to them because we are not bacteria. Antibiotics kill both the bad *AND* good bacteria we don’t want to be killed. Say goodbye to your *L. acidophilus*, *Bifidobacterium bifidum*, *Streptococcus thermophilus* and *Bacillus coagulans*! But phages kill only the bad boys and leave the good bacteria alone. It is possible that bacteria will evolve to become immune to phages, but phages will evolve as well. Even if bacteria were to become completely immune to phages, we still might have a winning chance.

It turns out that in order for bacteria to become immune to just a few types of phages, they must give up their resistance to antibiotics. This way we can make a use for antibiotics again. Still don’t believe me? This method has already been proven to be successful. A man’s chest cavity had been infected by the bacteria ‘*Pseudomonas Aeruginosa*’, one of the most feared bacteria in the world. They are resistant to most antibiotics naturally and can even survive an alcoholic hand gel! Many years of suffering later, a few thousand phages were injected directly into the man’s chest cavity, along with some antibiotics. A few weeks later, the infection was gone, and the man was completely healthy. This method is still undergoing research, and pharma are still reluctant to invest the necessary billions in a treatment that has not been proven safe by the FDA. Things might start to turn around, though. In 2016, scientists began the largest phage clinical trial, which are getting more and more attention. This better happen fast though, because the era of antibiotic safety is coming to an end.



## 13 Reasons Why: Appropriate for Children?

By Chyna Sinclair

You may have heard of the hit Netflix TV show, "13 Reasons Why." It tells the story of a girl named Hannah who takes her own life, leaving behind recorded tapes that implicated thirteen people as the thirteen reasons why, one of them being a school counselor. Two weeks after her tragic death, a classmate named Clay finds a mysterious box on his porch. Inside the box are recordings made by Hannah in which it contains the tapes of the people that hurt her. It may seem that this story topic is too much for some children to handle and parents may not want them to watch it, but is it worth it so they know the consequences of bullying? Below are some pros and cons of 13 Reasons Why.

### Pros

It discusses how small actions can have big consequences, and how no action comes without a reaction.

In most of the episodes bullying takes place. Of course, bullying is a serious matter, but who knew it would come this far? No one realizes what someone else is going through, and this series proves that.

It presents an easy and safe way to discuss the topic of bullying and how it might affect others.

Bullying and death might be topics that children may be struggling to discuss with others. This television series opens a pathway for those who have trouble talking about these topics.

The series shows that people should treat others with compassion instead of tearing them down through gossip and cruel comments.

Being kind to someone in need can go a long way, especially if they're not directly asking for help. You don't know what goes on in anyone's life but your own and when you mess with a part of a person's life, you're not only messing with that part.



### Cons

This show tells people who are dealing with bullying that following Hannah's actions is their only option.

It tells victims that they cannot take control of their situation and take steps towards making a change. It also shows that bullying is a never-ending problem in which people can take it more serious than it actually is.

It is belittling to those who work as school counselors.

In the television series, Hannah tries to talk to her school counselor, but doesn't tell the counselor the full story. You shouldn't expect the school counselor to be able to help you, if they don't know what's going on.

The teenagers in the show who are dealing with serious issues, do not talk to their parents.

No one in the show talks to their parents about what is going on at their school. If at least one of the students came forward about the bullying that was happening, a life could've been saved.

As shown from these reasons, it is very controversial among parents as to whether they should let their children watch this show. It has many good explanations and very important lessons that can teach kids a lot about bullying. Overall, do you think this show is appropriate?



## Mad Libs

By Ben Mendoza and Luca Vapore

It was a (adjective) summer day. You and your best (noun) go to the beach and spend the day there. You're all alone in the water, just the two of you. Then, all of the sudden, a(n) (adjective) (noun) appears out of the water. Everyone (verbs) away. You and your friend (verb) in fear. You find a (noun) in the water, and think of how you can use it. An idea pops into your head. You immediately tell your friend so you can get to shore. They shout, "That's a great idea! (Exclamation)!" You and your friend grab the (Third noun), but the horrifying (First noun) is approaching. You both scream and start using the (third noun).

When you get to shore, the (first noun) is only meters away. You find a wooden (noun) and throw it at the (first noun)'s head. The (first noun) collapses and you and your friend start to (verb) away from the beach. However, the (first noun) is chasing you and your friend. You find a tandem bicycle and (verb) away on it with your friend. You make it home, (verb)ing for breath, thinking, "We lost the (first noun)". Then you hear a loud (exclamation) that shakes the (noun). The (first noun) is back. You both scream so loud you both (verb) in fear. The (first noun) roars.

Then, (super hero) shows up and defeats the (first noun) with its (super power). You thank (same super hero) for saving you and your best friend from the horrifying (first noun). Hey say, "No problem, (name)," and leave the scene in a flash. You and your friend are still shook, but you both get the sleep you need and live (adverb)ly ever after. The end

## Minda Dentler

Kaitlyn Amanullah

Minda Dentler is a polio survivor and a role model for many kids that have disabilities. She was born in Mumbai, India in 1978. When she was six months old, she was diagnosed with polio and paralyzed from the waist down. In addition, she was put in an orphanage by her mother because she could not take care of her. However, she was adopted by Bruce and Ann Dentler from Spokane, Washington State when she was three years old. She went through many surgeries including ones on her hips, legs, and back and eventually was able to walk with crutches and leg braces. Although these set backs were hard, Minda still believes that she had a happy childhood. When she grew up, she graduated from high school, college and even got to backpack through Europe, leg braces and all. Minda also led on to get married and work for a multinational insurance company.

Notably, Minda Dentler decided to compete in The Iron Man competition held in Hawaii. In this race, competitors have to swim 2.4 miles, hand cycle 112 miles, and push a racing wheelchair 26.2 miles. For Minda, only her upper body could be used. Athletes had to be finished with this grueling course in less than 10.5 hours for all athletes, even the disabled. Minda wanted to compete in this competition because she wanted to make history by being the first woman hand cyclist. Furthermore, in the first "level" of the Iron Man competition, Minda finished and qualified for the World Championship in Kona, Hawaii. However, she failed to make the 10 ½ hour cutoff for the cycling portion and was eliminated from the race. But, she did not let this small setback detour her determination. She decided to regroup and try again the next year.

Then, just as expected, Minda was back at the finish line for the 2013 Kona Iron Man competition. Minda had big dreams this year to be the first woman hand cyclist to finish the Iron Man World Championship. According to Minda, "Every stroke in the water and crank forward on my hand cycle were movements for those who could not lift limbs paralyzed by polio. With every rotation of the wheels on my racing wheelchair, I was moving forward for the millions of polio survivors who would never get this opportunity." As you can see, Minda was very determined not only to finish for herself, but to finish for polio survivors and for people who were being held back by polio.

As you may guess by this point, Minda did finish the Iron Man Worldwide competition that year. She finished with a final time of 14 hours and 39 minutes to cross the final finish line. Later, she was able to speak at a World Polio Day in 2014. She has become a polio ambassador, helped raise awareness about polio, and was offered the chance to return to India. Also, she was happy to find out that India surprised everyone and eradicated polio. To continue, she says that her most fond memory from India was meeting a polio survivor named Parveen. She said it was a tale of two worlds, two people the same age with polio and one gets adopted and goes to America, while the other is just a burden on her family. This situation must have been eye-opening for her. Lastly, many kids will look at Minda role model after she made history by being the first women hand cyclist.



## Best Unsolved Mysteries To Solve Over The Summer

By Yastika Singh

The summer is filled with glorious possibilities but you have to admit, sometimes it gets a little boring with nothing to do. Well, in the winter you can just curl up on the couch with a good mystery book. It's summer though, so why not solve a mystery yourself? More specifically, one that has been tried to solve numerous times before, but to no avail. Here are 8 great unsolved mysteries for you to solve over the summer if you travel to any continent or if you just stay where you are.

**North America: Confederate Treasure of 1865-** This mystery takes place in Danville, Virginia. Apparently, after the Civil War, a Confederate treasure of several million dollars was buried in this town. The treasure was made by selling cotton to Mexico and so the money is in Mexican dollars. The treasure was to be transported but the transporters allegedly disappeared. There have been reports of silver found but the city is not willing for people to search for the treasure because it is supposedly buried in a cemetery.

**South America: Statues on Easter Island-** On Easter Island off the coast of Chile, there are about 900 statues that show fine artistic skills and craftsmanship. The role of these statues is a mystery as well as how they were transported. They were most likely built by a Polynesian civilization. The statues are enormous as well which adds to the mystery.

**Africa: Lost Labyrinth of Egypt-** In Egypt a colossal labyrinth was described by many, including Herodotus, and even seen by some. Then how is it that there is no trace of a colossal labyrinth today? Apparently, the temple contained 3,000 rooms filled to the brim with hieroglyphics and paintings and was named the "labyrinth"!

**Europe: Loch Ness Monster-** This mystery is a legend but although it has been said to be just a prank or hoax, there are still firm believers who claim they have solid evidence to prove their theories. You have probably heard of the Loch Ness Monster, the huge mythical beast rumored to lurk in the shadowy waters of the large freshwater lake Loch Ness.

Fondly called "Nessie", the beast has reported to roam the banks of the lake and prowl underwater. Some investigators have even gone as far as using sonar and underwater cameras to detect the dinosaur like creature and have collected evidence such as pictures of a gigantic flipper and a sonar of a mammoth creature. If you can see past Nessie's haters, you might have a chance at solving an intricate conspiracy!

**Asia: Alien Rock Paintings of Charama-** In Chhattisgarh, India, clear rock paintings about 10,000 years old have been found that animals. The question though, is why are there rock paintings that have an uncanny resemblance to aliens and UFOs. The paintings depict human-like creatures that are descending from the sky and have no nose or mouth.

They also bear weapons, helmets, and spacesuits. Locals worship the paintings and refer to the drawings as of the "rohela people" or small people who came down from the sky and brought some humans with them back up.

**Australia: Min Min Lights-** The Min Min lights in Australia's out-back have brought many tourists to Australia. They sound like something nice like the Aurora Borealis. Actually, though, the Min Min lights are orbs of light that reportedly trail observers and tourists even after they have driven away petrified. Scientists have come up with an explanation for the Min Min lights- temperature inversion- when a cool and dense blob of air carries light over the horizon to be seen by spectators. But has this explanation really and convincingly shed light on these probing searchlights?

**Antarctica: Bouvet Island Lifeboat-** This is one of the most haunting mysteries on this list. A lifeboat was found in 1964 on Bouvet Island, very near to Antarctica, by Allan Crawford who was sent there to explore the terrain which was actually only created ten years prior by lava flow. Crawford and his team travelled there by helicopter. That doesn't sound very haunting now does it? The thing is though, that no one had been to Bouvet Island by boat because of its harsh weather and landforms. Bouvet Island is mostly glaciers and icy, jagged cliffs, under which is an active volcano. How then did Allan Crawford sight an abandoned lifeboat, oars, and a copper tank and barrel but no bodies? The oars and copper tank and barrel were found ashore. What is even more interesting is that two years after Crawford's expedition was made, a second team went to Bouvet Island to discover that the lifeboat had vanished! Did it sink into the lagoon or did someone purposely try to cover their tracks?

**Anywhere! : Rods-** This mystery is one you can try to crack even in your backyard. Rods are mysterious objects that zip through the sky and can only be seen on videotape or camera. The rods come up as long, dark, blurry spots on your photograph or video. Jose Escamilla was the first to advertise his discovery in 1994 and theorize that this phenomenon was none other than aliens or invisible animals. Since then, scientists have tried to explain it but Jose is not convinced. He has created a website featuring his documentations of rods. You can see them too: just take a video and point it to the sky and let your imagination run wild!

Have fun solving these mysteries and be on the lookout for more no matter how big or small, what shape it takes- rod or orb- or where it takes you.

## I Think I'm Gonna like It Here

by Yastika Singh

Spotlight. Everyone is focused on that one light shining on the raised platform while all the other lights are off. A production worked on for months is finally being displayed. All those long months of hard work, line memorizing, and itchy costumes are finally all worth it. To no avail though, the crowd is in for a treat. I think they're gonna like it there!!! Memorial School's production Annie Jr. was run by a team of incredibly hard working students and staff.

Most people know the story of Annie, the inspiring orphan girl who goes on to change the lives of her foster caregiver, Miss Hannigan and future adopted parents. The production was performed on May eleventh and twelfth. There was a sold out crowd of about 208 people on Friday, opening night. Tickets were still being sold at the door on Saturday. The production was held at Beatrice Gilmore School at 7:00pm on Friday and 2:00pm on Saturday. Anyone who did not have the pleasure of watching the spectacular production, I personally feel sorry for. There were unique interpretations of the classic Annie characters. A favorite, of course, was Mr. Silverstein as President Roosevelt. In addition, the backstage crew, lighting crew, makeup crew, sound crew, costume crew, and ensemble were truly terrific. The intermissions between scenes were filled with theme music. The story line was well developed and the dialogue was rib-tickling. At other times, the audience was delighted with heartwarming conversation between characters. The facial expressions made by the actors were spot on and genuine. In all, the musical was a treat for everyone and it has become part of Memorial School history.

Of course, none of this would have been possible without the wonderful production crew who took time out of their days to rehearse with the students, teach them their lines, and overall, be there in tough times. Parents of the students also contributed greatly by shuttling their children to and from rehearsals. Finally, Mrs. Y. was the backbone behind the entire production and we should all commend her for a job well done.

The cast and crew of Annie Jr. became emotional after the play was over. They will never forget their first Memorial School musical, Annie Jr.

Here's what some of the cast and crew have to say:

Q: Why did you join Annie?

Drake-(Zyaire Faulkner) A: "My cousin was an actor and I want to be just like him."

Q: What was the most interesting part of stage crew?

Stage Crew-(Gia Mastropolo, Krista Price, Leilani Pena) A: Gia- "It's amazing how all the backstage crew can see what goes on when the curtains are closed./ Krista- "I had to put mics on people. Also, changing scenes and makeup was fun."/ Leilani- "When you heard everyone talking behind stage."

Q: How did you prepare for your role?

Grace-(Ava Mania) A: "Grace Ferrel was always my favorite character so when received her role, I already knew how to play her and who she was."

Q: Why did you try out for Annie?

Annie-(Jasmine Occasio) A: "I wanted to do something different and I wanted to challenge myself."

Q: How did you get over your nerves to perform onstage?

Molly-(Allison Maldonato) A: "I kept repeating to myself that I was not alone."





## MoMA Field Trip

by Jenna Troiano and Fariha Khan

On May 25<sup>th</sup>, the members of the Art Enrichment club went on a trip to the Museum of Modern Art in New York. The museum first opened May 10, 1939. Inside the museum, there were pieces of art dating back as late as the 1880s. We learned a lot about the history of art. For example, the 1900s was the period of impressionism art. Before cameras were invented, artist's jobs were to paint portraits and landscapes. Once cameras were invented, artists weren't needed as much, since the cameras could capture a picture easily. Due to this, artists started painting impressionism, and they focused more on capturing light and movement, whereas cameras could not capture them.

In Paris, 1907, the Cubist Revolution came into focus. This period of time included a lot of geometric shapes, and one of the most famous artists was Pablo Picasso and his cubism. In Europe during the 1910s, following World War I, futurist artists portrayed modern subjects such as speeding trains and cafes. Another artist that was showcased in the museum was Giorgio de Chirico, who started the art of surrealism. Surrealism is when an artist takes objects that make no sense and create a masterpiece incorporating the objects in a sensible way.

After looking at the artworks we went to MoMa's gift shop, where we got to purchase artistic mediums such as inspiration journals and notebooks. In conclusion, we had fun on this trip and learned a lot about art.



## Sweet Summer Reading

by Daniella Mencia

Roald Dahl – Roald Dahl's books are very kid-friendly, my personal favorite is probably Matilda, and all of his books are peachy-keen. Some of his more famous works are Charlie and the Chocolate Factory, Charlie and the Glass Elevator, The BFG, and Matilda.

J.K. Rowling – J.K. Rowling is a brilliant author. She is very famous for her "Harry Potter" series, which is absolutely wonderful! Her books are great literature, and teach a great lesson, though you might get a bit teary a few times. They are great for reading on the beach with a few snacks and the books are just absolutely spectacular!

Rick Riordan – Rick Riordan's books are amusing as well as amazing. He uses Greek, Egyptian, Roman, and Norse mythology in his books, which is very educational. Did you know that he actually once wrote adult books, and that the main character of his children's series, Percy Jackson, was modeled after his son Harley Riordan?

C.S. Lewis – Now we're getting to the classics. The Chronicles of Narnia is a fantastic and mystical series filled with magical adventures, this series has been bewitching readers for almost half a century. His most famous works are "The Lion the Witch and the Wardrobe", "The Last Battle" and so much more!



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