

COMIC SECTION

JOKES & FUN FACTS FROM COUNSELORS

JOKES

Why are pirates called pirates?
Because they're really good at it!
- Ms. Charlie

Why do you never see an elephant hiding in a tree?
Because they're really good at it!
- Mr. Nick

Two fish are in a tank, one finally asks the other, "How do you drive this thing?"
- Ms. Julie

What do you call a fake noodle?
An impasta!
- Ms. Lexie

Knock, knock...
Who's there?
Gorilla
Gorilla who?
Gorilla me a hamburger, I'm so hungry!
- Ms. Amanda

Why don't eggs tell jokes?
They crack each other up!
- Ms. Kylie

What do you call two birds in love?
Twehearts
- Ms. Wendy

FUN FACTS

Deep sea snails live next to volcanos where it is so hot they have iron armor. - Mr. Trip

Sea otters hold hands while they sleep so they don't drift apart from each other. - Mr. Jackson

There are 830 total blocks in Minecraft - Mr. Ian

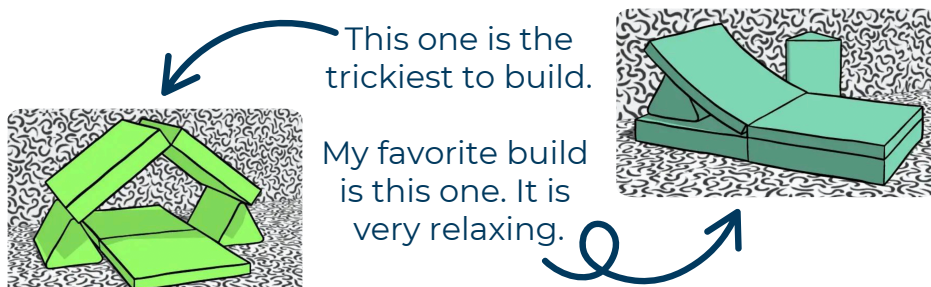
Ghee is butter that has been cooked to remove lactose. - Mr. Josh

Maryland had the first U.S. railroad, dental school, and the world's first umbrella factory. - Ms. Reagan

An octopus has 3 hearts. - Mr. William

FORT COUCHES

There are 31 fort couch builds you can do. There is a fort couch in almost every pod. You can ask your counselor if you can bring more couches in to the pod you are playing in to make bigger builds. The fort couch folder is black and is in the pod cart drawers. I have built more than half of the 31 builds in the folder successfully.



My goal is to build all 31 before the end of the school year.



WILLIAM F. 2ND GRADE

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1ST FRIDAY BREAKFAST

Having cereal for breakfast at Back Pack is a fantastic idea. I think we should do it every day but we are going to do it on the first Friday of every month. You can have infinite refills of cereal. You can mix different kinds of cereal together. The kinds of cereal we have match our morning groups, Lucky Charms, Captain Crunch, Frosted Flakes, Cocoa Puffs, and Froot Loops, with some other kids of cereal too, like S'mores, Fruity Pebbles, and Cinnamon Toast Crunch. My favorite cereal combination is Froot Loops and Lucky Charms. You should try it too or make your own combination!



MICAH G. 5TH GRADE

LANTERN FLIES

Are you killing lantern flies because someone told you to or because you know they are bad?

What is a lantern fly? A lantern fly is a bug.

Are they invading our country? Some people think that lantern flies are invading our country. Lantern flies are everywhere!

What do people do with lantern flies? People are stepping on lantern flies to kill them.

Do you think we should be killing lantern flies? Think before you step on a lantern fly! Nobody really knows if they are invading our country.



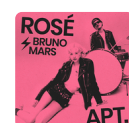
CHARLOTTE C. 3RD GRADE

TOP 5 SONGS TO ADD TO YOUR PLAYLIST

BENNETT B. 1ST GRADE



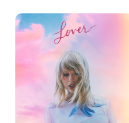
1. Don't Run Away ~ Let it Shine



2. APT ~ Rose and Bruno Mars



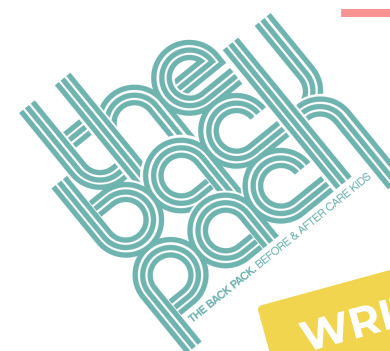
3. Bad Blood ~ Taylor Swift



4. Cruel Summer ~ Taylor Swift



5. Me and You ~ Let it Shine



KIDS' NEWS

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FOR KIDS



NEW PLAYGROUND ALERT

Ms. Amanda told us a new playground was coming to Back Pack in the newspaper last year. It didn't come in the summer time during Camp Whatakid. All the kids left Camp Whatakid and when we came back for The Back Pack the field was having some construction work done. We had to wait 13 days for the construction to be over and the new playground to be ready. One day when we were at school the mulch inspector came and checked it. They said it was good and safe. The new playground opened after school on Thursday [Sept. 11th]. We were so excited to play on it! My favorite part about the new playground is the monkey bars. I have been testing out monkey bars at school, on the trail during Camp Whatakid, the rec center, and now at Back Pack too. It is really fun and really exciting to have a new playground.

MAGGIE K. 2ND GRADE



THERE IS A FIRE AT THE BACK PACK! JUST KIDDING...

On the full-day at Back Pack the fire station came to the Lower Lot. First we saw the fire truck and fire engine. Have you seen a fire truck driving down the road and wondered if it is a fire truck or a fire engine... well, let me tell you! If it has a ladder on top, that means it is a fire truck. If it has a hose on top, that means it is a fire engine. The firefighters showed us the tools on the truck. We took turns climbing through the fire engine and sitting in the fireman seats. There was also an ambulance! We learned that if a person is hurt so badly an EMT might have to cut their clothes to help them feel better until they get to the hospital. They also have oxygen masks on the ambulance in different sizes to fit on kids and grown ups to keep everyone alive. All of the firefighters and EMTs that came to Back Pack were sooooo nice and amazing, so you don't need to be afraid of them. If you need help in an emergency call 911. Don't worry Back Pack is not actually on fire!

OAKLEIGH A. 3RD GRADE



BACK PACK BUS PATROLS



At the end of the year in 4th grade anyone who wants to be a patrol goes to the cafeteria to get information and a packet. You study the packet and then you take a test. The test has about 75 questions. Your score on the test will determine if you get to be a patrol. If you become a patrol, you will see your post in Schoology and get your safety patrol belt at school open house for 5th grade. Patrols have meetings on the first Friday of the month. I'm glad I applied to be a patrol and I hope you apply to be a patrol too.

*Emma R. 5th Grade
Silverbrook Patrol*

There are a lot of responsibilities that come with being a patrol:

- Walk kindergarteners to class
- Help kids behave on the bus
- Help kids behave while waiting for the bus
- Wear your belt correctly
- You can have duties in the morning and afternoon at the school
- Help where I am needed
- Be a good student

*Micah G. 5th Grade
Halley Patrol*

My favorite thing about being a patrol is working with the kindergarteners. They are actually so funny. When we get to Laurel Hill, I walk them to their classrooms. One time I also helped them at lunch. You should definitely apply to be a patrol when you are old enough.

*Mila H. 5th Grade
Laurel Hill Patrol*



I think being a patrol is fun. I like to be a leader and help others make good choices. Other kids look up to patrols so we need to make good choices. One of the best parts about being a patrol is helping the little kids. They say really funny things. For example, Reilly says, "I am really tiny", every day.

*Caitlyn T. 6th Grade
Laurel Hill Patrol Captain*

As a patrol we have a lot of kids we are helping follow the rules on the bus. Before school we have 30 kids on the Silverbrook bus and after school we have 52 kids on the Silverbrook bus. Being a patrol is challenging and a lot of hard work. I still like being a patrol even though it is hard work. Please make sure you listen to your patrols and stay seated on the bus. Thank you!

*Abby P. 5th Grade
Silverbrook Patrol*

I am not a patrol for the school but because I make good choices, listen to my counselors, and help other kids a lot at Back Pack, Ms. Amanda trusted me to be a Back Pack patrol on the Halley bus. I am so glad I got the chance to be a patrol this year. I am excited to be a patrol for the school next year.

*Bella L. 4th Grade
Halley Patrol*

Being a patrol is really fun but sometimes it is hard. It is hard to tell other kids no when it is something I might want to do too. Please listen to your patrol because we are working hard and it can get tiring saying the same thing every day. The 3 most common things I say as a patrol are:

- 1) please sit down
- 2) feet out of the aisle
- 3) face forward

When you follow these rules it helps you to not get hurt or injured. Please be kind to your patrol.

*Avery H. 5th Grade
Sangster Patrol*

When you are a patrol there are different posts. There is a patrol post on the bus. I am a patrol for the Silverbrook Back Pack bus. One of the assignments for the patrol is calling role. The patrol holds the clipboard and calls the names out. This job is very important to make sure that everyone is on the bus and no one is missing. Calling role is the job I really like the most. Please don't forget to say HERE when your patrol is calling role.

*Eliza F. 5th Grade
Silverbrook Patrol*

RAINBOW LOOM

I like making rainbow loom because there are so many different things you can make.

You can make necklaces, bracelets, rings, keychains, you can even make a jump rope, or you can follow directions in the book to make all kinds of animals. My favorite thing to make is a choker necklace. The hardest thing that I have tried to make is an animal. The easiest thing to make is jewelry. You use the same pattern to make bracelets, rings, and necklaces. The pattern is longer and uses more rubber bands for a necklace, and it is shorter for a bracelet, and the shortest and the least amount of rubber bands for a ring. The rainbow loom color I want to use the most is glow in the dark but it is really rare because everyone wants to use it.



MACKENZIE G. 3RD GRADE

THE BIG 5 RULES

Do you know what the Big 5 is? If you don't, I'll tell you all about it. Before I give the details, let me tell you where they apply. We follow the Big 5 in the Atrium, Game Room, Indoor Playground, everywhere we go inside, and even when we are outside too.



1. Listen to the leader and follow directions.
2. Be kind to everyone.
3. Have a good attitude.
4. Respect all materials and equipment.
5. Make smart choices.

There is also a secret 6 – have fun! The reason why we have the Big 5 is so we can have fun, be safe, and not get into too many arguments with each other when we are playing. If you follow these Big 5 rules, you'll be sure to have a good time at The Back Pack! It's pretty easy to follow the Big 5. If I can follow the rules, so can you!

ALAINA S. 5TH GRADE

NEW SCHOOL YEAR

INTERVIEWS BY PIPER D. 1ST GRADE



I am in kindergarten at Silverbrook. My teacher is Ms. Delgato. I am only in kindergarten, not in any other grades right now. The thing I like about kindergarten is going to PE because I can run around really fast. I am waiting to use the toys for math time.

CYRUS E. KINDERGARTEN

I am in 1st Grade at Silverbrook. My teacher is Ms. Kerr. Ms. Kerr came to Camp Whatakid to tutor me. I am excited to have stuffy day. We are going to earn it with a lot of points. We can earn points when we are not being too noisy during learning time. I'm also really excited to get my computer because I love MyOn and reading books on the computer.

PIPER D. 1ST GRADE



I am in 2nd Grade at Silverbrook. My teacher is Ms. Bouamri. I really like benchmarks. Benchmarks are the units of learning. It is fun to read because it gets you knowledge. I am looking forward to doing ST Math on the computer.

VED N. 2ND GRADE

I am in 3rd grade at Silverbrook. My teacher is Ms. Magill. 3rd grade is mostly fun but sometimes we will have tests. Recess is fun because we get to play. My favorite thing about Silverbrook is when we have pizza for lunch on Fridays and sometimes you can get extra slices.

HARPER D. 3RD GRADE



I am in 4th Grade at Silverbrook. My teacher is Ms. Carr. I am in AAP math and I am looking forward to learning algebra this year and for the field trip to Jamestown at the end of the year.

JOHN B. 4TH GRADE

I am in 5th grade at Silverbrook. My teacher is Ms. Joiner. I like going to Silverbrook. The only time I didn't go to Silverbrook was when I did school on the computer at home during COVID in Kindergarten. My favorite thing so far about 5th grade is doing iXL. It is a science learning thing. I like it because it is really fun and I really like science.

ZACK S. 5TH GRADE



I am in 6th Grade at Silverbrook. My teacher is Ms. Connolly. I have been at Silverbrook since 5th grade. This is my second year there. I went to school in Florida before. I really like art so I am looking forward to the field trip to the art museum. I like sketching and drawing. I am excited to learn new things this year.

IZZY B. 6TH GRADE