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Backyard Summer Fun

By Mairin Kelly

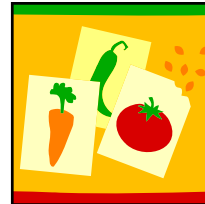
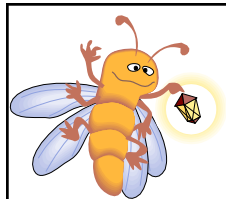
In this article I'll give you 10 ideas of fun things to do! In the summertime, if you get bored or need to beat the heat, run out to your backyard (if it's big enough) and try one or more of these ideas:

1. Look for interesting creatures, and try to catch them.
2. Camp out in the backyard.
3. Swim if you have a pool.
4. Play with the hose.
5. Have a water balloon fight with your parents / friends.
6. Invite friends over and when they come pour a bucket of water on their head!
7. Maintain a garden.
8. If you have a tree make a rope swing and swing on it. If you have a pond swing into it.
9. Catch fireflies in the dark.
10. Invite friends over and play hide-and-go-seek tag or other games.



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What's New This Year?

By Grace Bossolini

Technology is changing at a blinding pace. It seems that everyday, there is some new gadget, game or gizmo. Check out some of the newest items available.

Weebly — a place where kids can go to create their own website.

iPad
3D TV's
Nintendo DSi XL
Nintendo 3DS
iPhone 4



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How to make a Parfait

Do you like ice cream and brownies? If so, here's the recipe for you! It's pretty simple, all you need is: an ice cream scooper, some ice cream, brownies, a cup or parfait dish, a spoon (the better to eat it with), and this article. Below is an easy recipe to make a delicious layered dessert in six easy steps!



Step 1:
Invite the some friends over.



Step 2:
Get the ingredients ready.

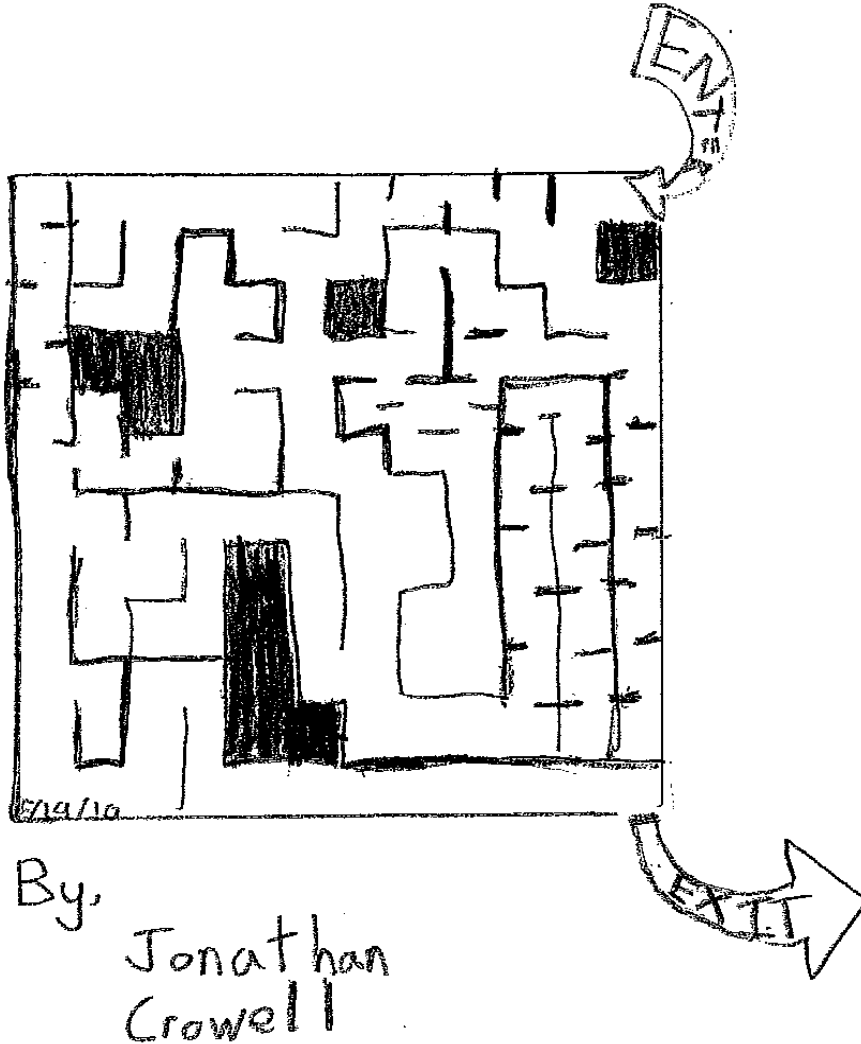
Step 3:
Sprinkle some brownie on the bottom of the cup.

Step 4:
Put a small scoop of ice cream over the brownie.

Step 5:
Repeat until cup is full.

Step 6:
Enjoy!!!





Summer Word Jumble
Answers

- Summer
- Trips
- Camp
- Field day
- Spring ends
- Vacation
- Fun
- Swimming
- Scuba
- Relaxing
- Fishing
- Beach
- Pool
- Sprinkler

Silly Bandz Craze
by Grace Bossolini

Silly Bandz is a new fad at our school. They are cool rubber bands that come in awesome shapes and colors. Some are glow in the dark, rainbow, neon or sparkly. I asked two people a question about *Silly Bandz*.



Q: Do you think *Silly Bandz* should be banned at schools?

“No, I think there should be a limit of how many *Silly Bandz* kids should wear. Something like twelve at a time, because they could do something to their arm and the kids might fiddle around with them.”

-Carrie McClain

“No, I don’t think they should be banned in school, but I think that the kids should take them off during class time, and only wear them at recess because it distracts them from learning”

-Chloe W-S

An Interview with Award Winning Author at WHMS

By Jonathan Crowell

CHIN THE TERRA COTTA WARRIOR

Julia and Astra's class has an award-winning author! Eight year-old Jonathan Picchione, who is in second grade, submitted a story to the P.B.S. © Kids Go Young Writers Contest in April. He won the 2nd place award in New York State! This isn't the first time he won an award in this contest. Jonathan also won first and third place in this contest in the past two years.

The name of this year's prize winning book is "Chin the Terra Cotta Warrior."

Jonathan got the idea for the story from an exhibit he saw at the National Geographic Museum in Washington D.C. of terra cotta warriors on tour from China. The Terra

Cotta Warriors inspired me the most [to write the story]" says the author. His favorite part was illustrating the fight scene, and the scene in which Chin is buying chicken at the market he said. He spent almost an hour a day writing the book for almost a month. Jonathan sums up the whole experience as "exciting!"



EDITORIAL

Hello again! This is our final-and the best-issue of the WHMS Times. The team worked so hard on finishing this issue in so little time.

This issue was fully packed with fun things for summer, what's new, fun games, and new crazes. Summer is almost here and school is almost out. If you need fun things to do, cool foods to make, and a newsflash on all the popular things, this issue is for you.

Jonathan interviewed Jonathan Picchione about his award winning book and took an

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awesome picture to go with it. Mairin worked very hard on her stories this month. She accomplished everything she set out to do.

Full of ideas, Grace's famous people's birthday list, her story about Silly Bands her coverage of the Opera *The Three Little Pigs*, made her a great addition to the team.



Enjoy the issue! Have a great SUMMER!