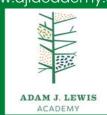
# Rise Up & Write!



## **WELCOME!**

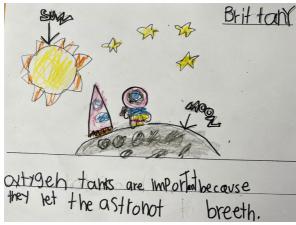
AJLA "Rise Up & Write" is a space for students of all ages to celebrate the writing that they have been working on at school. From building foundational literacy skills to crafting paragraphs of work- AJLA students cover it all! Please enjoy our class writing features, each displaying developmentally appropriate technique through drawing, letter formation, and spelling. Nurturing the progress of skills is our goal- not perfection!

## WHAT IS IN THIS MONTH'S ISSUE?

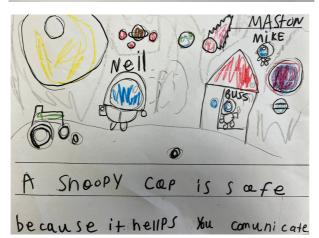
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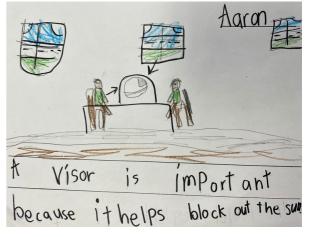
## **First Grade**

First Graders have been investigating spacesuits and how they help astronauts safely live, work, and explore in space. They read nonfiction books and articles to research all the parts of the suit and reported their findings in expanded sentences. Students used adjectives (like safe, important, and helpful) to describe the importance of each piece of the suit.

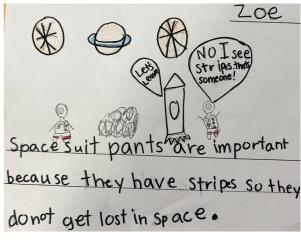






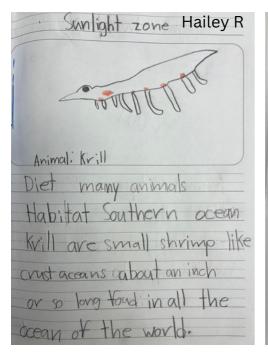


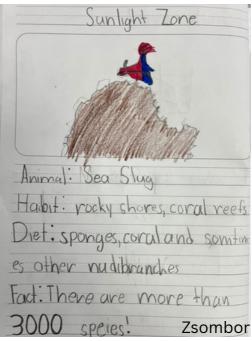


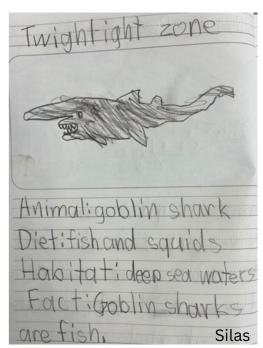


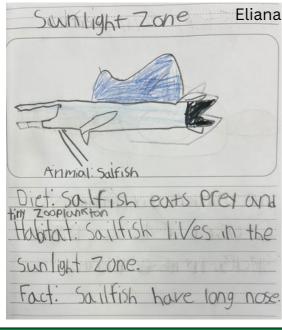
## **Second Grade**

Second Grade has been busy learning about different animals that live in the ocean! They have been conducting research about animals that live in the Sunlight Zone, Twilight Zone, Midnight Zone and the Abyss. Check out some of the animals and habitats they have learned about!









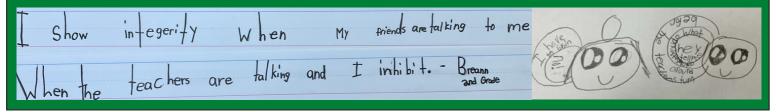


#### THE AJLA WAY

In this issue of "Rise Up & Write" we will be highlighting a special character development trait that is a pillar of the AJLA community! Our word is <u>INTEGRITY</u>. Integrity means doing the right thing, even when no one is watching. Students can show this by cleaning up the classroom, playground, or lunchroom without being asked, by being honest and independently problem solving, and by being an upstander instead of a bystander.

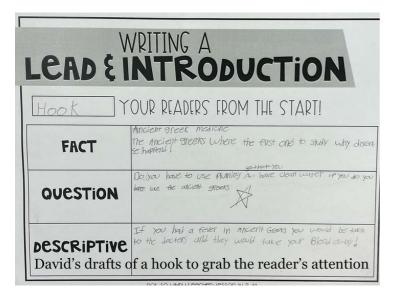
Visit the local library to find the books listed below and read about how the characters show integrity!

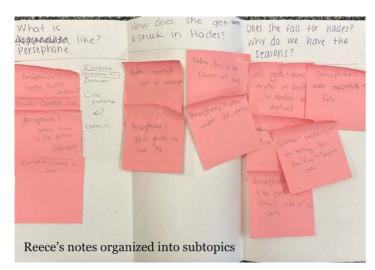
- "Say Something" by Peter H. Reynolds
- "I Promise" by LeBron James
- "The I in Integrity" by Julia Cook

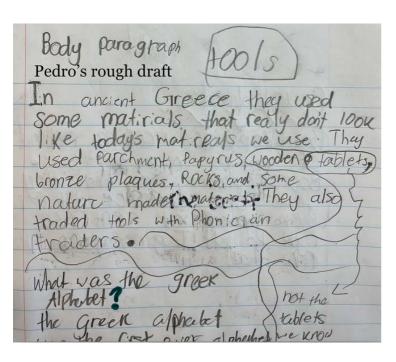


### **Fourth Grade**

Fourth grade has been writing informational reports on Ancient Greece. They have brainstormed topics, done research, organized facts, and completed rough drafts. Take a look at some of the writing process!

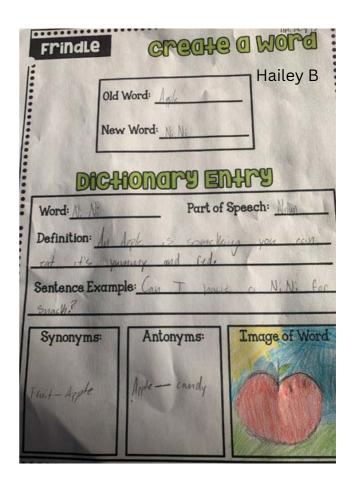


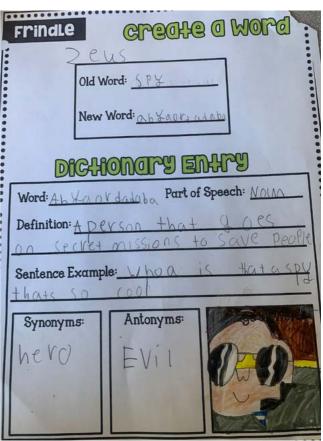




### **Third Grade**

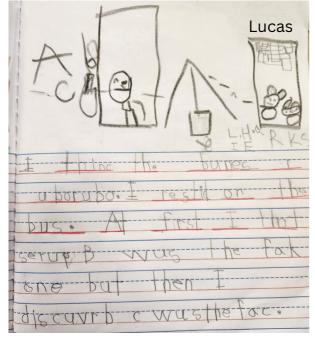
Third Grade finished reading "Frindle" by Andrew Clements. They learned that people give words power and meaning. The students created their own words.



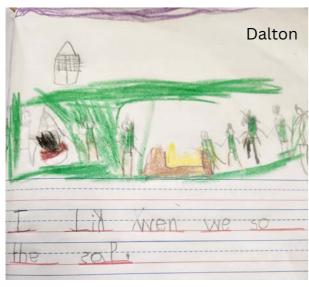


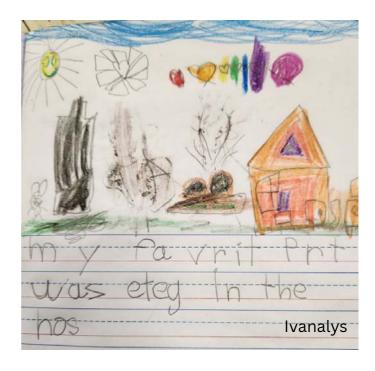
## Kindergarten

Our Kindergarten class visited Ambler Farm in Wilton, CT where they learned all about the process of turning tree sap into delicious maple syrup! This field trip was part of our class's in depth study of trees. We had fun tapping logs, watching syrup boil, and sampling the finished product!









## THEMATIC STUDY WORD SEARCH

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