



# THE BARCLAY SCHOOL CHRONICLE

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## Happy Halloween

by Joe

On October 30<sup>th</sup>, the day before Halloween, the Charleston Silver Ladies came to the school and had a big party. They brought cake, punch, and candy. My favorite thing was the stuffed animals that we got. I got Dumbo the Elephant, Elmo, and a hedgehog. After we ate all of the food we could possibly eat and talked with everyone, Nathan, Ethan, Alyx, and I gave the ladies a tour of the new location for our school. We really enjoy and appreciate all of the time and energy that the Silver Ladies put into our school and the community. The Charleston Silver Ladies already have a plan to come back for Thanksgiving and throw a big feast.



## Painting the School

by Phillip

When we moved to the new school, the first thing we started to do was clean. After several days of working, we finally finished moving in, so now it was time to paint. The first room that was painted was Dr. G's classroom. For her room, she selected a pea green. For Mr. Calvert's room, he picked a color called roasted pumpkin.

Next, we had to paint the lobby, and since it was getting close to October break, the teachers decided to start painting it on the first day of the October break. Even though the students did not have to come, students and parents did come, and we painted the lobby many colors like red, yellow, blue, and purple.

Joe was told to paint the yellow wall, and I painted one of the blue walls. Once Joe and I both finished painting our walls, we went into the bathroom to paint clouds on the walls. But before we painted, Joe drew the shapes of the clouds. Soon after, more people came to help. After many days of work, almost all of the school has been painted, and it looks great!



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## The Clown Monster

by Dominic

There once was a clown monster. He lived in a clown cave that looked like a car. He was all different colors and had big feet, but he was still creepy. Never trust a clown. He like to scare people.

The End.



## Ben and the Zombies

by Desmond

Once upon a time, there was a boy named Ben. He was six feet and two inches tall,

and he had an afro. He was skinny. He saw a girl at an old house. He went inside the house and found the girl dead upstairs. The girl's face looked like a gorilla. Ben said, "Oh my gosh! What happened here?" Suddenly, he heard some footsteps. Ben felt a hand touch his shoulders. He gasped and said, "Who was that touching me?" He turned around and looked at the zombie. Ben was scared. Ben grabbed the shoe off the floor and threw it at the zombie's face. Ben opened the door and ran away from the zombie. He ran into the woods. He was safe in the woods with the wild animals.

The End.

## Albino Rats

by Amy

We put a long and big tank on top of a counter in the science room, and we put wood shavings on the floor of the tank. We also put in a fake log with a hole at the top and two or three cardboard paper towel rolls. After our two-week break, Mrs. Mary bought two male albino rats and let them explore their new home. Two of the students told us that it will take two weeks before we could hold them. Mrs. Mary decided that Ms. Edith's class will come up with a list of names for the rats and that the older kids will get to choose two out of five of the names. Right now, the only one we think we will choose is Blitz. And the other name? We'll have to see!



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## A Shepherd Boy by Naomi

Once upon a time, there lived a shepherd boy. His name was Bob. He lived on a farm with his nephew, Caleb. One of his sheep got lost. Caleb was young. He went out through the gate. A dog went after. He ran away from the dog and was safe. His family came back to get him. And the sheep was back in the pasture. They lived happily ever after.

## Count Ethan by Ethan

Once upon a time in Transylvania, there was a vampire named Count Ethan. At night, he would come out, sucking people's blood. Every day the sun would come up, and he had to return to being human. But in the town, people were afraid of him, and they disappeared right and left. Couth Ethan

knew he couldn't return to his family the way he was. The only place he could go was the old abandoned church by the dark forest. One day his wife came looking for him. He smelled her blood. He was sleeping upside down and thought, "Mmm! I smell blood!" When he smelled the blood, he went toward it, not knowing it was his wife. He realized it was his wife and transformed into a bat to scare her off. She didn't go away, so he attacked her! He bit her, and she became a vampire too.

The End.





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## Lilian and Her Friends

by Sara

Once there was a ghost named Lilian. She lives in an abandoned house. Lilian has a pretty white dress with a pretty knitted hat. The hat has a pretty flower on it. She loves to play all the time in the house. But then a man came in to look for stuff to use for his house. But then Lilian was so mad that she dropped her stuff on the floor in the pantry. The man thought it was the wind, but he saw a white dress and got so scared that he ran away. Lilian was not happy. She ran after him, and she would not stop until he was gone. Then he was gone. She stopped running. She went back to the house. One of her friends came to play. She is a ghost too. Her name is Lucy. She has a gray dress with flowers on it. Her hair is in pigtails. They play all the time. They played hide and seek. They had fun. But then they heard a scary noise. The noise was footsteps. But they were not scared. But they saw their other friend. She is a ghost too. She has a black dress. Her hair is in a bun. Her bun has a clip with a white butterfly on it. Her name is Christine. They are kids. Lilian remembered about the man. But she did not care, so she just played all day with her friends.

The End.



## A Ghost

by Wil

Once upon a time, there was a ghost. It was a scary ghost. It rode a horse. It was a silly horse. The horse kicked and fell down. The ghost said, "Boo!" Wil ate a pumpkin and told the ghost to go home. The ghost flew away on a pumpkin.

The End.





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## The Busy Bees by JJ

As you may know, our school has lots of animals but never before bees. One day, a beekeeper named Richard Guess came by the school to teach us about and how to care for the bees. We are at least getting five beehives with ten thousand bees in each hive. We will also be collecting the honey when the bees produce it, and we will be calling it “Barclay Bee’s Barf.”



## Art by Sara

My art teacher is Donna Guess. She teaches us how to make lines. There are a lot of lines. There are zigzag lines and up-and-down lines. I made a puzzle. I drew bees on it. Donna is a fun art teacher. I like art. I once painted a birdhouse too. I like to make puzzles. I drew lines today. It was fun.



## Naomi Playing and Balancing by Naomi

I used to play by myself. And now I play with friends a lot. Mary told me to share, take turns on the swing, and be fair. I saw some people balancing on the wall. I tried balancing too. It wasn’t easy. But I did it anyway. I’m learning to balance. I enjoyed it. I ran around playing tag with Nathan. I enjoyed playing with Nathan. I enjoyed going down the slide. I had fun. I like playing with friends.

## I Like Miss Bonnie and Miss Donna by Desmond

I like Miss Bonnie and Miss Donna’s classroom. I like to go to recess and ride on a swing. I like talking to our classmates. I like to watch my friends doing their



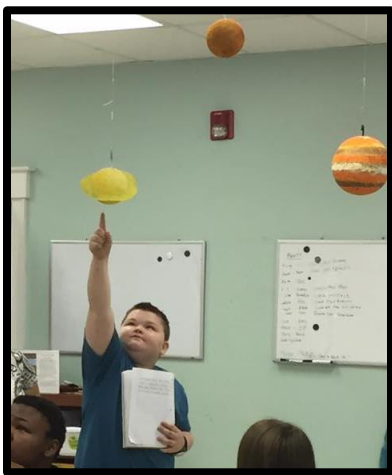
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activities. I like to play card games. My favorite thing is to sit on the rug and watch TV. We watched the *Polar Express* in December of 2016. I like studying about black history. I like learning to count money. Sometimes, my friends and teachers make me laugh. I respect my friends, family, and teachers. I had Miss Bonnie and Miss Donna since last year. I like when the class makes biscuits and eggs for the other classes. I like to go to the library on field trips. I also like to go to the park.

## Neptune by Wil

Neptune is made of gas. Neptune is blue. Donna works with me to study about Neptune. I'm learning about Neptune in science. It goes around the sun. Neptune has six rings. I like Neptune.



## How We Got the Computer by Ethan

Our class got a computer. It's a big computer. It was given to us by a man named Mr. Larry. We are going to play math games on the computer. We can watch animal videos. We can type. I'm excited to learn how to type. It's important to learn about computers. I want to research great white sharks, the Alamo, and *Jaws*!



## Sign the Sign by Ronan

The Barclay School recently moved into a new building. The building used to be an old Montessori school and had a giant sign outside the building. Since we moved in, we have been wanting to put a sign up to show people passing by that The Barclay School is here now.

On Tuesday, Boyce and James went out and got two giant signs that have The Barclay School printed on it in huge green letters



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with the school's logo on a bright white backdrop.

On Wednesday after music, Dr. G called all the students out to the lobby. She told us there was a surprise, and it had to do with something we've been meaning to do. Everyone started guessing, but Alyx was the one who finally managed to guess the outside sign. When we went out to see the signs, Dr. G told us we could sign the inside of the sign that had not been put into the frame yet. Everyone wrote their names on the back before Mr. C and James put the sign into the frame. We all took a picture in front of the sign before going inside.

## The Halloween Party by Brandon P.

Last week, we had a Halloween party. Dr. G invited the Silver Ladies to come over. So they set up the chairs and served desserts and drinks. We all picked our gifts from the Silver Ladies. After we were done eating, we got to pick out a gift. I chose a car. Joe chose a stuffed animal. Ronan chose a doll. Desmond chose a toy truck. We all had a great time at the Halloween party.

