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'The ROAR'

Every Monarch, Every Day



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A Letter From The Editor

Dear Monarch Friends and Families:

Please don't underestimate the power of a good bedtime story.

One story I really like is Scuffy the Tugboat. If you're not familiar with the story it opens with Scuffy sitting on a shelf in a toy store. He is obsessed with the sense that he was made for bigger and grander things than sitting in a toy shop. So the shop owner takes the little boat home to his son who quickly sets Scuffy to sail in the bathtub. But this too is unsatisfying and unworthy of the calling Scuffy believes is his.

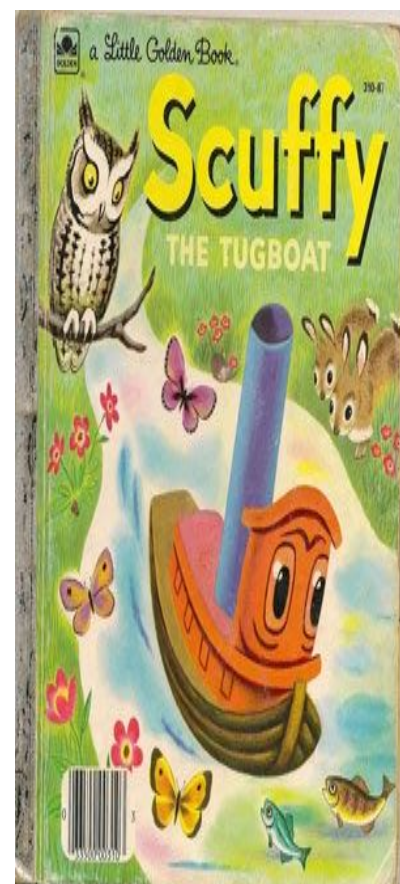
The little boy takes Scuffy to a stream. Scuffy quickly makes his way to wider and deeper waters and ultimately finds himself overwhelmed with rough seas and the heavy traffic of big ships and other things that go bump in the night.

[Spoiler Alert] Fortunately for Scuffy, the man and his little boy find him on the brink of destruction and rescue him. The story ends with Scuffy happily floating in the safe confines of the little boy's bathtub, content with the realization that this is his destiny after all.

So what is the moral of this story? I really want to know. Don't tell me it is: to be content with your circumstances, to quash any temptation to explore beyond the obvious boundaries. I find that very unsatisfying.

Scuffy The Tugboat was written by Gertrude Crampton, who, not surprisingly also wrote Tootle The Train, the painful story of a little train that learned the hard way that you should always stay on the tracks no matter what.

With apologies to Gertrude Crampton, I contend that the true moral of the story is that occasionally we need to leave the tracks, color outside the lines, do something that makes our palms sweaty. Put



another way, we need to recognize, believe, and embrace the fact that ***EVERYONE HAS UNLIMITED POTENTIAL IF WE DON'T GIVE UP!***

The Team at Poolville Elementary School is hard at work this summer tooling, training, and programming even greater capacity to ensure we are in an even better position ***to cultivate your Monarch's UNLIMITED POTENTIAL!***

At Poolville Elementary School, we are PROUD to work hard for you! We are all ***"Mighty Monarchs"!*** ***We are all.....one herd....one pride.....one group.....one TEAM.....and one FAMILY!***

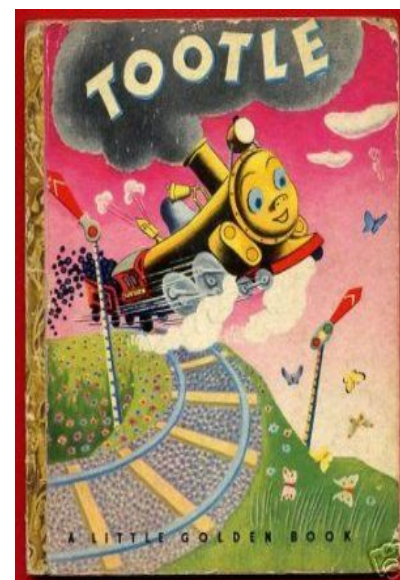
Together we can change the WORLD for our CHILDREN.

At Poolville, **you and your children MATTER!**

You are our FAMILY!

Sincerely,

Jason Cheslock



Making Learning Fun At Home!

Are you tired of hearing groans when you announce it's time for summer learning? These active math games are just what you need! Kids won't even realize they're learning important concepts along the way. Many of these math games can be customized to teach a variety of skills, so pick a few to try. Your Monarch will beg for more math and learning time!

- ***Challenge your Monarch to a flashcard race.*** To begin, tape a series of flashcards to the floor and challenge your child to see who can correctly make their way from start to finish the fastest. They can call out the answers or write them down, but they have to get it right before they move on. Kids can race side by side, or work independently to beat their own best time.
- ***Head out on a plot graph scavenger hunt.*** Create a map of your house, community playground, or backyard area using graph paper (or even better – have your kid help you do it). Then choose plot points for them to visit to find notes or small prizes. They'll feel like real treasure hunters!
- ***Create a life-size number line.*** Number lines are wonderful for all sorts of math games and activities. Make one big enough for your kid to stand and jump around on using sidewalk chalk (or painter's tape indoors). You'll use it over and over again.
- ***Do a number dance.*** Kids who love "Dance Dance Revolution" will get into this one. Make a number mat for each child like the ones shown. Flash an equation with an answer between 10 and 99 on the screen. Kids figure out the answer and jump to put their left foot on the correct tens place, right foot on the ones. They'll be dancing and spinning as they learn!
- ***Hunt for shapes in the world around you.*** So simple and so fun! Give each of your children a sheet with shapes to find as you walk around the house or community. Each time they find the shape, have them trace it on their worksheet and then make a mark to keep track of how many times they've seen it.
- ***Design an outdoor board game.*** Draw a winding path and fill the spaces with math equations. Your children can roll the dice and move from space to space (have them jump, skip, or twirl to mix things up). If they get the answer right, they move to the new space. If not, their turn is over. Customizable math games like this can be used at any skill level.



- **Turn UNO into an action math game.** Grab your UNO deck and get ready to move! Assign each color a movement (hop, touch toes, etc.). As your children draw the cards, everyone in the household completes the movement the correct number of times. Skip and Reverse work as usual, but anyone who gets Draw Two has to draw two more cards, and complete the actions on their own while everyone in the house cheers them on.

Let's Make A Deal!

My favorite business professor once told us, "When it comes to goods and services....there is 'High Quality'...'Great Service'...and 'Cheap'! As a consumer we want all three. However, in the 'Real World' you can only pick two."

Man....was he WRONG!

He didn't know about the Poolville Pre-K Program! If you don't meet one of the qualifying conditions for free all day Pre-K, don't worry. Poolville also supports an extremely reasonable tuition for the exact same service! That's right. For less than \$1.12 per educational hour your young Monarch will receive an amazing education from a certified teaching professional!

Please hurry. Complete and return the form below.

Spots are filling fast!

Are You Interested In Volunteering During The 2020-2021 School Year?

We have several amazing volunteer opportunities at the elementary school. If you have a moment and the desire, we would love to partner with you during the 2020-2021 school year.

Details can be found below.

1. The Golden Girls Reading Program = Several amazing women in the community partner with Poolville Elementary School to foster greater literacy skills in our 3rd-grade students each week. This program transpires once a week during the standard school day.

2. R.E.A.D. to Kids Program (Reconnecting Education And Dads) = This bi-weekly initiative helps dads support a reading program for our 2nd-grade students. The program predominantly transpires before the school day begins (7:30 am to 8:15 am).

3. Parent Teacher Organization (PTO) SMART Snacks Program = This powerful PTO program fuels a student's mind and body while raising funds that go directly back to the students. Students learn about and consume healthy snacks to ensure they remain actively engaged mentally and physically throughout the school day. This program transpires once a week during the standard school day.

4. The Friendly First Responders Program = This country is a great country because it was built on the idea that we must help our fellow citizens when they cannot help themselves. Every first responder is a vital component of this country. We should always take the time to thank those that help us, and to be grateful for all those that sacrifice their time to help another in their time of need. This program provides inspiration, mentorship, guidance, and character to our young Monarchs. This program will transpire once a month during the standard school day. If you are a first responder - and would like to volunteer a small amount of your time - we would be honored to recognize and learn from you.



5. Mighty Monarch Boot Camp = Please join us in honoring the brave men and women that faithfully serve our country. This program will transpire once a week after the standard school day. Our faculty members and volunteer Drill Instructors will lead our interested Mighty Monarchs through a series of mental and physical challenges that enhance problem-solving, teamwork, physical fitness, and mental prowess.

We are forever grateful for your time. Please contact Mr. Cheslock at jcheslock@poolville.net if any of these programs interest you.

Are you having difficulties getting your child to go to bed?

Please join us on the Poolville Elementary School Facebook each evening at 8:30 pm. Mr. and Mrs. Cheslock help our Mighty Monarchs explore the benefits of nightly reading. Some of the benefits include, but are not limited to:

- They enrich a child's language development on multiple levels.
- They grow a child's imagination and appreciation for stories.
- They give children an outlet for empathy.
- They build a child's vocabulary so they can be well-spoken.
- They encourage engagement and conversation, and
- They offer a chance to be silly with our little ones

We can't wait to see you there at 8:30 pm every evening.

Are You Interested In Pre-Kindergarten Registration?

Full Day Pre-K Roundup Announcement -- We will host a digital Pre-K registration process for the next five weeks (April 23rd through July 10th). If you are interested, please download, complete, and return the attachment to the right to jcheslock@poolville.net. This form will allow us to create a reservation for your future Monarch and to make appropriate plans to super-serve their education! Dates and times for residency verification and online form completion will follow later in July.

Please continue to visit us on Facebook. At Poolville Elementary School,



Application for Pre-Kindergarten Classes

Child's Name: _____ SS #: _____

Child's Date of Birth: _____ The child must be at least 4 years old by September 1, 2020 unless he or she cannot speak and comprehend the English language.

Name of Parent: _____

Physical Address: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City & Zip Code: _____

Home Phone: _____ Work Phone: _____

Does the child speak and comprehend the English language? Yes ☐ No ☐ Circle one.

Child's food stamp or AFDC case number, if applicable: _____
(If food stamp or AFDC case number is provided, skip to signature portion of application.)

Please check the box below if he/she is the child of an active duty member of the armed forces or child of a member of armed forces who was killed or injured while serving.

Names of all household members	Gross Monthly Earnings (before deductions) Job 1 Job 2	Monthly welfare payments, child support, alimony	Monthly payments from pensions, retirement, social security	Any other monthly income

I certify that all of the above information is true and correct and that all income is reported. I understand that information on the application may be verified by school officials and that deliberate misrepresentation may be subject to prosecution under applicable state laws.

I understand that I will need to have a completed Free/Reduced Lunch Program application submitted to the PREC Elementary Campus between the dates of August 1- August 18, 2020.

Signature of parent or legal guardian: _____ Date: _____

<i>YOU and YOUR CHILD MATTER!</i>	
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