**Ms. Kelley’s class Tampa Bay Times Articles**

**James B. Sanderlin**

**August Ambush**

New Discoveries

There is a creature that is a newly discovered in the deep sea. This creature is named the Antarctic Strawberry Feather Star. It gets its named because it is a type of feather star, and its body resembles a strawberry. The Feather Star is light purple and white and feeds off particles of food it gets from the ocean water around it. The unique quality about the Antarctic strawberry feather star is the way it swims. When it swims, it spreads out its arms and waves them around like its dancing. It also has twenty arms and is NOT known to be violent towards humans, yay! Surprisingly, this creature is only eight inches long despite having so many arms. Scientists used to think there was only one species of Antarctic feather star, but after they did a DNA test they found out there was not just two species but there are actually seven!

**Cameron Baker**

Miami Dolphins

The best team in the NFL is the Miami dolphins! We are GOAT’ed right now because we have the two fastest players in the NFL, Tyreek Hill and De'Von Achane. We are 4-1 we are doing good this season. When we make it to the playoffs we will have another shot at beating the Buffalo Bills. Also when Jalen Ramsey recovers from his injury, our defenses will be elite. To support our defense, we have a great offense as well. The Dolphins have a great wide receiver and our quarterback is great. However, we can't let Tua get another concussion. Don’t even get me started on our running back, Raheem Mostert. He is the best running back that a team can ask for. He knows how to actually run the ball, because some running backs can't run the ball to save their life. Raheem Mostert is a running back that knows how to read his linemen and makes the cleanest cut that I have ever seen. He can also break tackles if he needs. Back to defense, our D-line men are just the best. Christian Wilkins is my favorite D-line player because he just flies past each team’s O-line and embarrassed the O-line. That is why the Miami dolphins are the best team in the NFL, so keep an eye out for them in the Super Bowl!

**Hana Bridge**

The Rainy Day

Stuck inside all day long as I start to hum to a song.

As the sun peeks though the clouds, rain pours down with a soothing sound.

Stuck inside on this rainy day. Oh, how I want to play.

Jump around in the mud but instead, I hear a thud.

I walked down the stairs to see that the thud was just me.

I peek through the window I see the rain has turned indigo.

It really makes me sad to see how everyone is lazy.

The daisy drooping freely.

Blowing in the wind.

It really is pretty spinning with a twin.

Sun peering through the clouds while the birds are being super loud.

Oh, what a rainy day but now I finally get to play.

**Hayden Bridge**

Seminoles

A person I’d like to meet is Trey Benson, he is a Florida State running back. I would love to meet him because he is a super good running back. A reason why I want to meet him is that he plays for my favorite college team. Another reason why I want to meet him is that he has good statistics. I want to meet Trey Benson because he is a team player and does not give up. Also, because he is one of the best players on the Florida state Seminoles right now. I would tell him that he is one of my favorite Florida State players and that he is one of the best players right now. I would also tell him that he has super good statistics like his total yards each game and total touchdowns each game. I can't wait to see his statistics at the end of the college football season!

**Hunter Bridge**

The Life of a Star.

A nebula is pulled together by gravity and the center gets hotter and denser until nuclear fusion starts and a star is made. A giant star gets bigger as heavier elements are made in its core and it becomes a red giant until iron is formed and the star collapses into a super nova and becomes a black hole or a neutron star. For medium sized stars like are sun they will turn into a red giant and will shed its outer layers as heaver elements are fused until it becomes a neutron star and has shed all its layers, a neutron star can be a star core and is extremely dense.

**Leola Coker**

Karate

Did you know that Karate comes from two words: “kara” meaning empty, and “te” meaning hand? Karate came from Okinawa, Japan, back in 1979. That was about 90 years ago! Karate is an individual sport, a Japanese martial art whose physical aspects seek the development of defensive and counterattacking body movements. Another fun fact is that “kata” translates to “forms” in English. Takiyoku Shodan, (TIKIYOUKO- SHODAWN) was the first ever kata/form in Goju Ryu. There are 8 or nine belts in my karate, sometimes for others there are even more. We test every 10 weeks, but some people do not if they are not ready. What we do for testing is first on Sunday, we first jog purple belt and higher jogs. Purple belt jogs 1 mile, green, 2 blue, 3 brown, 4 and black 5. (Black belt also swims and bikes.) The next day, Tuesday, or Monday, we start the second day of testing or first for orange belt and below. We start with jump rope, and for white belt, you must jump rope for about 1 minute, then you must do 10 pushups, 10 sit-ups, and 10 up-downs/burpees. Then orange belt must jump rope for 1 minute and 30 seconds and they do 15 pushups up downs sit-ups and so on and so forward. Then Wednesday or Thursday, we do punches and kicks then we go to fighting, we call it sparring, then we do 2 on 1 which means there is one person in the middle who you fight and then 2 other people try to attack that person then we rotate so another person is in the middle. On Saturday, (sometimes) we do a whole class together and perform our kata/forms and weapon (if you have one for your belt) and when you do it you have to make your best effort and integrity, so you get to your next belt.

**Dustin Flanery**

R.I.P Dolly

It’s a hot summer day and my brother Ryker and I are playing video games. My step-mom is out of town so it’s just me, Ryker, my dad and my stepbrother, Jaden. Everyone was happy about having a boys’ weekend...who would think it would be one of the saddest times of my life. A little bit later me and Ryker got bored of video games and he asks me if I want to go outside and play with the football net, and I said yes. We walk outside and I look to the left of me and see my bulldog, Dolly, laying in her doghouse. After I look at her for a couple seconds, I realize there’s a lot of drool under her mouth so I say to Ryker “Is she ok? There is a lot of drool under her mouth” “She’s ok, she’s just drooling” Ryker responds “Ok” I say. After we’re done playing, we go inside and play some more video games. After a little while my dad comes in my room looking worried. “What’s wrong?” I ask. He pauses for a moment until he can get it out, and then in a voice just louder than a whisper he said “Dolly... died.” Everyone was silent for a little until I turn to Ryker and say, “I told you!” tears started falling from my eyes, “How did she die?” I ask. “I don’t know for sure, but I'm guessing it was a heatstroke” replied my dad. After a couple minutes I calm down, but my dad is still worried because he’ll have to tell my step-mom and it’ll be his fault because he’s in charge. We try to calm him down, but it only helps a little, so we go to our room. For the rest of the day, we’re all sad. It’s night-time when my dad come’s into our room to say goodnight, we all lay in Ryker’s bed getting our last couple criess out while our dad helps us feel better. Me and Ryker shut off our games and Ryker puts on TV, and I fall asleep. The next day is different without Dolly walking around making her weird dog sounds. But after that week we accepted that she’d passed, and she had a good life, but I’ll always remember and love her, R.I.P Dolly.

**Nathaniel Hearns**

All About Football

There are different types of football. There is flag football, two hand touch and tackling football. In football there is an offensive line, a quarterback who throws the ball and a running back who runs the ball. A receiver works with the quarterback. The QB throws the ball and the receiver tries to catch the ball. As a full back, you have to know the place where you are supposed to go and a full back blocks for the person who is running the ball. If the person on the line doesn’t block then the full back will block the person. The defense tries to get past the line and tackle the quarterback. Defense can get an interception, which is when they catch the ball from the other team’s pass. Also, if the offense fumbles the ball they can recover it and get the ball back or defense can get the ball. I play the line. I like it because it is fun.

**Bennett Helmling**

The Vikings

One of my favorite teams in the NFL is the Vikings. I love the Vikings because my mom used to live there, and one of their star players, Dalvin Cook, used to play for Florida state. I love Florida State, so when Dalvin Cook was drafted to the Vikings I liked them even more. Sadly, he left the Vikings and went to the Jets for more money. Another reason I like the Vikings is because they have the best wide receiver in the NFL, Justin Jefferson. Unfortunately, he is currently hurt because he slipped in the 4th quarter when the Vikings were playing the Chiefs. Hopefully, the Minnesota Vikings can do better this season and return to the playoffs. I also like the Cincinnati Bengals because they are a hard-working and good team. Their quarterback, Joe Burrow, is the best in the NFL. They also have great receivers, Tee Higgens and J’amar Chase. The NFL is the best.

**Isabella Johnson**

How I Got my Dog

I love my dog now, but how I got my dog is a funny story. One day me and my family were going to my uncle's house. My whole family got in our car to go to the airport. We made a few stops on the way and one of the stops was going to lunch. We were five minutes away from the airport and we were heading into the lunch place to eat. One second later there was a text message from my dad. The text message said that he had COVID 19, and I was just at his house so might have had it. The problem was that my aunt was going to have a baby soon and I would not want to give her COVID 19, would I? So, let me just say I could not go to my uncle's house. My whole family was so sad that we could not go to my uncle's house. So, we just decided we should go back to our house. We were also sad that we had driven all the way to Orlando airport just to drive right back to our house. We were just sitting in our house bored as can be. Me and my brothers had wanted a dog for so long then suddenly my mom was just looking at her phone and saw a puppy online. She was looking at the puppy online and called me over to see it. I thought it was so cute and my brothers agreed with me. She said that we could go and LOOK at it, but not buy it. As soon as we were there, we thought they were all cute, but the small cute one that we saw online they did not even have there at the place that we went to, called Blue Sky Puppy’s. We looked around for other dogs we wanted to see or play with before we went home. There was this one dog that we thought was so cute and so nice. Then my mom said we could go around the area and LOOK at more dogs but just LOOK at them not buy them. So, we went on the run to look at more dogs, it was so much fun but then I realized that my mom might be leaning more for buying a dog than just looking at dogs. I got excited but did not say anything, my brothers wanted to buy the dog that we liked, the one that was cute and nice. My mom said that we might buy a dog, I wanted to buy a dog so bad. Next thing you know, we were walking out with a new dog. We had trouble finding a name for our dog. We went to a restaurant and talked about names we came up with one for our dog and we decided on Arlo. When we first saw our dog, we thought it was a girl, but we found out it was a boy. We even thought of girl names for a little bit before we found out it was a boy. Arlo is a French Bull dog and it has a smushed up face.

**Jaliya McIntosh**

Oprah Winfrey

If I could meet anyone in the world, I would want to meet Oprah Winfrey. Oprah Winfrey would be my number one choice because she is incredibly talented, smart, and brave. I say she is brave because she has talked to over 1 billion people on tv and many in person and she was not scared at all. I also love how good she dresses and does her make-up. What I love the most is how great she does her hair. She is very funny and supportive. The last thing I like is how determined she is. She is a goal setter and makes many goals to help others. She makes so many goals and does her best to achieve them. If I meet her would talk about how brave we both are, and I would show her how good I can flip. She would make a live show and I would talk about cheering and share my interests and skills with Oprah Winfrey.

**Mason Michel**

The Cruise Ship to Alaska

I was getting on the plane filled with excitement. I could not wait to land in Washington, but first there was a 6-hour flight. Once we got on the plane, I put on my headphones and listened, played GTA, and I slept. When we landed I just couldn’t wait to move around. I got my stuff and stretched for so long. We then had to find the rv that we were going to sleep in. I went to the Gorge with my dad, brother, and cousin to watch Dave Matthews Band. Once I got there my mind was blown. It was gorgeous, like something I had never seen before. We slept there for some nights then we hit the road once I saw the cruise that was funny, it had a painted word saying I heart Alaska but when I was on the road there were 0 police officers, I saw more police officers in Alaska but any ways I went throw security and like I did with tsa I wore one of my dad's Hoddys. It was all black and I put that thing over my head and looked down to look sus tsa did not care but the cruise people did. I did the same thing, but they did a flue back grown Cheak tack of my hoodie look up tack my hat off, so they did that with my family case I was sus I saw other people, but they did not get a back grown Cheak then I got Thore they gave me my key card. And left the room went to the bar I saw my cousin I got my coke got breakfast ate and went to the top floor the 10th floor.

AND I GOT AN EXPRISHOW coffee the only reason I got it cues I got it off the screen then I lade downplaying gta my parents came up made me play a game and you know I won so I went back to my iPad t hen got bord, so I went to the kids playground but on the way I keepnet dropping my room card so I went to the shop and one lanner was 11 dollar's. So, I do not care I did not pay for it then I realized that it was dinner, so I got ready went down got ordered and I thot they are trying to poison cuz they cave me rare meat, but I did not care so I ate it, but I did not get sick I DEAID not really it was good then my steak came so I ate it. Then I got my iPad and I started to bring it to the bar, ordered a drink and sat there but then I went to the room to sleep. My dad woke me up for no reason, then I got breakfast and rebate the day but in the dining room, the first we sat in the cafeteria, then the dining room fished, then watched 2 movies, then slept. But this time dad weak me up for a reason we had to get ready we were getting a jeep we got the jeep we went to the store that is how I got elk and the other stuff plus salmon jerky we had some stuff to do hike and gold hunting and that is it we went hiking and I found that chunk of Crystal so I broke it and got some to tack home then we went gold hunting but we did not find any gold. Then we went to this brewing place that had some wired soda and I got two hats from there. We are ending up walking around town find this massive lama then to a bar to throw stones but after I found my cousins, but we left them to go to this crab place that was so good that was dinner to me, but we were ending up going to the same place that we did last night then I slept everyone was a still up. Then we just explored the next day at the next place we heard the news we were getting ready to go outside in the rain to see clashers we went out they had umbrellas then I saw it in glory I saw clashers they were falling, and it took about 5 seconds to hear it and it was cold so I went to the ice cream shop I got 2 scoops of ice cream in a cone then I went back outside to eat it. Once I got to the spot my dad said were changing spots, so we went up a floor and the biggest glassier came down and made a big splash then I got cold for some reason, so I went inside to go watch a movie. Then order food, a hamburger, then sleep. Then next day we were in a river going back to Seattle and I saw a lot of baby orca but not the dad or mom then Seattle I saw it so I knew that it was over I got packet up and left but we went down craved our stuff then we left my mom daddy and brother and when we were putting in our stuff in the uber another uber tried to steal our stuff and put it in his car. But after we got it back and we went to the hotel to drop t5he stuff off but then we went to the space Needel, and I stared sating on the glass leaning some Peppel were saying this kid was ridiculous. Then we went to the music place, and it was good but then we ended the day by walking around town then we slept got up and were ready to leave got on the plane then I sat for 6 hours and got in at 6 in the morning then I just watch YouTube all day YouTube shorts.

**Arrolyn Prescott**

My Horrible Trip to Maine

“We’re here” my uncle says. He had driven me, my sister, my cousins, and my grandparents to a lake house in Maine for a weekend in the summer. I was so excited but there was one thing... I was alone. My parents left me and my sister, Lachlyn, with our Aunt Sarah and Uncle Jared but the moment they left I was petrified. I walked out of the car and into the house but what I did not know was that I would be waiting all week to go home.

I walked into the house and looked around. After I checked each room, I decided which one I wanted. It was a pink room with a perfect few of the lake and a queen-sized bed. It was so elegant. I was the first one in but suddenly I heard “wow this is so cool” and “I call top bunk.” But suddenly my sister barged in and said “I want this one, plus I am older I deserve the better room” we squabbled like this for a while, but my uncle came in and stopped us but luckily, I got the better room. There were about five bedrooms and some people had to share but not me! I went outside and to my surprise everyone came too. It was so cool there were kayaks, blueberry plants [ which we made pancakes' out of] and of course a lake we jumped in the lake and went swimming but that night I did not know what would happen, but it would not be good.

My dad called me that night and of course it made me miss home. I do not know how I will get through this week. The next day we went shopping, swimming and ate dinner but again another call and more sadness but I just kept thinking it is only a week and I will have fun. Today we mostly swam but when I was climbing up the ladder to jump in the lake again, but I fell and gripped onto the deck other people fell like my cousin he is three, so he said “ Arrolyn I almost fell in the lake I am telling my mommy” But Luckly “ no she could have fell and you didn’t fall in so stop being a baby” my sister said surprising me because we usually just fight. The rest of the days went by normally, and it came to Thursday yes by the end of the day Tomorrow my dad we be here, and we will leave.

Yawn, I woke up and walked out my room and into my sisters she was packing, and I did not know why but suddenly I remembered we where leaving today! We had blueberry muffins for Breakfast “yummy” I say satisfied “these are so good” everyone agreed. Later that day while we were swimming and suddenly a car pulled up and I jumped out of the lake and gave a big wet hug to my dad and to my surprise he was not mad he even let me show him a tour “I missed u so much” I say he nods in agreement. Later that night we had a feast burgers, hot dogs, salads, and lots of other stuff too. After

dinner, my dad even jumped in the lake. And finally, we went to say our goodbyes “love you see you soon” I said. And then we were off and I was not that mad.

**Jamiyah Purnell**

My Cousin Gator

As I walked into the house, I saw Gator sitting on the floor of the trailer. He was watching his favorite movie, Karate Kid. As I settled in, I asked him did he eat breakfast this morning. “Yes” said Gator, “Ok” I replied. As I sat on the couch Gator started to jump all over the place. So, I asked him to sit down he did, but little did I know he was going to be crazy. He started trying to get his socks stuck on top of the fan that was also in motion. He was not going to give up until his socks were on top of that fan. And soon enough he got the socks stuck on top of the fan he started to try and get them off the fan. “NO I will get them down for you, so you don't get one of your fingers cut off because you were trying to get your socks from on top of the fan” I yelled. “Ok …" replied Gator. So, I turned off the fan and got his socks from on top of the fan. And after that my mom called and said that we had to go back to the hotel to get ready for the hoedown. I left with my mom and Gator stayed at the trailer all by himself and probably got into more trouble.

**Luis Rodriguez Pina**

Soccer and Swimming

At recess me and my team play soccer. We try to score on the other team’s goal. We do this by passing the soccer ball and we score a goal. Our team was happy to score a goal and we gave high fives to each other. Also, I go to swimming after school. I see my friends Sutton and Luca. Then I go to my coach and get in a swimming lane. I start to swim freestyle, butterfly, backstroke, and breaststroke. I do this for an hour and then we use the kickboards to do all the styles of swimming. To prepare and get ready for swim meets, we practice really hard. We also practice dives on the starting block. Then I get out of the water and see my friends, and my parent’s friends. They all tell me good job. Soccer and swimming are the best sports to do!

**Eliana Segundo**

Dream Pet

Have you ever wanted a pet? Say, a dog? Well, I wanted one and I ended up with not just any dog but the cutest most adorable dog in the world. I named him Golden Biscuit because he was that sort of color. Biscuit now just turned 3 but will still always be a puppy to me. He can jump so high, it is incredible. Karissa, (my sister) I decided to get an agility course. That is a course that dogs can do that involves super high jumps, weave poles, course panels', a-frames and so many other things that Biscuit would enjoy doing. One time Biscuit ate a sock. He eats a lot of other things, including wipes and chicken bones (sometimes with chicken on them). We got Biscuit for christmas about 2-3 years ago, but it still feels like we got him yesterday. He is the second pet I have ever had. I used to have a corn snake, but he sadly passed away. Right now, I really want a horse or a cat. A horse would be great because they are such amazing animals, and it would be so fun to ride one all the time. I would love a cat because they are so cute and would be fun to play with. Sometimes I think about how fun it would be to have a Pegasus because you could fly in the sky. What pet would you want

**Sherrod Smith**

BOOM,CLACK,CLACK that’s the sound of football players hitting eachother’s helmets. Football is a really dangerous sport and soccer is too.

There are sports around the whole world. You could be doing sports and you don’t even notice. Sports can be dangerous, but also healthy. They help your heart and help you lose weight. It is like a really big exercise workout.

I like sports and I am pretty sure you like them too because I know no one likes to sit around and ONLY play video games all day. How about tennis? Tennis is a really hard sport too. You have to be fast and hit the ball with your tennis racket. Also, you have to have to have good aim because you can’t just swing your tennis racket and expect you are going to hit it. You need power too because if you don’t swing hard, the ball won’t go over the net.

Sports bring smiles to people face because that’s there hobby and they like it.

**Braylan Swain Drayton**

A Great Day

It was a wonderful day when I was at my cousin's house listening to music and I got some great news. I got the news that my baby sister Taylan was born. I was at my cousin’s football practice, and I was in the playground playing on my phone. When I finally left his house, I saw Taylan and I felt happy to see her and it was dark. also, I took a shower watch tv and go to sleep and my uncle came to my grandpa home and we play GTA and NBA 2K. and the next day my dad woke me up because it was breakfast time, and I was playing on the PS4, and I was dunking on people in 2K. Also, I went to the family reunion and said goodbye because I was going back home to see my mom as it would be the first day in 5th grade. When I gone home, I shower, and dad called my dad on the phone he ask me how school was also he was good and I have a nice teacher.Also,when miss Kelly said it was going to but a hurricane also me and my mom had to evacuate so we went to my aunty house but had to go to the store to get food. so we went to her house to eat and a few mins later my gigi and uncle come to my aunty house and I was playing with my little sister and I was about to sleep my uncle give me cookie and they was good.And I fell asleep also the next day we were still at her house and Thursday we left and I was not at school that day also left school in Friday and it was a good Saturday and Sunday and it was fun on Monday because I was at camp and playing basketball. This is just a few months of my life.

**Chloe Taylor**

My Family

I am thankful for my family because they make sure I have clothes, shoes, and food and that I am well taken care of. I am also thankful for my family because they treat me very well and never let anybody or anything bother me. Also, they make sure I am safe and that I am healthy. I am so thankful for my family they bring me lots and lots of joy and they are nice. The first person is my mom because she is extremely sweet and kind. The second person is my dad because he is nice and very playful. The third person is my grandma because she is careful, and she taught me how to cook. The fourth person my auntie because me and her have a lot in common and she is caring.

**Alyssa Truong**

How to Make Snow Cones

Snow cones are delicious treats that can be enjoyed on a hot day! Here are the steps to make the yummy treat. First you put your ice in your snow cone maker, a blender, food processor or crush the ice by hand. Then you fill a 6 oz paper cones or regular cups with the crushed ice. The next step is the best step. Drizzle some delicious snow cone syrup of your choice. Some Different snow cone syrup flavors are cherry, blue berry, blue razz, lime/lemon, vanilla, watermelon, orange, cola, strawberry, banana pineapple, coconut etc. If you want to have a round snow cone you can add one more scoop of ice and put more syrup. Some different combinations are strawberry and banana, strawberry lemonade, sunrise (cherry lemon and orange syrup) and sunshine (orange pineapple and creamy coconut) Some toppings are sweetened condensed milk, chocolate syrup, caramel syrup, whipped cream, ice cream, sprinkles, gummies, candy, Choco chips, sour strips, marshmallows, marsh mellow fluff, nerds, ring pops, cotton candy, lollipop, fresh fruit and mochi. I hope you get a chance to enjoy a delicious snow cone. Take some time to make them for your friends or family!