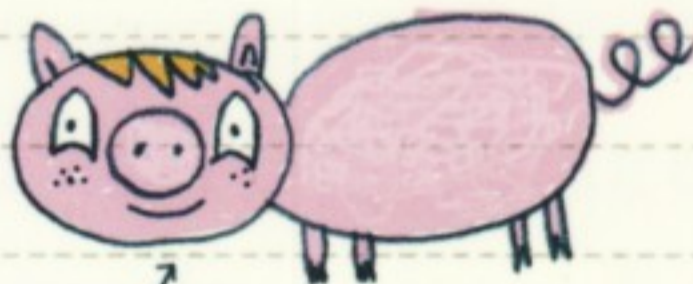




PLEASE  
WRITE IN  
THIS BOOK



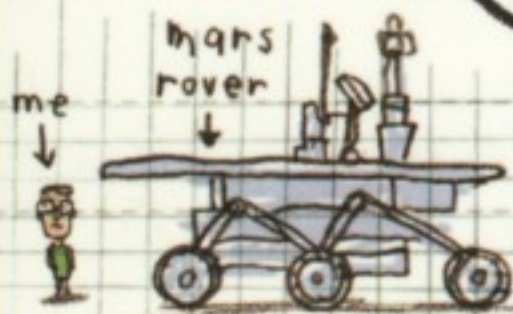
Be nice  
Like me!!



Like the hog



MARY AMATO



me as a  
horse



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# Tuesday, August 31



Hello, Boys and Girls,

You have found this book! I hid it in the Writer's Corner, hoping you would.

During Center Time, you can choose to come to the Writer's Corner and write in this journal. Write about anything you want. Leave it for other students to find and write in, too. I want you to "talk" to one another in these pages.

I will read the book at the end of each month. But don't worry—I won't grade you on what you write.



There are only two rules:

1. Have fun.
2. Sign your name, so everyone knows who you are.



Your teacher,

Ms. Wurtz

P.S. Don't tell anybody else about this book. It will be more fun if each student finds it on his or her own.

*Ms. Wurtz*





# Wednesday, September 1



Hi!

My name is Lizzy. It is Center Time. During Center Time, you get to choose an activity at a center. There's Computer Center, Book Nook, Pet Center, Art Center, and Writer's Corner. I love writing, so I picked the Writer's Corner. I was going to write a beautiful poem on a piece of paper, but then I found this book telling me to please write in it. So now I'm the very first person to write in it. I love this idea. It is fun and educational. I can't wait to see who writes in it next. I hope only girls find it.



Love,  
Lizzy





*Hello Boys and Girls,*

*You have found this book! I hid it in the Writer's Corner hoping you would. During Center Time, you can write about anything you want.*

Ms. Wurtz has left a blank book for her students to find. What will they write? Lizzy writes that just girls should use the book. Luke makes up stories about Lizzy's stinky feet. Keesha only wants to write about horses.

But then the notebook starts to get mean. Lizzy writes a poem about "Luke Puke." Luke writes a story where worms chase Lizzy and Yoshi and jump in their hair.

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