

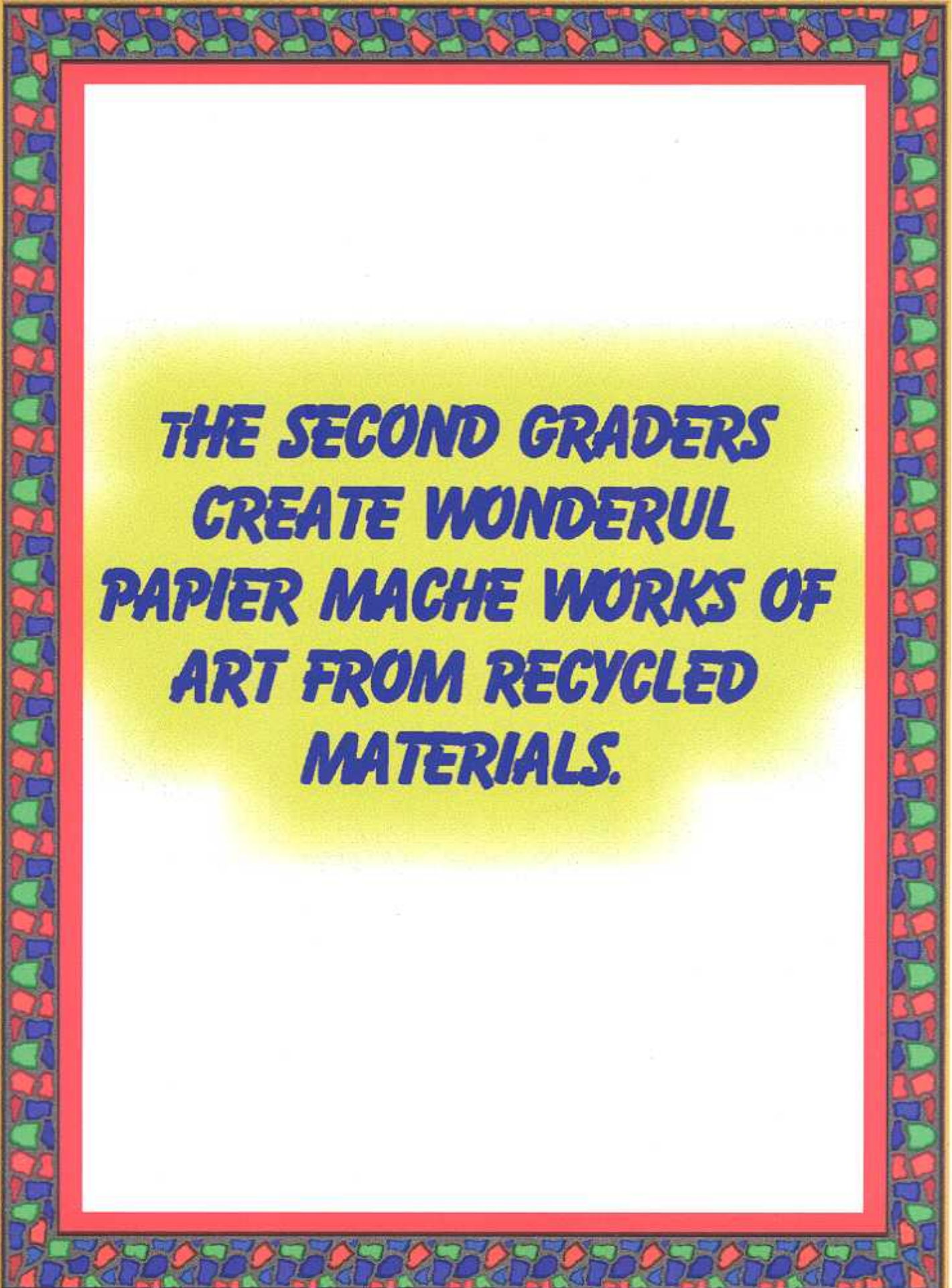
This is PART 2 of the project entry binder.

In order to display the full range of projects submitted for this contest, this school's project entry binder has been divided into two PDF files.

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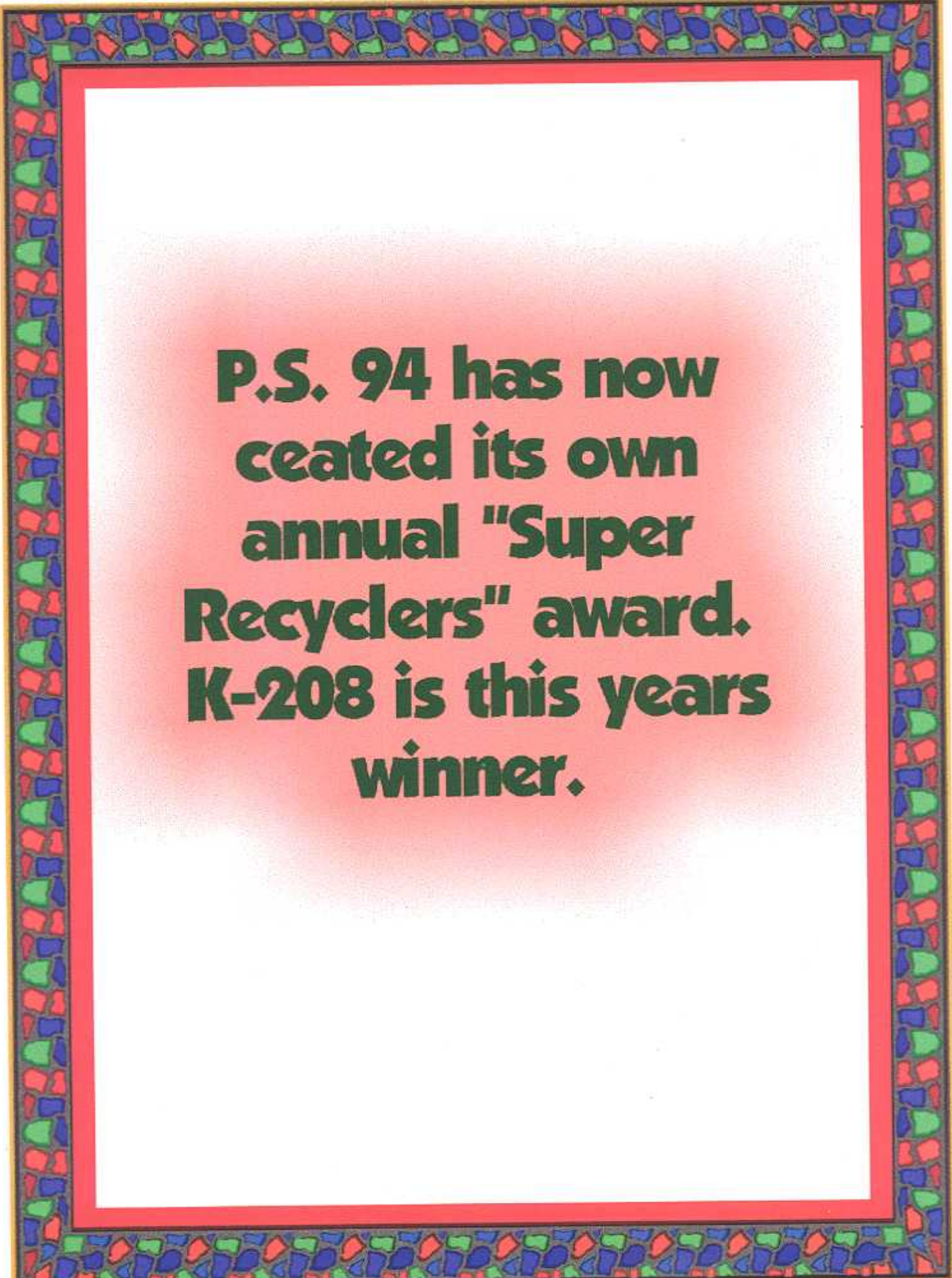
***THE SECOND GRADERS
CREATE WONDERFUL
PAPIER MACHE WORKS OF
ART FROM RECYCLED
MATERIALS.***



Our second graders made papier mache creatures out of recycled materials such as empty paper towel holders, cereal boxes, tissue paper holders and newspapers. After sculptures were made they were painted with tempera paint.







**P.S. 94 has now
created its own
annual "Super
Recyclers" award.
K-208 is this years
winner.**

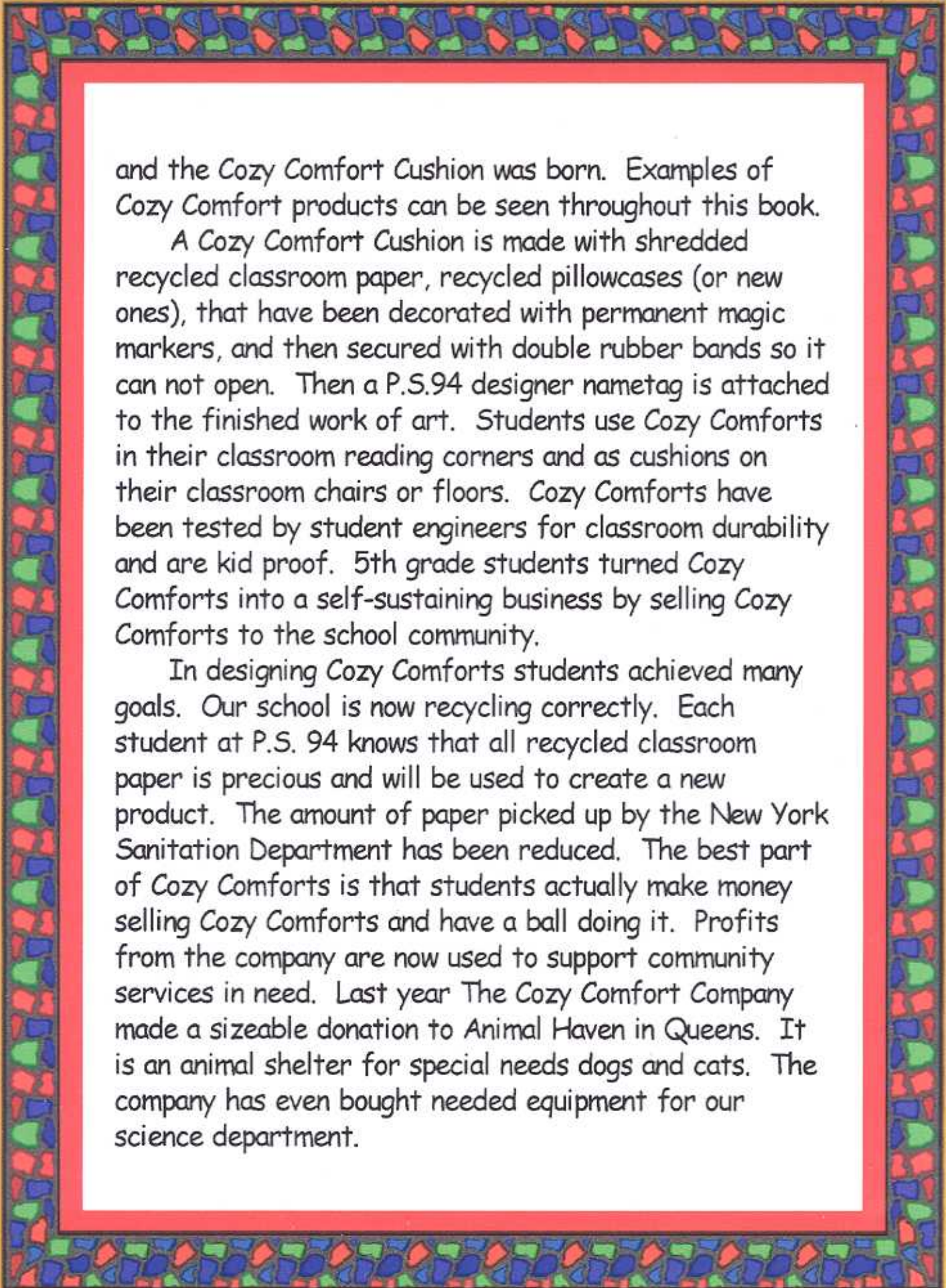


This kindergarten class won P.S. 94's Super Recyclers Contest for their outstanding recycling effort within their classroom. Mrs. Matola's class has their own separate recycling bins for glass, metal, plastic, paper, and drink boxes. They were honored at the recycling assembly.

A Wonderful Business Grows Out of Recycled Classroom Paper

It all started five years ago with a recycling problem. Danny, a 5th grade member of P.S.94's Recycling Squad, had the job of emptying the classroom recycling bins. P.S.94 had a recycling assembly to show students the correct way to recycle classroom paper. Recycling was going pretty well back then. A month later, Danny was finding soda cans, tissues, napkins, and old food in the paper recycling bins. Students had stopped recycling correctly. Danny did further investigating and found out from Kevin, our custodial worker, that he used to recycle 10 bags of recycled paper a week. Now he was recycling only one bag a week. Our school was known as a model of recycling throughout the district but our reputation was crumbling.

Danny knew we had a problem. He went to the other Recycling Squad members for help. The squad had to find a way to get students and teachers to recycle correctly. Mrs. Barbeosch, our principal, had a paper shredder and the squad thought that they could design something out of shredded paper that kids would want. They drew up designs of things we could make with shredded paper



and the Cozy Comfort Cushion was born. Examples of Cozy Comfort products can be seen throughout this book.

A Cozy Comfort Cushion is made with shredded recycled classroom paper, recycled pillowcases (or new ones), that have been decorated with permanent magic markers, and then secured with double rubber bands so it can not open. Then a P.S.94 designer nametag is attached to the finished work of art. Students use Cozy Comforts in their classroom reading corners and as cushions on their classroom chairs or floors. Cozy Comforts have been tested by student engineers for classroom durability and are kid proof. 5th grade students turned Cozy Comforts into a self-sustaining business by selling Cozy Comforts to the school community.

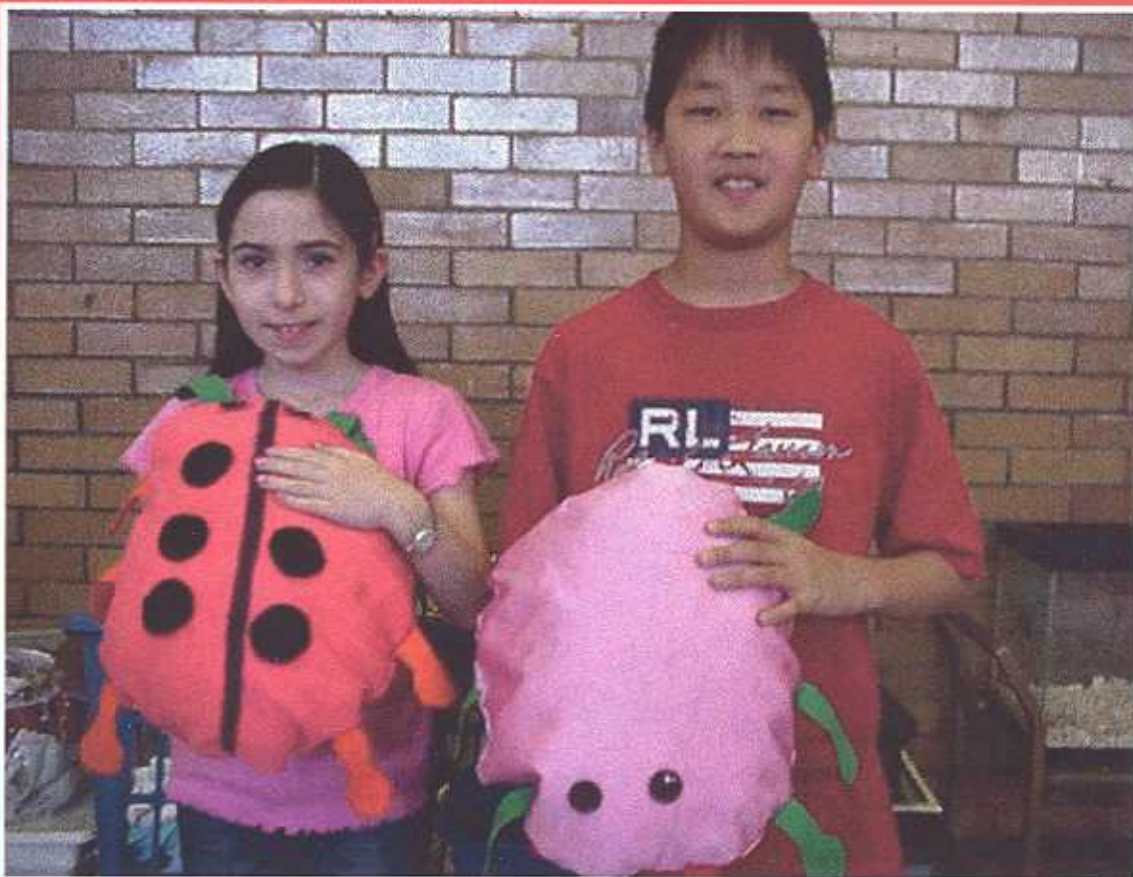
In designing Cozy Comforts students achieved many goals. Our school is now recycling correctly. Each student at P.S. 94 knows that all recycled classroom paper is precious and will be used to create a new product. The amount of paper picked up by the New York Sanitation Department has been reduced. The best part of Cozy Comforts is that students actually make money selling Cozy Comforts and have a ball doing it. Profits from the company are now used to support community services in need. Last year The Cozy Comfort Company made a sizeable donation to Animal Haven in Queens. It is an animal shelter for special needs dogs and cats. The company has even bought needed equipment for our science department.

How To Make A Cozy Comfort Cushion

- Shred three buckets of recycled classroom paper.
- Decorate pillowcase with permanent magic markers.
- Stuff pillowcase.
- Secure pillowcase with two rubber bands.
- Secure P.S.94 designer label onto pillowcase.
- Enjoy your work of art!

Announcing A Brand New Line of Cozy Comfort Critters. Introducing Crazy Legz and Baby Critters!

The Cozy Comfort business has been growing and expanding these past five years. The business has been eagerly passed down to each succeeding generation of 5th graders. Students adore the business and have the most wonderful time turning recycled paper into a useful exciting product. P.S. 94 is now launching new useful products made from recycled paper such as the Crazy Legz ladybugs, a stuffed ladybug with wild floppy legs. They're so popular, they're walking right off the shelves and into homes all over Little Neck. We can't keep up with the demand! We also have a new, affordable baby snake for the cost-conscious student. They're called Baby Snakes and cost a dollar less than the full-sized "Parent Snakes." Many of our parents have graciously donated unwanted materials and sewing notions to our cause. Students cut out all the patterns by themselves. Parents help students with the machine sewing required for the new critters. Students hand stitch the details and the final seam.



Here are our newest Cozy Critter creations called Crazy Legz. They are ladybugs gone wild. Of course, each one is stuffed with 100% recycled classroom paper. We can't keep up with the demand.



One of the Cozy Comfort sewers is hand sewing the finishing touches onto one of our Crazy Legz Cozy Comfort Creatures. This is the latest addition to our line of products.



Recycled classroom paper is put in recycling bins by Recycling Squad members.



Recycling Squad members go into classrooms regularly to teach younger students how to recycle properly.



Every floor has a paper recycling center as well, which includes a 3-D poster to reinforce proper recycling.



Each floor in our school has its own recycling station. This station is devoted to recyclable metal, plastic, and milk containers. The 3-D posters help children remember how to recycle properly.



Mrs. Ellen Lopez, P.S. 94's Recycling Committee Chairperson instructs a child during the lunch period on proper recycling. At the beginning of the school year, she spends a lot of time training the Fourth Grade Recycling Squad and the younger children on how to recycle properly.



The boiler room has a special section devoted to storing recyclable material that needs to be picked up by the New York Sanitation Department. This is the paper before it is prepared by our custodial worker, Kevin.



P.S. 94's recyclable paper is waiting to be picked up by the New York City Sanitation Department.



Piles of cardboard have been prepared and are ready to be picked up by the New York City Sanitation Department.



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Our security guard William is also committed to our recycling effort. All classroom newspapers are sent down to him. William saves the papers for shredding. The shredded paper is used as bedding in the cages of our school guinea pigs and hamsters.



Composting is one of our priorities.

Kevin, our custodial worker, saved last Fall's leaves to become compost. Here he is mixing them into our backyard garden soil.



Kevin, our custodial worker, is totally committed to our school recycling effort. Here is Kevin collecting some of the classroom paper to bring to the Cozy Comfort Company for shredding.



The Fifth Grade Recycling Squad welcomes you to P.S. 94 in Little Neck, Queens; a place where recycling is taken very seriously.



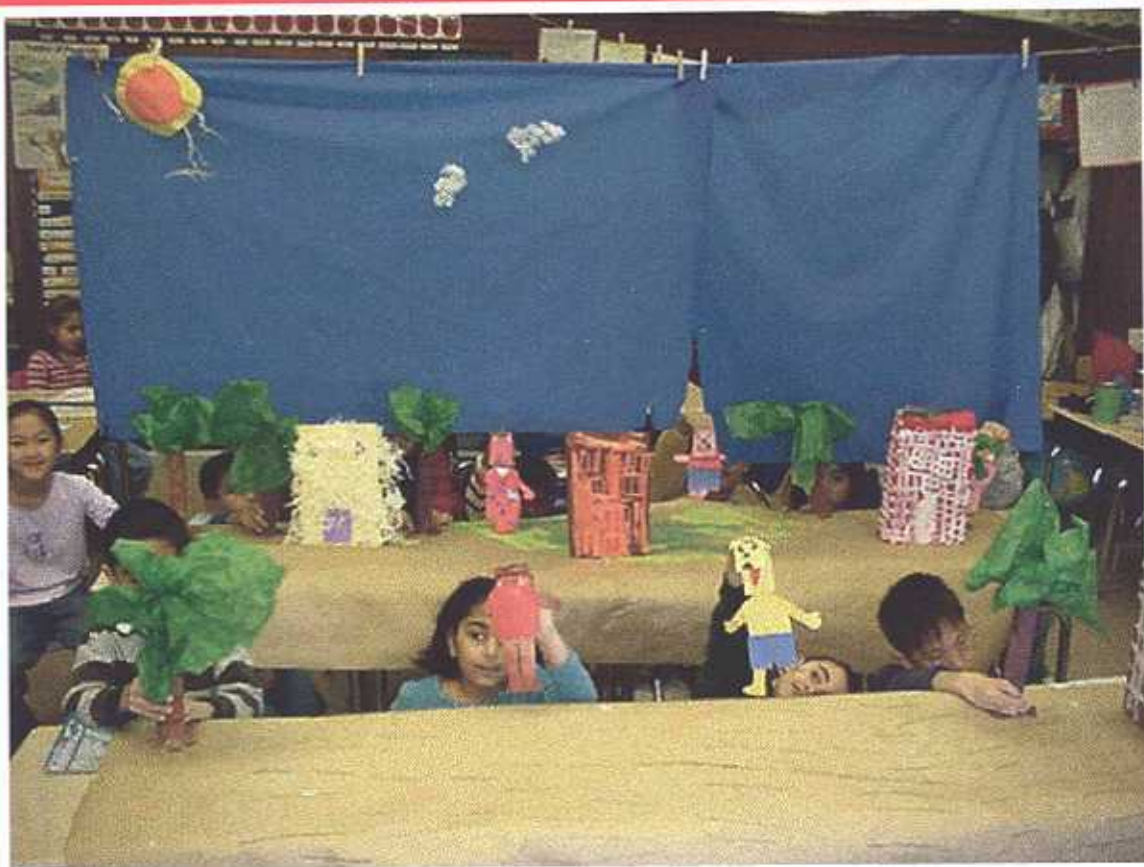
P.S. 94's fourth grade
Junior Recycling Squad
members on duty at
every lunch hour!



P.S. 94 uses plastic reusable lunch trays instead of styrofoam trays. This reduces the amount of styrofoam that would end up in a landfill.



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Second graders used recycled materials to create the scenery for their "Three Little Pigs" play. Used tablecloths became the sky, old cereal boxes became the houses, scrap paper became the puppets, and old paper towel rolls became the trees.

For a closer look
at our dedication to recycling,
open me...



Our recycling material has grown by leaps and bounds. When we first started shredding and recycling papers we reduced the number of bags the New York City Sanitation Department had to pick up.



"Now," says custodial worker Kevin Shea, "that the students how to recycle properly, the amount of bags needed to be picked up has grown to over 30 bags every other week."