

True Stories from KATY TEACHERS

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Teachers share a few funny anecdotes from the classroom

Gasp Observation

"Once while being observed, a surprise visit, I played a three-minute video about explorers and Native Americans. It had the word 'butt' in it and all the kids gasped. It was my most embarrassing teaching moment." - J.H.

Wardrobe Malfunction

"One day we were watching a movie in class and one of my students asked, 'What's on your shirt?' Naturally, I said 'nothing' without looking down, thinking they were pulling my leg. After several students asked me the same question, I said, 'Nothing, it's just a shadow, the lights are dim.' At the end of class I flipped the light and realized my water bra had snapped (only on one side of course) and I had silicone gel bleeding through one side of my shirt." - K.J.

Stinky Slip

"I had a student who had a very solid poo slip out of his pants on the way to the bathroom. He went by himself so no one noticed until we went out in the hallway to change classes. We had the students walk around it, but one of the students looked at it and said, 'Yep, that's human.'" - A.C.

Comic Relief

"I was trying to solve a student dispute over a book the old-fashioned way by flipping a coin. I somehow managed to flip the coin down my undershirt. Luckily, it eventually came out the bottom. Problem solved and comic relief at lunch." - A.C.

Chill Out

"I learn something new every day. Like, it is okay to chill your phone in the refrigerator." - A.C.

Out of Excuses

"My first year of teaching, I taught in a portable building. A third-grade girl asked to go to the bathroom so I let her go. She returned to class, was there less than five minutes, and then asked to go get a drink. I didn't let her go since she just left for the bathroom. Well, I learned that day to let kids go when they asked. When she did go to the restroom the first time, she was really just fixing her hair. So when she really had to use the restroom she asked me to get a drink, which means she ended up having an accident. I remember feeling so bad as a new teacher." - D.P.

Specific Instructions

"One day I asked a volunteer to take down the bulletin board in the hallway. A bit later, I heard some commotion in the hallway. When I got out there to see what was going on, the volunteer was taking down the bulletin board...literally. He was in the process of taking it off the wall. We all learned that day to be very specific." - D.P.

Straight Face

"In one of my classes, there was a certain someone who thoroughly enjoyed causing trouble. Every time I caught him doing something I would say, 'Juan...' and my entire class would bust out screaming, 'two...three!' I couldn't help but laugh." - K.Y.

Do you have an embarrassing or funny teacher story to share?

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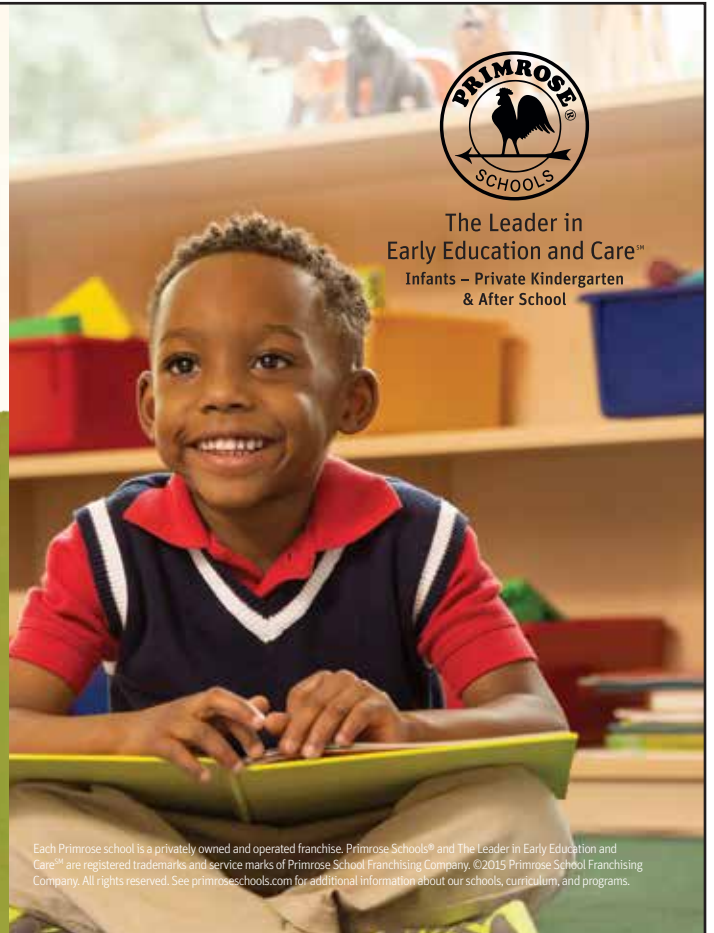
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