

Dear Wayne:

We have to tell you what an exciting day we had in school. Through one of the EPEF grants, we were able to get a tarantula and a scorpion. These were used for Antheil's Science Night in January. We are hoping they live a long time and our class treats them as class pets. (We also have the Madagascar Hissing Cockroaches from last year's Science Night).

Today, when we came into our room, we discovered our tarantula, Hairy Potter, had shed his exoskeleton. The class was so excited to actually see Hairy, and his smaller, outgrown shell, side by side.

We shared our excitement, our tarantula, and all we are learning about tarantulas, with other classes in the school. Hairy was visited today by Mrs. Hamblin's first grade class, Mrs. Zattoni's first grade class, Mrs. Secrest's first grade class, Miss Tirrell's 4th grade class, and Mrs. Bomba's 4th grade class.

We thought you would enjoy knowing that your grant money is being used on a daily basis in our room, and today was used by another 90 students. We even got Ms. Zuckerman to come down and see the spider and his skeleton.

We truly appreciate the money you give to our school to enable to children to learn in new ways.

Many, many thanks for all your hard work. We would like to invite all the EPEF board members to come visit room 40 and see how we are using your money to enhance our learning environment.

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