

# Gallops Island

Gallops Island is in the Boston Harbor. The island was named after
Captain John Gallop. He was the island's first owner.

The surrounding islands are Lovell's and George's Island. Gallop is sixteen acres
in size. Gallops is shaped like a big nose. During the Civil War,
it was used as an encampment for soldiers. After the Civil War,
a hospital was built there. This island was also used for farming for
two hundred years. After World War II, the school and hospital were taken down, and
now there are no buildings on the island. Edward Rowe Snow claims that somewhere
on Gallops, a treasure was buried by the pirate, Long Ben.

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# Long Island

Long Island is located in the Quincy Bay of the

Boston Harbor. At the head of Long Island is a lighthouse and the crumbling bunkers of Fort Strong.

Fort Strong was used as a military staging area. Archeologists recently found a 9,000 year old spear point on Long Island.

Long Island is 213 acres in size. Currently, Long Island houses a shelter for the homeless and other city services.

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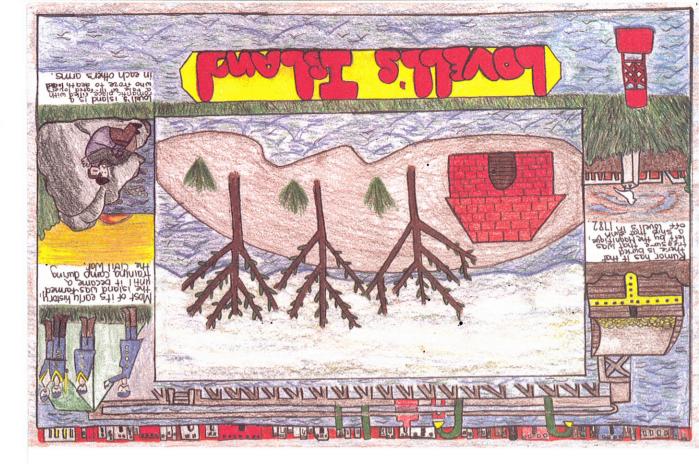
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### Lovell's Island

I went with half of my school to Lovell's Island. It was fun because
I got to work with new people. My partner was Julie, my good friend.
While we were walking, we saw a skeleton of a bird, houses people used
to live in, wild roses springing from the ground, and shells that
were waiting to be crunched. Here comes the best part:
the ocean lay in front of me great as a watermelon. While we were walking,
I found a beautiful rock laying on the ground. I like going exploring
because you can see stuff you have never seen before.

Artwork by: Melissa

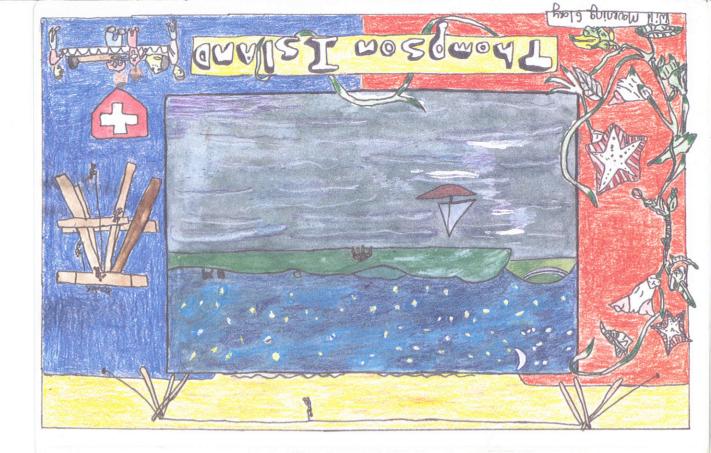
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# Thompson Island

On the night of June 5, there was a thunderstorm. The boys' tent was flying everywhere. The tent was taking a lot of blows and it was halfway down. We had left the screen door open and we were wet and cold as we camped on Thompson Island.... I learned on my camping trip on Thompson Island that it is not just about having fun. It is also about making new friends, working as a team, and learning how to solve problems. We have to help each other.

It was hard sleeping away from home and outside on the ground with only a sleeping bag and tent. Still, I hope the next time we go to Thompsons Island we get to stay longer.

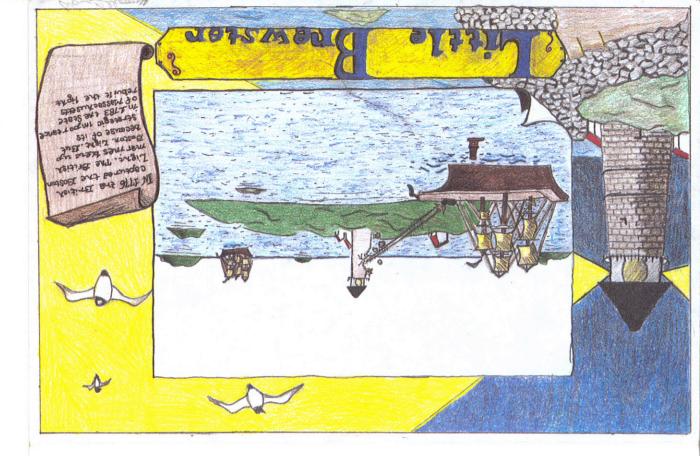
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#### Little Brewster

Little Brewster is in the Outer Harbor. It is only twelve acres in size.

It has a rocky shore. Little Brewster has a lighthouse called Boston Light.

In 1776 as the British were leaving the Boston Harbor,
they blew up Boston Light. In 1783, the state of Massachusetts
rebuilt the lighthouse, and now it's 98 feet high. Boston Light was
the first manned lighthouse in the United States and is now the last.

Today, the lighthouse is operated by the US Coast Guard.

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#### Deer Island

Deer Island got its name because deer used to swim over there to run away from wolves. Deer Island has been used for a lot of things such as a quarantine hospital in 1847. The quarantine hospital was built for Irish immigrants who were believed to have gotten diseases while on the boats. It was also used as a prison in 1904 for war prisoners, and a reformatory in the 19th and 20th century. Deer Island is now used as a sewage treatment plant. If you go there today, you will see the treatment plant with digesters resembling bubbles. I predict that everyone is going to know about Deer Island because it is doing a very big part in our city by cleaning up the harbor.

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