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## For Eoin, Leonora, and Beatrice

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## THE TRUTH ABOUT FIELD TRIPS

❁ FRIDAY ❁

Diary, I am so excited!

Next week our class is going to do something called a *field trip*. When our teacher, Ms. Collier, first talked about it, I thought she meant we would take a trip to a field. We don't have fields up

here in the clouds, so I thought it sounded fun.

I was even more excited when my best friend, Claudia, explained things.

“A field trip is when you get to go



somewhere outside school,” she said.

“We all pack bag lunches, and the school bus will pick us up and take us somewhere cool.”

I gasped with excitement. “Like the post office?”

Claudia laughed. “Even cooler than that. This year, our class is visiting Oceanside Aquarium.”

An aquarium! I love animals that live underwater, even though I haven’t had much luck with taking care of them at home. Diary, I’m sure you remember the disaster that happened when I tried to set up an aquarium in my room.



Luckily, we hadn't bought any fish yet. That was back when my winter magic used to slip out without my control. I know for sure nothing like that will happen again.

This field trip is going to be so cool. I wish we could go tomorrow. But



tomorrow is Saturday, which means the only trip I'll be taking is to Granddad's castle.

Saturdays are for Winterheart practice.



## FAMILY NEWS

### \* SATURDAY \*

I used to hate coming to Granddad's castle on Saturday mornings. But that was before I learned I'm a Winterheart. Mom and Granddad are both Windtamers, which means they can control the wind and weather. I always

# THE ART OF SURPRISE

\* FRIDAY \*

Dear Diary,

I've said this before, but I'll say it again: There is nothing I love more than school.

Except my family.

And my dog, Gusty.

Okay, and maybe my best friend,  
Claudia.

Okay, and maybe mango-and-  
whipped-cloud pudding—but you get the  
picture!

If the kids at school knew about my  
real life—that I'm a princess with magical  
winter powers who lives in a palace in  
the clouds—they'd probably wish we  
could trade places. But I just love  
knowing that when I walk through the  
doors of Hilltop Science and Arts  
Academy, something exciting is going to  
happen.