The Day The Turtle Came To School

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Once upon a time in a little town in West Virginia called Paden City sat a little brick school. In this school was a first grade teacher named Mrs. Greene. Mrs. Greene was a fun and creative teacher. Her class loved her. They wished they would never move to the next grade.
One student in Mrs. Greene's class was named Ellie. Ellie was a creative girl that was super excited about turtles. Ellie loved turtles of every kind.
One sunny Monday morning Ellie came to school with a surprise for her teacher. Ellie crept into the coatroom of her class and peeked into her bookbag. "Wow" thought Ellie, "My teacher is going to love this!" Ellie was so excited to see Mrs. Greene walk into the classroom. "I have a surprise for you," Ellie said. "I love surprises," said Mrs. Greene "but your surprise will have to wait till after lunch count." "Ok," sighed Ellie.
When lunch count was over Mrs. Greene said "Ellie now you can show your surprise." "All right," said Ellie cheerfully! Ellie ran to the coatroom. She came out and all of the kids started screaming. "What is wrong," said Mrs. Greene. All of the kids were still screaming. Finally a boy named Carter screamed out "Ellie has a turtle!"
Mrs. Greene could not believe her ears or her eyes. Ellie was running towards Mrs. Greene with a real live turtle with it's mouth wide open! "What," screamed Mrs. Greene. "Surprise" shouted Ellie! Mrs. Greene screamed "put that back where you found it!" "Does your mother know you have that? What are we going to feed that thing? Where is it going to go to the bathroom? Where did you find that?" Shouted Mrs. Greene.
"It came in my bookbag," said Ellie. "I got it from a pond."

Mrs. Greene ran out of the room to get a box for the turtle. Then she quickly grabbed the phone and called Ellie's mother! The children laughed. From that day on all of the children still remember the day the turtle came to school!