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Teacher of the Year Ms. Frank

Ms. Frank earned her B.S. in Biology and her M. Ed in Secondary Science Education from UCSD. In the past, she coordinated Standley's award-winning Science Olympiad program and coached girl's basketball at the Standley Rec Center. She has also participated in her site governance team, school site council, and as her school's district advisory council representative. She is currently the science department co-chair where she engages with colleagues about how units, lessons, and activities serve students and address content standards and district critical concepts. "Adolescent middle schoolers are at the precipice of adulthood, their education should empower them to transform their inner potential into confident, ever-evolving, and adventurous adults."-Ms. Frank



Green Team!

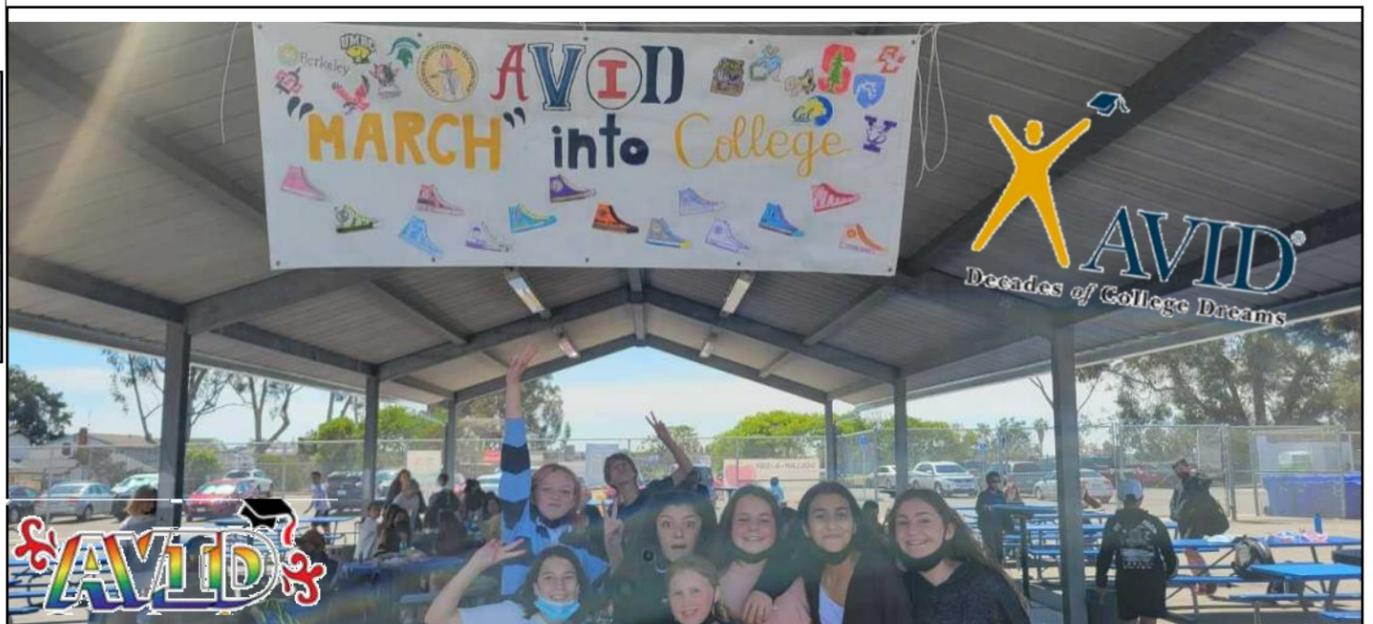
Peyton Marchie
Staff

This year the Standley Middle School Green Team is the 1st place winner in the Middle School category of the 2021-22 SDUSD Recycling Challenge. Standley Middle School's effort to reduce waste and increase recycling resulted in a 60% waste diversion rate and 92 points out of 100, making our school the winner of \$1000 prize. The overall goal was to help reduce waste and to increase recycling. The winners were determined based on the overall waste diversion and were rewarded with extra points to promote recycling. Luckily Standley Middle School won by 5 points. The runner up Knox Middle school had 60% waste diversion and 87 points total. So, congratulations Standley Middle School Green Team. Thank you for representing our school. The members of Green Team include: Rawan Al Khafaji, Dana Amini, Adam Bergstrom, Audrey Cheng, Arya Falsafinoori, Bruno Giacconi Desplats, Elena Griffith, Kade Hinkleman, Chloe Holguin, Ryder Keegan, Arya Kim, Kianna Lefear, Anika Magnuson, Dorothy Mau, Matthew Milhoan, Ethan Oshmago, Joshua Poblete, Aaron Puthuvalil, Solei Seifert, Jack Serences, Maya Steever, Emi Tachibana, Victor Telles, Lene Trees, Boyuan Wang, Austin Will, and Jake Xiao.

Mr. McLellan gets Award

Taken from Mr. Pearson

I am delighted to share that **Mr. McLellan** is the 2022 recipient of the MacKenzie-Haney Award, as the Outstanding Secondary Choral Music Educator for San Diego Unified School District. He received this award in front of a packed theater at Lincoln High School on Saturday evening as part of the District Honor Choir concert. In addition to teaching his advisory choir (which you know is a popular and high-quality musical ensemble at Standley), Tim has been the manager of the Tenor-Bass Honor Choir for three years. He also sings with the San Diego Master Chorale and conducts a combined choir singing the National Anthem at San Diego Padres' annual Choir Night. We recognize his dedication and the value he brings to students, Standley Middle School, the community, and SDUSD's VAPA Department. Four students participated in the SDUSD district honor choir concert. Amy Livers and Joseph Burroughs sang in the Debut Honor Choir (Grades 4-6), while Nydia Grubbs and Liliana Munoz sang in the Treble Honor Choir (Grades 7-12). (that is picture order left to right). They rehearsed Tuesday nights for 6 weeks before singing the concert at Lincoln High School on Saturday March 5th.



AVID hosts "March into College" event at lunch

On March 25th, students from Ms. Botts AVID advisory and classes set up all the college tables for students to check out all the awesome college information!! AVID Club members asked questions based on the college for example "What is the current G.P.A. of NYU?" Answer the question correct, get a ticket! The tickets could be taken to the AVID table and exchanged for some COLLEGE SWAG!!!



Survey: What Do You Want to Hear Over the Speakers at Lunch on Fridays?

Benicio Toruño Dailey and Ben Clarke
Senior Editor and Editor

The music on Fridays during lunch is a tradition that has been around for a while now. But there are some specific artists that a lot of people seem to want certain artists and songs on the speakers. These were just some of the artists and songs people wanted to hear. Note, this is regardless of explicit content, it was too hard to do non-explicit artists and songs only.

- Amar V.: Pop Smoke and Sheff G
- Jack H.: Minecraft Revenge song
- Victor D.: Tupac
- Erick G.: Biggie Smalls, Eazy-E, Ice Cube, and Snoop Dogg
- Alina J.: Yeat
- Arturo: TC4
- Hugo J.: Lemon Demon
- Giovanny B.: This is What Falling in Love Feels Like (By Jvke)
- Alistar E.: Ed Sheeran or Imagine Dragons
- Jacob H.: Yeat
- Austin S.: Yeat
- Jun P.: Shotgun Willy, Yung Nugget, and Rich Br
- (From left to right)Savanna J.: Yeat and Playboi Carti
- Finn M.: Playboi Carti Nalu L.: Yeat Harun A.: Yeat



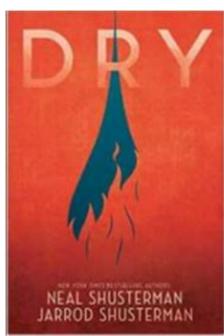
Book Club

Staff
Interview with Mrs. Dowling
Standley Library Tech

We are currently reading “Dry” by Neal Shusterman and Jarrod Shusterman

Book synopsis: The drought—or the Tap-Out, as everyone calls it—has been going on for a while now. Everyone’s lives have become an endless list of don’ts: don’t water the lawn, don’t fill up your pool, and don’t take long showers. Until the taps run dry.

Suddenly, Alyssa’s quiet suburban street spirals into a warzone of desperation; neighbors and families turned against each other on the hunt for water. And when her parents don’t return and her life—and the life of her brother—is threatened, Alyssa has to make impossible choices if she’s going to survive. The Book Club’s next meeting will be held on Friday, April 15th during our first lunch. We will discuss the book “Dry” and we will be voting on the next book we want to read. We read one book a month and it is never too late to join. If you have question please contact Mrs. Dowling for more information.



Book Club members include: Tyler Shirley, Mia Sobotka, Hazel Bryden, Sophia Pelletier, and Amy Livers.

Why did you join Book Club?

“I’m a big book fan and I thought it would be fun to talk about books with other book lovers.”-Leah Pichon



“At first I helped out librarian a lot and that led to joining the Book Club. I like reading.”-Hazel Bryden

What do you do in Book Club?

“We discuss the book chosen, about the characters & plot.” -Mia Sobotka

Criteria for choosing a book:

- Brief summary of the book
- Read inside cover
- All genres



The Psychotic Spring

Stephanie Monroy

Staff

Chapter One: New Neighbors

“I am telling you, he is a **COLD BLOODED MURDERER,**” Mr. Johnson screamed repeatedly, while being held by two men in white suits and being pushed towards a room. The room had nothing but a single hard wooden bead frame and a disgusting mattress with mold like yellow and green stains. But what led Mr. Johnson to get here? Let’s go back a few days.

It was March 21, 2006, new neighbors had moved next door to Mr. Johnson. He was surprised upon their arrival as for the 54 years he had been living in his house, the house next door had been vacant. The next day, Mr. Johnson decided to introduce himself to his new neighbors, he would bake them a pie and give it to them as a welcome gift. As soon as he had finished baking the pie he walked up to their doorstep and he knocked on the door, *knock, knock, knock.*

The couple opened the door and they welcomed Mr. Johnson in, “Hi, I’m Karrol, Karrol Johnson, and I am your new next door neighbor. I baked you this pie as a welcome gift,” Mr. Johnson said upon entering the home. The new couple and Mr. Johnson spent countless hours chatting, when the couple asked him if he was free the following weekend and could babysit their kids for the weekend; he agreed.

The week had passed by and it was now the weekend. Mr. Johnson was getting his things ready for him to go next door and babysit the kids. He had arrived at the house and was being introduced to each kid by Mr and Mrs. Martinez.

“There are 5 kids, the twins, Jasmine and Jackie; Michelle; Oliver; and the oldest and most troublesome of all, William.”

The parents left the home, and Mr. Johnson sat on the couch while the twins and Oliver were watching a movie in the living room. William was in his room upstairs and Mishelle was in the downstairs restroom, when the power abruptly went off.

Everything went silent when a loud terrifying scream coming from the downstairs bathroom broke the silence. The power came back on and everybody sprinted to check on Michelle, the door was locked so they kicked the door open. But to their surprise, Michelle was lying on the ground surrounded by a puddle of blood. More blood was smeared on the mirror spelling **WHO WANTS TO BE NEXT??**



Chapter two released next month, stay tuned!

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The Winter Olympics

Yohan Hanaki, Keigo Pilette

Staff



The winter Olympics are a large multi-sport event, held every 4 years. Thousands of athletes from all over the world come to compete in the Olympics. It is also never held in the same place. Some locations include Pyeongchang, Sochi, Vancouver, Turin, Salt Lake City, Nagano, and other locations. This year, it was held in Beijing. However, even though many people know of the sports that are in the Winter Olympics, many people do not know what the athletes are doing when they compete. In this article, I want to go over the many sports in the Winter Olympics, and I can help you with understanding.



1. Luge. In this sport, athletes race on a small sled on a long ice track, face up and feet first. The track in Beijing is measured to be almost a mile long! Since the track is so long, the racers are traveling at blistering speeds. Some reach up to 140 km/h, or 87 miles per hour! That’s very fast! To control the sled on the track, competitors use their legs to control the runners (the metal sliders on the bottom, like on an ice skate) as they go into a turn.

2. Figure skating. (This sport is the oldest sport in the Winter Olympics; 1907) In this sport, athletes skate along with music on a skating rink, performing difficult moves like jumps, spins, etc. getting points for each one. The axel jump is one of the hardest and oldest tricks there is in figure skating. This requires the skater to jump in the air and twist, landing on one leg. The move called the triple axel requires the skater to do 3 axel umps, in quick succession. This is very hard, but it gives the skater the most points.

3. Bobsled. This sport is much like luge, except instead of the competitor lying down, they sit down. Bobsledders also perform on the same track on luge. However, up to 4 people can run at a time, which usually results in faster times.

4. Biathlon. This sport also has a reputation for being very gueling. The competitors perform on skis, using their poles to propel them over a flat ground. After a 20 km lap, they take a place at a shooting range, where they have to shoot 5 targets. If they miss, 1 minute is added to their finishing time. Biathlon is such a hard sport, it is an accomplishment to just finish.

5. Freestyle skiing. This requires athletes to jump off a ramp and do tricks in midair. A score of 3 judges score in the following categories for your jumps: landing, trick hardness, and if you did the trick forwards or backwards.

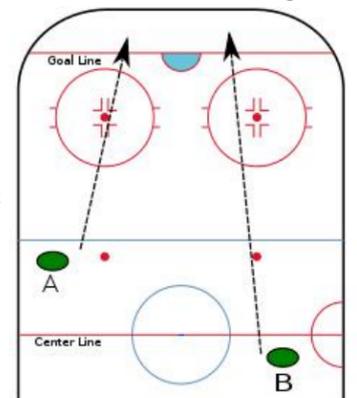
6. Skeleton. This sport is a lot like luge, except the sledder runs face-first. A lot of people who participate in luge also participate in skeleton.

7. Short track speed skating.

8. Curling (1998) This sport is a team sport played on ice where 2 teams slide stones made out of granite on top of a target, and try to get the stone in the middle. While the team takes turns pushing the stone, the other people in the team use brooms to help the stone travel farther and straighter, or slow it down. They brush the ice to melt the ice pebbles to make it smooth, or sweeping in front of the stone creates friction and controls where the stone goes. Stones can be knocked away, and they can also be used to block the other team. The solution for a block? It’s called a hammer. A hammer is when the slider pushes it as hard as he can in order to knock the block away.



9. Ice hockey (1920) This is a sport played on a skating rink where two teams (usually teams of 6) put on skates and play hockey with a puck and try to score points by driving the puck through the other team’s goal. There are also penalties in Ice hockey, though. Since it is a contact sport (meaning players’ bodies touch or come into contact with each other), tripping, pushing, or even punching other players from the other team is not allowed. The penalty for violation is sitting out for 2 minutes, and another player from the team cannot come on, and the other team is a player up. Icing is also a penalty, though. Icing is an infraction when a player shoots the puck over the center red line and the opposing team’s red goal line, in that order, and the puck remains untouched without scoring a goal. When icing occurs, a linesman stops play. Play is resumed with a faceoff in the defending zone of the attacking team, who committed the infraction. If there is a delayed penalty, it will happen at the attacking team’s neutral spot. If the linesman erred in stopping play for icing, the faceoff is at the center face-off spot (unless there is a delayed penalty). In the simulation above, A would not be icing, but B would be.



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Ever since the opening ceremony on February 4th, there has been a lot of excitement on who is competing. The winter Olympics finished on February 20th, with the USA coming in 6th place, with 11 bronze, silver, and gold medals. In 4 years, the next winter Olympics event will be held in Italy. Hopefully, we will win the next winter Olympics, so hold hope for our country’s athletes. Go team USA!!!

Yearbook Club

Elizabeth Tansey
Staff

Yearbook, the thing that keeps your memories of the school, here's a few things about the students who make it happen.
1- What do you enjoy about yearbook?
2- What's your favorite page of the yearbook?
3- What's the hardest part of the yearbook?



The Yearbook Staff includes: Rawan Al Khafaji, Kaylee Alvarado, Grace Brophy, Ava Forrester, Joshua, Garcia, Mia Guest, Alexandra Heinlein-Mushkin, Kaitlyn Le, Savannah Messerman, Trent Morissette, Ayman Mossadak, Aliyah-Marie Padilla, Leah Pichon, Camila Plascencia, Analisa Soltero, Nevaeh Stewart, and Camille Whipps. Ms. Botts is the advisor.



"I enjoy making art and working together. My favorite page is the Valentine's Day page and the hardest part of yearbook is getting pictures."-Savy Messerman (left)

"I enjoy being able to be a part of Standley and helping make memories. The Valentine's Day page is my favorite page too and for me, the deadlines are the hardest part of being in yearbook."-Analisa Soltero (right)

"Yearbook is entertaining and my favorite page is the Table of Contents page. I agree with Savy, getting pictures is the hardest part of yearbook."-Alex H-M (far right)



Chess Club

Elizabeth Tansey
Staff

Chess is a game that takes time and is very calming. A great advisory to have when you just want to take a break. Here is what the people in the club think about chess. - 1-Who's your hardest opponent? 2-What's your favorite part of chess? 3- What's the hardest part of chess?



Chess Club Members include: Jack Almond, Leif Andersen, Qlntin Butler, Julian Cisneros, Jeshua Cruz, Noah Fauchaux, Hawk Havlat, Andrew Hedlund, Tyler Hoang, Randy Kim, Justin Lal, Anton Lara, Noah Malabry, James Rumley, Kerolos Saad, Kyle Smith, and Kaled Zygmont. Mr. Markowitz is the Advisor



"Kaled Zygmont is my hardest opponent. My favorite part of chess is that it's chill and gives you a break and the hardest part of chess is finding the correct strategy for a round."-Kyle Smith (left)

"For me, Mr. Markowitz is the hardest opponent and my favorite part is taking someone's queen. The hardest part of chess is when they trap your replace horse."-James Rumley (right)

"Tyler Hoang is my toughest opponent. The part I like the most about chess club is that you get to hangout with friends and play chess. The hardest part of chess is when you try to checkmate and they keep escaping"-Julian Cisneros (far right)



Sea World's New Record Breaking Coaster

Interview with Matthew Milhan
Noah Boulter
Staff

The new ride at Sea World the Emperor is here and Standley student Matthew Milhan is one of the first to ride it. Here are his experiences.

How was the coaster?

Matthew: "The emperor is the best coaster in Sea World and is on the top ten coaster I have ever ridden."

How many times did you ride the Emperor?

Matthew: "At least 20 times and I am willing to go more"

Out of ten how would you rate the Emperor

Matthew: 8 out of 10. The only thing they can improve is to make it longer

What did you like about the ride?

Matthew: "I found that the best seats are in the last row edge seats and the drop"

Any last thoughts?

Matthew: "It is the longest, tallest and fastest dive coaster on the West Coast"

*If you want to support Matthew he has a channel on youtube called Ray the Coaster Critic.



Matthew on Emperor with his father.



Nourhan Waly



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Anouk Babin



Julia Carlson



PENNY O'BRIEN



JENSEN LANDREY



JILLIAN D'ARNAUD



BENJAMIN CLARKE

Fashion Page



Layering is more liked during winter and fall or just cold weather. You can layer coats, shirts, and even dresses. For example some people may wear a long sleeve or hoodie under a t-shirt, you can also just wear a hoodie with a coat or puffer jacket over it and some people also put a thin shirt under a dress. -Abby Osornio



Fashion Editors: Nathalia Ramirez, Kimberly Nunez, Christina Osornio, Ashley Morales, Gaia Furioli, Brielle Balzon, Elizabeth Tansey

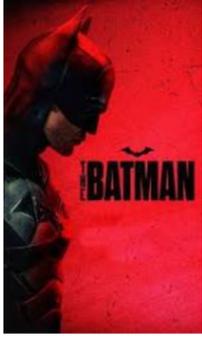
SPRING FASHION



The Batman

Frida Ramos
Staff

The movie stars Robert Pattinson, Zoë Kravitz, Paul Dano, Jeffrey Wright, John Turturro, Peter Sarsgaard, Andy Serkis, and Colin Ferrel with director Matt Reeves. The movie is about how Batman travels into Gotham City's Underworld when a familiar killer leaves behind a trail of clues. Batman must make new relationships so they can help him with his discovery. It already came out on March 4th, 2022, so if you are interested in watching it, I suggest you go watch it. The ratings are 4.1. Lots of viewers have enjoyed the movie. Let's ask some students.



Opinions: (Without any spoilers)

What were your favorite things about the movie?

"The action, the music, and the cinematography, the actors are also really attractive." - Sara Malibari

What was interesting about the movie?

"It makes you use your brain a lot, it's a mystery type like basically solving riddles." -Kylie Wang

"I loved how the Riddler was very scary and Bruce Wayne was very bold and very smart 'cause he's Bruce Wayne and very rich and attractive." -Analise Nunez

Do you recommend this movie? Why or why not?

"Yes because it has a great plot and a way of revealing the villain in the movie." -Jupiter Hernandez

Was it worth it to watch this movie? Why or why not?

"Yes, I really like it; it might be a bit dark for some people but I liked it. The cinematography and the shots were very well done in my opinion. I think the characters were also well developed and I just really enjoyed the movie." -Taylor Ko

"Yes, because the actors are also really attractive, the scenes were very comical." -Antoinette Sandoval

GAMING & movies

Playstation acquires Bungie for \$3.5 Billion

The former developers of Xbox's killer app, Halo, join the Playstation team

Benicio Toruño Dailey
Senior Editor



When Bungie departed from the Xbox bubble after Halo Reach (in my opinion, the greatest Halo and one of the best games of all time), they didn't know what to do or what to expect. They had just entered a 10-year publishing deal with Activision Blizzard and received monumental support from the Halo community. They started to work on Destiny, but things didn't work out. From development problems to the firing of long-time Bungie composer Martin O' Donnell to poor post-launch support, Destiny never became the big game Bungie hoped it to be. But when Destiny 2 came out in September 2017, Bungie learned from their mistakes and have been consistently adding content and staying up to date with the community. Even better, Bungie terminated the 10-year publishing deal with Activision Blizzard, which was what caused many of the problems with the game in the first place. And now, with a new, flourishing community by their side, Bungie joins the Playstation family.

The news broke on January 31, 2022, through Bungie and Playstation's social media accounts. In the official Bungie press release, Pete Parsons, the CEO of Bungie stated, "Our games will continue to be where our community is, wherever they choose to play", indicating that they have no intention of making Destiny 2 a Playstation exclusive. The deal comes as Bungie is preparing to release their sixth expansion for Destiny 2, The Witch Queen. The expansion was planned to be released in late 2021 but was delayed. Bungie's community that they have built through the years is in full support of this deal, with many saying it gives Bungie new opportunities to explore and create.

Snoop Dogg Joins FaZe Clan

The 50-year-old rapper joins FaZe Clan's board of directors

Benicio Toruño Dailey, Pedro Mogollan, and Christian RuizTadeo
Senior Editor & Staff



On March 7, 2022, Snoop Dogg announced via Twitter that he would be joining FaZe Clan as their board of directors. This comes after Snoop Dogg's Super Bowl Halftime Performance with Dr. Dre, Eminem, Kendrick Lamar, Mary J. Blige, and a guest appearance by 50 Cent. Snoop was seen performing with a FaZe chain, which was later revealed it was given to him before the show by FaZe's owners and content creators. Rumors swirled for some time about the rappers' relation with the organization until the announcement. Snoop Dogg is widely considered a west coast icon, helping revolutionize the rap genre with Dr. Dre. This is not his first venture into the esports and gaming world. In 2018, he founded the Gangsta Gaming League, an esports league for fans to connect with celebrity gamers.

FaZe Clan is a gaming/esports organization founded on March 10, 2010.

FaZe Clan reached its peak in popularity in 2018 because of the rising popularity in Fortnite and their 2nd place finish at the ELEAGUE Boston Major for CSGO.

Futurama Revived on Hulu for 20 more episodes

Matt Groening and David X. Cohen's animated classic is set for 20 more episodes sometime in 2023

Benicio Toruño Dailey
Senior Editor

Futurama is set to return on Hulu with 20 episodes after nearly 9 years of absence. Hulu made the announcement on February 9, 2022. The 20 episodes will premiere on an unknown date in 2023. Futurama's last episode and 140th episode, "Meanwhile", aired on September 4, 2013. It concluded a 7 season run spanning across 14 years, starting in 1999. It has gone through many cancellations and revivals in the past.



Dear Ryan,

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noun

- 1. a state of disorder due to absence or nonrecognition of authority.



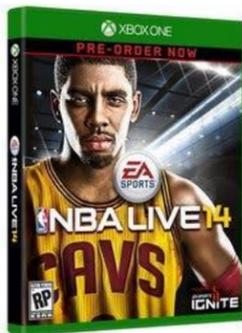
Thank you for your critique on the February newspaper about our Debate Club. As a member of the Debate Club, I have a few things to say. I understood some of your criticism like we could have talked about the museums more, not just about the Sea World and zoos, but some of your evaluation was a little bit insensitive. First of all, this debate was our first one, so we were just learning about how to debate. Plus, how did you know how the debate went? Did you interview us? Were you listening to the debate? I don't think so. Also, you said middle schoolers have anarchy when they are assembled in masse. That might be true, but you say that like you aren't a middle schooler. I personally learned a lot about how to debate such as don't counter the other opinion and trying to change them by saying they are wrong, but just stating your own information saying that you are right. We also learned not just how to debate but about the topic we were talking about: Zoos, Museums, and Sea World. We found that there are a total of 39 animals that are extinct in the wild and exist only in zoos, and way more interesting facts were mentioned during the debate. Again, thank you for your critique of the Debate Club, and try to see us debating on our next topic.

Yours truly, the Debate Club

Sports Video Games.. It's fun.

Alec Spaulding
Staff

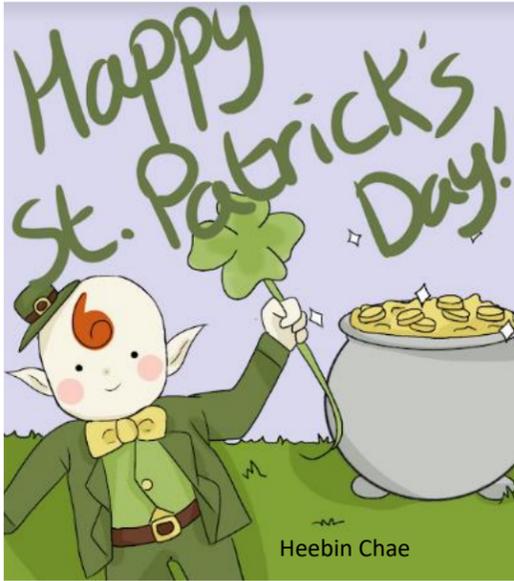
I play NBA 2k21. It is fun. I also play Madden 21. It is a football game. It is fun. All in all video games are fun. I play the game 2k21. 2k21 is a basketball game that is realistic to actual basketball. It is a fun game you can play with other people and friends. Another game I play is Madden 21.



Madden 21 is a football game that is also realistic to football. You can play online and choose your team and go from there. All in all the games are very addictive and fun..



The show first aired on March 28, 1999 on Fox. It would air on the show alongside Groening's other hit show, The Simpsons, until 2003, when Fox stopped buying episodes due to a hectic schedule. Futurama was revived by Comedy Central in 2009 and would stay on the channel for the remainder of its lifetime. The show was created by Matt Groening with help from David X. Cohen. They would both serve as executive producers for the entire lifespan of the show. It was reported that Bender voice actor John DiMaggio would not return for the new 20 episodes due to contract disputes. However it was announced on March 1, 2022 that DiMaggio would return after settling the disputes with Hulu.



Heebin Chae



History Behind St. Patrick's Day

Isabel Oseguera
Staff



We celebrate St. Patrick's Day by wearing something green and receiving small chocolate coins from the "leprechaun." A country who celebrates it the most is Ireland; that's where it originated from. St. Patrick's Day is on March 17, where it was said when St. Patrick died. He converted people in Ireland to Christianity, so this day celebrates the day Christianity was first brought into Ireland and by also celebrating Ireland culture and heritage. The Irish celebrate by having huge parades and festival, wearing green because that's what St. Patrick used to wear. Another thing well known is that whenever we think about St. Patrick's Day, the first thing we usually come up with is leprechauns. Have you ever wondered what they have to do with it? Well according to my research it shows that the Irish believed that leaperachunes were little green men and were highly intelligent and made shoes. With their money (gold) they would put it in a bowl and put it under a rainbow or scatter them around the forest. Some believed that they turned green to blend in better with the environment. (they were believed to be red initially). Leprechauns are associated with St. Patrick's Day because they both trace their history to Ireland. It is said that if you catch a leprechaun it would be considered good luck and you would be able to keep all the gold he has collected. Remember to wear your green, and Happy St. Patrick's Day or you'll get pinched.



Saint Patrick's Day

Do you know the story behind Saint Patrick's Day?

Joelle Frazier
Staff

St. Patrick's Day, feast day (March 17) of St. Patrick, patron saint of Ireland. Born in Roman Britain in the late 4th century, he was kidnapped at the age of 16 and taken to Ireland as a slave. He escaped but returned about 432 CE to convert the Irish to Christianity. By the time of his death on March 17, 461, he had established monasteries, churches, and schools. Many legends grew up around him—for example, that he drove the snakes out of Ireland and used the shamrock to explain the Trinity. Ireland came to celebrate his day with religious services and feasts. Saint Patrick's Day is celebrated on Thursday, March 17, 2022.

It was emigrants, particularly to the United States, who transformed St. Patrick's Day into a largely secular holiday of revelry and celebration of things Irish. Cities with large numbers of Irish immigrants, who often wielded political power, staged the most extensive celebrations, which included elaborate parades. Boston held its first St. Patrick's Day parade in 1737, followed by New York City in 1762. Since 1962 Chicago has colored its river green to mark the holiday. (Although blue was the color traditionally associated with St. Patrick, green is now commonly connected with the day.) Irish and non-Irish alike commonly participate in the "wearing of the green"—sporting an item of green clothing or a shamrock, the Irish national plant, in the lapel. Corned beef and cabbage are associated with the holiday, and even beer is sometimes dyed green to celebrate the day. Although some of these practices eventually were adopted by the Irish themselves, they did so largely for the benefit of tourists.



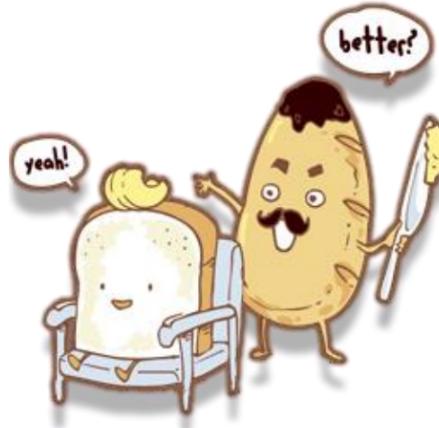
Banana Bread Recipe

Ingredients:

- 3 very ripe bananas
- 1/3 cup of butter
- 1/2 teaspoon of baking soda
- 1 pinch salt
- 3/4 cup of sugar
- 1 beaten egg
- 1 teaspoon of vanilla extract

Method:

1. Preheat the oven to 350°F (175°C), and butter a 4 x 8-inch loaf pan.
2. In a mixing bowl, mash the bananas until smooth. Stir the melted butter into the mashed bananas.
3. Mix in the baking soda and salt. Stir in the sugar, beaten egg, and vanilla extract. Mix in the flour.
4. Pour batter into pan
5. Bake for 50 minutes in the preheated oven
6. Let cool and then eat



How Spring Break Originated



Brooke Gibson
Staff

Have you ever wondered why we get a week off of school in the end of March? Well, let me tell you why. It all started back in the mid-1930s when a swim coach from Upstate New York decided to take his team down to Fort Lauderdale for some early training. This soon caught the attention of other students, they then started to come to the town in large numbers of groups. The local business started to take advantage of this and made specials tempting more students to come. As the years came the amount of students to visit became larger and larger. This soon started to become way too difficult to control. Eventually, the town gained the nickname "Ft. Liquordale" and became the primary destination for students interested in partying. I'm guessing the schools figured they wouldn't be able to stop thousands of kids from going to Ft. Liquordale so they made it a national holiday for schools. By 1985 more than 370,000 students were traveling to Ft. Lauderdale to enjoy their spring breaks.

Information found on; OnlineSchools.org.



Random Facts!

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- Playing dance music can help ward off mosquitoes
- Bees Can Detect Bombs
- Your brain can't feel pain
- You produce enough saliva to fill two swimming pools in a lifetime
- The hottest pepper used to be Carolina reaper but is now the Dragon's breath
- Earth is not flat, but it's not perfectly round either. Earth has never been perfectly round because of the Earth's rotation
- The majority of your brain is fat
- The ear, with the only three bones (hammer, anvil, stirrup) in the body that remains the same size from birth to death.
- Grapes light on fire in the microwave
- Spaghetti, confetto, and graffiti are the singular forms of spaghetti, confetti, and graffiti
- McDonald's once created bubblegum-flavored broccoli
- 40% of the food produced in the world goes to waste.
- George Washington did not have wooden teeth. He had a mix of Walrus and Narwhal horns/tusks, fellow humans and other animal tusks/teeth. Now that's a mouthful!
- You can never buy an unused mirror
- Almost every grocery store puts a layer of edible wax on their apples so they look shiny
- According to George Lucas, "Darth" is a variation of "dark," while "Vader" means "father."
- Giant Pandas eat approximately 28 pounds of bamboo a day – that's over 5 tons per year!
- The Nobel Prizes are named for Alfred Nobel, the inventor of dynamite.
- The largest living organism in the world is a fungus. It is in Oregon, covering 2,200 acres, and is still growing.
- Snails take the longest naps. They can sleep up to 3 years!
- Kangaroos can not walk backward.
- The shortest war in history lasted for only 38 minutes.
- Sea Lions have rhythm. They are the only animal able to clap to a beat.
- While you sleep you can't smell anything – even really, really bad or potent smells.
- Some tumors can grow hair, teeth, bones, even fingernails.
- The smallest country in the world takes up .2 square miles: Vatican City.
- Your fingernails grow faster when you are cold.
- Applesauce was the first food eaten in space by astronauts.
- The average person spends two weeks of their life waiting at traffic lights



GAME PAGE



Sudoku

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once.

		7		3	2	4		
8	2							9
			9	6				2
		4	1	3	6			
	6							3
		9	7	8	2			
5			6	1				
	8						4	6
		3	5	7		8		

Difficulty Level ★

3		7						8
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Difficulty Level ★★★★★

Wishing Well

HERE IS A PLEASANT LITTLE GAME that will give you a message every day. It's a numerical puzzle designed to spell out your fortune. Count the letters in your first name. If the number of letters is 6 or more, subtract 4. If the number is less than 6, add 3. The result is your key number. Start at the upper left-hand corner and check each of your key numbers, left to right. Then read the message the letters under the checked figures give you.

8	6	8	5	6	3	6	4	8	5	6	7	2
C	S	L	H	A	D	V	Y	E	A	O	A	A
4	6	8	7	5	3	4	6	7	4	8	5	2
O	R	V	V	R	E	U	T	I	W	E	M	N
6	7	8	3	7	5	2	3	7	5	7	2	6
H	S	R	M	I	O	A	A	T	N	T	L	E
8	6	4	2	7	8	2	5	6	5	8	6	3
I	W	I	Y	O	D	Z	Y	I	A	E	N	N
4	7	3	8	4	3	2	3	2	4	8	3	4
L	T	D	A	L	T	E	H	F	G	S	E	O
3	5	7	5	2	4	3	2	3	4	5	7	5
B	T	H	H	E	F	E	E	S	A	O	E	M
7	3	2	4	7	5	2	7	2	7	2	7	2
B	T	L	R	E	E	I	A	N	C	G	H	S

Why couldn't the flower ride a bike?
It lost its petals.

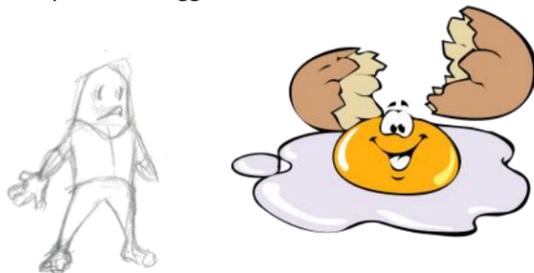
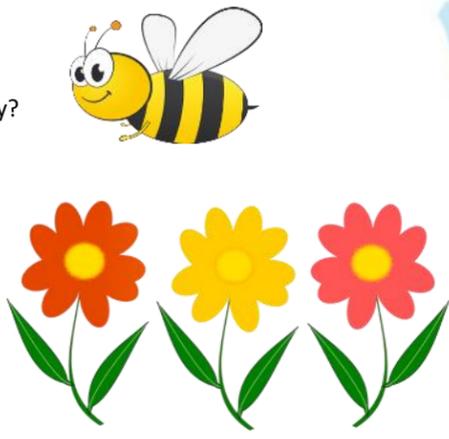
How do you know flowers are friendly?
They always have new buds!

Why did the bird go to the hospital?
It needed tweet-ment!

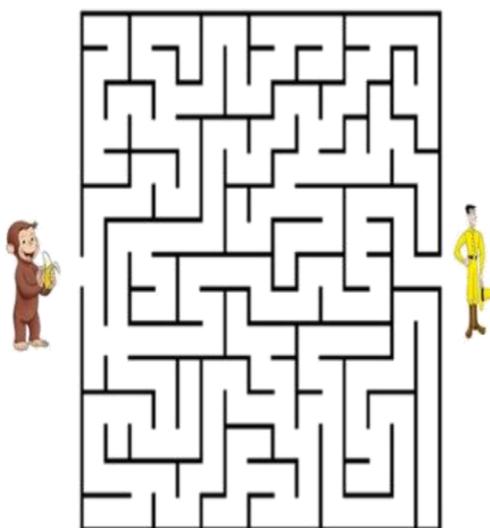
Can bees fly in the rain?
Not without their yellow jackets.

Why is the letter A like a flower?
A "b" comes after it.

What happens when you tell an egg a joke?
It cracks up.



Can you help Curious George find the man with the yellow hat?



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Spring

C	A	T	E	R	P	I	L	L	A	R	E
R	F	B	T	Y	V	I	L	Q	B	S	B
U	R	Y	W	S	D	F	V	N	U	N	C
F	O	E	A	V	M	L	Y	L	C	A	B
R	G	U	B	E	G	G	O	A	W	I	K
N	H	T	R	C	R	F	Y	D	B	L	I
O	W	L	G	H	V	T	A	Y	I	B	Q
M	N	P	O	T	G	L	E	B	S	Q	C
H	N	J	I	O	P	A	Q	U	V	G	H
F	C	N	L	F	I	M	B	G	F	Y	U
B	E	E	C	Y	Z	B	T	H	W	P	B
Y	B	U	T	T	E	R	F	L	Y	S	M

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