

2023

Standley Middle School

Welcome Back



WILLIAM H. STANDLEY Spectrum



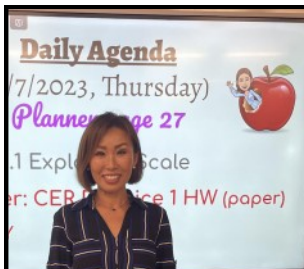
PTSA

EDUCATE!

University City Foundation for Public Schools
Supporting Schools • Building Community



Meet Our New Teacher Ms. Bratteens! Cammie Pearce Staff



Ms. Bratteens is our new sixth grade teacher for science, for those of us who had Ms. Pfaff she is now in her old room. We went to say hello to our newest staff member! She is very sweet and excited to teach fresh, young minds! Let's see what she has to say about her first year at Standley!

Q: When did you start teaching?
A: "This will be my 19th year teaching!"
Q: Who inspired you to become a science teacher?
A: "My Father inspired me to become a teacher and a scientist. He was a great business man and I admired him growing up and he was amazing. He was an amazing father and he inspired me to do what I wanted in life."
Q: Why did you choose to teach science and why do you like it?
A: "I love Science so much and my dream is to inspire young females to follow careers in STEM."
Q: What are you looking forward to this year at Standley?
A: "I am very happy to be here! The staff are all awesome. They have very clear expectations, and everyone is hardworking."
Q: What is something you want to teach your students that's outside of the curriculum?
A: "To become good human beings and have good values."
Q: Anything else you want your students to know?
A: "I want to break the stereotype that teachers live a boring life out of school. I don't at all! I love to play tennis, I go boating with my family, and I love to travel and experience different cultures!"



Welcome Standley Seahawks!

First Day of School Reflections
Reece Park
Staff



Another school year has started. You are finding new friends, going to new classes, and getting to know new teachers. It's a lot. Therefore I have interviewed some of your fellow students and staff to see what they thought about their first day of school.

I interviewed Sebastian Hlavac Myslikovjan first. He first said how he liked how it got delayed because of the hurricane. He stated that he liked seeing his friends again. When I asked him about his favorite new teacher, he said Ms. Latimore because she was a W.

Next up I interviewed Kobe Kawhara. He first mentioned that he liked his English teacher who is Ms. Rennick. He was very happy to see his friends, including Sebastian and Kioni. He observed that the campus was really big.

I interviewed Emilio Steinberg also. He said that the teachers were fun and they didn't give a lot of homework. He thought that the school day was really fun and he liked seeing his friends. Emilio liked Ms. Frank's class because there was air conditioning.

After all these students I decided to interview Pablo Gonzalez. He is a well-known staff member at this school. Pablo said it was great and full of energy. He said it was exciting to see the students and hear their stories over summer vacation.



Students Respond to Coming Back to School Stav Genchel Staff



How do you feel about being in middle school?
"It's not my favorite but it's whatever."

How do you feel about being around different age groups?
"I don't like it, they are in the way and are kind of intimidating."
-Kaylahni Mallard
6th Grade



How do you feel about being in 7th grade?
"It's fun, you can do more activities, and it's not as hard."

Do you have any advice for 6th graders?
"Be yourself and hang out with cool people."
-Darren Shelton
7th Grade



How do you feel about being in the oldest grade?
"I'm at the top of the food chain."
-Jrue Frazier
8th Grade

Celebrating Hispanic Heritage Month

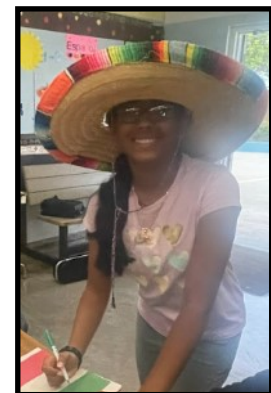
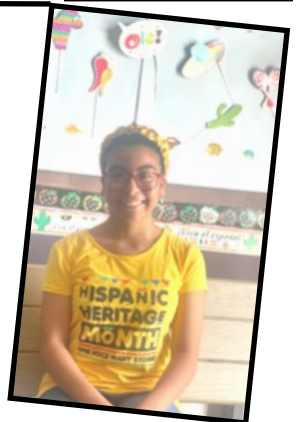


Mexican Independence Day Students celebrate 'El Grito' de la Independencia



Staff

Students in Spanish classes learned about the great bravery and determination of the Mexican people in their victory of independence. They colored the Mexican flag green representing 'the hope of the independence movement', white for 'the purity of the nation's culture' and red for 'the blood of the national heroes' and wore sombreros during the festivities. Every year, the president of Mexico rings the bell and then 'El Grito' which brings on the fiesta celebration with parades, dancing, and music.





Hugo Linossier

Try A New Recipe!

Caprese Pasta Salad
Emely Gomez O.
Staff

Ingredients

- ▶ 6 ounces (2 cups) whole grain fusilli or rotini pasta
- ▶ ½ cup extra-virgin olive oil
- ▶ 2 pints cherry or grape tomatoes
- ▶ ½ teaspoon fine sea salt
- ▶ 8 ounces mozzarella "pearls", or one mozzarella ball, torn into bite-sized pieces
- ▶ Several sprigs of fresh basil (enough for 2+ table-spoons chopped)
- ▶ 2 to 3 teaspoons white balsamic vinegar or regular balsamic vinegar, to taste



1. Bring a large pot of salted water to boil and cook the pasta until al dente, according to package instructions. Drain the pasta and set it aside.
 2. While the pasta is cooking, combine the olive oil, tomatoes and salt in a large, non-reactive skillet or Dutch oven over medium heat. Cover the skillet (use a baking sheet if you don't have a better lid). Cook, stirring occasionally, until most of the tomatoes have started to burst out of their skins and the olive oil has a light red hue (about 6 to 12 minutes).
 3. Remove the skillet from the heat and stir in the cooked pasta. Let the mixture cool for a few minutes while you chop the basil. We don't want the cheese to melt on contact, so wait to proceed to the next step until your pasta is lightly warm (not hot).
 4. Stir the mozzarella balls and basil into the pasta. Add the vinegar, then taste and add additional vinegar and/or salt, if it doesn't quite taste spectacular yet. For best flavor, let the mixture rest for about 20 minutes, so the pasta can absorb some of the sauce. Or, refrigerate it for future use.
 5. This salad will keep well in the refrigerator for up to 4 days. Leftovers are great chilled or at room temperature. You can also reheat the pasta if you don't mind the mozzarella melting.
- *Tip: if you want it to be gluten free use gluten free noodles

Rare Giraffe Without Spots Born at Brights Zoo At Limestone Tennessee

Allison Spencer
Staff

Just born on July 31 2023, a rare female giraffe was born at the Brights Zoo at Limestone Tennessee without its spots. Instead the giraffe has a solid brown coat which hasn't been seen in more than 50 years. This "kind of giraffe" has never been seen in the wild and only in zoos. Scientists think the reason for this rare coloring is most likely caused by a mutation in the genes. This giraffe is believed to be the **only known solid colored giraffe**.

The Brights Zoo asked people to vote between four names Kipekee, Firyal which mean unusual or extraordinary, Shakiri which means "she is most beautiful" and Jamella "one of great beauty." The name Kipekee got more than 16,000 votes and the name Shakiri received more than 10,000 votes. The name Kipekee is the Swahili word for unique.

The baby giraffe is already 6 feet tall. Kipekee has a half brother 2 weeks older than her and is starting to play with him. Kipekee's all brown coat hasn't affected her bonding with the other giraffes. Scientists are interested in learning more about her coat and are planning to use thermal images of her.

The bright zoo said "She was immediately accepted by the entire giraffe tower. They treat her as they see no difference than any other giraffe born here at the zoo." The last time a giraffe was born like this was in 1972 in Tokyo Japan so it has been a long time since we have last seen a giraffe like this.



The Missing Flute

Lydia Shenvi
Staff

I hate Thursdays. Thursday is when I have the most horrible lunch. Thursday is when I have the most tests. Thursday is when I have the most homework. And Thursday is the only day that I forget my flute.

I don't know what it is. I leave it in my room after I practice and I forget it. I set it down in the closet near my backpack and forget it. Most mysteriously, I only ever forget my flute on Thursdays. Never a Wednesday. Never a Monday. Is it the time? Am I more tired on Thursdays? Or is it part of *why I dislike Thursdays*? It has always been a subject of much speculation for me.

On one such Thursday, I was being dropped off by the sidewalk, I was almost out of the car. The lethargic sky reflected my foggy memory, for my flute was not in hand. I was lucky enough to realize this before my mom drove away. I let her know.

"This isn't the first time," she remarked, a note of frustration edging each word. "I know," I said, frustrated myself, "I won't forget it again."

I couldn't believe I'd forgotten my flute *again*. *I was such an idiot! With a sigh, I walked back to Standley as my mom drove away, to pick up my flute and drop it off at the office. I was so stupid! I felt like the worst student in the world.*

At last, the bell rang for first period. I headed to my math class and sat down next to my friend Anna. "After Wednesday, I almost forgot about Seahawk Sessions," she told me happily. Her eyes darkened, and she spoke in a more disappointed voice, "Then I remembered them."

I almost chuckled. "Sorry," I said, "I wish Seahawk Sessions happened during second lunch! Then we'd get to see each other even more."

The flute arrived in the middle of math.

Beep beep beep. My teacher picked up the phone. "Yes... who? Ah... okay, I'll let her know." He said to me, "They've got something at the office for you."

Relief flooded through me. I still felt terrible, but at least I'd get my flute now. I'd be angrier at myself than ever, but on the outside, it would look like everything was okay, which would be enough to reassure everybody else. And sometimes, that could reassure me too. Lighter than air, I bounded out of the classroom into the silent school courtyard.

There is nothing more dangerous than an empty school courtyard. It is like a panther, stalking you when you don't know it, ready to pounce if you don't have a pass. But today it was more like a kitten. It couldn't dampen my spirits as I bounced off to the office to collect my flute. I would have to carry it around, of course, but at least I had my flute. Everything would be perfect now.

The flute at the office was definitely mine. The case was black and made of plastic: the handle had a frayed purple bow tied to it to identify it. Ecstatic, I took it back to math.

In the next few classes, I found a good place for my flute everywhere. I never forgot it. I would set it down on the ground next to my chair right before the bell rang, and when the time came for it to ring again, I would pick it up and carry it across the school, first in fog, then under cloudy skies, then beneath a passionate sun. It seemed that maybe--just maybe--it was going to be a good day after all. It seemed that despite the rough start, I could make things work out after all... hopefully. By lunch the sun was so bright that I could not lift my eyes above the ground without blinking frantically.

I ate with my friends--not including Anna, who was attending Seahawk Sessions. I set my flute down next to the bench and looked down my nose at the food on my tray. There was barely anything on it, because I didn't like some of the food on Thursdays, and the food that was there still wasn't very appetizing.

With a sigh, I began to eat. In about a minute, the food was gone--leaving me very bored. I couldn't even watch the minutes go by: there were very few functional clocks in sight. But at long last, the bell finally rang. Thankful for something to do, I rushed off to my advisory in the auditorium. I had chosen choir for my advisory, and this was somewhat lucky, because the band room was right next to it. It would be easy to transport my flute from choir to band. I walked across campus to the auditorium, sauntering down the ramp to the door. I sat in my assigned seat, and after a few choral warm-ups, the class began to sing.

I was so caught up in our songs that I did not notice what was not beside my backpack on the auditorium floor.

Only when there were ten minutes left did I look down and feel a chill fall down my spine. I had left my flute at lunch. My face burned with embarrassment and shame. How could I forget my flute twice in one day? It was ridiculous, frustrating, and contemptible. I really *was the worst student in the world!*

Finally, the bell rang. My backpack was already half-on. I leaped to my feet, dashing for the door. I had four minutes to go back to the lunch court, locate and retrieve my flute, cross the school to get back to the band room, and prepare for the class. I had a fair chance... right?

"Stop right there."

Many kids like me had also dashed to the door in a mad frenzy. Our choir teacher was looking at us disapprovingly. "Have a seat," he said. Horrified, I returned to my seat, eyes flicking from the clock to my teacher.

"You can't just go running off as soon as the bell rings. Students get hurt that way, and it's disrespectful to teachers." It was twenty seconds past 1:01. I was nervous, and hoping it didn't show.

"We might still be in the middle of a song when the bell rings. When you run away as soon as the green light starts flashing, you miss valuable class time. You've done this before and I don't like it." It was fifty seconds past 1:01. My foot was starting to tap. I got the message! I needed to go!

"I sure hope you don't do this to other teachers. I don't want this to happen again. I'm going to dismiss you." Yes! Do it! I was anxious to leave the auditorium and grab my flute: I was about as far away from it as I could get, and it was past 1:02! I really had to get going!

"This time, I want you to go quietly and slowly. Now, you may go." It was thirty seconds past 1:02.

I speedwalked to the door, and started to run as soon as I set foot outside. I could scarcely see with frustrated, nervous tears clouding my eyes. I was scared and angry with myself, so intent on my goal that I barely heard Anna calling my name. But--thank goodness--I did.

I turned to see Anna with my flute in her hand. At first I didn't register it--then my heart almost exploded with joy.

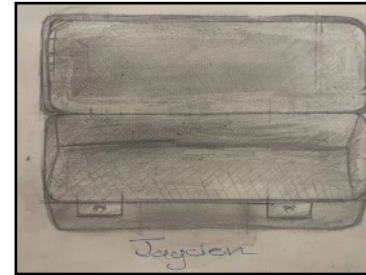
"Anna! You got my flute! Thank you so much!" Of course! Anna had Seahawk Sessions, and therefore, second lunch. She must have spotted the flute when she was eating.

"Some boys had found your flute," Anna explained, "They didn't seem to know whose it was, but I saw the purple ribbon and I knew it was yours! I told them it belonged to my friend, and I took it back from them. I'm glad I did!"

"Thank you so much!" I said again. Words couldn't seem to convey my relief.

"It's nothing," Anna told me with a smile, "You can count on me."

My smile wasn't big enough for my joy. We walked down to the band room and then to our seats. I placed my binder on the music stand. I assembled my flute. And I began to play.



20 Years Ago What Was The World Like?

Isaac Luhrs
Staff

When you think about what the world was like twenty years ago, what do you imagine? The world was very different as far as technology goes. Twenty years ago, there was no such thing as an iPhone. The most popular video game was Pokemon Ruby/Sapphire, and the most popular movies were Finding Nemo, Pirates of The Caribbean: The Curse of the Black Pearl, and The Lord of the Rings: The Return of the King. In 2003, NFL running back Jamal Lewis set the single-game rushing record when he ran for 295 yards and 2 touchdowns, a record that has since been broken by the Minnesota Vikings' Adrian Peterson. Michael Jordan played his final game, and the Miami Marlins won the World Series. The world of music was also very different. According to the Billboard Top Hot 100, the top-selling musician and song was 50 Cent, with his single In da Club. So next time you get onto your Xbox, or listen to some music, think about what kids used to do twenty years ago.



September Sports Recap

Evan Luhrs
Staff

The U.S Open

The US Open was a special one this season. For the men's side it was once again 2 Novak Djokovic of Serbia who took home another major in three straight sets: (6-3, 7-6, 6-3) over 3 Daniil Medvedev. With this win Djokovic takes home his 24th grand slam title, and ties Margaret Court for the most grand slam titles in tennis history, solidifying his case as the greatest of all time. As for the women's side, 19 year old Coco Gauff knocked off 2 Aryna Sabalenka (2-6, 6-3, 6-2) for her first ever grand slam title. She is the first American woman since Women's G.O.A.T Serena Williams to win a grand slam title as a teenager. Gauff struggled in the first set, losing 6-2. However, she got back in it with a great second set and finished it off with a third set that she will remember for a long time. Despite the loss, Sabalenka improves to the #1 ranked women's tennis player in the world. After Djokovic's victory, he also improves to #1 on the men's side.





Fashion Editors: Eliana Gonzalez, Alena Achacoso, Garrett Conway, Levi Ericson, Ana Addeo, and Alice Laur.

Summer Accessories

Cammie P Staff

There are many new fashion trends this summer! One of the favorites in our hometown of San Diego is beachy style! The beachy style is trendy in California, as we live on the West Coast. No wonder the summer beachy style is so popular because let's be honest who doesn't love to sit out in the sand and soak up the sun? If you agree with me that San Diego is a fantastic place to live. We have the beach in our backyard. Back to the beachy style, in the beachy style, the jewelry is exquisite. One of the most popular necklaces in this style is conch shell necklaces as seen on the top left. Earrings in the beachy style are quite simple the most popular I've seen are simple hoop earrings. Bracelets are very common in San Diego because we have a very popular brand located in San Diego that brand is Pura Vida. The style for bracelets is stacking multiple on each other! My personal favorite of the beachy styles is claw clips! Claw clips are perfect accessories for keeping your hair out of your way! Next, we have a stylish yet protective baseball cap. An amazing way to cover your face from the hot California sun while looking stylish! Last but not least, one of the most popular shoes that has been around for years is Converse! Converse are great and cute shoes!



SUMMER TRENDS

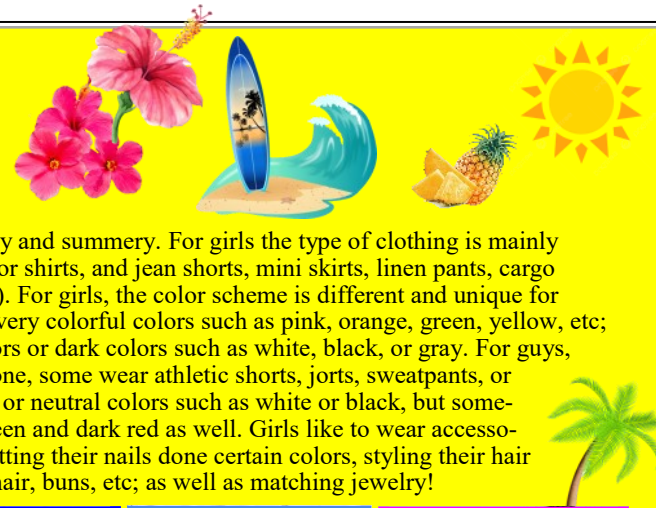
Alena Achacoso Staff

This summer, the trends are very colorful and trendy. Most girls wore tube tops, crop tops, and baggy loose colorful shirts, jean shorts, and baggy jeans, cargo jeans, and jorts. Girls wear colors such as pink, blue, green, yellow, purple. The trends this summer were very colorful and bright. People wore long acrylic nails with a bunch of rings because it's a cool style.



Summer Style

This Season's Latest Trends
Alice Laur Staff



This summer, the trends are very beachy and summery. For girls the type of clothing is mainly tube tops, crop tops, or oversized tees for shirts, and jean shorts, mini skirts, linen pants, cargo pants, and jorts (loose, long jean shorts). For girls, the color scheme is different and unique for everyone. Some people enjoy wearing very colorful colors such as pink, orange, green, yellow, etc; while others enjoy wearing neutral colors or dark colors such as white, black, or gray. For guys, the clothing style is different for everyone, some wear athletic shorts, jorts, sweatpants, or jeans. The color scheme is mainly dark or neutral colors such as white or black, but sometimes dark forms of colors like dark green and dark red as well. Girls like to wear accessories and spice up their outfits and by getting their nails done certain colors, styling their hair whether it's curls, braids, straightened hair, buns, etc; as well as matching jewelry!



Popular Summer Fashion

Popular Summer Clothing Trends
Eliana Gonzalez Staff



There were a lot of fashion trends that went on during the summer of 2023. There were lots of styles and clothes you might have seen. A style that was really popular this summer was beachy clothing. People would wear white and colorful tops with jean shorts, jeans and a white or black skirt and would wear it with accessories like a shell necklace or a colorful bracelet(s). When wearing the more beachy style people might put their hair in braids or a claw clip. Another popular style was baggy clothing. Something a lot of people would wear would be a baggy shirt or sweater with jeans, jean shorts or cargo pants. People would wear it with accessories like black or white rectangular sunglasses and for shoes; popular choices are converse, air forces or vans. Another popular style was a somewhat baggy or tight top with leggings, cargo pants/shorts or jeans.

Male Fashion

Why Wear These Outfits?
Levi Ericson Staff

Have you ever looked at somebody and wondered why are they're wearing that or what was their inspiration?

Well in this article you can learn fashion trends, inspirations, and where to get them. Some fashion trends that have been the new fab: Jorts (shorts made of denim), vintage soccer jerseys, NBA graphic tees, and sweats.

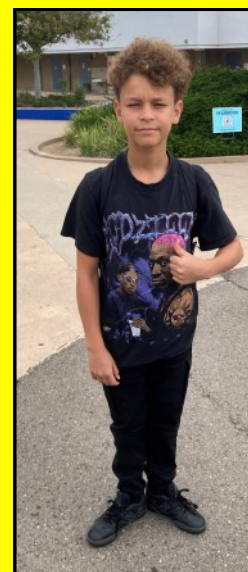


What inspired your fit?

"Crocs are more comfortable than regular shoes." -Jrue Frazier

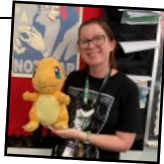
"Diddybop." -Cesar Anzaldúa

"I just watched a bunch of fashion TikToks." -Kairo Serrats



Card-A-Rama

INSIDE ONE OF STANDLEY'S MOST POPULAR CLUBS
Joaquin Martinez
Staff



Ms. Rennick holding a stuffed version of the club mascot, Greg.



Card-A-Rama is a gaming club that takes place in room 512, during advisory. Students play multiple popular collectible card-games, with Pokemon being a club favorite. The teacher, Ms. Rennick, keeps a large supply of cards for Magic the Gathering, Pokemon, MetaZoo, Alpha Clash, and Yugioh. The club is focused on teaching one another how to play, with exchanging cards being strictly forbidden. Ms. Rennick says that playing these games encourages close reading and language skills. But Card-A-Rama isn't just restricted to just card games, students also enjoy playing board games and video games.

One of the highlights of Card-A-Rama are the student tournaments. In a "play and win" tournament, students play a random person, and can win prizes such as toys or high value cards, which are usually extras from Ms. Rennick's personal collection. In a bracket tournament, which plays similarly to a college basketball tournament, prizes can be valued up to \$50, such as booster boxes and event decks. In addition to card tournaments, the class has hosted competitions for Mario Kart and Super Smash Bros.

Card-A-Rama is a very popular club here at Standley, and as a result has a very long waitlist. There are eligibility standards that students must meet in order to join. Students are required to have a "C" average in all classes, and meet "M" or better in citizenship for all classes. Club members who fall behind these requirements must attend tutoring instead of club sessions. Students are also not permitted to bring high-value cards to school for security reasons. However, Ms. Rennick offers to hold student decks for the duration of the school day.

Like other clubs at Standley, students run for several different leadership positions. The president is responsible for planning and organizing tournaments, with the vice president assisting them. The officers assume the same responsibilities as the president and the vice president. The supplier is the person who keeps track of the club's stash of cards, and the treasurer keeps track of finances. The club raises money by selling snacks in school events, such as fright night and school dances. The treasurer is also responsible for putting in orders for new cards, with club money being used to buy accessories. They also have a secretary that takes notes during meetings. The waitlist is currently full right now, but if you are interested in joining, there are after school meetings that start October 5th that allow students to participate without being in the advisory.

Top 3 Tourist Destinations of Summer 2023

Tim Linossier
Staff

Have you ever wanted to travel out of the country but your parents didn't know where to go? Paris was the third most visited city this summer! Paris is located in the middle of France and is really popular for its art. When you go to Paris there are a variety of things to do such as visiting the Eiffel tower, stare at art in the Louvre museum, and visit the renowned Arc De Triomphe. Paris has a population of 2.161 million people! In Paris, you can expect to see century old cathedrals, lots of pigeons, lots of parks, and the Champs Elysees. Another popular activity is to visit the Versailles castle.



The second most visited city in the world is Cancun in Mexico. Cancun is located on the Yucatan Peninsula. When visiting Cancun expect to see numerous long white sand beaches, luxury hotels by the sea, and lots of lush rainforests. Each year, up to 30 million tourists visit this destination which makes it the second most visited place in summer. While visiting Cancun the most fun things to do are snorkeling, visiting Cenotes, and visiting Chichen Itza. Cenotes are sinkholes filled with water that make little lakes deep in the ground and are amazing to swim in. Chichen Itza is a pyramid built by the Mayans in the 400s AD. This place is great for relaxing and exploring the jungle.



Finally, the most visited city last summer was London. London is in southeastern England. London is usually cold and cloudy for most of the year except for summer. The most popular destination within London is the London Eye. This is a big wheel that you can ride inside of cabins. This ride is located right next to the river Thames. Another popular activity in London is to visit Big Ben. This is a big old tower with a massive clock on top. This clock is one of the most accurate on earth. London was founded in 43 CE under the rule of the Emperor Claudius. This city is famous for its pubs and beautiful antique buildings. Overall, this is a very interesting tourist destination for people

Top Airline Company

Leon Speter
Staff

The best airline company is Qatar Airways. The founder of Qatar Airways is Albaker Al Bakar. The company is known for its luxurious plane cabins and its economy class is the most spacious seats in the agency. I personally have never flown on a Qatar Airlines flight however if I was able to choose what airline our family takes every summer, I would choose Qatar airlines. Qatar Airways is also known for their first class seats and really good service along with the first class private cabins.



Back To School Night

Staff

Back to school night is a night where parents can come and look at their kids' classes and meet their teachers. They had 15 minutes to meet with each teacher before moving on to the next. They can also find out what you will be learning this year and how to see your grades/how you're doing so far. Back to school is a time for parents to walk around and meet teachers and to see the school. The band plays four or five songs about 3 minutes each.





Plenty of Clubs to Join at Standley! Interviews with club members Staff

SMS Drama:

Q: Why did you join Drama Club?
A: My experience is that you can spread creativity. It makes me feel happy." -Ana



Card-A-Rama

Q: What is your favorite card game and why?
A: "Magic The Gathering. It has a lot of depth and it's just a fun game. It has a better overall experience compared to other games." -Dane Olson



GSA

Q: What's GSA Club like?
A: "It's a big happy community to share ideas. It makes me feel loved."

AVID

Q: Why did you join AVID Club?
A: "AVID is fun. It makes me happy." -Kai Prince



Green Team

Q: Why did you decide to join Green Team?
A: "Because I have never planted before and I think it would be better later in life." - Lua Short



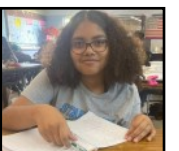
ASB

Q: What's ASB like?
A: "It's welcoming and I feel included. We play music at lunch, have fairs, and lots more." - Sophia Brignac



Peer Mediation

Q: "I want to help people solve problems and make Standley easier."
-Alizon Bernard



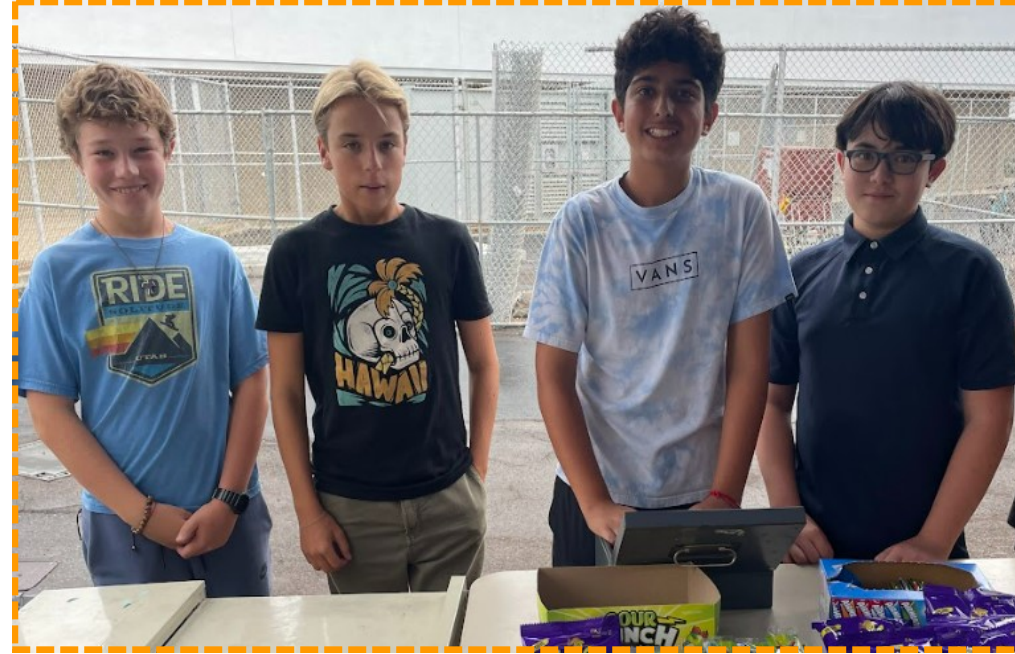
Newspaper:

Q: What do you like about being on the Newspaper staff?






dancing, music, and fun




SCHOOL DAYS

Word Search Puzzle



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



BACKPACK	FRIENDS	QUIZ
BINDER	HOMEWORK	READING
BLACKBOARD	LEARN	RECESS
BOOKS	LIBRARY	RULER
CHALK	LUNCH	SCHOOL BUS
CLASSROOM	NOTEBOOK	STUDENTS
DESK	PENCILS	STUDY
EXAM	PRINCIPAL	TEACHER

Free printable courtesy of PrintFree.net

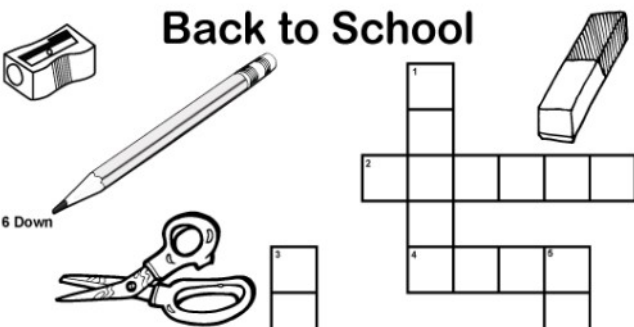
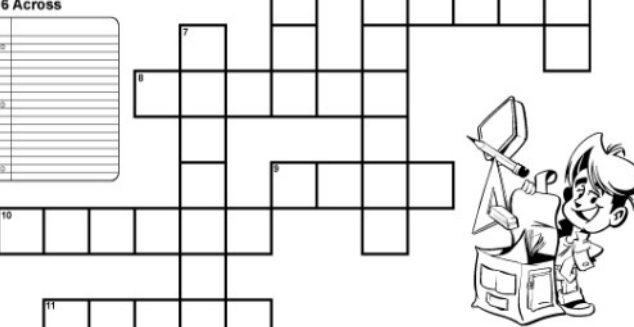

WELCOME BACK TO SCHOOL

Riddles

- What's been bought by the yard but worn by a foot?
- A carpet
- What's always found on the ground but never gets dirty?
- your shadow
- What has a neck but no head?
- A: A bottle
- I am an odd number but when you take away a letter I am even, what am I?
- Seven



Back to School

6 Down

6 Across

ACROSS

- "I'm in 2nd grade, so now I am in 3rd grade."
- another word for test, but usually more formal and often longer than a regular test, often at the end of a year, and usually is a fairly big part of your final end of year grade
- an amount of teaching given at one time. Today's math _____ is on fractions.
- a short test that is sometimes a surprise
- past tense of teach
- 3rd

DOWN

- a level of study that is completed by a student during a year; "I am in 3rd _____"
- a group of students who meet regularly to be taught a subject or activity; "There are 26 kids in my _____"
- a number or letter that indicates how a student did in a subject or on a test; "I got a good _____ on my spelling test."
- a person who teaches

Copyright © 2019 TreeValleyAcademy.com

MUTTS / by Patrick McDonnell



And all at once, summer collapsed into fall. — Oscar Wilde

Spot six differences between these panels.

Comics - San Diego Union-Tribune - Metro

HOW TO DRAW a friendly bear

YOUR DRAWING

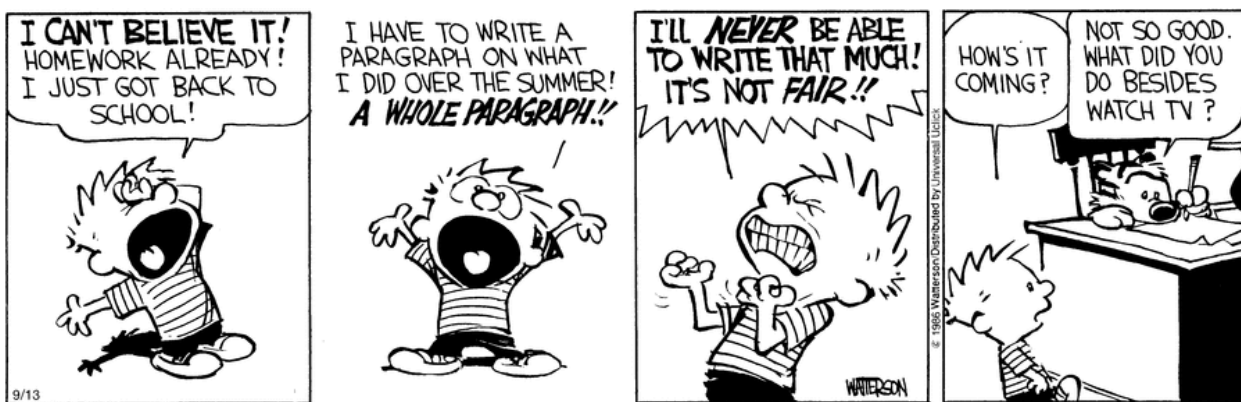
Today's terrific artist is Noah, age 10

Which one of these animals is the fastest runner?

- Gorilla
- Mongoose
- Grizzly bear
- Elephant
- Raccoon

Submit your drawing to www.slylockfox.com

Have fun solving a new comic puzzle every day at www.slylockfox.com



I CAN'T BELIEVE IT! HOMEWORK ALREADY! I JUST GOT BACK TO SCHOOL!

I HAVE TO WRITE A PARAGRAPH ON WHAT I DID OVER THE SUMMER! A WHOLE PARAGRAPH!!

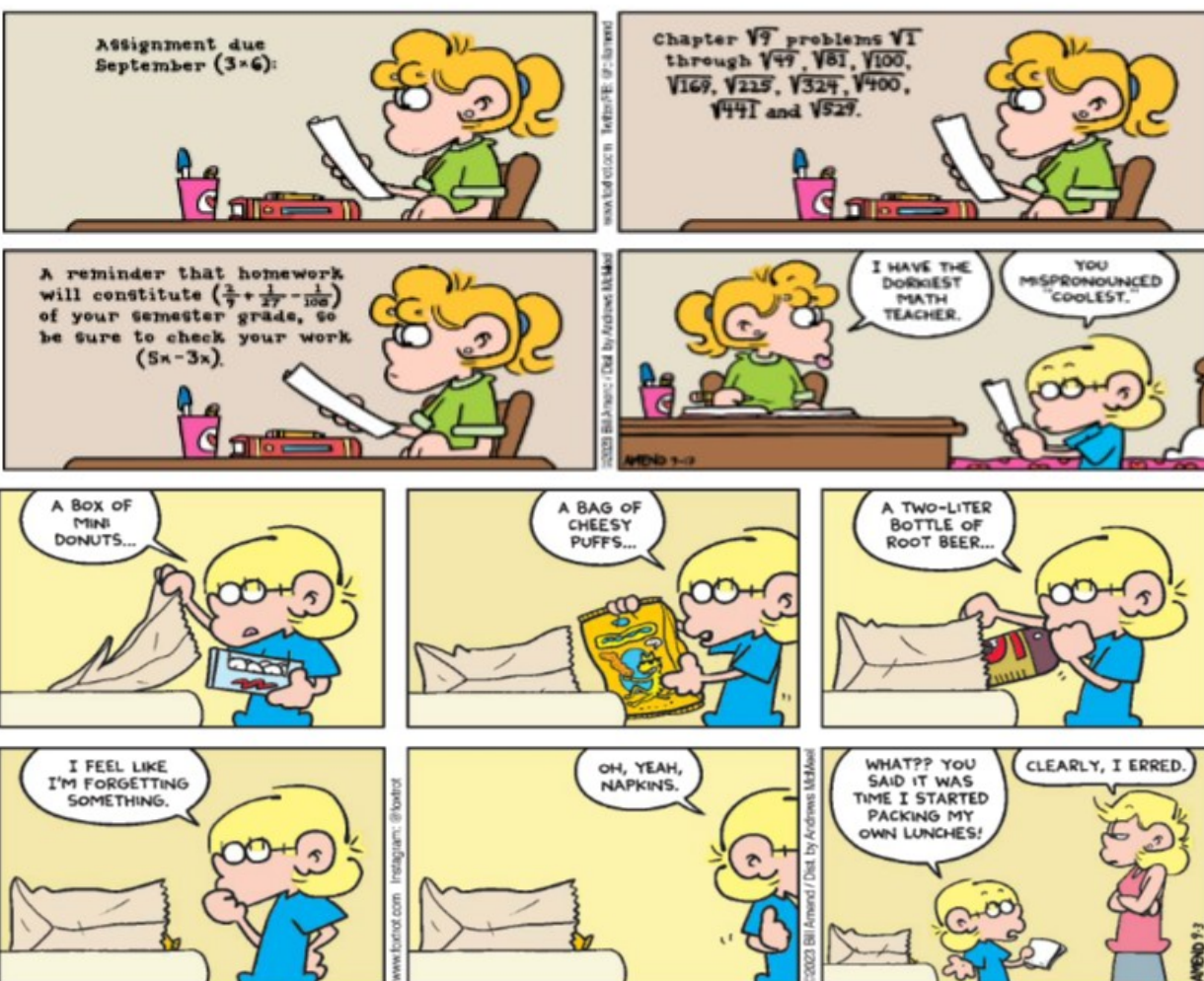
I'LL NEVER BE ABLE TO WRITE THAT MUCH! IT'S NOT FAIR!!

HOW'S IT COMING?

NOT SO GOOD. WHAT DID YOU DO BESIDES WATCH TV?

9/13

FOXTROT / by Bill Amend



Assignment due September (3-6):

Chapter V7 problems VI through V47, V81, V100, V169, V225, V324, V400, V441 and V527.

A reminder that homework will constitute $(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{100})$ of your semester grade, so be sure to check your work $(5x - 3x)$.

A BOX OF MINI DONUTS...

A BAG OF CHEESY PUFFS...

A TWO-LITER BOTTLE OF ROOT BEER...

I FEEL LIKE I'M FORGETTING SOMETHING.

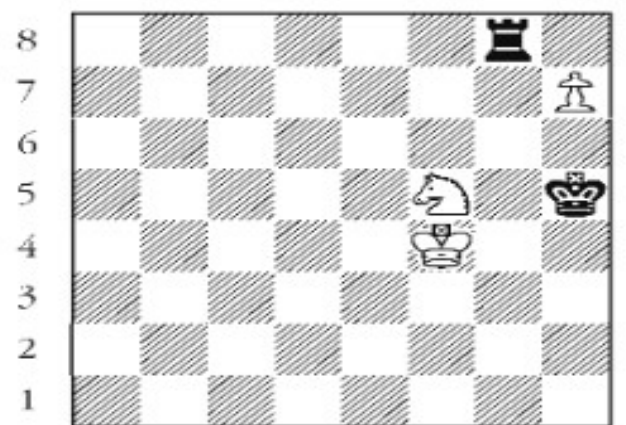
OH, YEAH, NAPKINS.

WHAT?? YOU SAID IT WAS TIME I STARTED PACKING MY OWN LUNCHES!

CLEARLY, I ERRED.

© 2023 Bill Amend / Dail by Andrews McMeel

BEGINNER'S CORNER



8
7
6
5
4
3
2
1

a b c d e f g h

WHITE'S BEST MOVE?

Hint: Not hxg8=Q stalemate.
Solution: 1. Ng3ch! followed by the creation of a new queen (or rook).

Universal Sudoku Puzzle

Complete the grid so that every row, column and 3 x 3 box contains every digit from 1 to 9 inclusively.

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

9/27

DIFFICULTY RATING: ★★☆☆☆