

# A LION'S LIFE



## Spring Ave Student Newspaper

### Writers Showcase!

By: Bea S.

This years writing showcase had so many amazing pieces entered. With 261 entries (a record number) the judges had a very difficult task of picking 27 winners. The winners will get to read their pieces on May 25th at 6:00pm to 7:30pm.

So who are our writing winners?

(Everyone who submitted is a winner) But special congrats to:

Audrey S	Piece: What is Gymnastics?
Liyana Q	Piece: The Mountain of Thunder
Max C	Piece: Midnight Snack?
Rania Q	Piece: Potentia
Clare M	Piece: The Intangible Spectrum Of Color
Avery R	Piece: Believe
Sydney K	Piece: A Collection of Poems
Bea S	Piece: The Fire

Congrats to everyone who submitted and don't forget to submit next year. Keep writing!!

**A special thanks to Mrs. Musillami & Ms. Marek for helping to plan it. You're awesome!**

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## NEWSPAPER CLUB SIXTH GRADERS THROUGH THE YEARS

BY: SYDNEY K., AUDREY B., ASHLEY S., BEA S., SIDNEY B., AND SADIE M.



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# SCHOOL NEWS

May 4th Gurrie

## Band and Choir Concert!

By: Lily R. and Avery R.

It was an amazing event! Everyone did a great job! From an audience perspective it was so fun to watch. This exciting event happened on May 4. These are all the bands/choir that played:

- ~Cadet Band (Beginning Band)
- ~Symphonic Band
- ~D105 Choir
- ~3:00 Jazz Band
- ~GMS Jazz Band
- ~Percussion Ensemble
- ~Concert Band

These bands and the choir were simply amazing. In the 3:00 Jazz band, GMS Jazz Band, & Choir there were some solos! So special shout out to those people who got one and a special shout out to EVERYONE who performed in it!

There were a few funny jokes included in the concert! For more on that check out the next page!





# SCHOOL NEWS



## 😂 Concert Jokes! 😂

**Funniest things that happened at the concert!**

By: Avery R., Lily R., & Kaia K.

- Mrs. Deligiannis and Mr. Tabor were wearing Star Wars face masks for the Star Wars song performed by: Symphonic Band! It was so funny! Mrs. Deligiannis was also was directing with a purple lightsaber!
- In the beginner band, they were playing a song where Dr. Ganan was playing the triangle and kept forgetting to hit the instrument and made excuses like sneezing, or getting a phone call.
- Of course all of these jokes were planned but they were still pretty funny! If I have anything to say the joke with Dr. Ganan was my favorite! And let's be honest Dr. Ganan did a great job!

**Again great job to ALL the people who performed on that day!**



# SCHOOL NEWS



## Superintendent For The Day

By: Leo F.

We started our day at 8:30 with Dr. Ganan and my brother Sebastian. We toured Gurrie middle school we saw the 2nd floor and then toured the BASEMENT...

The Gurrie basement is full of old props for plays and stage sets and presentations. It is also used for storing desks and chairs. It extends the whole size of the first floor.

Then we headed to Hodgkins to tour the school, they have a very cool calming room, and we visited the 6th grade , 6th grade classrooms and the 6th grade student body, who had a fundraiser and got a bench to sit on so they can eat lunch outside. Hodgkins is the oldest school in the district.

After that we toured 7th Avenue and went to the basement mostly used for storage purposes. We visited the 6th grade, 5th grade, 4th grade, and 1st grade classrooms, and ate Buona Beef, and some meetings.

Then we visited Ideal and met the 6th graders and a couple of other grades.

I would recommend to do it next year.



# TEACHER SPOTLIGHT

## What was your favorite grade as a kid?

By: Venice B., CeCe M., Alex B.

Mrs. Walsh: 5th because her teacher made school fun

Ms. Dickerson: Kindergarten because of all the things they did

Mrs. Fuller: Kindergarten because her favorite teacher

Ms. Melone: 4th because of the research projects

Mrs. Tobin: 4th because her favorite teacher

Mrs. Dahlin: 3rd because her teacher took them on a field trip to her house for a picnic

Mr. Kratt: 3rd because of his favorite teacher

Mrs. Wanta: 5th because they got to make a play and perform

Mrs. Coffey: 1st because her favorite teacher

Ms. Fornaro: 4th because of her favorite teacher

Mrs. Rybs: 8th because Mrs. Kulaga and her science class

Mrs. Mindy: 8th because got to pick their field trips

Ms. Read: 3rd because of her favorite teacher

Mr. Arneson: 3rd because of his favorite teacher

Ms. Marek: 2nd because her teacher read all the time

Mrs. Moose: 5th because that's when she started to like ELA

Mrs. Bato: 8th because she felt grown up.

Mrs. Manganello: 5th because her favorite teacher

Mrs. Branter: 2nd because her teacher was really nice

Ms. Sexton: 3rd because of her favorite teacher

Mrs. Jones: 6th because of her favorite teacher

# TEACHER SPOTLIGHT

Favorite Ice Cream Flavor!

By: Kaia K. and Meghan K.

Ms. Dickerson - Coconut Almond

Mrs. Tobin - Mint Chocolate Chip

Mrs. Rybs - Mint Chocolate Chip

Mrs. Fuller - Chocolate

Ms. Fornaro - Chocolate chip

Ms. Melone - Mint Chocolate Chip

Ms. Eck - Salted Caramel

Mr. Kratt - Cherry Garcia

Mrs. Coffey - Banana Chocolate Chip

Mrs. Dahlin - French Silk Pie

Mrs. Polich - Cookie Dough

Mrs. Wanta - Chocolate Chip Cookie Dough

Mr. Arneson - Mint Chocolate Chip

Mr. Wilkinson - Half Baked

Mrs. Kay - Mint Chocolate Chip

Mrs. Staelgraeve - Chocolate

Mrs. Mindy - Chocolate Peanut Butter

Mrs. Jones - Butter Pecan and Mint Chocolate Chip

Ms. Palabrica - Moose Tracks

Mr. Tabor - Mint Chocolate Chip

Mr. Arnold - Rocky Road





# TEACHER SPOTLIGHT

## What's your favorite ABC countdown day?

By: Kinley B, Venice B., and Nora L.

Mr. Arneson: kindness day

Most chosen:  
Kindness day

Mrs. Mindy: game day

Ms. Fornaro: kindness day

Mrs. Coffey: kindness day

Mrs. Rybs: use your body and brain for field day

Mrs. Fuller: kindness day

Ms. Melone: outside day

Mr. Kratt: outside day

Mrs. Walsh: lollipop day

Ms. D: year in review day

Ms. Read.: spirit day

Ms. Jones: pajama day

Mrs. Moose: kindness day

Mrs. Manganello: outside day

Mrs. Sutkus: outside day

# TEACHER SPOTLIGHT

## Favorite Disney Character

By: Cate R., Elise D., Sofia D., and Isabel P.

Mrs. Musillami: Little Mermaid

Mrs. Tobin: Belle

Mrs. Stang: Olaf

Ms. Eck: Moana

Mrs. Coffey: Mirabel

Mr. Kratt: Woody

Mrs. Branter: Mickey Mouse

Ms. Dickerson: Mickey Mouse

Mrs. Walsh: Moana

Mrs. Milani: Goofy

Mrs. Dahlin: Little Mermaid

Mrs. Mindy: Mickey Mouse

Mrs. Rybakowski: Little Mermaid

Mr. Arneson: Remy From Ratatouille

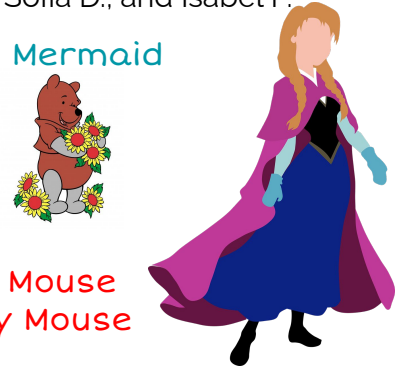
Mrs. Feldner: Belle

Ms. Marek: Belle

Mrs. Jones: Bambi

Mrs. Bato: Snow White

Ms. Fornaro: Belle



# TEACHER SPOTLIGHT

## Interview with Mr. Tabor

By: Alice K., Rania Q., and Alexa F.

What is your job?

I am the band director, I teach 4th through 8th grade band.

Why did you choose to be a band director?

I had a really good band director myself and he inspired me to be a band director. His name was Mr. Henning.

Do you play any instruments?

I play them all.

Do you have any kids?

Yes. I have one son and another on the way. (congrats!)

What's your favorite song?

Hounds of Spring by Alfred Reed.

What's your favorite candy?

Reese's Peanut Butter Cups, hands down.

What's your favorite grade as a kid?

Probably sixth grade because we did more fun stuff in science, and band got a little bit harder.

What is your favorite book?

Harry Potter.



# TEACHER SPOTLIGHT

## Hot Cheetos or Takis?

By: Frannie C., Leah K., Kate E., Yuvia R., and Meghan K.

Mrs. Weiland - Takis

Mrs. Dahlin - Hot Cheetos

Mr. Kraft - Takis

Mrs. Wanta - Hot Cheetos

Ms. Eck - Hot Cheetos

Mrs. Coffey - Hot Cheetos

Mrs. Rybs - Hot Cheetos

Mr. Arneson - Hot Cheetos

Mrs. Mindy - Takis

Mrs. Jones - Hot Cheetos

Mrs. Milani - Takis

Ms. Calder - Hot Cheetos

Ms. Palabrica - Takis

Ms. Dickerson - Takis

Mrs. Walsh - Takis

Ms. Melone- Hot Cheetos

Ms. Fornaro- Hot Cheetos



# TEACHER SPOTLIGHT

By: Isabel P, Sofia D, Elise D  
Ms. Marek:Twix

Mrs. Musillami: Snickers

Ms. Eck: Snickers

Mrs.Wanta: Twix

Mrs: Polich: Twix

Ms. Panice: Neither

Mrs. Jones: Twix

Ms. Fornaro: Twix

Mrs. Coffey: Snickers

Ms. Read: Snickers

Mr. Arneson: Twix

Mrs. Feldner: Snicker

Mrs.Mindy: Twix

Ms. Dickerson:Twix

Mrs.Walsh: Twix

Mrs. Manganello: Twix

Ms. Melone: Twix

Mrs. Bato: Twix

Mrs. Rybakowski: Twix

Ms. Sutkus: Twix



Snickers  
VS Twix

# TEACHER SPOTLIGHT

**How long have you been working in Spring Ave for?**

By: Clare M. and Kaia K.

Mrs. Dahlin: 16 years  
Mrs. Rybs: 6 years  
Mrs. Feldner: 9 years  
Mrs. Mindy: 3 years  
Mrs. Manganello: 23 years  
Ms. Dickerson: 14 years  
Mrs. Walsh: 14 years  
Mr. Arneson: 15 years  
Mrs. Kay: 16 years  
Mrs. Sexton: 9 years  
Ms. Marek: 15 years  
Mrs. Musillami: 8 years  
Mrs. Coffey: 6 years  
Mrs. Deligiannis: 2 years  
Ms. Fornaro: 3 years



A special thanks to all the hardworking teachers!  
Keep being the best you can be! We really  
appreciate everything you do for our school!

Thank you also especially for answering  
these questions, it really makes our day!



## TEACHER SPOTLIGHT

### Where Did You Go To College?

By: Cate R., Elise D., and Margaret S.



**Mrs. Stang:** Master degree and education at Loyola University. I wanted to go there because I was accepted and It was close to home.

**Mrs. Tobin:** Western Illinois University. I wanted to go there because My parents went there and i loved the campus.

**Mrs. Panice:** San Francisco University. I went there because it was close to home.

**Ms. Fornaro:** University of Iowa. I wanted to go there because I wanted a big school but also felt small. Also the Football Team.

**Mrs. Fuller:** University of Iowa. I wanted to go there because I wanted a big school with a good teaching program. And that wasn't far from home.

**Mrs. Bato:** NCOD. I wanted to go there to learn early childhood education.



## TEACHER SPOTLIGHT

### Skiing or Swimming

By: Frannie C. and Leah K.

Ms. Melone=swimming

Ms. Dickerson=swimming

Mrs. Rybs=swimming

Mrs. Mindy=swimming

Mrs. Jones=swimming

Mrs. Fuller=swimming

Mr. Kratt=swimming

Mrs. Dahlin=swimming

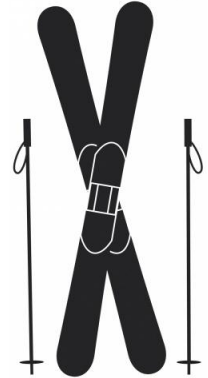
Ms. Eck=swimming

Mrs. Wanta=swimming

Ms. Fornaro=swimming

Mrs. Walsh=swimming

Mrs. Tobin=swimming



# TEACHER SPOTLIGHT

What is your favorite childhood candy?

By: Clare, Lia, Meghan and Kaia

Mrs. Musillami - Milk Duds and Sour Patch Kids

Mrs. Polich - Sweet Tarts

Ms. Dickerson - Jolly Ranchers

Mrs. Wanta - M&M's

Ms. Fornaro - Twix and Crunch Bars

Mrs. Coffey - Snickers

Ms. Read - Necco Wafers

Mrs. Feldner - Bottle Caps

Mrs. Mindy - Junior Mints

Mr. Arneson - Fun Dip

Mrs. Milani - Skittles

Ms. Marek - Skittles

Ms. Deligiannis - Reese's Peanut Butter Cups

Mrs. Jones - Turkish Taffy

Ms. Lupe - Strawberry Bon Bon's

Mr. Kratt - Skittles

Ms. Eck - Sprees

Mrs. Tobin - Snickers

Ms. Melone - Airheads or Warheads

Mrs. Fuller - M&M's



# TEACHER SPOTLIGHT

Mickey Mouse or Minnie Mouse

By: Cate R. and Margaret S.

Ms Eck: Mickey

Ms. Read: Mickey

Mrs. Wanta: Mickey

Mrs. Feldner: Minnie

Mrs. Mindy: Minnie

Mr. Arneson: Mickey

Mrs. Rybs: Mickey

Mrs. Jones: Minnie

Ms D: Mickey

Mrs. Walsh: Mickey

Mrs. Sutkus: Minnie

Mrs Panice: Minnie Mouse

Ms. Fornaro: Mickey



## WHAT'S YOUR FAVORITE BOOK?

By: Isabel P., Elise D., Margaret S.,  
CateR., Sofia D., Nora L., and Kinley B.

Mrs. Walsh: Mother Bruce  
Ms. Dickerson: The Very Hungry Caterpillar  
Mrs. Tobin: Tuesdays with Morrie  
Mrs Fuller: You Matter  
Mrs Bato: Harry Potter  
Mrs Brantner The Outsiders  
Mr. Kratt: Giving Tree  
Mrs. Dahlin: Eleven Birthdays  
Ms. Eck: Where The Mountain Meets The Moon  
Mrs. Wanta: Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows  
Ms. Fornaro: Refugee  
Mrs. Coffey: Is your Mama a Llama?  
Mrs. Mindy: Wonder  
Mrs. Polich: The Hungry Hungry caterpillar  
Mrs. Jones: The Little Princess  
Mr. Wilkinson: I Love You Forever  
Mr. Arneson Where the Wild Things Are  
Mrs. Kay: Are You My Mother?  
Ms. Palabrica: The Inheritance Games



## Teachers Favorite Cakes

By Cheyanne & Alex B

**Mrs. Musillami: Carrot Cake**  
**Ms. Marek: Doesn't like cake**  
**Mrs. Rybs: Vanilla Funfetti**  
**Mrs. Mindy: Chocolate Cake**  
**Mr. Arneson: Ice Cream Cake**  
**Mrs. Jones: Strawberry Shortcake**  
**Mrs. Fuller: Yellow Cake with Chocolate Frosting**  
**Mrs Stang: Vanilla Cake with Chocolate Frosting**  
**Ms.Melone: Vanilla Cake with Chocolate Frosting**  
**Ms.Eck: Red Velvet**  
**Ms.Melone: Portillos Chocolate Cake**  
**Mrs.Dahlin: Checkerboard Cake**  
**Mr.Kratt: Ice Cream Chocolate Cake**  
**Mr. Wilkinson:Ice Cream Cake**  
**Mrs.Kay: Portillos Chocolate Cake**  
**Ms. Fornaro: ice cream cake**





# Teacher and Student Spotlight

What's your favorite Taylor Swift album?

By: Lia M. and Clare M.

## Teachers' Favorite Albums Students' Favorite Albums

Ms. Dickerson: Fearless

Lia: Midnight's+Lover

Mrs. Walsh: Fearless

Clare: Midnight's+Lover+1989

Mrs. Stang: Lover

Leah: reputation

Frannie: Midnights

Ms. Tobin: Lover

Grace D.: Lover

Mrs. Fuller: Taylor Swift

Sofia: reputation

Ms. Melone: Taylor Swift (She met her!)) Kate: :Lovers+ Midnights

Ms. Eck: **Ditto** Ms. Melone!

Rania: Fearless

Mr. Kratt: 1989

Meghan: Lover+reputation

Mrs. Dahlin: Taylor Swift (Tim McGraw) Kinley: Midnights

Mrs. Coffey: Fearless

Cate: 1989

Mrs. Wanta: Folklore

Elise: Lover

Ms. Fornaro: Speak Now

Isabel: 1989

Mr. Wilkinson: 1989 (Bad Blood)

Hazel: Midnights

Mrs. Kay: 1989

Margaret: 1989

Mrs. Mindy: Red

Bea : Red

Mrs. Staelgraeve: Midnights

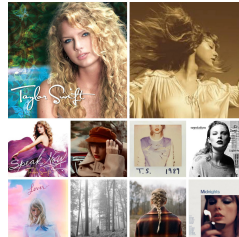
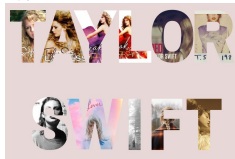
Evie: Taylor Swift

Ms. Marek: Folklore

Sidney: 1989

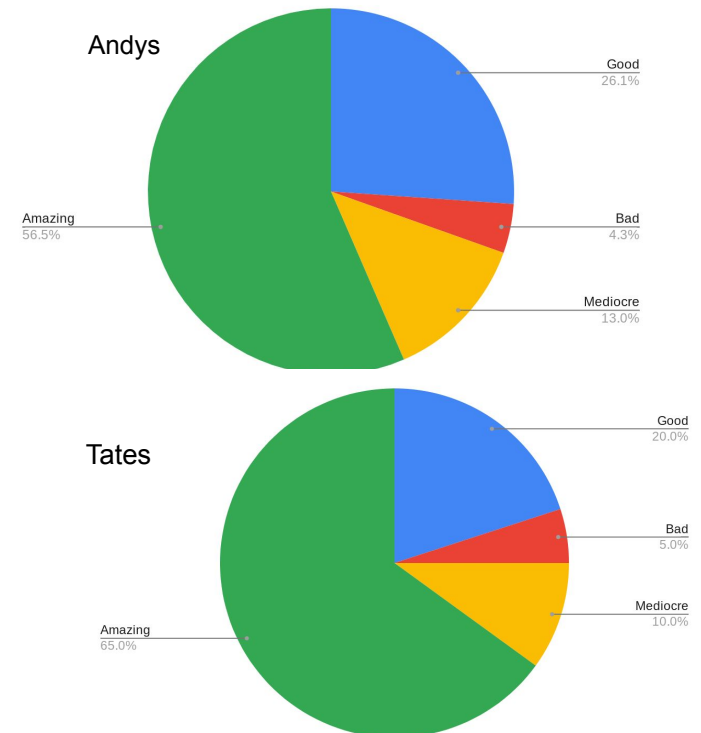
Mrs. Mus: reputation

Audrey: Fearless



## Newspaper Club rates Tates and Andy's Ice Cream!!

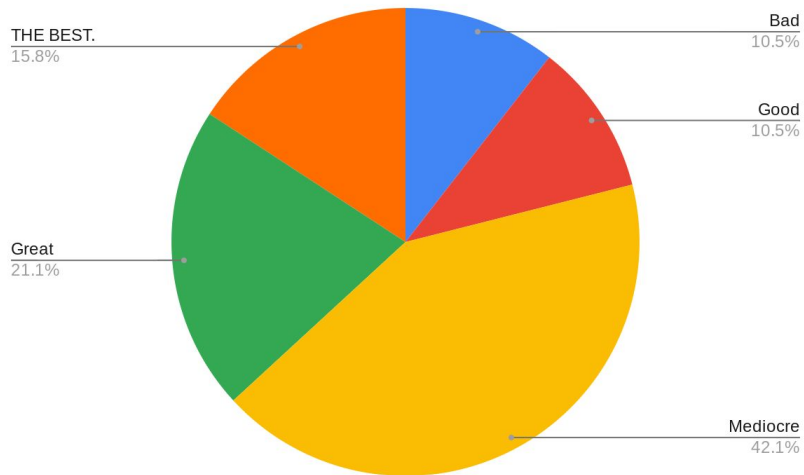
By: Bea Scouffas





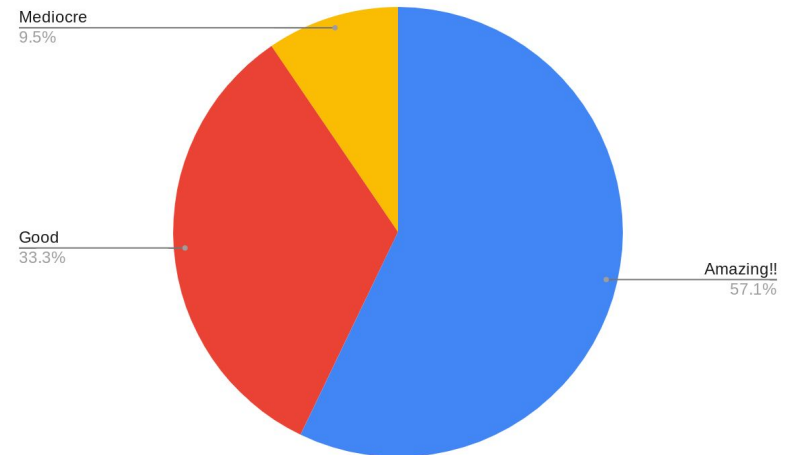
## Original Pancake House Review (student opinion)

By: Rania Q, Avery R, and Alexa F



## Chick Fil' A Review (student opinion)

By: Meghan K





## Local food reviews

By: Natalie N. and Nora L.

### Nona's



Nona's has great prices and pretty good food in our opinion. You can get a piece of pizza twice the size of your face for only 7 dollars. Plus it's pretty good. The environment is just amazing! The workers are so nice and if you get a white gumball, you get a free shirt. The pizza isn't always super hot, but it's pretty good.

Ms.Mindy ★★★★★

### Taco Taco



Taco Taco has amazing mexican food and tacos too. There's much more, but those are the most popular items at Taco Taco. Although there is no seating in the restaurant, the food makes up for it. My personal favorite is the rice and beans. Reasonably priced for a good portion, perfect cheese on top and great texture, temperature and taste.

### Cafe Salsa



I used to go to Cafe Salsa lots of times and everytime I go there food is perfect. The food is prepared quickly and served very neatly. They have a good range of food and very allergy friendly. They are perfect for a family dinner out or even a late night dinner.

### Woow



Woow makes me want to say wow! Amazing food and drinks.They have complimentary edamame and melon afterwards. So many options and also very comfortable seating. The staff are so kind, and very efficient. The food is heavenly and they have the best tempuras I've ever had!



## Reviews; average of 65

By Jackson T and Leah K		Rating /100
Grace D		
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Clare M	Chick Fil A is better	80
Kate E		78
Meghan K		55
Frannie		40
Yuvia		75
Emmett L		91
Sydney K		94
Bea S		90
Mrs. Mindy		50
Leah K		75
Kate F		83
Brendan F	Better than McDonalds	92
Luke L		85
Mr. Kratt		30
Ms. Read		82
Leo F	Way worse than McDonalds nothing even near it is 1/3 as good as mcdonalds i rate it the all american number of 33	





## Reviewing: Starbucks

By: Kaia, Meghan, Grace D, Lia and Clare

### Kaia:

Customer Service: Great! drinks/food: The best!  
Starbucks is great. Just fantastic. I love going here no matter what. The people who work here are cheerful and friendly! In the winter I LOVE to get the hot chocolate it's a **9.5/10** it's very very good! It's the most perfect winter treat! My favorite refresher is the strawberry acai 100/10 its super refreshing and great for the summer. You can get dried strawberries in the drink it is really good! You can get lemonade base or water base. It's great either way. I 100% recommend this place.

### Lia:

Customer Service: Good, most of the time Drinks/food:Amazing!  
Starbucks is one of my favorite places to go. They have so many different things. A few of my favorite things to get at starbucks are the Strawberry Refresher, hot chocolate, and the blueberry muffin. There are also so many other delicious things too! Starbucks is a **9.5/10**!

### Meghan:

Customer Service: Great! drinks/food: Good!  
I love getting different pastries from Starbucks! Especially their cookies and brownies! My sister loves the cookie crumble frappuccinos. It's definitely my go-to place. Totally recommend! It's a **8.5/10**.

### Grace D:

Customer Service: fine. They could be faster. drinks/food: Great!  
The drinks are amazing I love the refreshers and frappuccinos. The food there is so delicious I love the brownies! The little snack packs are great! I love the cake pops and cookies. I like the seasonal drinks like the peppermint hot chocolate Starbucks is a **8.6/10**

### Clare:

Customer Service: Wonderful Drinks/Food:SO GOOD!  
I think Starbucks is awesome! One of the most important things is that they have great employees. (I mean do you know any other place that has free ice cold water?!) Overall their drinks and food are delicious! My absolute favorite is definitely the Strawberry Acai Refresher and warmed up Pumpkin bread :) My final rating is a **9.5/10**.

## So you think you know Taylor Swift BATTLE ROYALE!!!

By: Sydney K

### Audrey B:

Q:Name all of her albums in order.

She got it correct!!!

Q:How many boyfriends has she ever had?

She got it wrong!!!!

Q:What's her birthday?

She got it correct!!

Q:What is her middle name?

She got it wrong!!!

Q:What is her most popular song?

She got it correct!!

Q:What Taylor Swift concert was most popular?

She got it wrong!!

Q:What kind of farm did Taylor live on?

She got it right!!

### Sidney B:

Q:Name all of her albums in order.

She got it correct!!!

Q:How many boyfriends has she ever had?

She got it wrong!!!!

Q:What's her birthday?

She got it correct!!

Q:What is her middle name?

She got it correct!!!

Q:What is her most popular song?

She got it wrong!!

Q:What Taylor Swift concert was most popular?

She got it wrong!!!

Q:What kind of farm did Taylor live on?

She got it right!!!!

The ultimate swiftly winner:  
????????????????????

## So you think you know Taylor Swift BATTLE ROYALE!!! Tie breaker!!!

By: Sydney K

Audrey B:

Q:How many live performances has Taylor done?

She got it wrong!!

Her answer was 225

Q:What song did Taylor win her first Grammy for?

She got it wrong!!

Her answer was "15" (The answer was "White Horse")

Q:How old was she when she first learned how to play the guitar?

She got it right!!!

Her answer was 12!

Q:In 2015, Taylor Swift won the award for Best Lyrics on which song?

She got it right!!!

Her answer was "Blank Space"!!

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Sidney B:

Q:How many live performances has Taylor done?

She got it right!!

Her answer was 204

Q:What song did Taylor win her first Grammy for?

She got it wrong!!

Her answer was "We Are Never Getting Back Together" (The answer was "White Horse")

Q:How old was she when she first learned the guitar?

She got it wrong!!

Her answer was 7

Q:In 2015, Taylor Swift won the award for Best Lyrics on which song?

She got it wrong!!

Her answer was "All too well"

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**The ultimate Swifty winner:  
AUDREY B!!!!!!!!!!!!!!**

**Do you think you can do better?**

## Guess the famous person's childhood photos!

By: Clare M. and Lia M.

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3)



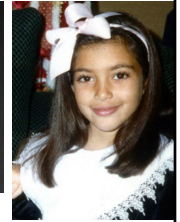
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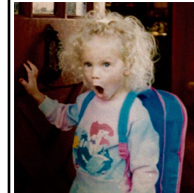
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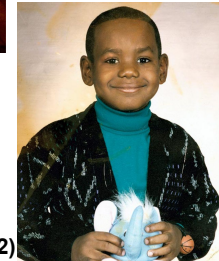
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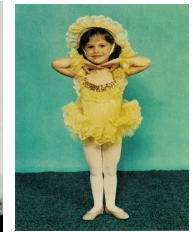


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7)

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12)



**Bonus Kim  
Kardashian**

(1) Emma Watson (2) Ed Sheeran (3) Katy Perry (4) Ariana Grande (5) Beyonce (6) Meghan Trainor (7) Tom Holland (8) Taylor Swift (9) LeBron James (10) Oprah Winfrey (11) Natalie Portman (12) Millie Bobby Brown

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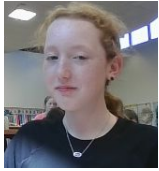
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## What celebrities kids in newspaper club look like

BY: Sydney K



Audrey B and Ed Sheeran

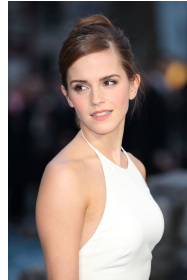


Bea S and Emily Blunt



Sadie M and Taylor Swift

June M and Emma Watson



Sydney K and Anne Hathaway



This picture shows Queen Elizabeth II (King Charles late mother) on **her** coronation day in 1953!

## Why *was* May 6th so important in Great Britain?

By: Clare M.



The newly King and Queen Consort of England on their coronation day on May 6th 2023!

So, why was May 6th such an dominant part of the U.K. standard history? King Charles II (Oldest son to famous Queen Elizabeth II) was always destined to be the king of Great Britain. But people started to wonder when that expected chance of a lifetime would fulfil for him. On September 8th 2022 we all found out the answer. The 70 year reigning queen Elizabeth had died leaving Charles his well determined role. After decades of training and practicing for the economical event, King Charles III ultimate chance would be met. The royal coronation of his highness King Charles III occurred on Saturday May 6th at 5:00 a.m (The U.K. is 6 hours ahead!). The king and his queen consort started there trip to Westminster Abbey (Where Charles would get crowned) at 4:20 in a a the Diamond Jubilee with Coach alongside the crowds of people awaiting their arrival. There, the event was previewed to the entire nation! I was among the many millions to watch (Though it was a rough morning!) were you?



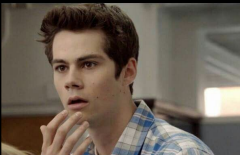
## School memes

By: Rania Q, Lily R, Kaia K, Grace D, Avery R, Arianna, Hazel M, and Alice K

when you walk past a group of 5th graders



When the whole class is fighting over whether the answer is 17 or 18 but you got 157



WHEN TEACHERS ARE 10 MINUTES LATE



WHEN STUDENTS ARE 2 MINUTES LATE



EVERY GROUP PROJECT



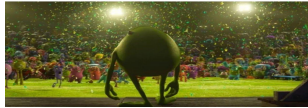
When you finish giving an absolutely horrible presentation



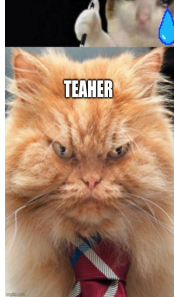
LOOK AT ALL THE HOMEWORK



What it feels like being picked first in PE



Me nervously clicking my pen during the test



The moment a single snowflake hits the ground.  
My students:



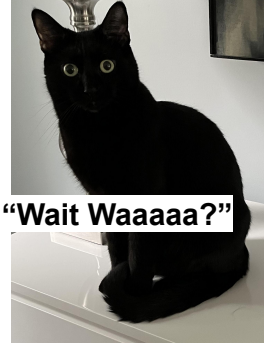
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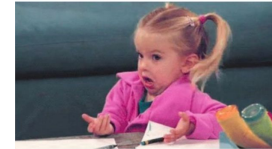
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You: When your whole class is doing the work & you're staring at the wall.

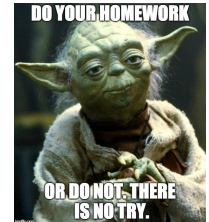


"Wait Waaaaa?"

When I ask a student to



Repeat what I just explained.

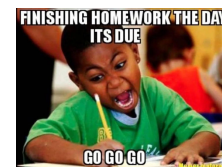


4th grade me coming back to school from my doctors appointment

When the teacher says to turn in your homework



that you didn't remember to do



# CREATIVE WRITING

Summer's coming up! Here's a list of 12 things to do over break!

\*\*\*This list is NOT in specific order

By: Clare M., Meghan K., and Kaia K.



1. Go for a bike ride! Expand your surroundings! There are so many parks and trails to choose from too!
2. Try out a new ice cream flavor! There are SO many! (We recommend Tates, Andy's and Coldstone!)
3. Hang out with friends! The bright sun awaits you!
4. Play a game! There are so many fun games to do outside!
5. Go to the pool! Afterwards you will feel so refreshed!
6. Try out a new thing! Maybe once you're comfortable you can do some camps that are related!
7. If you are a fan of toasty treats and late night bonfires you should definitely go camping with your family and friends! It's such a great time to do that when it's nice out!
8. Set yourself a goal to read a majority of books! Then maybe afterwards you could form a book club with your friends!
9. Have an outdoor picnic with your friends and family! Eat whatever your heart desires!
10. To get active, try to build an obstacle course outside! It's such a good way to exercise over the summer, and have fun!
11. Be creative and makes some crafts! Make whatever you like! Have as much fun as you want!
12. One of the best things about summer is all the concerts that come with it! (Taylor Swift's concert is coming up!!)

**Have the BEST summer EVER and especially ENJOY the AMAZING weather!**

# CREATIVE WRITING

By: Leah K.

## 💧 Rain Poem 💧

Drip

Drip

Drop

Rain falling from the sky

Dripping,

Pelting,

Pounding

Hammering the roof

With small but mighty pelts of water

Thunder growls from the grumpy sky

Rain is winning the war

Falling,

Drumming

Splattering

Drop

Drip

Drip

War is over

# CREATIVE WRITING

By: Hazel M.

## Crystal Dragon Encounter

The blood before your eyes left you breathless, the giant ceiling painted with scenes from ancient tales that stretched across three walls tells tales of heroes long gone.

However, as fate would have it, you were thoroughly distracted by the flurry of magic explosions killing your vision every time a magic spell hit its target, the dragon. After all, you were a mere human in the company of two magical beings, your companion Galena, a witch, and a fearsome crystal dragon. Your presence here was not only an honor but also a grave danger.

"You know what to do, right?!" Galena shouted at you as she threw another fireball at the dragon's head.

You have been tasked with assisting Galena on this quest to save the world from the dragon. But how could you possibly help? You try to get up with a scar from the hit.

"Get ready," Galena yelled at you. You need to do what we planned soon, you'd gotten on your feet. There's a sword however stuck in a stone you pull and tug on it till it pops out. It starts to glow. The dragon knocked Galena over. There's an opportunity to kill it. You took the opportunity. The mere human you had slayed a dragon. Galena was badly hurt. She was limping toward the center where there was a crystal. Fate has let you live but why? Galena grabbed the crystal.

"Come over here" Galena shouted across the cave. You also limped over to where Galena was. She had picked up the gem and a bright light had blinded you.

"What happened?"

# CREATIVE WRITING

## Failure, Success

By: Bea S.

Failure

Dejected, pathetic

Struggling, flopping, collapsing

Frustration, fiasco - achieved, win

Accomplishing, attaining, managing

Growing, promising

success



# CREATIVE WRITING

## *The Trophy Tournament*

*By Alexa F. and Avery R.*

"Come on! We are going to be late to class!" said Avery, hands loaded with books.

"I know, I know!" Alexa exclaimed. She was right behind with a binder clutched in her hand and a concerned expression on her face. Neither had ever been late to class before so this, was BIG! Two minutes late for class was a whole 2 hours for them. They had to run to make it. In the confusion they were completely oblivious of the janitor pulling a cart of fold out chairs in front of them.

"Watch out!" screamed Avery.

"Wait! Stop!" said Alexa instinctively. They both went tumbling into the chair, knocking them into the prized trophy case! Crack! Crash! Boom! The prized trophy case shattered to the ground!

"NO! What have you done! You know how hard we have to work to earn them. Not to mention all the work that goes in just to clean them!" said the janitor. He then went to go tell the principal.

"We are so dead," said Alexa, overexerting...hopefully.

"Let's just get to class. Now!" Avery said fearfully as she rushed down the hall, Alexa soon following after.

### **The Next Day**

"Avery Rosckes and Alexa Fey, please report to the principal's office right at this moment!" the loud speaker blared. Alexa and Avery shrank into their chairs. It was like a teacher pointing them out in front of the whole class! They felt like worms compared to the gigantic speaker.

# CREATIVE WRITING

"They'll be coming right up." said the teacher and then she gave them a look that they both knew meant *GO NOW!*

With their heads down they walked to the principal's office completely and totally embarrassed. Finally, they stood in between a room that could affect the rest of the school year.

"Are you ready?" she whispered to Alexa as her hand clutched the handle.

"No, but that isn't going to change." she whispered in a nervous tone. Avery turned the now sweaty handle and the door swung open.

"Please, come in and take a seat," said the very recognizable voice of our principal. With shaky steps the girls somehow managed to go up to the principal who was now right in front of them.

"I think we all know why your here but let me just say it. You're here because of the incident they happened yesterday. You know, with the glass, the trophies, prized reckless now shattered!"

"We are really, really, sorry. We will do whatever it takes to pay price for this." said Alexa with a shaky and nervous voice.

"Well, is that so." said the principal. They slowly nodded. "Well in that case, to make up for your actions, what I would like you to do is win a trophy yourself, and I will forgive you." The two exchanged nervous glances but then, willingly agreed. "Well then you may return to your classes." I will expect it by the end of the week. Good luck." said the principal. They they walked out the door and back to their class were they thought about what just happened.

### **At Alexa's house**

"What are we going to do?" said Avery nervously.

"We need to win a trophy. But how?!" said Alexa. They both shared a look. There was a deafening silence for a few minutes until Avery spoke.

"I KNOW!" exclaimed Avery.

## *To Be Continued...*

# CREATIVE WRITING

## The School Ghost 4: Secrets Unraveled. By Makaela M.

“AHHHHHHHHHHHHHHH!” I screamed.

“Hello Mary Johnson.” The man with red eyes said.

“IT’S MAY!” I yelled.

“That was unexpected. I expected you to scream or something.” The man with red eyes said.

“Oh.” I said.

A few seconds passed, and then I realized that a man with red eyes was still towering over me, and I was not doing anything about it! So I did the only option that I could think of, and what the man with red eyes thought what I was going to do. I scrambled up from the floor, and ran as fast as I could away from the man with red eyes. I looked over my shoulder to see if he was on my tail, but he was just standing at the same place he was always standing. I looked back to the direction I was running and thought, “maybe if I go outside then the portal will be outside waiting for me as well.” I headed towards the direction to the front door, but the MAN WITH RED EYES APPEARED IN FRONT OF ME LIKE HE WAS TELEPORTING TO ME! “Don’t be a fool May.” He said, “Don’t try to run away from your favorite uncle.”

“UNCLE!?” I yelled.

The man with red eyes grinned.

“I don’t believe you.” I said, knowing that he couldn’t be my uncle.

“Its true, you just don’t want to believe it.” He said.

“No!” I yelled.

“MAY, HANG ON, I AM BRINGING YOU BACK!”

# CREATIVE WRITING

## The School Ghost 4: Secrets Unraveled. By Makaela M.

“Milo?” I asked.

“NO!” The man with red eyes yelled.

A tornado-like wind surrounded me, and it swirled faster and faster until I couldn’t see anything. Then when it stopped, I was back at Milo’s home, and Milo was staring at me with wide, panicked eyes.

“May! I’m so glad you are ok!” He said.

The cool, snarkiness tone he had earlier was gone. Relief replaced it.

“I never should have showed you what happened! I’m such a fool, now *he* knows where we are.” Milo said.

“Who!?” I demanded, confused.

“Our uncle, the man with red eyes.” Milo said, looking down.

“WHAT!? SO HE IS OUR UNCLE? WHY DIDN’T YOU TELL ME BEFORE?” I yelled.

“BECAUSE I DIDN’T WANT YOU TO KNOW!” Milo yelled back.

“KNOW THAT THAT CREEPY MAN IS OUR UNCLE?” I retorted.

“KNOW THAT THAT CREEPY MAN WANTS SOMETHING FROM US!” Milo roared.

“What does he want from us?” I asked.

“Me.” Milo said.

“No.” I said, shaking my head.

“He wants me because I spent way too much time staying in the human world. He wants to bring me back to the dead. Where I belong.” Milo said.

“NO! You are annoying and a sneak but you are my brother! I am so sorry for the way our parents treated you! You belong here.”

“I don’t.” Milo said, “I wanted to see you May. That’s the only reason why I spent all my time here.”



# CREATIVE WRITING

## The School Ghost 4: Secrets Unraveled. By Makaela M.

I started to cry, Milo shouldn't leave! There is still so many things I don't know about him! Why he died, what are his interests, how are we alike? He couldn't leave, not now! Not when all the secrets were unraveling! Not when the pieces of the puzzle were staring to connect.

"I have to May." Milo said, tears forming in his eyes as well.

"No! I won't let you." I said.

"If I refuse to go back then our uncle will search for us, and if I let you go back home and I go in hiding, he will search for you, and will make you tell him where I am! I can't let him find you May! He is a threat, and I will keep you safe by going back." Milo said, determinedly.

"There are still things I need to know though!" I said.

"Things that will have to wait." Milo said.

"This all happened so fast, I just met you." I said.

"It was amazing to see you again May. I love you, and I am so sorry about our uncle, he is not a good person." Milo said.

"I love you too Milo." I said, after a few moments of silence.

And Milo and I stared at each other, knowing that this was the end.

"Goodbye May." Milo said.

"Goodbye Milo." I said.

Milo snapped his fingers, and we both teleported to where we belonged, being separated again. But even though we are separated, we will still always be brother and sister, and always love each other. Now knowing that my brother will always care about me, that's all I ever wished for... Now that I will be back soon, I probably should explain to my family and friends about the adventure I had, or I might be expelled for "running away for no reason..." LOL

THE END.

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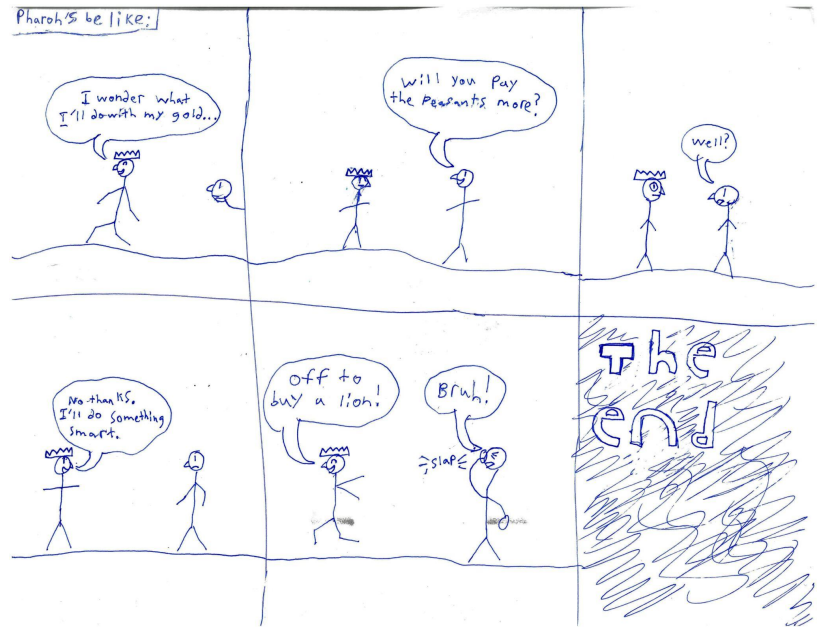
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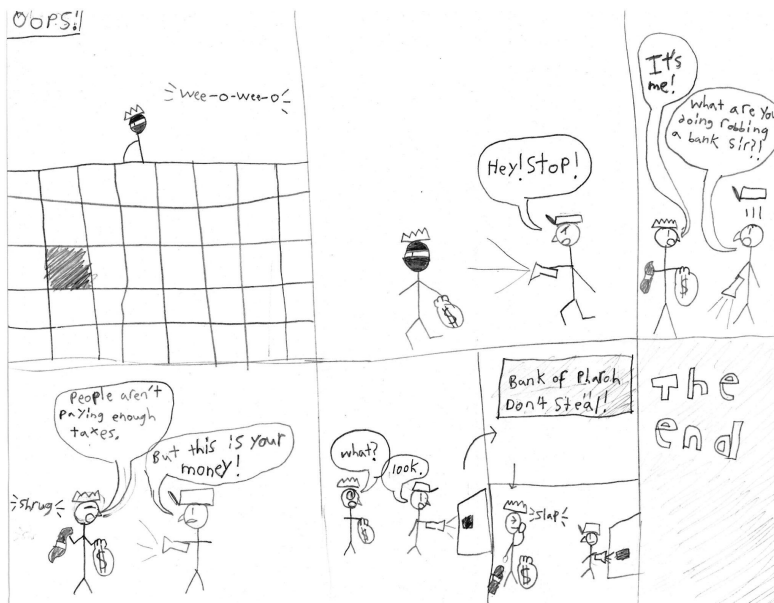
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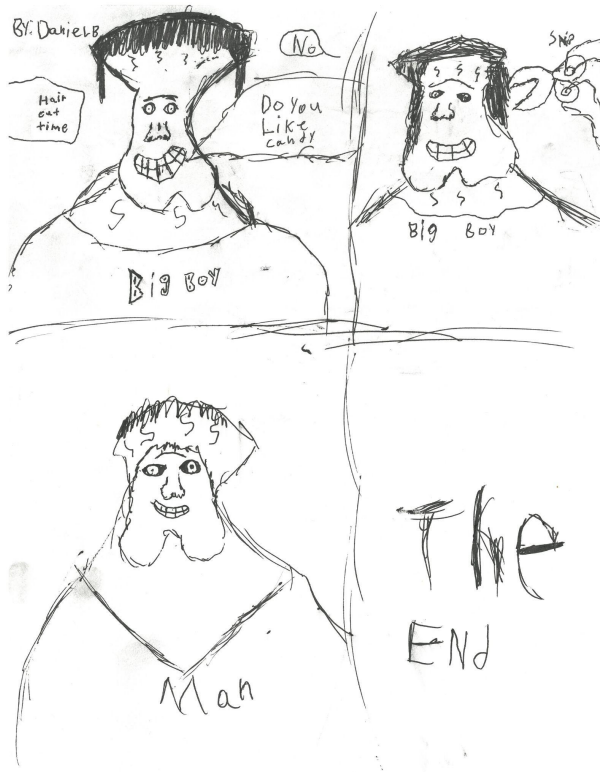
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