



SURVIVOR DAY

By: Mia Furtado & Hailey Botelho



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What's the best way to finish off the year? Fun games that include teamwork and enjoyment with your class. You can have fun with your classmates in activities together on **June 12th from 8am to 2pm** this year. Just in case it doesn't happen on that day, **June 13th is the rain date!**

You'll get your t-shirts beforehand. Each class has different colored t-shirts assigned to them. You can have the ability to let your classmates sign your shirt too. Your teacher's name will be other the shirt along with the year.

Each class also will get a blank pillowcase as a flag to decorate. The flag will be used for the ribbons that go on a wooden pole of the flag at each station. Those ribbons are points that will determine the winner when we finish all of the stations. You and your class will come up with a name for your team.

At the end of these games, the winner is determined by the number of ribbons on the pole, representing each point. But what if there's a tie? Well the solution to this is to play this game, Team Tribal Chant. The Tribal Chant is one of the stations everybody does and they have it every year. This station is where you and your class make up a quick silly dance and song. After you've created your dance, you and your team come up with a chant. After the games are done, every class you're up against sits on the blacktop and waits for the moment you've all been waiting for! They then announce the winner of the grade. If there's a tie, the chaperones at the Tribal Chant station will choose the favorite chant out of the teams tied. Best one will get an extra ribbon as a point and that team is the winner for that grade's game.

We hope you all enjoy this year's games of 2019! Have a great Survivor Day and try your best to work together and win, but also have fun. Happy Survivor Day!

NEW MIDDLE SCHOOL PRINCIPAL: MR. HIGGINS

By: Alana Gurney & Ava DiGiammo



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If you are a fifth grader and wondering what the Middle School is going to be like, this is a great article for you. This article will also be helpful for fourth graders as it informs you of the upcoming years. With that being said, we interviewed the new principal, Mr. Higgins, that will be taking over for Mr. Patota at the Middle School next year as he takes on the big role of leading our learning, behavior and academics.

What are your plans for the middle school?

Mr. Higgins plans to make sure that he has a good understanding of all of the positive things that are currently being done. He also wants to get to know the staff and students, by including both in the plans for future improvements.

What are your feelings about becoming a principal?

Mr. Higgins is very excited and a little nervous, which is very similar to the 5th graders moving into the new school. But, with new challenges, comes great rewards.

Did you go to school in the Freetown-Lakeville school system?

No, he didn't he grew up in Washington, DC.

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Are you interested in adding more to lunch selection?

Yes, and he is interested in adding more options!

Have you had any previous jobs other than at the High school as a Vice Principal that would reflect your abilities at your new job?

Mr. Higgins was a science and math teacher for 15 years at High School and Middle School level. He also taught summer school for 6 years. In addition, he also coached football, wrestling and lacrosse.

How do you describe your leadership style?

Mr. Higgins leads through consistency and utilizing the stretch and knowledge of the people around him. He believes in teamwork and working towards a common goal.

How do you solve school challenges?

Every challenge is different and there isn't the same answer for every problem, but they all should work towards the better good, with a shared vision to improve the school. When working to solve challenges, we will always work to find a reasonable and well thought out plan to hopefully overcome those challenges.

How would you describe an effective classroom management style?

Mr. Higgins is big on consistency and fairness. He worked for many years in a challenging classrooms and learned that treating students with respect and fairness created a positive learning environment.

What interested you in this job?

Working with middle schoolers in the past has always been an experience that he enjoyed. He likes the challenge of learning a new school and connecting it to the things he knows and does well.

How would you lead a school-wide district?

Mr. Higgins would lead as he would lead a school. He would use his prior experiences and strong staff in conjunction with the expertise of the district leaders to create positive changes throughout.

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xavier's wish part iii: escape

An Original by: Patrick Erwin

It was cold. Even for the underworld. But yet, sweat crawled up Xavier’s back like a snake. “Go,” said Olivia Ollivander. “It’s time for us to escape this wretched place...” Olivia was a demon who brought Xavier down to the underworld. However, she was put in the dungeon for bringing another “mortal” down to the underworld. “Okay,” said Xavier, crawling out of the cell bars. If you believe in ghosts, you might also believe that they can float through solid objects. In this scenario, Xavier acted as a ghost in the underworld because these cell bars were made to hold demons, not mortals. Entering the dry corridor of the dungeon pathway, Xavier looked from side to side for any passerby guards. None. Xavier spotted a dim light in a cell. Quietly he walked, so not to awake the other demons in the dungeon. When he came upon the cell, inside it he saw another human. The crazy thing was that he *knew* this person. He rubbed his eyes to make sure he wasn’t dreaming. Sitting right in front of him, slumped against the wall texting, was none other than Jackson Taylor. “Jackson?” Xavier asked quietly. “What on earth are you doing here?” “What?” Jackson asked in a surprisingly irritated voice, clearly not listening. Stepping through the cell bars, Xavier pulled Jackson up, saying, “*we need to get out of here.*” “Alright. Whatever,” Jackson said, miraculously still peering into his Samsung Galaxy S10 . Xavier brought Jackson out of the cell into the hallway. “*Whoa*, what just happened? Are we ghosts?” Jackson in a worried expression. “No,” said Xavier. “I’ll tell you about that later. Promise.”

After a while, the boys found a guard with keys and waited in a nearby empty cell. They waited and waited until the guard took a chair, sat in it, and fell asleep. Jackson was the man for the job since he had the nimblest fingers Xavier had seen in his life. Xavier was aware that Jackson was full of surprises but never thought Jackson could remove the keys from the guard’s belt with such ease and lack of time. Then, Xavier and Jackson crept down towards Olivia’s cell. Xavier had to explain why they had to free Olivia in order for their own escape. When Olivia walked out of the cell, she smiled devilishly, and called “GUARD!” “What on earth are you doing?” Xavier said in a panicky voice. “I’m calling the guard, am I not? Guard!” The guard who was once asleep was alert and dashing towards the trio. “Yes Sergeant?” “Sergeant? What does he mean by *Sergeant?*”“I am part of Satan’s army,” Olivia said. “When I was thrown in the dungeon, Satan gave me one last chance to stop Xavier from leaving. I said okay, and thought that screaming and gripping the bars would make you think that you couldn’t pass them. But when you were clearly lost to madness and ran through the cell, I had to think up of another plan. So I told you that I would help you escape if you freed me. So here we are. Does that answer your question Xavier Robinson?” Xavier didn’t answer with his mouth. However, he did it with his fist. It flew straight into Olivia’s stomach and she jumped back in fright, banging her head on the cell door and collapsed, unconscious, into the cell. “Hey!” said the guard, running toward the boys. “Stop right there!” But Jackson Taylor was too quick for him. He proved this by kicking the guard in his shin with such force that the guard screamed in pain and dodging the guard’s fist. While the guard was dancing in pure pain, Xavier and Jackson both pushed him into the cell. The guard, like Olivia, banged his head on the cell door and was soon laying out cold on the floor of the cell. After that, they locked the gate with both the guard and Olivia inside of it. They ran to the guards office in hope to find anyway to disguise themselves. Nothing. All that was there was a bucket of white paint and a few clothes. But then Xavier had an idea...

After a solid hour, two figures emerged out of the dungeon with white paint covering them from head to toe. Each boy also had a cloth that was covered in more white paint. “Just keep it low and don’t do anything that will put us back in jail,” said Xavier to Jackson, quietly. Jackson nodded. They krept over to the least strong-looking demon. “Hello,” said Xavier. The demon looked at him and said, “What do you want kids?” “Um, our parents forgot where the exit is to the mortal world and wanted *us* to ask a kind, friendly gentleman to tell us where it is,” said Xavier, making up every single word as he went on. This demon did not look friendly, but helped them out anyway. “Just over there,” he said, pointing to a tunnel that led upward. “Thank you,” said Xavier.

The boys left before the demon could respond, and with good reason, to. Satan was running towards them, followed by Olivia and a pack of armored demons.

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Artwork By: Patrick Erwin

“Get him!” Satan yelled. The boys ran as fast as they could, dodging demon passerbys toward there escape route. They jumped inside of the tunnel and were propelled upward. It was only a few minutes until the boys reached their destination. They stopped suddenly at ground level, with the upper halves of their bodies sticking out of the ground and the lower halves still underground. They looked up and saw Father Mike, the priest, standing above them. “Up,” he instructed. With many grunts and wheezes, they managed to get their whole bodies out of the ground. “Father Mike!” the boys exclaimed. “I know,” the priest said. Soon, they found Satan and his band of demons in the ground. Now, instead of ghosts, they were zombies. But Satan still looked like he did in the underworld. Nobody said anything, but Father Mike must have known about the situation, because he dumped about a gallon of water on the demons. They screamed in pain and sunk back into the ground. “I don’t think we’ll be seeing them for a while,” said Father Mike. “But if we do, I have plenty of holy water....”

“HELLO” FROM AROUND THE WORLD!

By: Olivia Mank

- French:** Bonjour
- Spanish:** Hola
- Russian:** Zdravstvuyte
- Chinese:** Ninhao
- Italian:** Salve
- Japanese:** Konnichiwa
- German:** Guten Tag
- Portuguese:** Olá
- Korean:** Anyoung Haseyo
- Arabic:** Asalaam alaikum



THE HOLOCAUST

By: Ayla Benner

Imagine you're a young Jewish child on your family farm. You play with siblings, laughing and having fun. The sun is shining and birds chirp in the clear, big blue sky. Then you stop because you see the Nazis (Germans) tanks roll onto your street. Tons of Jews are being forced to march with the Germans, walking to their own deadly fate. As you are forced to march you notice your old friends. Polish kids laughed at you and everyone hated your kind. You don't want people to see the tears in your eyes so you look down to your arm. Seeing the blue armband with a star reminds you that you are Jewish and that's why people hate you. Reminding yourself you don't care about them, you try so hard to have pride in your beliefs, but fail. You walk all over the place with little belongings left with you to the center of your town..... the ghetto.

Fourth graders are reading *Number the Stars*. I read the book myself and you are very lucky to read this. If you do not know what it is about you are in luck! Now this isn't a spoiler, but I will give you a little background of the book. The story is centered around Annemarie, who has a Jewish friend Ellen during World War II. Ellen's parents have to go away and Annemarie's family helps Ellen. Annemarie tries to help them but when something is left behind it will either break or make the effort to help.

Have you heard of Adolf Hitler? Well he hated Jewish people. Why you might ask? The answer is hard to understand. Jews had different beliefs than Hitler in things like their religion and looked different. Certain people like Hitler were Anti-Semitic. That's when people have a prejudice or discrimination against the Jews. So when Hitler came to power in Germany, he blamed the Jews for all of Germany's problems! The Holocaust began around 1941 and lasted until 1945. Not so long, right? But those years, were like centuries to these Jews. At first it wasn't so bad but then Hitler got people to hate the Jewish people even more. People who were friends with Jews either turned on them or stopped associating with them altogether. People who befriended Jews were looked at as traitors. Not only did people treat them poorly, but the food disappeared as well. Hitler and the Germans began rationing everyday necessities such as milk, butter, cheese, cream, sugar. The foods they survived on were gone.

As things got worse, the Nazis would be everywhere. Sometimes if you were Jewish you would be stopped and asked questions. Then the ghettos came, oh how horrible those ghettos were! You and your family would be "relocated" as they called it to a ghetto. Ghettos were little parts of the town, with barbed wire to keep the Jews inside. Some had shards of glass at the top and bottom to prevent escapes. You and your family would share a small apartment or home with several other Jewish families. The ghettos were dirty and had almost no food. The people in the ghetto (and this isn't to laugh about) had little or no clothes during all seasons with no heat and basically no blankets. Even worse, later Jews wore jail uniforms. If you lived there and went to a line for food sometimes you would pass starving kids whose parents died. They would be pleading for help, sick and starving but you couldn't help. So many people died from starvation.

There was also the lists which had Jewish families on them that Germans would get from synagogues. If you were on that list you would be sent away to a labor camp. Those camps were horrible because all day you worked with very little food in your stomach. The Nazis eventually attempted to eliminate the Jewish race. These camps became known as "extermination camps" or "concentration camps." These camps were the saddest and most horrible places in existence during the war.

Some Jews fought back and those brave people were called resistance fighters. They would blow up Nazis cars, trains, and get rid of their supplies. These brave warriors risked their lives doing this. If you were caught you could get killed, but most of the time the Nazis used you in their camps. If you got caught the Nazi's would try and get any information about your group. They would force the information out of you. Many countries entered the war, including the United States to eventually end the madness.

The Holocaust ended on May 8, 1945. The Nazi's surrendered, not before Hitler took his own life. The Jewish population was devastated. The people who survived this war have had many stories to tell and things that scarred their lives never forgetting the things they saw. More than six million Jewish died and more people died too while fighting the Germans and others. We should remember this war, the people who

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risked their lives for others. The Jewish should be proud that they didn't give up when half the world hated them. If you want to learn more about the Holocaust there are hundreds of very important books like *Resistance* by Jennifer A. Nelson, *Number the Stars* by Lois Lowry and *What Was the Holocaust*, by Gail Herman.

While the topic is hard to understand and very difficult to read at times, it is important to never let history like this repeat itself.

THE CHICKEN OR THE EGG?

By: Ava Richmond

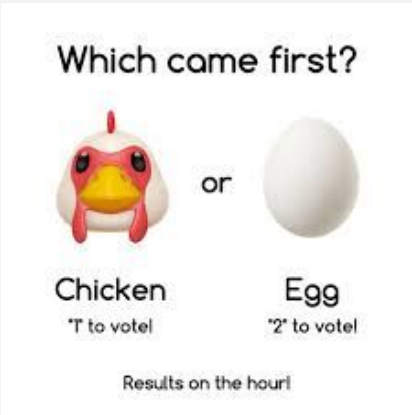


Photo Credit: Leah McGee

Have you ever wondered which came first, the chicken or the egg? This question has been pondered for years. Finally, the answer in one simple place: The GRAIS Rising Star! In this article, you will get the big reveal and read about what your fellow students thought on this question. I have interviewed 100 students at George R. Austin Intermediate School who have all shared their opinion.

First, 67 students voted that the chicken came first. One student said, "The chicken HAD to come first because it evolved!" Another student said, "The chicken obviously came first because how could a random chicken egg just appear out of thin air! It's just not possible." That is reasonable thinking because a lot of animals have come into existence because their species evolved. A chicken could have come first because it evolved or maybe because a chicken egg wouldn't magically appear in thin air.

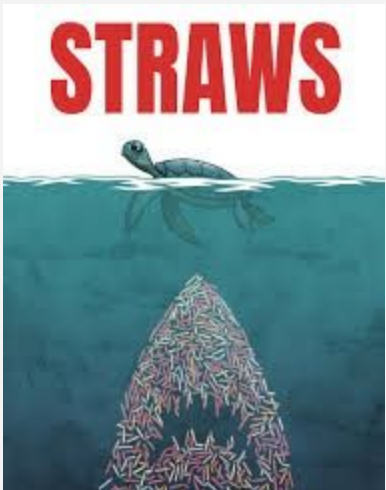
Next, only 33 students voted that the egg came first. "Well, I guess the egg because it would have to hatch first for there to be a chicken," said one student. Another student stated, "I know it's the egg because how could a chicken come along without the egg?" That is also smart thinking because multiple students wondered, "How else would the chicken be alive?" This seems likely because a bird wouldn't wake up one morning as a chicken.

Finally for the big reveal! This author concludes.....the.....EGG came first! This is because two birds that weren't chickens produced a chicken egg. Now, if someone simply wants to know or asks you the question, "Which came first, the chicken or the egg?" you will know the answer.

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straws

By: Alana Gurney & Cameron Poirier



AccuWeather

By the numbers: Plastic straws

 8 million tons of plastic flow into the ocean every year

 500 million single-use plastic straws used per day in the U.S. alone

 An average rate of 1.6 straws per person per day

 175 billion straws per year

 Starbucks ban will eliminate over one billion plastic straws per year from Starbucks stores

Sources: Starbucks, The National Park Service

Photo Credit: Alana Gurney & Cameron Poirier

Are you the kind of kid who uses 5 straws for only one carton of milk? Do you do this trying to be cool or just to waste plastic? Well, either way, you are not only hurting marine life, but all living things. There is an estimate of 7.5 million plastic straws polluting our beautiful shores right now and out of all the plastic in our environment, 18 billion pounds are in the oceans. Annually, millions of sea life are killed each year mostly because of the consumption of plastic. Marine life rescuers rescue many fish and sea birds each day that had tried to ingest some form of plastic. We can start limiting plastic by decreasing our use of plastic straws.

In my opinion, schools should not distribute plastic straws. This is because every day, kids use straws for milk cartons and Poland Springs water bottles. Therefore the straws are wasted and later end up in the ocean. Our school goes through about 100 plastic straws a day, 500 a week, 3,000 a month, and 18,000 a year. The whole school district uses about 118,000 plastic straws in just one school year. The cafeteria workers should start putting out paper straws before it is too late!

Our plastic straws are awful for our marine life and you! Since many plastic straws contain BPA, they are scientifically proven to lead to heart problems, changes to the brain, behavior changes, and can increase your risk of cancer.

Fortunately, there are many existing alternatives to plastic straws. One of the many plastic straw alternatives are metal straws. Metal straws are not on the pricey side of the market. You would be getting a bang for your buck because you wouldn't need very many because they are reusable, versus plastic straws which you need a new one for every drink. Another alternative to plastic straws is hard plastic straws. A hard plastic straw is just like a metal straw and still reusable just made out of a different material. They are also very affordable, just like the metal straws. Both of these can be washed and reused!

As you are taking a refreshing sip of your ice cold water, you most likely will not think of what happens to that straw after you are done with it. It would be a nice feeling to know that you are helping yourself and wildlife just by changing your type of straw.

Beach Days

By: Chauron Rachel



This month is the **LAST** month of school! I cannot wait for June 18th! The day we will finally leave school! Since it is warm in the summer time you may plan a day to go the beach right after school!(I actually do too!) Since I'm super excited to go to the beach, here is a list of activities that may be fun to do at the beach!

Jump Over The WAVE!!!

When I was 6 years old (in 2014) I loved Jumping over waves at Nantasket Beach. It was always fun because at the shore the waves would come in and I would try them there.

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Then somewhere in 2016, I started going into the ocean and jumping over them! It's more fun in the ocean (if you have goggles) because if it is **SUPER** big, *you fall down big time* and it felt good when that happened because I love being pushed away (the waves feel good). I guess you can say I was having a good time putting on and off my goggles when those big ones came. My brother had fun too. And up to this day, I still love doing it. This is just **ONE** of the big reasons why I want it to be June 18th right now!

YAHOO - Wave-Dodging!

Floating on water is too hard, I would rather fall down. BUT salt water holds up stuff easier and you float more easily than in pools. So I guess you can bring a bodyboard and float on those waves. Every wave you go over the more your **dabbing** on *them* waves! And if there's big ones, get ready! You got a *big challenge* ahead of you. Put on your safety goggles and - **oof**. you failed, so then the wave throws you off your bodyboard and says XD LOL! It is the best part about the BodyBoard riding, I think I can ride over those waves easy peasy! Big waves make it impossible to even go over them, at least one part of your body touches the ocean, that may be your face...

Hide and Seek

And no I do not mean the *Hide and Seek* you all know, it's just hiding stuff in an area. There are two versions, *Find the Hidden Item* and *Hide Items And Seek*. First is *Find the Hidden Item* as it is my favorite. So in this version the IT has to close their eyes while the others have to dig and hide! (you should have at least 4 items and 1 targeted item) the more, the better! Then after, you must tell what item they have to find and how many tries they have. I would go with half the items. So if there would be 8 Items(not including targeted item) they would have 4 tries. Every item find decreases the tries by one, they do not lose a try if they dig in a spot where there is no item. Once they find it, they win! And if not, well *game over* and you show where the Item was hidden! **QUALITY GAME!**

Okay now that is my list of things to do on the beach, so get out there and hit the waves!



Comic By: Claire Lucey

THE OCEAN NEEDS US

By: Sarah Doherty



Photo By: Sarah Doherty

Have you ever seen a stranded animal on a beach? Or have you ever wondered what goes into saving one? At the National Marine Life Center (NMLC) in Buzzards Bay they care for these sick and injured animals. The NMLC started in 1994 and has been helping seals and sea turtles heal and return to the ocean ever since!

I had the privilege of interviewing two wonderful interns when I visited! Kali Palmer and Kaitlyn Reed let me ask them some questions about their jobs. They told me that “the ocean needs us,” and I agree.

Q: What are your names?

A: Kali Palmer and Kaitlyn Reed.

Q: How can I help a stranded animal?

A: The best thing you can do is call the experts and stay away from the animal. (The animal might not even be stranded.)

Q: What animals do you care for?

A: Seals and Sea Turtles.

Q: What is the largest animal you care for?

A: The largest animal we care for is a Gray Seal.

Q: Have you ever formed a special bond with a patient?

A: Yes, Kali loves Jones (seal), because he was one of the first seals she worked with! Kaitlyn formed a special bond with Mandrake the seal.

Q: How do you feed the patients here?

A: Seals get fed 3 times a day and the amount of food they get depends on their age and weight. Sea Turtles get fed twice a day and they eat squid and herring. Sea Turtles also grow faster here than in the wild.

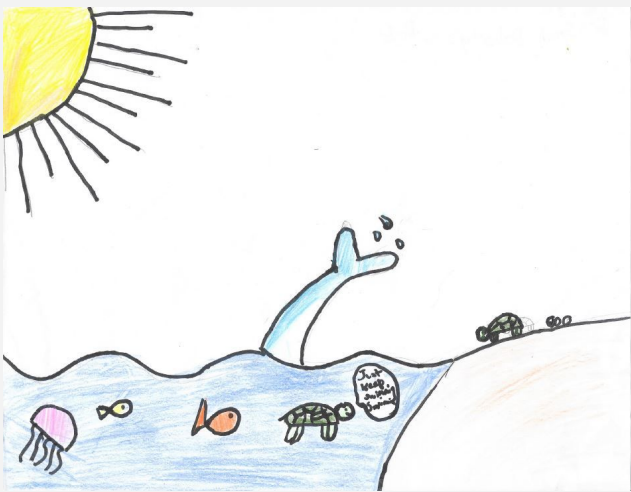
Q: How do you name your animals?

A: We usually have a theme, for example Mandrake and Hagrid are part of the Harry Potter theme!

Q: Do you think keeping animals in captivity is right?

A: No, keeping animals in captivity is wrong so we always release the animals we help.

So if you're ever near Buzzards Bay stop in to the NMLC and look around! If you want you can even symbolically adopt an animal for \$35! And remember, “*The Ocean Needs Us*”.



Artwork By: Claire Lucey

HOW TO save THE EARTH?

By: Emma Cusson & Alexis Read

Have you ever been outside or in the car and you notice a bunch of litter? Well, we have and you probably have too! If you do see trash or litter, with a parent's permission, go outside and make sure to pick it up. Think about it, animals and even

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people could get hurt or nearly die if litter is not picked up. Turtles could get their neck caught in a soda can holder, so you could cut the holder before you throw it away.

Gum is also very bad for our environment if you don't throw it away properly, because when you throw it out the window or on the ground, a bird could easily think it is food and get its beak stuck in the gum. Think about it - why not just put the gum back in the wrapper and throw it in the trash can when you get home?

Our second grade teacher, Ms. Nash formed a group called “Litter Lifters” that is active in keeping our town clean. Litter Lifters is a group of residents that go all around Lakeville and pick up litter. Every year we find the most empty bottles and trash. It is sad that some people don't even care about the effect of litter in our beautiful town!

Another item that is very bad for the environment is styrofoam. Styrofoam is bad for the Earth because it cannot biodegrade into the ground like paper can. Our world could be so clean if everyone just took the time to actually think about what could happen if they littered. Start your own group today and PICK UP LITTER!



Photos By: Emma Cusson & Alexis Read



Congrats to our mystery reader question from “Whom it May Concern.” They asked what to do with a situation revolving around “Why can boys be so annoying?”

Dear “Boys Are Annoying”,

Sadly, boys will always be immature, and us girls will always be the MATURE ones. But, like the common cold, it will only get better. In other words as they get older they will get less immature. But in the meantime don't let your boy blues get you down! To let off your frustration, try venting in your diary, take a jog, whatever works best for YOU. Another tip, you have plenty of girls in your life you can talk to, like your mom or older sister. Most of the time, talking to a trusted adult can help you feel better! I know it works for me! And chances are, your chosen adult to talk to has gone through boy frustrations at some point in her life and will understand exactly how to help. They might also tip you off on some advice of their own (but I hope they do not replace me hee hee!) Anyhow, I hope my advice helps you out!

BEST WISHES, MISS Q AND A :) ;)

INSIDE LOOK: BOSTON CELTICS?

By: Joslyn Mota



Photo Credit: Joslyn Mota

Have you ever wondered when the Boston Celtics originated, or some facts about them? Well, keep reading to find out!

The Boston Celtics originated on **June 6th, 1946**. The Boston Celtics officially became a team in 1946 and were formed by Walter A. Brown. The Boston Celtics are based in Boston, Massachusetts. Their home ground is the TD Garden, which is shared with the hockey team, Boston Bruins. The Celtics are a member of the National Basketball Association. The Boston Celtics won 11 NBA championships from 1957-1969. Five years later, the Celtics won their 12th. And just two years after that, their 13th. Original team owner Walter Brown wanted a hook to try and get Boston's (at the time) large Irish population coming to home games and buying tickets. So, he hit upon the idea of using the very Irish "Celtics" as the name. Also, the team's mascot is called "Lucky the Leprechaun".

Below are a few Celtics players from the past that are important to their history:

Larry Bird - As a former Celtic he was described as one of the "greatest basketball players and greatest shooters of all time." He played 13 seasons [his entire career] as a Celtic. He was a 12 time NBA All-Star and received the NBA Most Valuable Player award 3 times in a row. He was also a member of the 1992 US Men's Olympic Basketball team called "The Dream Team." When he retired, he stayed active in the NBA as a head coach and other management positions for the Indiana Pacers.

Kevin McHale - He also played his entire career for the Celtics. He was considered one of the "best power forward" of all time. He was part of 3 NBA championships [1981,1984,1986.] After retirement he was a TV analyst, General Manager and Head Coach for the Minnesota Timberwolves. He was also a Head Coach for the Houston Rockets.

Danny Ainge - He played 14 seasons as a Celtic. He was an important piece of the Celtics team that won the NBA title games in 1984 and 1986. He also played for the Portland Trail Blazers, Phoenix Suns and the Sacramento Kings. But in the end he returned to the Celtics as their General Manager and President of Basketball Operations.

Even though the Celtics didn't go all the way through the NBA finals this year they had a great season. They were able to sweep the Indiana Pacers in the first round, which was the first time since 2011 they were able to sweep another team in finals. But sadly, they lost in the Semi-Finals. Their record for the season was 49-33, placing them 3rd in the Atlantic Division and 4th in the Eastern Conference. I hope you enjoyed some fun facts about our Boston Celtics. Maybe next year we will be NBA Champs again!

HISTORY OF FREETOWN

By: Cameron Poirier

Dear Reader,

Have you ever thought you heard the screams coming from Freetown forest or learned about the history of Profile Rock? Do you know Freetown's history in and out, or do you just think you do? Reader...if you are questioning yourself right now, I advise you to read this brief history of Freetown, Massachusetts.

Geography - The town that is now known as Freetown was settled by English Pilgrims in 1654. Freetown stands as one of the oldest

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communities in the United States! It was established in 1683. Made up of about 36.6 square miles, it has quite a peculiar geography. Covered in 1.7 square miles of water, the town has Fall Brook, the Assonet River, and Long Pond (which natives called Lake Apponequet). Water covers approximately 4.41% of the town.

Population - Freetown's population grew pretty fast over the years leading up to 1810. Once the 1810 census was taken, the population decreased until the early 1900s. This is when the population started climbing back up. Finally, the 1950 census showed that the population had evened out. There was then a great increase in residents in 1980. As of the 2017 census, Freetown had 9,339 people.

Local Native American History - In the 17th and 18th centuries, there were some Indian trails, each about fifty miles long, leading from Freetown all the way to Boston. Only a couple of the trails are still around today and are found in state parks. Most of the trails have overgrown with thick vegetation and others are now covered and used as state highways. Freetown also has many rock formations and forests. Profile Rock is said to have looked like Chief Massasoit from the local Wampanoag tribe. His "face" overlooks the old village of Assonet.

Freetown State Forest - Just outside of this granite rock is the Freetown State Forest. which can be referred to as the "mother" of Profile Rock. It takes up over 5,000 acres of Fall River, Freetown, Lakeville, and other surrounding municipalities. The state first started acquiring land for the forest in 1913. They purchased about 9 acres around Forge Pond from Levi Churchill of Berkley. Starting in 1930, the state bought many portions of land for the forest. This stretch of purchases ended after about 20 years, but since that time, a little land has been added every once in a while. Also, if you are walking in the Freetown State Forest, legend says don't walk alone, as it is said to be haunted with strange ghosts!

I hope that after reading this article, you don't have any questions. I also hope you learned a few things about the past and present-day Freetown.



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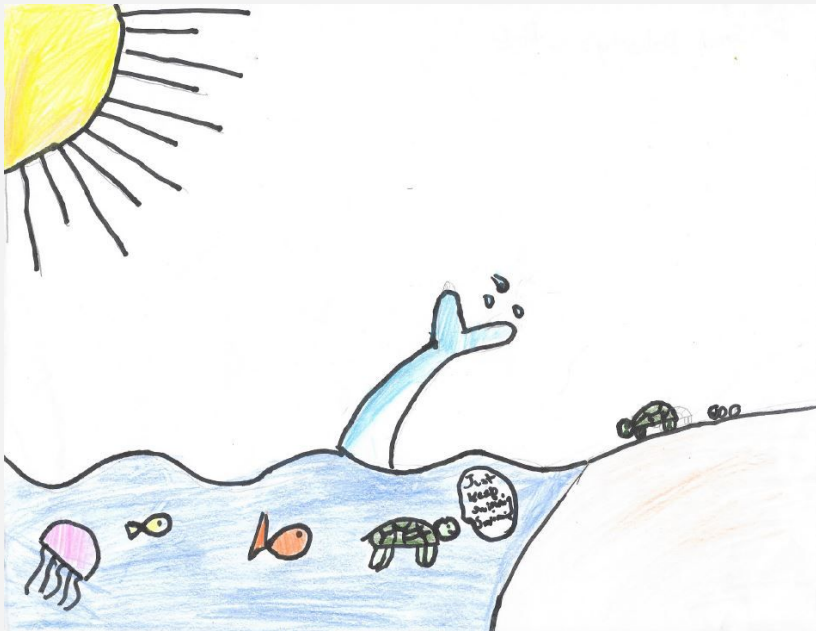
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UP COMING EVENTS

Tuesday, June 11th	NEWSPAPER PARTY (Newspaper Employees only)
Wednesday, June 12th	SURVIVOR DAY!
Thursday, June 13th***	SURVIVOR DAY: RAIN DATE
Friday, June 14th	CARREIRO/DAVIS INVENTION CONVENTION
Monday, June 17th	DECOSTA/SILVA STUDENT SHOWCASE
Tuesday, June 18th	LAST DAY OF SCHOOL! ½ DAY



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Freetown-Lakeville Elementary Schools
June 2019

27 No School	28 *Unofficial Start of summer! Hot Dog on a Bun Baked Beans Applesauce Fresh Pears Cherry Lime Italian Ice	29 Breakfast for Lunch BEC Bagel Sandwich Crinkle Fries Applesauce Fresh Pears	30 Chicken patty on a Bun Sweet Potato Fries Applesauce Fresh Pears	31 Pepperoni or Cheese Pizza Tossed Salad Applesauce Fresh Pears
3 Popcorn Chicken Dinner Roll Diced Carrots Blueberry Parfait Diced Peaches	4 Soft Beef Taco Black Bean Salsa Blueberry Parfait Diced Peaches	5 Breakfast for Lunch WG Pancakes Sausage Crinkle Fries Blueberry Parfait Diced Peaches	6 Lucky Tray Day Oven Roasted Turkey and Gravy Mashed Potatoes Dinner Roll Blueberry Parfait Diced Peaches	7 Individual Pan Pizza Roasted Broccoli Blueberry Parfait Diced Peaches
10 Chicken Nuggets Crunchy Goldfish Baked Beans Diced Pears Fresh Apples	11 Hamburger or Cheeseburger Sweet Potato Fries Diced Pears Fresh Apples	12 Breakfast for Lunch French toast Sticks Sausage Hash Brown Diced Pears Fresh Apples	13 Lucky Tray Day Mac and Cheese Seasoned Peas Diced Pears Fresh Apples	14 Pepperoni or Cheese Pizza Tossed Salad Diced Pears Fresh Apples Chocolate Chip Cookie
17 Chicken Tenders Dinner Roll Or Ham & Cheese Sandwich Or Sunbutter & Jelly Baby Carrots	18 ½ Day No Food Served	19	20 Have a Safe and Relaxing Summer!	21 See you in September!
2 September	3 Chicken Nuggets Breadstick Steamed Sweet Corn Applesauce Baby Carrots	4 Breakfast for Lunch French toast Sticks Sausage Hash Brown Applesauce Baby Carrots	5 Beef and Cheddar Nachos Brown Rice Applesauce Baby Carrots	6 Pepperoni or Cheese Pizza Tossed Salad Applesauce Baby Carrots

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More info...

- Celebrate the end of the school year with a Chocolate Chip Cookie on June 14th!

Lucky Tray Days:
June 6th Mini Frisbees, June 13th Smencils



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