

# Verbatim

*adjective* | ver·ba·tim | 축 어적으로 | literalmente | 逐字 | doslovně | 逐語的 | từng tiếng một  
: being in or following the exact words : WORD-FOR-WORD  
// a *verbatim* report of life at Cardigan

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## Behind the scene

Reporter Victor Zhu



Mr. Good during the spring dress rehearsal

Photo Smugmug

The Drama program has always been a huge part of student life here at Cardigan. Actors, crewmembers, and faculty spend their free time to help come together with a show for the school to appreciate. Today, we are fortunate enough to have a brief interview with Mr. Good and ask his opinion on this past play and future plans.

### What do you think about past play?

Although I think it was a fun play to do, but I almost didn't do it. I had trouble with two characters, the Easter bunny and the Tooth Fairy. I thought it is way too strange to put in play. However, once I saw what Jerry and Franklin did with the two characters, I knew that this play was going to be fun.

### What areas do you think actors often ignore its importance?

The reason that I would love students to get off-script sooner is that I want them to get to the character physically. Most students believe that saying the lines is the most important thing. In my opinion, that is not the case. I think it is only the tip of an iceberg, the real acting is when you physicalize everything you say.

### Is there any area of improvement in terms of everyone?

I would love to have more time organizing the play and do more scenes. There are always things to do that drags us down. If we have more time, the boys will improve. Starting from tech rehearsal to the final closing night, each time the cast improves twice as much as before. Without any doubt, I would love more people to be involved. Although it is incredibly difficult to organize a large cast, I believe the boys can overcome this challenge.

### Is there anything students learn from Drama class that helps make a successful play?

Certainly. The stage awareness and stage language make rehearsal more efficient. The students learn by themselves to make the play better. But the biggest thing is that the audience is incredibly responsive to the plays. I believe the audience's attitude toward the play is what they learn from the class. The audience has been terrific and the actors appreciate them, and this helps them to perform more confidently. There are lots of ways of acting and I think the class helps.

### Are There any specific plays that you might do next spring?

I am still recovering from the spring play but I have thought of a possible version of a Shakespeare play. And I had a request for something darker, like a scary play. Someone has also reached out to me to ask for a musical play. I love to consider all things, but I have to find the right material for the boys and for Cardigan.

### Fall Play 2019-2020:

This year's fall play is called, "A Simple Task." The play is a comedy about a woman named Empie. Her first assignment at her new job is quite simple, retrieve a box of merchandise and deliver it to the boss. BUT what if your delivery is obstructed by confusing characters? What if your boss is constantly changing identities, and your job starts to feel absurd? The performance will commence on November 14th (Thursday) and November 15th (Friday). There are 17 speaking parts/roles in the play.

# Culture

## Weekly Weather Report

*Provided by weather.com*

Monday Sep 16  
Mostly sunny  
High/Low: 67°/43°  
Precip:10%

Tuesday Sep 17  
Sunny  
High/Low: 66°/44°  
Precip:10%

Wednesday Sep 18  
Partly Cloudy  
High/Low: 67°/40°  
Precip:10%

Thursday Sep 19  
Sunny  
High/Low: 71°/47°  
Precip:10%

Friday Sep 20  
Mostly sunny  
High/Low: 77°/52°  
Precip:10%

Saturday Sep 21  
Mostly sunny  
High/Low:79°/57°  
Precip:10°

Sunday Sep 22  
Mostly sunny  
High/Low:81°/59°  
Precip:10°

## Opinion on the Dawn climb

“Pretty good but when we came down I felt proud and tired.”

- Partick Kim

“I like it but it was very tiring. At the top, it was very cold and windy”

- Jeff Lei

“It was very tiring, I was falling asleep during the climb”

- Leo Li

“I never went hiking before, it was very exciting.”

- Jaydon Lee

“It was great, it brought back a lot of old memories.”

- Mr.Leisenring

## Mr. Gartner Opinion of the world

Mr. Gartner  
*PHD in knowledge*

- There are more ants in the world than leaves.
- The world record for single leg hops is 4347
- Mr. White can't turn left
- Hats were originally made to keep the rain out of one's eyes
- Darius can physically lift anyone on campus off the ground
- If your second toe is longer than your big toe, you have increased balance
- It's impossible to breathe with your tongue out
- The average weight of an adult cow is 438 pounds
- You can skydive without a parachute but only once
- Bees don't have knees



## Mr. Klein's run to Mt. Cardigan

Diego Escalante  
*Reporter*

### Give me a brief summary of what you accomplished

Last year, Mr. Burnett and Mr. Bartoldus ran up Cardigan mountain early in the morning and this year. I was speaking with Ms. DeLallo. She is a fantastic runner, she does crazy events and so we were like: “Yeah, let's do that!” So we talked to Mr. Burnett and asked: “Do you want to do that again?” Next thing you know Mrs. Escalante's in, Ms. Silitch is in and then Mr. Burnett's dad, another Mr. Burnett, is in. The six of us left just before four o'clock in the morning and we ran to Cardigan and then we ran up it and saw you guys at the top.

### What motivated you to run to and up the mountain?

Why not? One of the cool things about running is you can do it with a lot of people and Cardigan has a big running community and so you guys were going up in the morning and we tagged along. And it's just like a really cool thing.

### What has brought about the apparent change of character?

There was no change of character, just a slight alteration of apparel. As I said, I wanted to be a presence on the field during Capture the Flag, and needed to "dress for success," just as I would wear a suit for the school concerts or chapel, a helmet when riding a bicycle, or breeches and a try-corner hat if I were signing the Declaration of Independence. Like music, I take the game very seriously and do not want anything to prevent the best possible outcome, even if that means losing the tie every now and then.

### How did it feel after you finished?

We were all pretty cold. It was cold at the top but we got down and we were all like: “That was a lot of fun!” We were all glad we did it. We're looking forward to next year. This is definitely not a “me thing,” it was really all of us. It was not my idea it was like: “Hey this was done last year lets all do it again.”

## Mr.Franco's wearing shorts?

Deegan Blasko  
*Reporter*

### Based on my knowledge of you from last year when you were always dressed so fashionably, why did you decide to wear such casual clothes?

In anticipation of the game of Capture the Flag following dinner that night, I wanted to be properly attired for superior athletic performance.

### Where did you get the thought or idea to wear shorts and a T-Shirt?

I was heavily influenced by what I have worn in my previous athletic experiences. Having learned the hard way, I did not want to risk ruining my everyday habiliment.



Mr.Franco in T-shirt and shorts

Photo Gabe Brondel