

# January 2022



## Q & A

We ask the questions and you give the answers...

**By, Ashley S, Lillian L., Ayannah M., & Kalin G.**

**Kinder:** Did you get to stay up late on New Year's Eve?

**Answer:** Mohan C. replied, "For the first time, I stayed up until 12:20!"

**1st:** What is your New Year's resolution?

**Answer:** Riley S. happily said, "To get an animal, a cat. And to finish all the food in the house!"

**Second:** What did you do on New Year's?

**Answer:** Mila H. replied, "I went to my grandma's and grandpa's house."

**Third:** What do you think of the year 2022? Why?

**Answer:** Reyana M. said, "I am excited for the year because of my sister's birthday."

**Fourth:** Do you have a New Year's resolution and if so, what?

**Answer:** Avraj S. said, "I want to join a basketball team."

**Fifth:** What is your goal for 2022?

**Answer:** Naina K. responded, "My goal is to get better grades!"

**Sixth:** Did you have a new year's resolution? If so, what?

**Answer:** Kain G. said, "He wants to make his grades even better."

**Teacher Question:** What did you do for New Years Eve?

**Answer:** 6th grade teacher, Mrs. Neil explained, "I had a lovely weekend with my husband and my son. I was in bed by 10:30."

## Current Events

Learn about what's going on in the world today! Get tips, tricks, and information...

By Anabelle Q. and Aryan C.

Happy New Year! We welcomed 2022 in style. Times Square had their New Year's Ball Drop which is normally a very joyous occasion. It was a very special event, but it wasn't like year's past. Even though it was a nice gathering, Covid cases didn't stop. If Covid-19 didn't exist, there would have been 75,000 people in attendance, but it was reduced to 15,000 people because of the Covid surge. Many people still tuned in virtually and spent time with smaller groups of people, such as their family, ringing in the New Year. Even though gatherings were smaller, just being together felt great!

As New Year passed, we celebrated what would have been famous Civil Rights icon Martin Luther King, Jr.'s 93rd birthday. We celebrated him and his effort to change the way we see the world. He was a leader in the civil rights movement of the 1950's. He was an activist. Martin was also responsible for the famous *I have a Dream* speech, The Civil Rights Act of 1964, and the Voting Rights Act of 1965.

All in all, this new year will be full of surprises and hopefully this Covid-era will end, and we can finally not have to wear our masks once and for all. Stay safe and have fun in 2022!

## Special Person Spotlight

Silver Oak holds a special place in many people's hearts. Every month, we'll talk to someone affiliated with Silver Oak.

By Ashley S., Ayannah M., Ananya K., Tommy H., Dara A., Aryann C., Lillian L., & Kalin G.

The SaberCat Post's *Special Person* section is used to highlight people who have contributed to the greatness that is Silver Oak. We usually speak with alumni of Silver Oak or catch up with people around campus. This month, though, felt different. Since returning from winter break, our school has experienced a surge of positive Covid-19 cases. Anyone on campus can acknowledge that our office staff, **Ms. Cassie, Ms. Liz, and Ms. Karen**, have been on the front lines of this surge and they have kept our school running calmly, smoothly, and always with a smile on their faces. We wanted to take a moment to thank them and to tell them just what they mean to all of us:

**Mrs. Trusso** said, "I think that Silver Oak is very successful because the office anticipates teachers' needs. The office is the eyes and ears of the school. The office is important. The office is kind."

**Mrs. Ferguson** added, "I love how the office staff treats us like family."

**Ms. Anguiano** said, "I would like to say thank you to the office staff for their hard work and how nice they are."

**Mrs. Nissen** says, "I think of the staff in Silver Oak school as family. I've known them for two decades."

**Mrs. Noteware** expressed, "Thank you for all the office staff's hard work and how organized they are."

**Mrs. Castillo** wanted to say, "Thank you for being helpful."

**Ms. Lugo** proclaimed, "I would like to thank the office staff for all their hard work during this tough time."

**Mrs. Yang** added, "They are fabulous. They are helpful and kind."

Replied **Mrs. Gardener**, "The school would not run without the office staff. The office staff is fabulous."

**Mrs. Richard** thoughtfully said, "The office is the heartbeat of this school. The office staff are friendly faces that always smile. They helped us stay safe during this pandemic."

**Ms. Poslavsky** remarked, "The office staff are an important part of the school and we teachers appreciate that they work so hard."

**Mrs. Watkins** said, "Thank you for going above and beyond daily to help our school run smoothly. You always save the day by answering MILLIONS of questions, answering TONS of phone calls, and being the glue that holds all of us together."

**Mr. Robin** said, "Thank you for being so warm and comforting and thank you for being nice."

**Mrs. Fong** explained, "They're kind, caring, and they greet you. They're always helpful, sweet, and calm you down. The office staff is very understanding."

Added **Mrs. Price**, "I love how the office staff decorates the office for the holidays and how they always participate and help me in my class's easter egg hunt."

**Mr. Clopton** remarked, "The office is very helpful, supportive, kind, and sweet."

**Mrs. Hogan** replied, "The office staff are very helpful and help keep me organized and they are helpful with the kids."

**Ms. Giacomini** added, "The ladies in our office make this school feel like a family and they are the matriarchs. Without them, Silver Oak would not be as welcoming, safe, and successful as it is. Thank you for all you do!"

**Mr. Mahr** said, "Thank you for all of your hard work and how organized you are."

**Mrs. Neil** stated, "The office staff have been working so much on this Covid emergency. They work so hard contacting parents, they are so professional, and always pleasant. They're truly the best!"

It is obvious to everyone on our campus that our office staff is the centerpiece of our school. They are the glue that holds us together. We cannot thank you enough for your hard work. It has not gone unnoticed. Without you, we would not be successful. So from everyone at Silver Oak, **THANK YOU!!!**