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School Events

By: Newspaper Club

The Greene 7th, and 8th grade choir had a performance at Paly yesterday! They sang alongside Fletcher and JLS middle school. They performed 4 Chords, Sumer is Icumen In, Stand Together, Tres Cantos, Spiritual Quodlibet, and Shalom Chaverim.

The Greene 6th, 7th, and 8th bands have a concert at the Paly Performing Arts Center tonight! The 6th graders will play Strong, Mighty, Powerful and Storm Surge. The 7th grade band will play Pevensey Castle and a medley of The Phantom of the Opera. The 8th grade band will play Shadow Cove March and John Williams in Concert. Jazz ensemble is also going to take part in the concert, and they are performing Harlem Nocturne by Earle Hagen, and Mr. PC by John Coltrane.

The Greene 6th 7th, and 8th grade orchestra have a concert tomorrow at Paly! The 6th grade Orchestra will be playing All Hands Ahoy and the 7th and 8th grade Orchestra will be playing Forever Joyful and The Avengers Theme Song.

Also, if everyone wears their lanyard at school, the grade level restrictions could be lifted. Please don't forget to wear it!

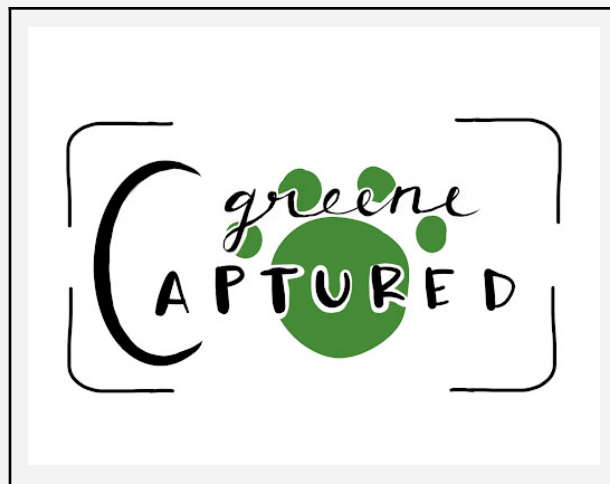
School Dances

by: Tiffany Chou

As students are beginning to explore the world and its boundaries, we can all agree



that school shouldn't just be about academics or sports. With different electives, spirit days, and events, Greene Middle School is evidently supportive about giving us an opportunity to expand our lives further beyond the stereotypical model of "Straight-A-Student". Both the students and the staff have worked so hard to pursue this goal, as the principal Mr. Benavidaz explained, "We have so much to celebrate. Greene is part of the #1 public school district in California, and the #1 public school district (with an enrollment larger than 10,000 students) in the nation. Greene is the #12 middle school out of 2,691 middle schools in California. Additionally, we persevered through a 2 and a half year pandemic, distance learning, hybrid learning, wearing masks, social distancing, and vaccinations to just name a few. Our persistence and determination alone should be celebrated. I could go on, but Greene is a family and we should celebrate the idea of the wonderful community we have created." With this in mind, the 6th grade dance occurred on March 18th, with a black and white theme, and the 7th and 8th grade dance on March 25th, with



National Events - Ketanji Brown Jackson

By: Newspaper club

On February 25, 2022, President Biden announced he would be nominating Ketanji Brown Jackson, a liberal 51 year old Black woman, for the position of Associate Justice of the Supreme Court in order to occupy the place of 83 year old Stephen Buyer, who announced he would be retiring earlier this year. Jackson's hearing began on Monday, March 21, where Senator Richard Durbin of Illinois, acknowledging the historic moment, said to Jackson, "You're a living witness to the fact that in America all is possible. Not a single justice has been a Black Woman. You can be the first." Which set the stage for the start of Judge Jackson's hearing.

It was expected that the Democrats would concentrate on Judge Jackson's extensive experience in the courtroom, but the mood in the court seemed to change course when the Republicans, without evidence, implied that she was a lot more involved with progressive groups than she had said. Republican Senator Charles E. Grassley said in his opening statement, "There are a number of dark money groups on the left that argue federal judges should make policy decisions based on judges' own values. I've talked about the troubling role of far-left dark money groups, like Demand Justice [a group bent on reforming the Supreme Court], have played in this administration's judicial selection process."

During her hearing, Judge Jackson was also able to introduce herself and began to give the Senators a greater sense of who she is and what she stands for. "I have been a judge for nearly a decade now, and I take that responsibility, and my duty to be independent, very seriously," said Judge Jackson. "I decide cases from a neutral posture. I evaluate facts, and I interpret and apply the law to the facts of the case before me without fear or favor, consistent with my

Wish Upon A Book - Chapter 3

By: Maya Angela Cheng and Zoe Quintana

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Odette woke up in a daze, looking around aimlessly.

The entrance to Greene Middle School stood before her, and the sky stretched out above her.

Clouds wrapped snugly around the sun, leaving Odette's surroundings in a dark shadow.

In a panic, she grabbed her phone out of her back pocket to check for the time.

November 30th, 8:10... A.M.? she thought. *Isn't school supposed to be over already? Was the whole book thing a dream?*

She picked up her backpack from beside her foot and walked into the building.

Looking around, the main office was still the same. The counselors' offices were to her left, and the secretary desk was to her right.

"Maybe it really was a dream," Odette muttered.

Someone tapped her shoulder.

"Who are you?" the person asked as Odette spun around.

"Me?" she asked, wide-eyed.

The person, who turned out to be a tall, mean-looking woman, gave her a tight smile.

"Yes, you," the woman said.

Odette gulped.

"I'm Odette Kang," she replied shakily.

The woman made a slight humming noise before walking behind the secretary desk and gesturing for Odette to follow.

"Here." The woman, who Odette assumed went by Ms. Larson based off of a nameplate on the desk, took out two sets of clothing, each of which consisted of a white linen shirt, an emerald green tie, and a pair of dark green dress pants, placing them on the desk.

"And this." Ms. Larson then took out a pair of black dress shoes, placing them beside the clothing.

"And finally,"—she took out an inch-thick paperback book and dropped it on top of the clothes set before her—"this."

Odette stared at the items in front of her silently.

"These are your uniforms and our school handbook," Ms. Larson explained. "You must follow all the rules in the handbook in order to succeed here. I'll have someone show you your dorm at the end of the day."

Dorms? Isn't this Greene? And what's up with this handbook? Odette thought, picking up the book in bewilderment.

Ms. Larson raised an eyebrow and slid a piece of paper towards her. "Well? Off you go, now. Your schedule is right here. Make sure you change before arriving in first period."

a neon theme.

Noticing the split in the grade level dances, a sixth grader stated that “Yes, there should be a split, maybe even a dance for each grade”. Adding on to this, Benavidez said, “6th graders are at a different place in their lives than 7th and 8th graders are, so out of respect for the varying needs of our students, we provide different extracurricular activities for each grade level.” Even so, students from all grades still enjoyed the dances. A 7th grader said that “It was fun to go with my friends and eat the snacks with them.” Overall, school dances are an excellent way for students to have fun, and for those that are wondering there is a final dance at the end of the year on May 20th to celebrate the accomplishments of the year and all students, 6th through 8th grade are welcome to attend.

We hope to see you all there!



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Science Olympiad Santa Clara County Regionals

by: Newspaper Club

On Saturday, March 19, results were released for the Santa Clara County Science Olympiad Regionals. Science Olympiad is a program in which schools send students to compete in 23 different events, or topics ranging from life science to build. Out of 24 teams, Greene placed 4th with 24 medals (there were 3 teams from Greene). Since the top 5 at Regionals go to States, Greene's Blue Team and alternates will be competing at States over spring break. Good luck to everyone!

Paly also placed 1st in the High School division (Div C), beating MTV (Mountain View High)! They also had a total of 24 medals, but only had 2 teams. Congratulations to the champions of this year's SCC Regionals!

judicial oath. I know that my role as a judge is a limited one.”

Some background information about Judge Jackson includes that she was born in Washington D.C. and later moved to the Miami area as a child. Both her parents were public school teachers for some time before her father became an attorney for a school board and her mother became a principal. Jackson studied hard through high school and graduated from Harvard College in 1992 and Harvard Law School in 1996. Judge Jackson served as an assistant federal public defender and as the vice chairwomen of the U.S. Sentencing Commission before being confirmed to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit last year, which gave her quite a bit of experience in law.

On Tuesday, March 22, Senator Ted Cruz chose to question Jackson about her views on critical race theory and further indicated his opinion of her being more slacken on child sexual abuse which led to one of the Republican focuses being that they believed she was “soft on crime.” Jackson, as a Black woman, also represented many Black women in the United States, and her interaction with Senator Ted Cruz deeply reminded them of some not-so-great experiences they have had that seem to be an undeniable motif in their lives. Fentrice Driskell, a Democrat and a Florida state representative, recalled a few memories of how white male students interrupted her, one of those times being when she was elected as the first Black student government president of Harvard College. Senator Ted Cruz's line of questioning disappointed and discouraged many people across the country while also bringing up the unstoppable question about race once again -- If Jackson wasn't Black, would she still be treated like this?

All in all, if Ketanji Brown Jackson gets confirmed for court by getting a majority vote from the Senate, she'll be the first Black woman to become a Justice for the Supreme Court.

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Odette picked up her stash of items with a grunt, and headed out of the main office.

“First period, Manners and Etiquette? What the heck is this?” Odette blurted as she glanced at her schedule.

What the heck is this? What the heck is this? What the heck is this? Her voice echoed throughout the hall. Multiple gazes seemed to land on her immediately.

Nervously, she looked up. Heads from a neat, single-file line of students dressed in the same attire she was given were turned towards her. All of them wore the same cold, blank expression.

Well, this is creepy, Odette thought, waving a shaky hand at the students.

No response. No one even flinched.

Instead, the students turned back to face whoever was in front of them, resuming their walk through the halls.

Weird and creepy, she decided.

“What do you mean I need to go to detention?!” a voice rang out from the left end of the hall.

Odette turned to see a blonde girl being forced out of the previously organized line.

“Ms. Campbell, according to rule 14 in the handbook, you may not chew gum on campus,” the woman beside her said matter-of-factly. “Because you broke that rule, I must escort you to detention due to protocol.”

“What?! How is that fair?” Ms. Campbell cried, struggling against the woman's grip on her wrist.

The two were still arguing as Odette hurried to the nearest restroom to change, trying to avoid the teacher's line of vision.

Detention for chewing gum on campus? This can't be the regular Greene, right? Odette asked herself as she shut herself inside a stall. *Wait, no. Of course this isn't regular Greene. Nothing about this place except for the building is the same.*

She placed her head into her hands, massaging her temples.

“Okay. Game plan, Odette.” She raised her head back up.

“Get through one day of this to try and find out how to get out. Once you figure that out, get out as fast as possible! Sounds easy, right?” she said to herself. “Yeah. Yeah, sounds good. Let's do this!”

She quickly changed into her uniform, then placed everything else in her bag.

The moment she went out, the bell rang.

And to her luck, someone saw her.

“Hey, you! Why aren't you in class yet? Detention!” the person yelled.

Oh, what am I thinking? I don't know anything about this place. How will I possibly do this? She grimaced.