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YEARBOOK CLASS

KEEPING UP WITH THE DIAMONDBACKS!

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HONK & WAVE PARADE



All of us teachers went down and stood in front of the Fire Station to wave and greet the parents that drove by. It was pretty windy and some of our signs ripped. But we had a great time. It was good to see some students with their families. Mostly younger students showed up. I didn't see many high school kids.

- Kevin Leany



We as teachers had fun down on Hwy 91, waving to the cars as they drove by. We had a few parents and students drive by, and that made it worthwhile. We all miss our students.

- Steve Feick



I enjoyed the reverse parade much more than I thought I would. Although I only saw one high school / middle school student it was still fun. The elementary school had lots of students involved. It was also a fun opportunity to talk with the teachers from the elementary school. Because of Covid-19 restrictions, we have not met indoors with those teachers. It also helped that it was a cool day. I would not have liked to be out there if it was 110 degrees out!

- Mike Zielaskowski



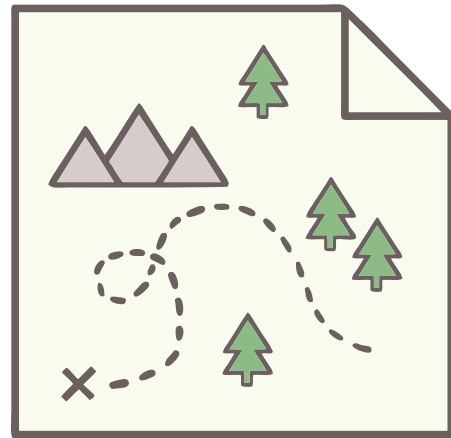
Thank you to the folks who put this together. I loved the parade. It was awesome getting to see student's smiling faces. I also loved that community members saw us and that we care about and miss our students.

- Christy Lindberg



SEPTEMBER

LET'S GO ON AN ADVENTURE



GEOCACHE

By: Eric Gonzales

Hello students, the yearbook class has been hard at work to come up with a perfect Geocache for our first month. The location, items, and hiding spot have all been finished. The prize will be in a box that you can not keep, you will have to return the box to the school but can keep whatever is inside. Please take a picture of yourself finding the cache and send it to us. kmills@lUSD9.com or we can take a picture of you when you return the box to the school.

Since we can't just give away the location of where the prize is, I will try and make a riddle hinting at the location.

Clue:

A location where new is learned,
is now seen as old and rusty.

BIRTHDAYS !

BY: DANNY AGUILAR

SEPTEMBER

Andrew Capote 9/2/2006
Yahir Salas 9/2/2004
America Gamez 9/3/2007
Kimberly Vicuna 9/3/2004
Richard Cervantes 9/4/2007
Neri Avila 9/8/2007
Jasmine Aguirre 9/13/2005
Sahir Trinidad 9/13/2008
Irvin Soto 9/16/2003
Angel Christensen 9/18/1999
Omar Plancarte 9/10/2005
Cristal Cervantes 9/19/2002
Gabriela Lopez 9/20/2006
Dezmond Sponseller 9/22/2005
Esmeralda Sandoval 9/29/2005

OCTOBER

Ben Stones 10/29/2007
Veronica Ruiz 10/06/2004
Karlle Aguilar 10/07/2007
Drake Rydman 10/17/2006
Joanna Vargas 10/20/2004
Nataly Madrigal 10/20/2006
Raul Ornelas 10/23/2002
Lorenzo Cortez 10/24/2003
James McCauley 10/26/2004
Josue Guerrero 10/26/2002
Christina Leach 10/27/2004
Tegan Harper 10/28/2004
Davian Vicuna 10/29/2007
Skyler Adrignola 10/29/2007

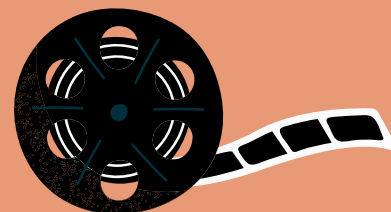


MOVIE RECOMENDATIONS



THE BOY IN THE STRIPED PAJAMAS: THIS MOVIE IS REALLY ENTERTAINING. YOU HAVE PROBABLY SEEN THIS MOVIE ALREADY, BUT IT'S A GOOD MOVIE, SO WATCH IT AGAIN. IF YOU HAVEN'T, I REALLY RECOMMEND IT.

BY: MARLENE AGUIRRE





ITALIAN CULTURE

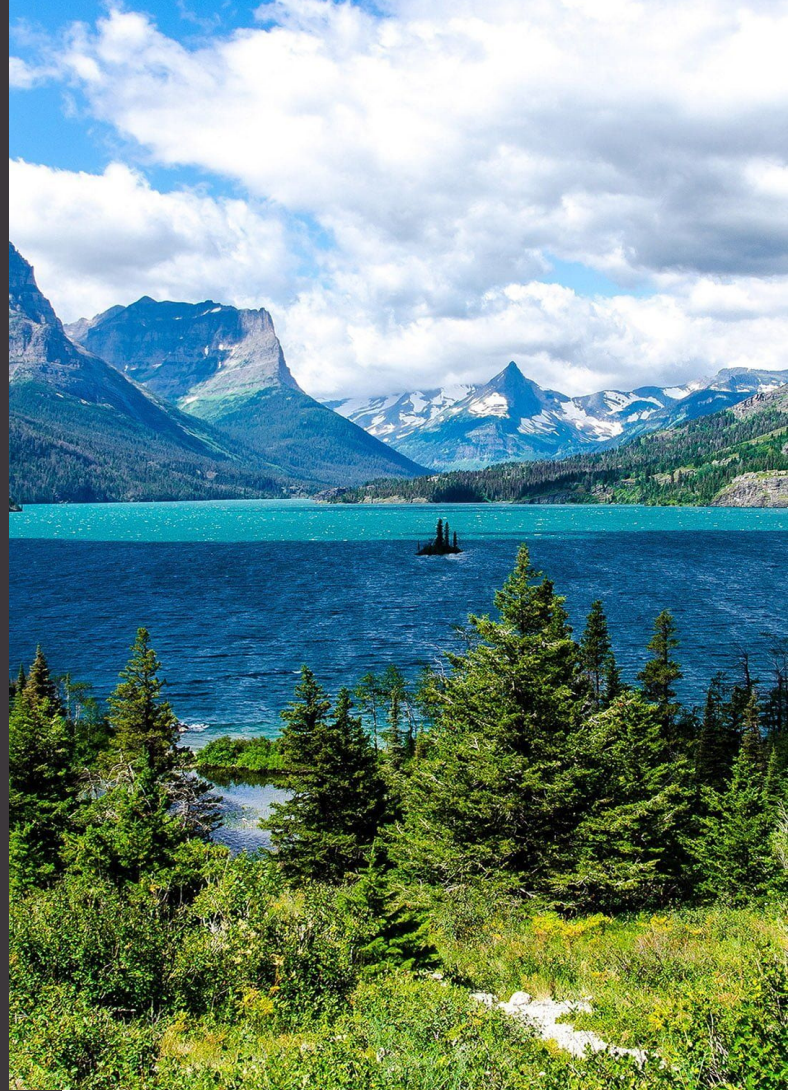
BY: VANESSA HERMOSILLO

Italy is home to 62 million people as of 2017 which makes it the 23rd largest in population size. About 96% of the population of Italy is Italian but there are many other ethnicities such as North African, Arab, Italo, Albanian, German, Austrian, and many other European groups. Approximately 93% speak Italian but a number of dialects of the language are spoken in the country that include Sardinian, Friulian, Neapolitan, Sicilian, Venetian and many more. The major religions in Italy are Roman Catholic and Christian, but about 20% of the population are Islam. Some famous dishes are Saltimbocca, Arancini, and Bruschetta. Along with many popular cuisines such as wine, cheese and pasta. Epiphany and La Befana is a famous tradition that is basically older women (La Befana) giving gifts to children on Epiphany Eve, this takes place on January 6th. Another cultural celebration is Carnevale which is where a parade with renaissance dances, horses, musicians, and bands come together for all of March. Italian traditional clothing consists of women wearing colorful embroidered skirts with hats decorated with fruits and men wear embroidered pins and metal button pins. They usually tend to wear traditional clothing at cultural celebrations.

A PLACE YOU SHOULD VISIT

By Monica Rodriguez

A great place to visit is Glacier National Park. It is located in Montana. The best time to visit Glacier National Park is in July and August because in the daytime the temperature is hot and windier, and at night it's a bit colder. You can also see the northern lights anytime you visit, but in the spring the nights are a bit longer and darker so you can watch the beautiful lights. A great spot to watch them is Lake McDonald near Apgar. It has amazing views and places to camp, hike, and cycle. There is a hiking trail that leads to a photogenic hidden lake, and has many hiking trails to go to. The types of animals that you will see there are grizzly bear, coyotes, cougars, black bear, wolves and mountain lions.



MEANINGFUL POEM



BY: EVELYN SANTOS

DREAMS

POEM WRITTEN BY:
LANGSTON HUGHES

HOLD FAST TO DREAMS
FOR IF DREAMS DIE
LIFE IS A BROKEN-WINGED
BIRD
THAT CANNOT FLY.
HOLD FAST TO DREAMS
FOR WHEN DREAMS GO
LIFE IS A BARREN FIELD
FROZEN WITH SNOW.



ADVICE



BY: ANGELICA RUIZ

TO ANYBODY READING THIS.
WHATEVER IS HURTING YOU
OR WHATEVER YOU ARE
CONSTANTLY STRESSING
ABOUT
WILL GET BETTER. THE DARK
THOUGHTS, THE
OVERTHINKING, AND THE
DOUBT WILL LEAVE YOUR
MIND. PEACE AND CALMNESS
WILL FILL YOUR LIFE.
YOU GOT THIS.
JUST KEEP HOLDING ON, OK?
-JEEVY





Diamondback's Student of the Month!

Junior High

The female student of the month in middle school is Anya Lindberg. She was born on February 7, 2007. In her free time she enjoys watching movies, she doesn't really have a hobby. Her favorite color is purple and her favorite food is chicken strips. She has two pets but only one belongs to her, his name is Toodles. She has three siblings. When asked if she believed she deserved winning student of the month she said “ I don't know that I deserved it. I just do my work and it happens all the time.”

By: Audrie Okobia

The male middle school student of the month is Corben Allen. Here are some little facts so you can get to know him a bit better. His birthday is March 18. His favorite color is light pink. He really likes his blueberries. He likes to draw in his free time. I asked him why he thought that he won student of the month and he said he doesn't know he was really surprised.

By: Mario Hernandez



High School



This month's student of the month is Julie Alger. In an online interview I had with her I asked her what her favorite sport was. She replied, “I really enjoy playing softball.”

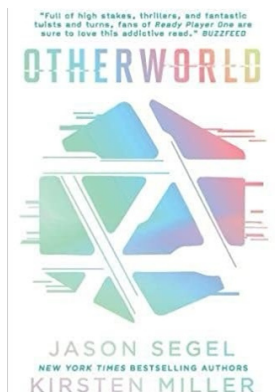
I also asked her if she liked online school. She said she likes online school better because she gets time to spend with her family, and it's easier to focus. She also mentioned that her favorite subject was Earth Science. One last question that I asked her is what her favorite food is. Her response was, “My favorite food is ice cream.”

Written by: Evelyn Hermosillo



The male high school student of the month is Chris Wilson, and this is a little bit about him. His birthday is March 6. His favorite color is cyan. In his free time he likes to sleep. Some of his hobbies include taking care of animals and doing mechanics on ATVs . He thinks it is cool that he won student of the month even though he doesn't do much extra for other students.

Written by: Irvin Soto



NEXT BOOK TO READ

BY: JASMINE AGUIRRE

The story "Otherworld" follows Simon, a rich kid and eager gamer who is dying to try out Otherworld, the new virtual reality game that the world is going crazy for. What first seems like a fun game turns into something that's going to change his entire life – virtual reality and actual reality – forever.

<https://wonderfullybookish.co.uk/otherworld-jason-segel/>

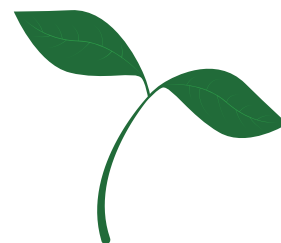
WILD LIFE

BY: NICHOLAS PITTS

Gambel's Quail

The Gambel's quail live in thorny and bushy vegetation. They live throughout the Sonoran, Chihuahuan, and Mojave deserts and in parts of the Great Basin. In Arizona the bird's range overlaps almost exactly with that of the western honey mesquite. You'll most likely see this bird in coveys. When scared they break suddenly into flight that tends to cover short distances but can be up to half a mile. Coveys mostly always will be in family groups with adults and up to 16 young that stay together in a home range into the fall. Gambel's quail will eat seeds of grasses, shrubs, forbs, trees and cactus, and can pick mesquite seeds from cattle or coyote droppings. The birds are likely to visit yards that offer birdseed and water at ground level. You can get their attention with sunflower seeds, cracked corn, millet, and milo.

Source:
https://www.allaboutbirds.org/guide/Gambels_Quail/lifehistory



EARTH SIGNS

TAURUS: YOU ARE DETERMINED AND RELIABLE ALTHOUGH YOU CAN BE STUBBORN. THE DRIVE THAT YOU CARRY CAN HELP YOU IN A POSITIVE WAY. WHEN IT COMES TO LOVE YOU ARE A VERY GENEROUS PARTNER. LUCKY NUMBER 33!

VRGO: YOU ARE AN OBSERVANT AND HARDWORKING PERSON. YOU TEND TO LOVE THE IDEA OF OLD MEMORIES FROM YOUR CHILDHOOD OR JUST SOME FUN TIMES YOU HAD IN THE PAST. DO NOT LET THAT TRAIT DISTRACT YOU FROM WHAT IS GOING ON AROUND YOU IN THE PRESENT. LUCKY NUMBERS 5 AND 6.

CAPRICORN: ONE THING ABOUT YOU IS THAT YOU ARE A RESPONSIBLE PERSON. YOU TAKE ACCOUNTABILITY FOR YOUR MISTAKES AND USE THAT INFORMATION FOR THE FUTURE. YOUR NEGATIVE TRAIT IS BEING PESSIMISTIC. WHICH MEANS EVEN WITH THE GOOD IN YOUR LIFE YOU TEND TO STRESS OVER THE BAD THINGS GOING ON WHEN YOU ARE SUPPOSED TO LOOK AT LIFE AS A WHOLE. LIFE HAS ITS UPS AND DOWNS, FOCUS ON WHAT YOU CAN DO BETTER AND BE GRATEFUL. LUCKY NUMBER 10!

HOROSCOPES

BY: YARELY GARCIA

THIS MONTH WE WILL BE FEATURING EARTH SIGNS, SINCE WE COVERED FIRE SIGNS LAST MONTH. EARTH SIGNS ARE KNOWN AS THE 'BUILDERS' OF THE ZODIAC SIGNS SINCE THEY ARE NOT AFRAID TO GET THEIR HANDS DIRTY TO CREATE SOMETHING ASTOUNDING.

A Blast to the Early 2000s! High School Students

By: Donovan Peterson



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American Eagle

Founded in 1977, the American Eagle brand became a hit in the early 2000's because of its mello faded look. This brand was famous for the jean jacket style.

Aeropostale

This clothing company was iconic for its retro style. However, unlike American Eagle, Aeropostale had vibrant colored clothing. The brand Aeropostale was the name of an airmail service that flew great distances. Aeropostale's first clothing store opened in 1987.

FUBU

The comfy yet stylish looking clothes that made a serious impact. FUBU specialized in hoodies, jerseys, and oversized shirts. This became a common look among rappers and pop singers. This type of clothing was normally worn loose and baggy. It was founded in 1992 by Daymond John, J. Alexander Martin, Keith Perrin, and Carlton Brown as a hat company based in Queens, New York.

listed below are fads that were considered common in the 2000's.

Some of these items are still used today. For example LeBron James still wears a headband during every game. What kind of fashion trends are popular now?

** shutter shades*

** Vibrant colored hair dye*

** Skinny jeans*

** headbands*

RIDDLES

BY: TEGAN HARPER

1. There's a one-story house in which everything is yellow. Yellow walls, yellow doors, yellow furniture. What color are the stairs?
2. What can you break, even if you never pick it up or touch it?
3. What goes up but never comes down?
4. What can you keep after giving it to someone?
5. I'm as light as a feather but the strongest person couldn't hold me for five minutes. What am I?
6. If you've got me you want to share me. If you share me you haven't kept me. What am I?
7. If you're in a race and pass the person in second place, what place are you in?
8. It belongs to you but other people use it more than you. What is it?
9. What has one head, one foot, and four legs?

Answers:

1. There aren't any. It's a one-story house.
2. A promise
3. Your age
4. Your word
5. Your breath
6. A secret
7. Second place
8. Your name
9. A bed

Source:

<https://parade.com/947956/parade/riddles/>



JOKE OF THE MONTH

BY: KOLE SNYDER

"Why are there gates around cemeteries?"

"Because people are dying to get in."

"Source: <https://www.readersdigest.ca/culture/10-short-jokes-anyone-can-remember/>