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Pumpkin Decorating Contest By Reagan O'Hara

On October 24, 2019, Student Government hosted the annual pumpkin decorating contest in the cafeteria. This event is the one where kids work in teams to create the best pumpkin design. The pumpkins were then placed in the front of the school in the display cases near the auditorium.

The categories are scariest pumpkin, most creative pumpkin and all-around best pumpkin. The people who decide the winners are the staff members. See page 2 for a list of winners. More photos on pages 2 and 6.





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Winners of the Pumpkin Decorating Contest

Scariest Pumpkin:

Team 19 - Ethan Bernardos, Vincent Fantauzzi

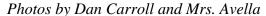
Most Creative Pumpkin:

Team 30 - Ella Johnston, Jordan Schumacher, Ezel Coglar

All-Around Best Pumpkin:

Team 22 - Kiara Zeldon, Kate Vessalico, and Julia Perry

Each winner gets to choose a \$10 gift card from Dunkin Donuts, Amazon, XBOX, Nintendo or Barnes and Noble.













More photos on page 6.

A Behind-The-Scenes Look at East Islip Middle School's Play By Dan Carroll

Every year, the East Islip Middle School performs a play and it is open to all students. It's usually a junior version of a popular musical. This year, we are doing Frozen JR. and Ms. Tripi is the director.

I'm not here to talk about what happens on stage. I'm here to talk about what goes on behind the scenes of the show. All the scenery, props, costumes, sound and lights are worked on by students who are part of design teams. There are prop and set designers, costume designers, a sound team and a lighting team.

The prop and set designers are responsible for designing and building the props and sets for the play. This is a very important job because without them, it would just be a bunch of actors dancing around an empty stage. Most of the sets and props are made in-house by the stage crew under the supervision of Mrs. Doyle.

The costume designers are the ones who make the costumes for the actors. These are also very important. Sometimes they make the costumes by hand but if they are too hard to make, we will buy or rent them from a costume company. Mrs. Panetta runs the costume design team.

We use an outside company for sound and lighting equipment. Students are shown how to use the controls. The sound team oversees the music via a big sound board behind stage. They must start and stop the sound at just the right time to queue the actors and to start the music for singing. The lighting team controls all the lights, including the house lights, using a huge board of assorted buttons. They must switch the lights on and off at the exact moment to start and stop each scene.

So, that's what goes on behind the scenes of the middle school play. The students involved have a great experience and learn skills they can use in future plays.

Come see the show at the middle school auditorium on February 7th or 8th in 2020!



Minecraft vs Minecraft Classic BY GG

Hello people, it's GG (not going to tell my real name for now). I'm here to review Minecraft (you know what I'm talking about – sorry, just had to do that, don't know why) and the newly discovered (not newly made though) Minecraft Classic. The official Minecraft Classic online game was created by Swedish game developer Mojang.

Now I know what you're thinking but these are indeed different games even though they have the same name. Minecraft is more... how do I say this? It is more developed while Minecraft Classic is like a buggier version and not as smooth. Newer versions of Minecraft also have more features.

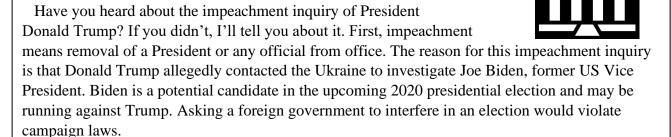
Minecraft Classic is free to play but is no longer updated. Just type "Play Minecraft Classic" in your search bar and then click the first link you see. While regular Minecraft may cost money, it really depends where you find it. It really isn't my choice on which one you play. I'm just here to give a review and say my opinion.

In my opinion, I say if you can find a free version of regular Minecraft, play that instead of Minecraft Classic but if you can't, go for Minecraft Classic. Hope everyone reading this will find it helpful.



Image from https://leganerd.com

Donald Trump's Impeachment Inquiry By Nicholas Williams



The House has officially begun an impeachment inquiry on Trump. There have been several efforts to impeach Trump, even before his Presidency began. This one was started by House Speaker Nancy Pelosi on September 24, 2019. An impeachment inquiry is started by the House of Representatives. If there is an impeachment trial, it is conducted by the Senate.

The United States Constitution in Article II, Section IV states: "The President, Vice President and all civil Officers of the United States, shall be removed from Office on Impeachment for, and Conviction of, Treason, Bribery, or other high Crimes and Misdemeanors."

For more information, visit this link:

https://www.cnbc.com/2019/09/24/heres-what-it-would-take-to-impeach-president-trump.html

EIMS Student Government Elections

Attention all students: Get ready to cast your vote! Student Government elections will be held in early November. You will vote for President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer and two 6th grade representatives. Candidates have recorded their videos for you to watch in Social Studies class. Mrs. Nolan, Student Government advisor will tally the votes after the election and announce the winners. Good luck to all who are running!



Answers to the Word Scramble on page 7. No cheating!

Final Phrase: Trick or Treat

> Halloween autumn bat cackle trick web witch witch witch skeleton skeleton

Happy Fall, East Islip Middle School By Grace Micali

Autumn Spice Cake with Cream Cheese Frosting

Summer is over and it's time for fall! Time to get a blanket and sit down with a cup of hot chocolate. I have a pumpkin spice cake recipe ready to go for you. Thanksgiving is right around the corner, so think about some tasty Thanksgiving recipes. Enjoy!

https://www.cookingclassy.com/autumn-spice-cake-with-cream-cheese-frosting/



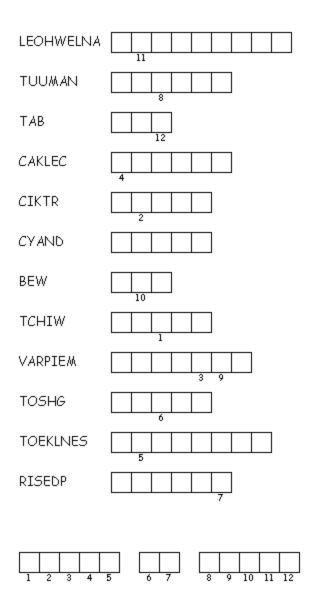
Mrs. Weller's
Period 4B class
made this awesome
art project in
September using
craft sticks.
Nice work!



More photos from the Pumpkin Decorating Contest, October 23, 2019



Nick's Halloween Word Scramble By Nicholas Williams



Unscramble each of the clue words. Copy the letters in the numbered cells to other cells with the same number to discover the final phrase.

Answers are on page 4.



Naruto Review By Joshua Castro

Naruto Shippuden Ultimate Ninja Storm 4 is a game based on the anime Naruto. Naruto is an anime about an orphan named Naruto who is trying to become the hokage (leader) so that people will notice and acknowledge him.

When he first starts going to the academy to become a ninja, he has to perform a show clone jutsu. But at the time, Naruto wasn't as strong as he is today. He tried, but the result was a tired and worthless shadow clone, so he failed the test.

Later that night while Naruto is sitting on his rooftop, Mizuki appears out of the blue and tells Naruto about the Scroll of Secrets (S.O.S). Since Naruto is desperate, he goes to find the forbidden Scroll of Secrets. When he finds it, he hides in the woods and starts reading. While he's reading, Iruka-Sensei appears and yells at Naruto about having the Scroll of Secrets. Naruto being Naruto said, "Mizuki told me where to find it and use it." Then, right as Naruto said that, Mizuki appeared on the tree. Iruka and Naruto were surprised because they would never think that Mizuki would betray them like that.

Later on, Mizuki told Naruto something he never should've heard. Naruto had the tailed beast in him. After that, they battle it out and Naruto learns multi-shadow clone jutsu and destroys Mizuki. Before Naruto destroyed Mizuki, Iruka took a bullet for Naruto. Ever since that day, Naruto swore that he would protect his friends and become the hokage so that people will notice and recognize him.

He eventually becomes the hokage, the leader of the village. Naruto protects the village like his own family. He also protects his family.

And now, we wait to see what Naruto has up his sleeve.

Image from https://www.viz.com/naruto

FALL WORD SEARCH

By Grace Micali

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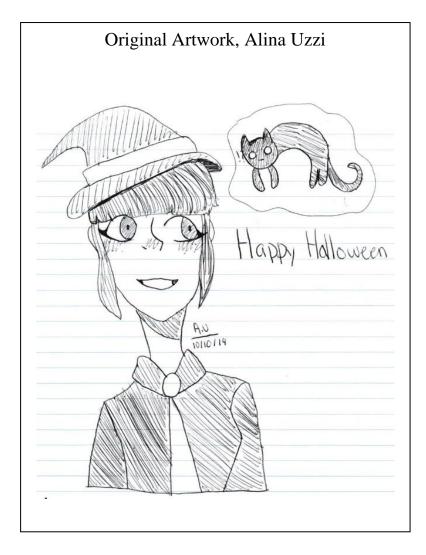
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Featured item from the Spotlight School Store:

These alpacas are new this year and so cute! They are available in 4 colors. Get yours today for only \$2.50.



Spotlight School Store



East Islip Middle School 2019-20 Spiritwear for Sale with El logo on the item (plus tax)

(Fundraiser for Community Family Support)			
El Knit hat with Embroidered logo	\$15	11/51/600 21-	
East Islip socks, white	\$3	E	
EI baseball hat (black or red)	\$22		
EI string backpack (black or red)	\$12		
Charles River Jacket with hood (bla	\$45		
Sweatpants, black (with or w/o pocket),	\$28		
Hooded sweatshirt (black), 2 laces	\$35		
Hooded sweatshirt, zip-up (black)	\$28		
Hooded sweatshirt (black with contras	\$30		
Pennant ¼ zip fleece w/lighthouse	\$35		
Hooded sweatshirt (red or grey)	\$28		
Pennant T-shirt, long sleeve (grey)	\$30		
T-shirt, long sleeve (black or red)	\$15		
T-shirt, short sleeve (black, red, or	\$12		

*Sales Tax will be added.

Payment → Cash or checks are accepted.

Please make checks payable to: *East Islip School District* and write Spotlight School Store in the memo.

Proceeds from the Spotlight School Store are used for student activities right here at the middle school! Thanks for your support!

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