

Teacher's Spot Light

by Cade Watson



The teacher I chose is our Tech Applications teacher. Ms. Kasie Wilson loves to teach Tech Apps and we all love her class.

Ms. Wilson grew up in Van Vleck and even got a job offer to teach there. She said no to that because she likes teaching here so much. She went to college at Sam Houston and she liked there in Huntsville.

In high school, she liked to participate in FFA and play softball. She said if she could have a superpower it would be to read other people's minds so that she knew what everyone was saying. Her favorite food is enchiladas at Vilarta. She is currently reading Trust No One and likes the book, but does not know if it is a series. She likes to hang out with family and friends in her free time. If she was in charge of the world she would cancel war and violence and conflict. Ms Wilson's favorite team is the Astros and she likes to watch the games in person instead of watching the tv to see them play. Her favorite sport is baseball. I would describe her as nice and caring to others that need help.

Bloodhound Takes Center Stage



By: Sydney Broussard

My pet spotlight goes to the Bloodhound that was the first of his breed to win the U.S. Best in Show Prize, Trumpet the Bloodhound. Trumpet won this award in the Westminster Dog show in 2022. Trumpet is the first bloodhound in the dog show's 146 year history to take home the coveted title. He beat a French Bulldog, a German Shepard, Maltese, an English Setter, a Samoyed and a Lakeland

Terrier to win his award. Trumpet's owner was astonished and she believed that Bloodhounds were underdogs. Trumpet is a part of a winning legacy, even his father, Nathen won the hound group in 2014 which meant that Trumpets caretaker Buehner had high hopes for Trumpet. But the competition included a top-ranked, French Bulldog named Wilson. At the end of the competition he was posing before a massive silver cup and and a slew of ribbons in traditional champions post-victory glamor shoot. Everyone watching the show was astonished.

Bloodhounds a large breed of dog, famous for their keen sense of smell. Bloodhounds are considered the top sleuth dogs. Their noses are the best on this planet. They can track a missing human for days through rough terrain.

Sea Turtles: Vital Part of Coastal Life



by Skyler Sykes

There are many different types of sea turtles. Although you may not think sea turtles play a big role in aquatic life, they do. They maintain coral reef ecosystems to transport essential nutrients from the oceans to beaches and coastal dunes. There are several animals that live in coral reefs such as several types of fish, lobsters, seahorses and many more.

All seven of the sea turtle species are endangered or threatened. Corpus Christi holds a sea turtle release at Padre Island National Seashore every year. Our own Surfside beach even has sea turtles lay eggs sometimes.

Did you know when sea turtles are hatching, bright lights could distract them because they follow the moon, so make sure to turn off your phone flash. Not only does flash distract them, but so does white.

This event is held mid- June through August so make sure to book it in your calendar now ! Before being released you will get to see them up close, while you won't be able to touch the turtle you'll still get a good look at hundreds making their way to the water.

Make sure to bring your camera without the flash to capture all the things you saw. Enjoy your time meeting new people and helping wildlife

Veterans Program

By Emma Watson

It's almost time for Sweeny Junior High's Veterans Program. This year we have the amazing Ms. Karen Wilson who is going to direct the play. Sweeny's Veterans Day Program will take place on Veterans day at 10:30 am in the SJH girls gym.

Several students will taking part in program. First we have Ricardo Ruiz in 6th grade and Kynleigh Moody also in 6th grade. We have Tristan Ramussen in 6th grade. Next

we have Jaelynne Acevedo in 8th grade. Next up is Kylie Kirtner in 7th grade last but not least Ava Estepp. Understudy roles include Emma Watson in 6th grade and Hailie Beard in 7th. Lastly we have Addisyn Lennette in 8th.

For music we have our choir teacher, Mrs. Vinson. Junior High choir students will be performing 'Celebrate America' along with other songs.



Paw Prints

Hurricane Helene; Devastating

by Kavion Woodard

Hurricane Helene started Tuesday September 24, 2024 all the way to Sunday September 29 2024. Hurricane Helene was a fast moving hurricane that caused a lot of damage through the Southeastern United States.

Hurricane Helene has killed at least 227 people and has caused devastating damage since making landfall in Florida and moving into the mainland.

A Lot of the deaths were in North Carolina, the North Carolina community has been destroyed by Hurricane Helene. The fast moving water is one of the reasons it's damaging the communities, many people have lost their homes due to rushing waters and mudslides.

Other states that are experiencing flooding are Georgia, Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia, and Kentucky.

Hurricane Helene was classified as a category 4 storm. Category 4 storms usually mean it's an extreme storm that can do roof and wall damage on small houses, along with floods and waves of debris around the area.

Winds in this extreme storm were 130 mph; category 4 storms usually go 131-155 mph. The types of damage that it is causing is destruction and power outages which lead to food spoiling and going bad. The hurricane has caused 38.5 billion dollars of damage and is ranked top 10 of all hurricanes.

Moo Deng Cutest Edition

by Jesus Ascencio

Moo deng is a baby hippo that was born on July 10, 2024 at the Khao Kheow Zoo in Si Racha, Thailand. His parents are mother Jona and father Tony. Moo is small because she is a baby and a pygmy hippo. Moo is the latest obsession on the internet because of the way she plays in the water and playfully biting the zoo keeper. She is cute, sassy and looks slippery all the time. She became famous because the way she looks and acts. Moo Deng has two siblings. Their names are Moo Wan and Moo Tun and they're all Moo Chonky.



20,000 people from all over the world have traveled to Kheow Open Zoo in Thailand to see Moo being cute for themselves. Did you know that Moo Deng translates to bouncy pork? How funny! She is so famous that you can buy plushies of her and merch of her as well. Moo Deng is a member of a vulnerable and elusive club of endangered species in West Africa. When Moo Deng does not like what the zoo keeper does, she tries to attack them. She is so small to actually them though, so it is just cute.

Artwork by Joshua Dukes



Spirit Week!!!



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SPIRIT WEEK!

October 28th - November 1st

Monday TEACHER/STUDENT SWAP Teachers dress like students Students dress like teachers	Tuesday AGE SWAP HS - dress like elementary JH - dress like baby/toddler Elem - dress like elderly Teachers - Jersey Day	Wednesday CHARACTER DAY Dress like your favorite Disney, Marvel, or Cartoon character
Thursday HALLOWEEN COSTUMES School Appropriate No weapon-style props and face cannot be covered		Friday BULLDOG BLUE OUT Dress in all blue

Fall is.....

It's the color of blazing fire

It taste like apple cider and pumpkin spice

It smells like a home cooked meal

It sounds like leaves crunching and wind blowing

It feels crisp and comforting

It fails to stay for long

It hates the winter that makes the leaves of fire turn bare

It likes the cold wind to rustle through the trees

I love fall

By Karsynn Massey



Editorials and Reviews

Should Teens Trick or Treat?

By Chloe Pina

In my opinion, I think teens should be allowed to trick or treat because they are old enough to walk alone. Even if they don't dress up. It wouldn't be fair, especially if they have siblings. If their siblings get to trick or treat and they don't, the siblings would have candy and they wouldn't. That wouldn't be fair to them. Then they would steal the siblings candy probably out of jealousy. This would cause siblings to be sad or upset. I would absolutely steal my siblings' candy if I didn't get to trick or treat. I think it would be funny to eat their candy.

My cousin is eight and likes to trick or treat, but if she doesn't get to go due to at practice or church she won't get to have fun. Once she took their candy and hid it inside of a toy treasure box with a lock on it and she hid the key. Her siblings were mad and it was a big fight.

This is why I believe teens should be allowed to trick or treat. That way siblings don't fight over candy.



Creative Costume Review

By Liam Hammond

It is the month of Halloween and everyone wants the best costume. Here is a group of girls as Pacman and ghosts. Super creative if you ask me. My favorite one out of all of these is the blue ghost. It looks the best, in my opinion. Although I think Pacman is a pretty good one as well.

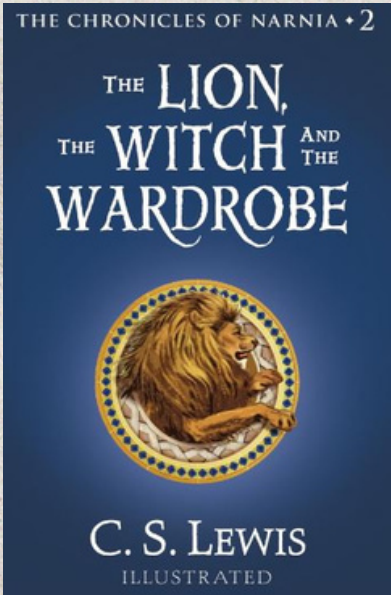
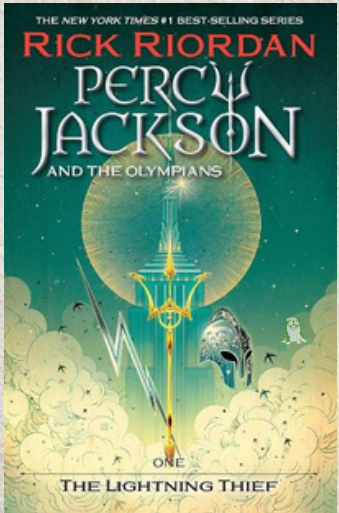
Next up is the baby as a spider. I love how on the top of the costume there are eyes they look very good. I am still trying to figure out which arm are his real arms in since there are so many arms.



Book Reviews

By Santiago Lara Contreras

Let's talk about about a book, Percy Jackson and the Lightning Thief by Rick Riordan. Lightning Thief is the first book of the Olympian Series. I personally love this book and it can teach you some stuff about Greek mythology. Do you know what Greek mythology is? I learned so much about it reading these books. This author is also good and I enjoy his other books to. You can also read those and imagine there is fighting and puzzles and Gods and all that fun stuff. I'm sure Mrs. Barrow can help you find them. The main character, Percy Jackson, which in fact is a demi-God has to fight a whole bunch of monsters. The chapter titles are a lot of fun too. *My Mother Teaches Me Bullfighting* is one of the monsters trying to kill Percy. Percy is funny and has ADHD so that makes him distracted and makes him funny sometimes. Just like some of us.



By Sky Sanders

My book review is on a book called The Lion The Witch And The Wardrobe. It is a very, very good book to read. It's about a guy Mr. Tumnus that is half goat and half man. He lives in a land called Narnia. When the character Lucy enters Narnia he is the first creature she becomes friends with. Soon four British children find the magical wardrobe that leads to the fantasy world Narnia. They must unite with the lion to defeat the evil queen of Narnia. To restore the rightful ruler of the thorns. After the kids defeat the queen of Narnia they were taken to a Cair Paravel. After they become King and Queens of Narnia they go on a hunt for the white stag who is said to grant wishes of those who catch it. C.S. Lewis wrote this book and it can be found in our school library.



By Davion Posadas

Many kids who are not good at basketball in real life play 2K to make them feel better. 2K can let kids play with other teams and even make their own player. Making their own player and playing with them can help kids feel better. This leads to kids practicing by themselves and getting better by the second.

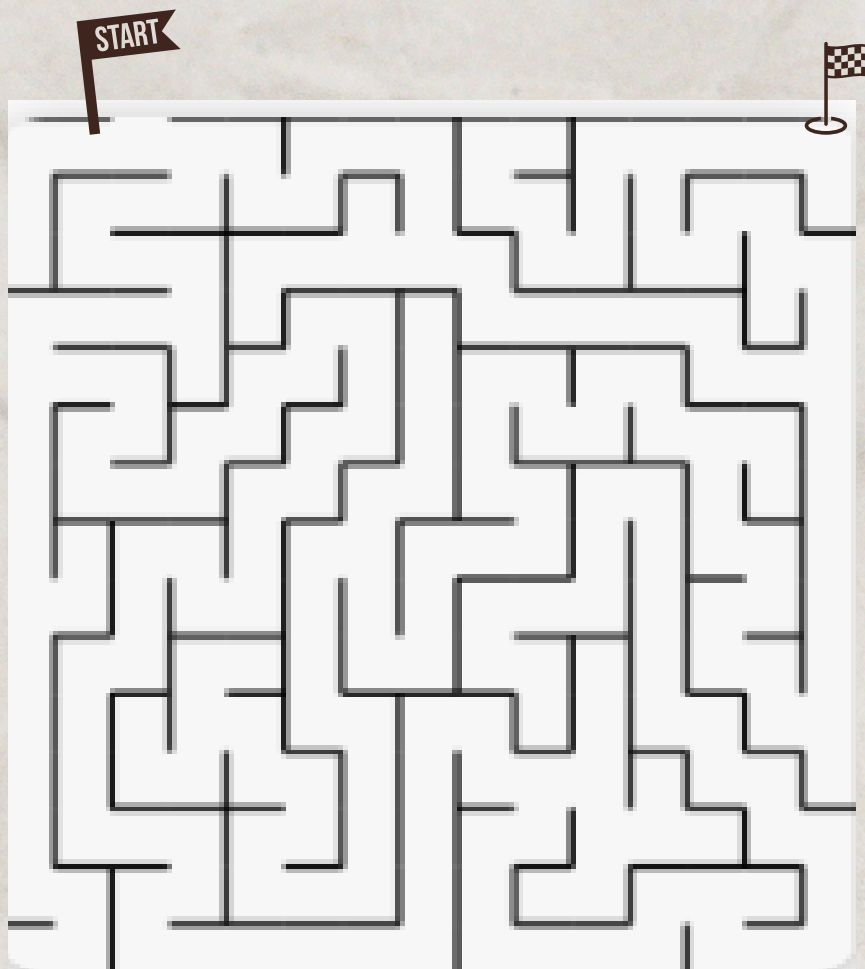
NBA 2K allows kids to have more fun because there are many modes you can play like: Play Now, My Team, My Career, Blacktop, My Park, and many more.

NBA 2K even has 2KTV which is television for basketball. Many kids watch 2KTV because they can learn new moves from good basketball players and they can be brave enough to start to use that in real life.

My opinion about 2K24 is that it is a great game. I play this almost every day, and I enjoy every second of it. I usually play my team because you can play with every basketball player you like or your favorite player. My favorite basketball team is the Dallas Mavericks because they have one of the best young point guards and they have one of the best shooting guards Kyrie Irving and Klay Thompson they also have Derrick Lively and PJ Washington. I like learning more about the game when I play. It helps kids be better basketball players.



Puzzles/Entertainment



Riddle Me This

I can fly
but I have no wings,
I can cry but
I have no eyes,
what am I?



Weird, but true facts!

Bulldogs are the most common breed of dogs to be a mascot.

Your brain is constantly eating its self .

A cloud weighs around 1 billion and 400 million pounds



Bulldogs Got Jokes

What's a bulldog's favorite
type of pizza?

pup-peroni!!

What do you call a dog that
can't bark?

A hush puppy

Why did the dog grab some shingles?

**He really wanted to become a
woofer**

SONIC DRINK!

FIND THE SWEENY BULLDOG



Hello SJH students! We've put together a fun game of "Find the Bulldog" All you need to do is find the hidden bulldog and email Dsmith@mysweenyisd.org to say where you found them(page number, spot, etc.) Junior High students that email the correct answer will be entered into a drawing to win a free Sonic drink!! A total of 10 students will be drawn each month!

Have fun SJH!!!



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