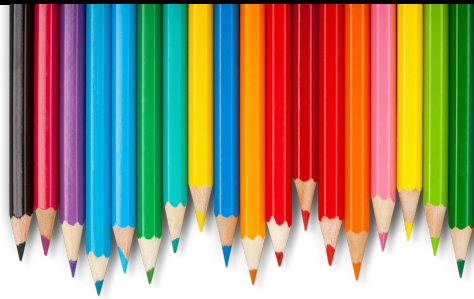


THE FALCON FORUM

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NOVEMBER NARRATIVE

WRITTEN BY: MADDIE POLLOCK (7TH)

Thanksgiving is almost here! Which means... Christmas is only 33 days away!!! But lets not get ahead of ourselves, there is so much to be thankful for. Many of us are thankful for our week-long break and the delicious food that comes with the holidays.

The weather has finally started to get colder and everyone is having to get out their sweaters and coats!

Even crazier, some people have even started putting up Christmas trees!! Soon everyone will be getting into the Christmas spirit by listening to their favorite Christmas songs and giving gifts. Just don't forget the TRUE meaning of Christmas.

Have a great Thanksgiving Break, Falcons!!!

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DECEMBER CALENDAR

CREATED BY: MADDIE POLLOCK (7TH)



MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN
						1 FIRST DAY OF DECEMBER
2 	3	4	5 A BEN LIPPEN CHRISTMAS	6	7	8
9	10	11	←----- MS WEEK OF GIVING!!! -----→			15 
16	17	18 1/2 DAY!	19 1/2 DAY!	20 1/2 DAY!	21	22
23	24 CHRISTMAS EVE	25  CHRISTMAS!	26	27	28 	29 
30	31	1	2	(CHRISTMAS BREAK DECEMBER 13 - JANUARY 3)		



←----- CHRISTMAS BREAK!!! -----→

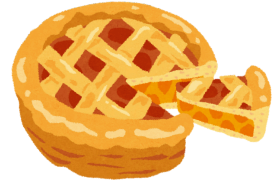


UPCOMING NATIONAL DECEMBER HOLIDAYS!



CREATED BY: ABIGAIL TAYLOR (5TH)

✘ National Pie Day! – December 1st



✘ Santa's List Day! – December 4th

✘ Christmas Card Day! – December 4th



✘ Gingerbread House Day! – December 12th

✘ National Cover-Anything in Chocolate Day! – December 16th

✘ Answer the Phone like Buddy the Elf Day! – December 18th



✘ Christmas EVE! – December 24th!



✘ CHRISTMAS!!! – December 25th



✘ National Thank You Note Day! – December 26th



✘ National Bacon Day! – December 30th



✘ New Year's EVE! – December 31st



GRADE LEVEL

NEWS

6th Grade

**WRITTEN BY:
ANNA-KATE MATHER (6TH)**

In the month of November, the 6th graders have been learning many new things. We are working on a Psalms project in Bible class. Each sixth grader chose a different Psalm to research and learn about. In history class, we are learning about Ancient China. We are researching and starting to build a volcano in Science. In math, we are learning how to graph points on a coordinate plane. Lastly, in English we are learning about all of the parts that go into writing a story and we are reading the novel, *Where The Red Fern Grows* by Wilson Rawls. Sixth graders are looking forward to Thanksgiving break and spending time with family and friends!



Poetry

**WRITTEN BY:
MADISON CLARK
MCLAWHORN (7TH)**

*Strolling around in November
Feeling so nice
We should remember,
Pretty sights in our heart
I see so much.
Where do I start?
I could write a poem
Strong and fair
Talk about the town
The village square.
The little things matter most
Like waves that crash beneath the coast.
Colder yes the perfect feeling
Joy that rises to the ceiling.
Friends, truth, perfect light
This November is surely bright.
Turkey, family, homemade cookies.
Baseball hits for just a rookie.
So yes a poem I will write,
And remember this till the night.
I am so joyful to be God's child
Pure royalty is so wild.*



RECIPE OF THE MONTH



CREATED BY:
BENNETT BROWNLEE (6TH)

Cranberry Relish Salad

Thanksgiving is the time of year for all sorts of flavors! Gather around the table and enjoy this classic cranberry relish salad. Pair with some delicious turkey and dressing.

Here's what you'll need:

- 2 packs of lemon Jell-O
- 2 cups of water (hot)
- 1 ½ cups of sugar
- 1 ½ cups of chopped celery
- 1 cup of pecans
- 1 cup of crushed pineapple (drained)
- 1 cup of cranberries (ground)

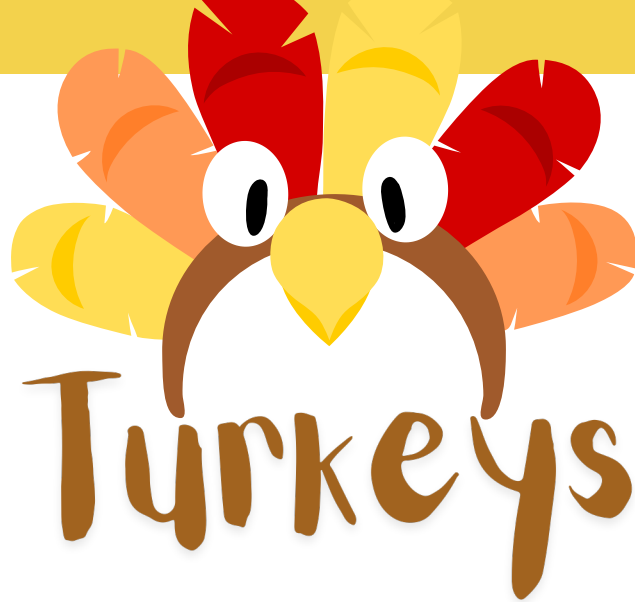


Instructions:

1. Mix Jell-O with 2 cups of hot water
2. Chop and grind all the other ingredients
3. Pour onto a 9x13 oblong tray.
4. Let rest in fridge for a few hours.

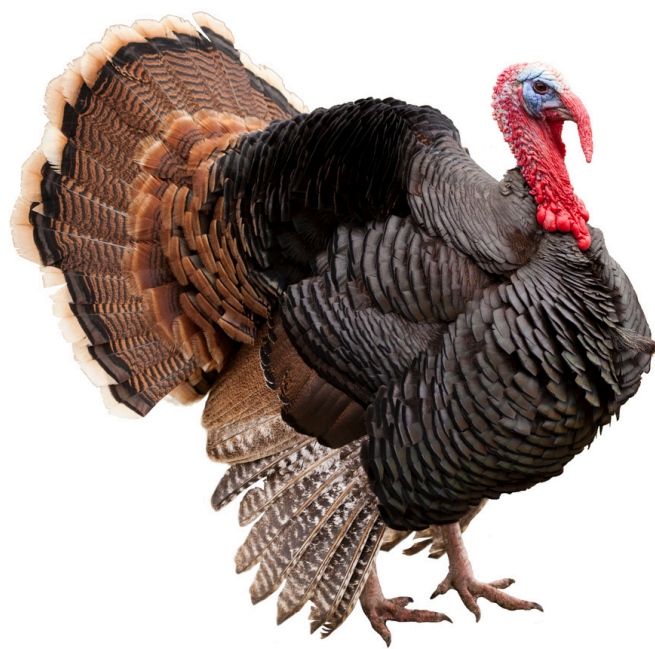


ANIMAL *Of the* MONTH



WRITTEN BY ELISE SATCHER (7TH)

- Both male and female turkeys gobble!
- Wild turkeys can fly!
- Wild turkeys sleep in trees!
- They can change colors!
- Presidential pardons for turkeys started in 1989!



Gobble
Gobble!

Teacher OF THE Month

**INTERVIEWED AND WRITTEN BY:
ARROW HARTMAN (5TH)**

This month's teacher can do it all! She teaches 7th grade ELA and is leading our MS newspaper! It is.... **Mrs. Jenkins!** Her favorite color is aqua blue and her favorite football team is the Clemson Tigers. It's her first year at Ben Lippen School and her ninth year teaching overall. Her favorite season is fall and she loves warm drinks at this time!

We love you, Mrs. Jenkins!



*Mrs Jenkins
7th Grade ELA*



TRENDS IN MIDDLE SCHOOL

CREATED BY FAITH FARIS (7TH), PHOEBE AYLESTOCK (6TH), REAGAN YAUCOBIAN (7TH), PARKER BONESTEEL (7TH), ELISE SATCHER (7TH), AND CAROLINE TAYLOR (7TH)

Middle School Trends



SOL DE JANEIRO



pink palm puff



SUMMER FRIDAYS



HOKA



starbucks



Acorn Coffee



Nails



Stanley



owala



Sephora



Christmas



Nike blazers

ARTS

Fine



Peter Pan Recap!

**INTERVIEWED AND WRITTEN BY:
FAITH FARIS (7TH)**

Jude McLawhorn is a 6th grader who was in the *Peter Pan* musical. He says his favorite part of the play was when he got to perform on stage in front of others. He played Jukes the Pirate and was the understudy for John Darling. Even though it was a lot of hard work to be in the play and be in school at the same time, he thinks it all paid off in the end. He says he made many friends in different grades because of the play and that was an amazing experience. Jude encourages everyone to try out as well next year!

Ally Jones was Tiger Lily in the play. Her favorite part is working with her friends. Her least favorite part is when they are separate for scenes. She likes seeing the whole cast together. Ally's favorite line was "Ugga Wugga Meatball." She felt like the choreography was hard, and kind of a struggle but she was very excited about opening night! She recommends trying out for the play because it's a whole community and you don't get judged for your looks or interests. Her favorite song was "Ugga Wugga."

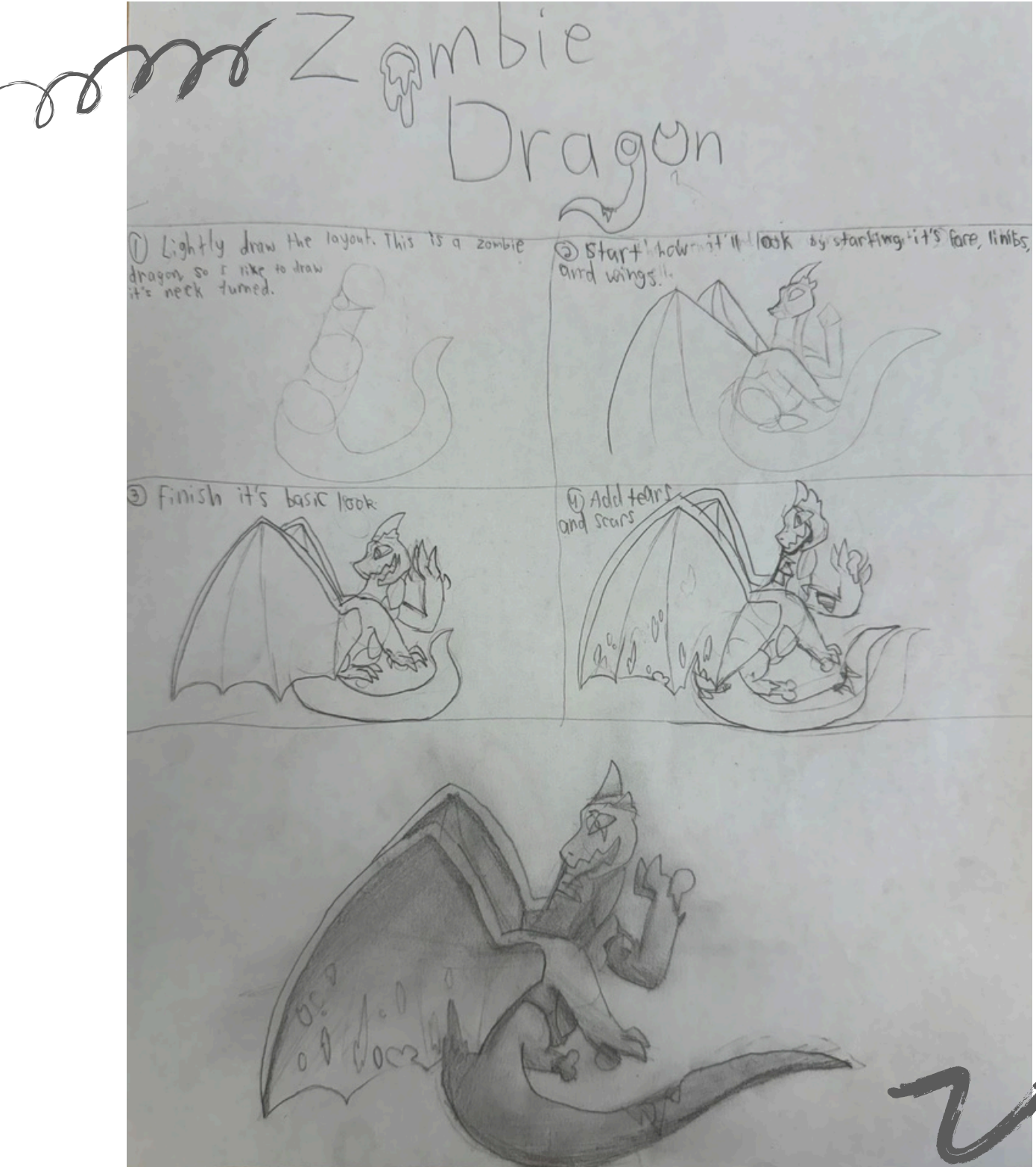


HOW TO...



CREATED BY:
ALIYAH BENTON (7TH)

Draw!



Did You Know...

Weird Thanksgivings Foods Edition

WRITTEN BY:
JUDE MCLAWHORN (6TH)

Did you know people eat ... ?

1. **Strawberry Pretzel Salad** -

This is a salad that is made of a pretzel crust, is topped with Jell-O, and has cream cheese in the middle. Would you ever try this salad, or do you think it sounds gross?

2. Jell-O Salad - This is another interesting salad that is made of flavored Jell-O, fruit, and maybe some grated carrots and other vegetables.

3. Cheese Puffs - While this isn't a weird food, it certainly seems like an interesting choice for a Thanksgiving dish.



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4. Ambrosia Salad - This salad is made of pineapples, yogurt, coconut whipped cream, mini marshmallows, and mandarin oranges. This does not sound tasty at all!

5. Sauerkraut - This consists of cabbage boiled in salt. That sounds very salty and weird.



DIY by Doodle

**WRITTEN BY:
HARPER ROBINSON (5TH)**

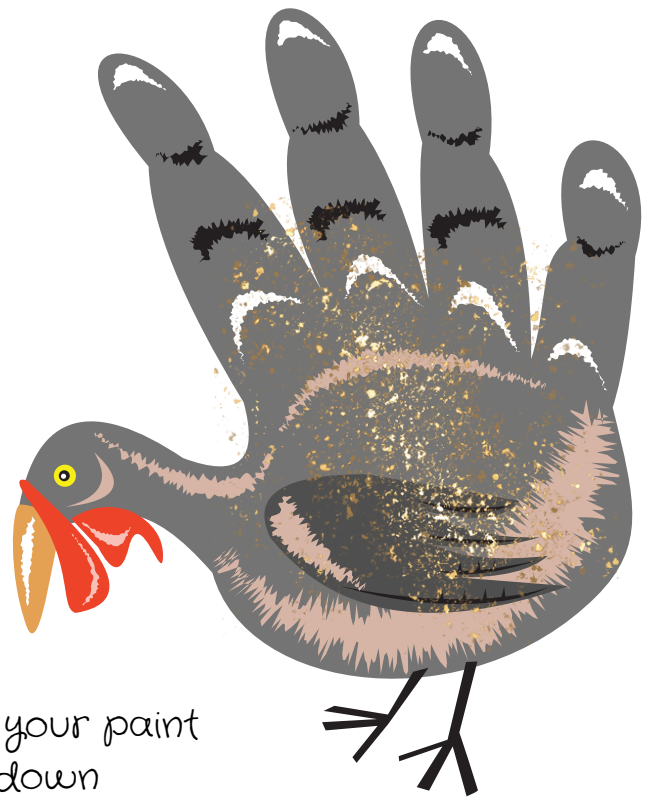
Hello again! My name is Harper Robinson and I love DIY crafts and would love to share some with you. The reason I refer to myself as "Doodle" is because my parents call me that. Since it's the month of Thanksgiving, I will show you how to make something we've all made before that is very easy.(with a little touch!). I'll show you how to make a Sparkle Hand Turkey!

Supplies Needed:

- Pencil
- Your favorite color paint
- Your second favorite color glitter
- Your hand (of course!)
- A paintbrush
- A piece of paper
- Colored pencils
- And your creativity!

Steps:

1. Paint your hand with the paintbrush and your paint
2. Place your hand on the paper and push down
3. While the paint is still wet, sprinkle your glitter on the paint
4. Draw the head of the turkey, coming off of the handprint
5. Color in the Turkey head. Then you're finished!



That's the end! Happy Thanksgiving!



"WORD OF GOD SPEAK"

WRITTEN BY: MAY KELLEY,
HELEN KIP, &
KATIE REID STRATTON (5TH)



WE PRESENT TO YOU...A DEVOTIONAL!!!

⁹⁴"The LORD is good to all" is found in Psalms 145:9.

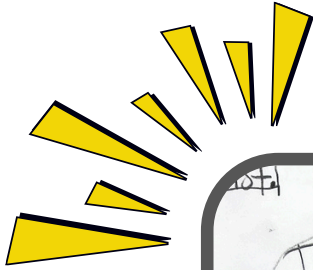
That is our verse for this month! We recommend this verse to you because it says that the LORD is good to all, which means the LORD loves you even when you don't love or know Him. He's rooting for everyone, the good and the bad. JESUS' love is open to everyone, not just people who have known GOD longer or who have gone to church the longest. Those things don't matter to Him. What matters most is if you know JESUS is your savior and that JESUS died on the cross for everyone, not just the good! We hoped you liked our little devotionall!!! Have a good rest of your day!



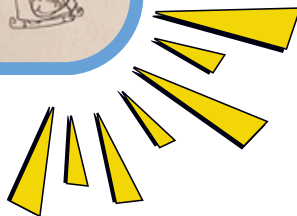
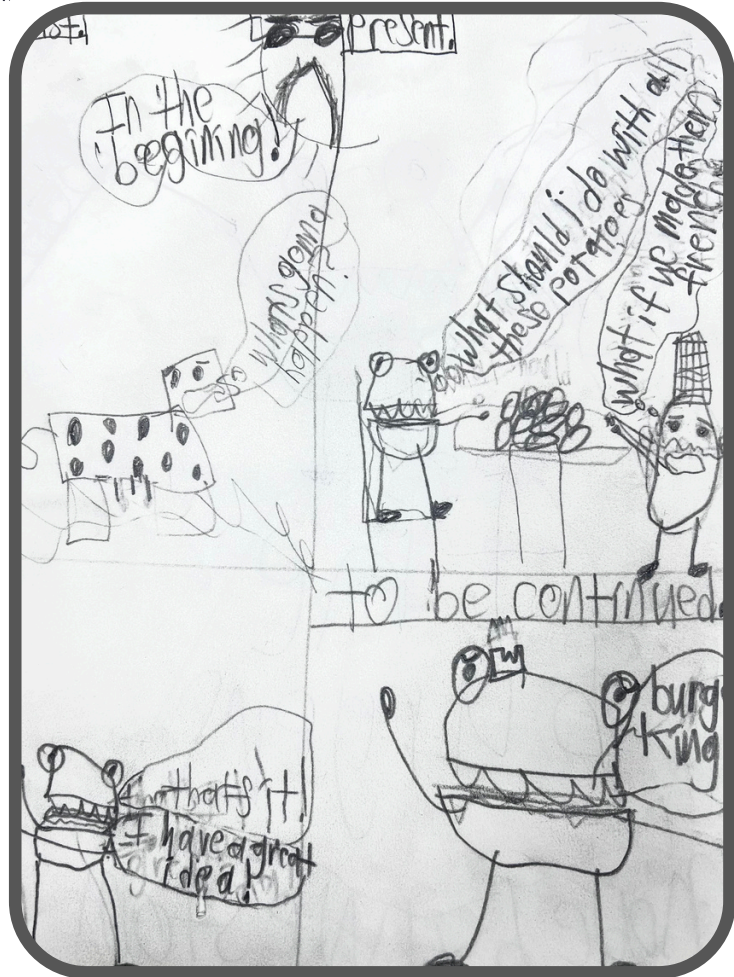
COMICS!



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WESTON PHILLIPS (6TH)



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IAN JOHNSON (6TH)

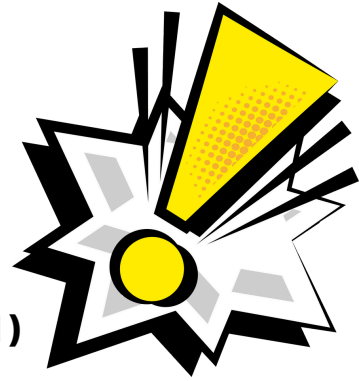


COMICS!

CREATED BY:
JUDE GRANGER (6TH)



CREATED BY:
MATT COLE (6TH)



the DUMB FARMER



CREATED BY:
JULIET SPRING (5TH)



RANDOM FACTS, FOR FALCONS!

CREATED BY:
ISAAC GAY (6TH)

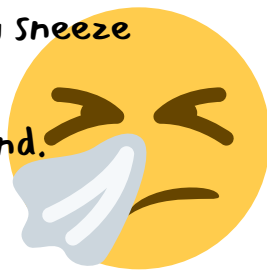
Americans buy 365 million pounds of turkey the week of Thanksgiving.



When the moon is directly overhead, you will weigh slightly less.



People say "bless you" when you sneeze because when you sneeze, your heart stops for a millisecond.



Abraham Lincoln proclaimed Thanksgiving a National Holiday on October 3, 1863.

It is physically impossible for pigs to look up into the sky.

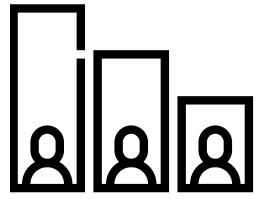


The "sixth sick sheik's sixth sheep's sick" is said to be the toughest tongue twister in the English language.

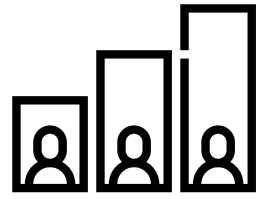


THANKFUL

The first Thanksgiving was actually a three-day festival.



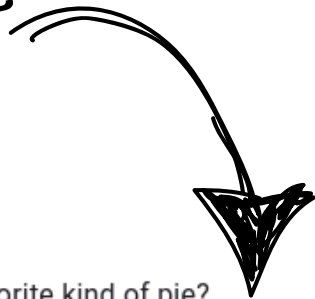
CHECK OUT OUR POLLS!



CREATED AND DESIGNED BY:
VIOLET KEETER (6TH) AND HOLDEN MUTH (6TH)

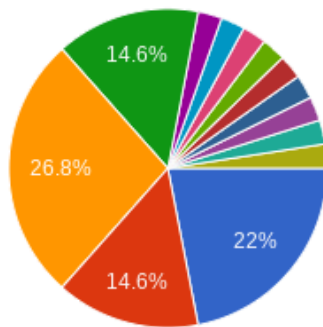
Be sure to click the link for our November Polls in the email! Below are some results from last month's polls. We hope you enjoy it!

**Chocolate Pie
for the WIN!**



What's your favorite kind of pie?

41 responses



- Apple Pie
- Pumpkin Pie
- Chocolate Pie
- I don't like pie
- ice cream
- Peach Pie
- peanutbutter pie
- Any homemade pie

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Advice Column

WRITTEN BY: KATY NOONAN (7TH)



Time management is a tough thing to figure out. Knowing what to do and when to do it can be kind of tricky sometimes. Here are some tips to help you: If you have an assignment that is due tomorrow, or something else that is urgent, do that first. Those are always more important than things that are due in a month or even a week. Then once you're done with that, if you have time, do things that are due later.

Maybe even make a list of things that need to be done that day (or week). Cross the items off the list as you finish them. Be sure to find time to spend with God and your friends/family. Another thing is to pray! Ask God for help, and ask him to help you manage your time better. And if you want to, you can reward yourself when you finish.

Proverbs 3:6 says, "In everything you do, put God first, and he will direct you and crown your efforts with success," and 2 Corinthians 5:21 says something similar: "God made him who had no sin to be sin for us, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God."



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