

The Daily Bayley

Mother Seton School Student Newspaper

Mother Seton's Feast Day

By Bayley Grossnickle

Mother Seton is the first native-born American saint. Her feast day is January 4th. Mother Seton was canonized in September 1975 by Pope Paul VI. She is the patron saint of Catholic schools, teachers/educators, those who have lost parents, widows, orphans, and people rejected or persecuted for their faith. One of Mother Seton's famous quotes is: "God has given me a great deal to do and I have always and hope always to prefer his will to every wish of my own. How gracious is the Lord who strengthens my poor soul!" I went around interviewing several people.

My question was: Do you think it is important that we celebrate Mother Seton's feast day, and why? I first interviewed Brooke Buser from the 5th grade. Brooke said, "Mother Seton's feast day is important because she founded the school, and we should honor her because we wouldn't be here without her if she hadn't founded the school." Ava Fout from the 6th grade said, "we should honor her because the school is named after her, and we should celebrate!" Lastly, Kelsie Krauss from 7th grade said "It is important to celebrate and remember Mother Seton because the school is named after her, and we should honor her."



Snow Days

By Morgan Fogle

Have you ever had a snow day and didn't have to go to school? When that happens, you probably get really excited! Here are some cool facts about snow. Snow isn't blue, it's actually transparent. Some of the most popular activities in winter are skiing, snowboarding, sledding, and snowball fights. Snow takes about one hour to fall all the way to the ground. Maryland has had some really big snowstorms, like the Storm of the Century in 1993, the Knickerbocker Storm in 1922, and the Blizzard of 2016. In 2016, there was 29.2 inches of snow at the BWI-Marshall airport! It caused over 100,000 people to lose power and \$55 million in damage.

Pizza Day

By Elliott Brown

When Thursday rolls around at MSS, every single student jumps for joy. You'll probably know why: Pizza Day! On this special day, the lunch ladies sell delicious, lovely, (you guessed it) pizza. Every week they keep 39 pizzas, purchased from Rocky's in Thurmont, lovingly warm before sale. Typically, the cafeteria ladies sell 37 pizzas. Although Mrs. Reaver is a pepperoni fan, the pizzas here are cheese only. For this review, I purchased one slice of pizza for \$4.50, but students can order two slices if they prefer (best deal ever!). The pizza itself had a delicious, thin, cheesy crust, with enough sauce to balance the taste of the cheese out perfectly. The slices were a very generous size, and the crust at the border of the slice had a marvelously crisp taste. If this article makes you hungry, and it's Thursday, go ahead! Order a slice or two! What are you waiting for?

Teacher Spotlight

By Gabe Lucas

When I interviewed Ms. Kuykendall, the first thing I asked her was, "What's your favorite animal?" She said, "Dogs, because they are always loyal to their owners." My second question was why she wanted to be a science teacher. She said she wanted to teach young children about science. Then I asked her what her favorite landmark was. She said she didn't have one.



The Hobbit Movie 1—An Unexpected Journey

By Sophia Monsour

It all starts with the hobbit Bilbo Baggins (Martin Freeman) at an old age writing a book of the adventure he had when the dwarfs found the Arkenstone. Next, Smaug appeared (in flashback) and made a castle a mess, and the Arkenstone was lost. But the elves betrayed them by not helping them. Then, flash forward to sixty years ago, the hobbit was minding his own business and Gandalf (Ian McKellen) came by. Bilbo said good morning and Gandalf asked Bilbo what he meant: "are we to be good this morning" and/or "to have a good morning". When Bilbo went inside Gandalf made a mark on his door. Then when Bilbo was going to eat supper, thirteen dwarves came barging in. They went on an adventure. They fought trolls and goblins and orcs. My favorite part was the fighting. The part I didn't really like was how ugly the trolls, goblins, and orcs were. But the book is different from the movie. For example the movie has the wizard Radagast (Sylvester McCoy) in it. I highly recommend it. 5/5 stars.

Koalas

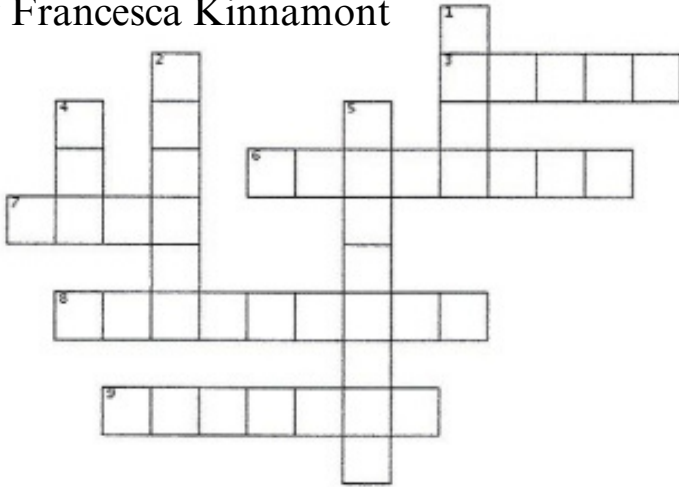
By Abigail Null

Did you know koalas can smell poison in the plants they eat? I wish I could do that. Koalas can also sleep up to 18-20 hours a day in a tree. I am so tired each morning—I bet I could do the same! What I did not know is that koalas can sense where other koalas have been on the tree. Koalas are closer to kangaroos than bears, which is surprising because they look like tiny bears, but with bigger ears (and nose). Koalas are marsupials, which means they have a pouch for their babies. I want that pouch so I can put my pencils in there so I do not lose them anymore and so I know where they are! Koalas are cute and sweet.

Creative Corner

Have an "ice" day!

By Francesca Kinnamont



ACROSS

- 3. a house made out of ice
- 6. "We saw ____ underneath the tree." (8 letters)
- 7. opposite of freeze
- 8. Dec. 25th
- 9. soft sheet (7 words)

DOWN

- 1. warm heat (____place)
- 2. coldest season of the year
- 4. slippery stuff to skate on
- 5. last month of the year

Use the clues to fill in the words above.

Words can go across or down.

Letters are shared when the words intersect.

Groundhog's Day Poem

By Ava Donovan

Wake up! Wake up! The voices shouted.
 Get out! Get out! And tell us about it.
 Will flowers come early? And birds come home?
 Or do we shut the door and stay warm.
 So brace yourself...don't run away...February 2nd
 is Groundhog's Day!



Snowflake Fun

By Morgan Fogle

Supplies: Paper, Scissors

Step 1. Fold your piece of paper into fours.

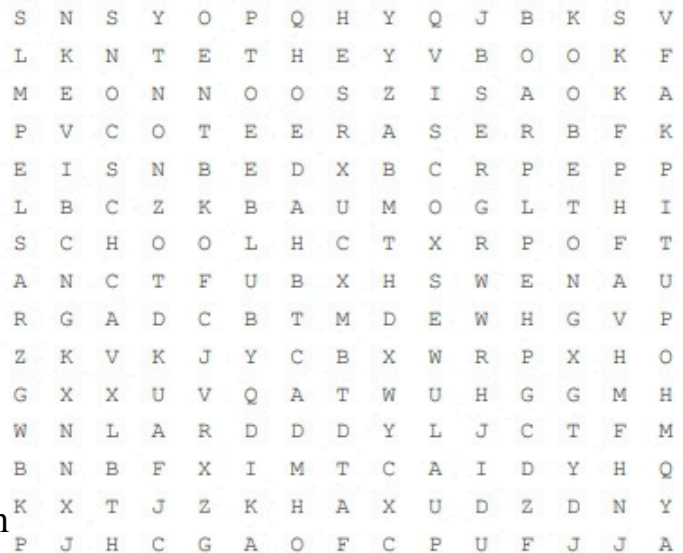
Step 2. Cut out multiple shapes on the folded paper.

Step 3. Unfold your paper.

Now You Have a Snowflake!

School

By Riley Hoover



books pen teacher notebook
 students eraser school pencil

Alumni Stories

By Francesca Kinnamont

Hello, again, readers! It's me, Francesca. I interviewed my older sister Gianna about things in high school. She used to go here, but she graduated in 2022. Now, she goes to Catoctin High School. She is currently a Junior. These are some questions I asked:

Q: Who was your favorite teacher here at M.S.S.?

A: My favorite teacher was Mrs. Kuykendall in the 8th grade.

Q: What was your favorite memory that you have ever had there?

A: My favorite memory at M.S.S. was probably Field Day in 8th grade. I got to help out, so I wasn't stuck doing only one thing.

Q: What is your favorite sport at high school?

A: I don't play a sport, but I love watching the football games with my friends.

Q: If you had one piece of advice to give to an M.S.S. student, what would it be?

A: Pay attention in class, and be grateful for the smallest things, because, as you grow up, it gets harder to do so. Have fun while you can and make memories.

Science Or Math?

By Autumn Trout

I asked middle school students whether they liked science or math better, and the results were clear! In Mrs. K's class, 2 students preferred math, while 20 chose science. Mr. C's class had 5 math fans and 12 science fans. In Mrs. Nee's class, 6 students liked math, and 16 liked science. Mr. Brown's class had 5 students who preferred math and 11 who preferred science. Lastly, in Mr. Pace's class, 3 students liked math, and 16 liked science. After adding it all up, the total votes for math were 21, and the total votes for science were 75. So, it looks like science is the favorite subject overall!

Student Spotlight

By Payton Cell

Hello, I'm Payton Cell, and I interviewed Abigail Null! She told me her favorite thing about MSS is "I have so many friends." Abigail's favorite color is pink, and her favorite animal might surprise you—it's an axolotl! Her favorite school event is Field Day because it's so much fun, and her favorite subject in school is social studies.



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