



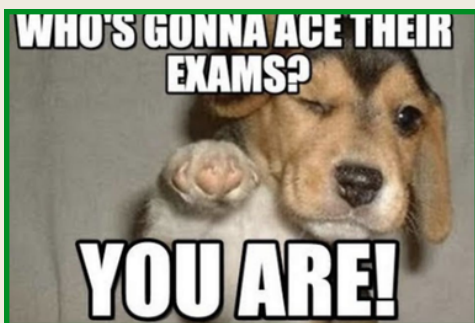
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EXAM WEEK!

BY: NANA

Next week, from December 15 to December 19, is exam week for everyone. Whether it be an exam for your college course or your EOC, make sure to study well, get a good night's rest the night before, and eat a good breakfast the day of. Some say that it helps to have a rest day from studying on the day before the exam, and that eating peppermint can help with memory and information retention when taking the exam. Take deep breaths, drink water, and keep calm throughout the exam. Good luck!

WINTER BREAK COMING UP

BY: SEAN



The College's last day is on December 16th, while the High Schools' last day is a little later on the 19th. Both will head into their winter breaks with different lengths. The high school break will last about 2 weeks, with the first day back being on January 5th. The College's winter break will last an extra week, with the first day being the 12th. We hope you have a relaxing and festive time with your family over the break.



ORDER YEARBOOKS SOON

BY: VICTORIA

Yearbooks are now available for purchase! Currently, they are on sale for \$65 a piece. However, the price can vary if you decide to customize your yearbook and make it unique. January 1st is the last day to get a yearbook at this price, so it's best to make your purchase before the holiday season is over with. Yearbook quantities are also limited, so be sure to not wait until the last minute! If you purchase a yearbook, you'll receive it at the end of the year. Be sure to thank the Yearbook Club for all their hard work to make this possible!



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SPOTLIGHT YOUR FAVORITE NEW YEAR'S TRADITIONS!

BY: KIO

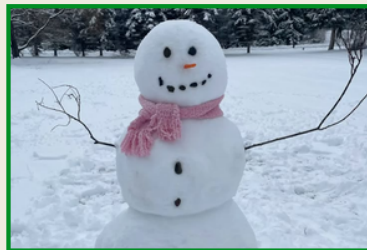
Many traditions have happened during the New Year's time over the years, and especially with the rise of social media platforms such as TikTok and Instagram, new trends and traditions have emerged. One of my favorites is the recent tradition of eating grapes under the dinner table on New Year's. Among new traditions, old ones also carry great importance, for example, many of the lunar new year festivities are to carry good luck and positivity into the new year, such as visiting shrines and giving our red envelopes.

TANGLEWOOD FESTIVAL OF LIGHTS

BY: COLBY



The Tanglewood Festival of Lights in Forsyth, North Carolina, is a colorful tradition of many friends and family, who visit from afar each holiday season to enjoy the magical glow of the lights. Boasting 55,000 vehicles and 300,000 visitors annually, the Tanglewood Festival of Lights is an unforgettable, dazzling experience with storybook scenes and holiday themes! To visit the Festival of Lights in Tanglewood Park, family vehicles may need to pay an admission fee of \$20, commercial vehicles will pay \$45, and buses and motorcoaches will pay \$115.



BEST SNOW DAY ACTIVITIES

BY: HUDA

The snowy seasons are approaching! The best activities to do on a snowy day include making snow cones with actual snow, a cold, refreshing, and fun treat to make to get you in the winter mood. As well as going sledding, it's one of the classic snow day activities! If you're feeling a bit competitive, having a snowball fight with your friends is right down your lane! But a few cozy and calm activities would include making a nice, warm cup of hot chocolate to enjoy while watching a nostalgic winter movie. These are just a few of the many activities to do during a snow day!



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SOCIAL SCENE



ANGEL TREE DONATIONS DUE SOON

BY: AMINA

Gift giving is one of the many things that makes the Christmas/holiday season so great! Angel Tree Donations make this something that anyone can experience. For those unaware, Angel Tree Donations are a program run by the Salvation Army with the goal to help give gifts to kids from families that are considered underprivileged. You can choose an Angel Tree ticket from a tree with a child's wishlist on it and help make their Christmas special that year. This year's Angel Tree Donations are due this upcoming Friday, or December 12th! Make sure you have your gifts ready and happy holidays!

SOME COLLEGE DECISION LETTERS RELEASE DURING WINTER BREAK!

BY: HAVEN



The holiday season isn't the only exciting thing coming up! Seniors, depending on what schools you've applied to and when you applied, you could be receiving some of your college decision letters within the next couple of weeks. Most notably, if you chose to apply to UNC Chapel Hill using Early Action, you can expect to receive a decision on December 20th. If you chose to apply to any of the Ivy League schools using Restrictive Early Action, you can expect to receive those decisions by mid-December. Lastly, if you applied to Duke using Early Decision, you'll receive a decision on December 15th. Receiving an acceptance to your dream school is the best holiday gift of all!



HOLIDAY FOOD STAPLES

BY: AUBREY

It's finally December, which means the holidays are coming up! That means that is time to start stocking up on your favorite holiday foods before it's too late. Holiday staples like mac and cheese, mashed potatoes, ham, and more are often in high demand during late December through early January, even into early February, due to the conflicting schedules and times that family members can all meet up. Staple holiday foods have been making a shift as horizons of different cultures and foods are expanding, meaning that holiday foods are looking to change in the future of holidays.