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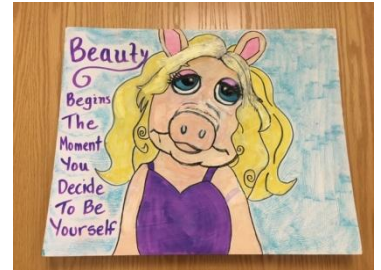
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Staff Appreciation Week- By: Sage Johnson

Staff appreciation week was May 6th to May 10th. All the wonderful SLES employees were treated to lots of nice things. Each day they had snacks, drinks, and treats in the staff lounge. The food didn't end there! They also had two catered lunches from the PTA, a delicious breakfast hosted by Mrs. Murphy (with food prepared by Mrs. Kurinsky), and a smoothie bar hosted by parents and students. For relaxation, the PTA hosted two days of chair massage. Thanks to all the parents who sent in donations, each staff member and bus driver received a personalized gift, as well as a gift card. To top off all of this, each staff door had a sheet to write love notes, as well as a hand drawn poster of a Muppet character; some were actually drawn by yours truly! What a fantastic opportunity for parents and students to show how much we appreciate the marvelous staff at Seven Locks Elementary School!



Movie Review

By: Josue Khakbaz

Hey Wildcats! In this edition of the SLES Newspaper we are going to be reviewing the movie *Avengers End Game*! Just to clarify if you guys want to understand the storyline you might want to watch *Avengers Infinity War*. WARNING- if you have not watched *Endgame* and do not want to know about it before you do, do not read this article because there are a lot of SPOILERS. Ok this is the greatest marvel movie ever because it has great battles, characters and more.

In my opinion, the best part was when Captain America picked up Thor's hammer. This was expected because if you watch the movie *Avengers Age of Ultron*, you will see that Captain America almost picked up Thor's hammer. Now that he is able to, you see that he is worthy. My favorite character is the one and only Captain America because he is just so awesome and strong. Iron Man saved everyone when he snatched the stones and then snapped his fingers against Thanos, which made his army turn to dust. But that made Iron Man die, RIP. But also RIP Black Widow, Thanos and Iron man. But now the new Captain America is Falcon because Steve Rogers turned old when he went back in time and stayed there. This was Josue with your Movie Review, See you next time!



5th Grade Promotion

By: Addison Jessie

The 5th Grade Promotion is a big event for all of the 5th graders at Seven Locks! It is an event honoring all of the hard work 5th graders have done throughout their time at the school.

Fifth grade promotion will take place on the 13th of June, the day before the last day of school. The events that have raised money for the Promotion include Back to School Picnic, Fall Festival, Voting Day, Double Feature Movie Night, Bingo, International Night, Academic Night, PTA Movie Night, Candy Grams, Science Fair, Winter Concert, Variety Show and Rehearsal, Wildcat Jam, Car Wash, End of Year Picnic, and the restaurant nights at Chipotle and California Tortilla. The fifth graders will have a carnival with games, slides, inflatables, a DJ, and food and drinks.

The actual promotion will have certificates, snacks, and an art show with all of the fifth graders art. There is also a clap-out for the fifth graders of the school. They will walk around the school and everyone will clap for them.

The 5th grade promotion is one of the highlights of the 5th graders experience at Seven Locks. Next stop...Middle School!



4th Annual Defeat DIPG Superhero Sprint & 6K

By: Gabrielle Orringer



A lot in cancer research has changed over the last forty years. Funding for research to cure a certain cancer called DIPG, has not. DIPG stands for Diffuse intrinsic pontine glioma. DIPG is a brain tumor that is found in a part of the brainstem called the pons. The pons controls essential bodily functions, like a heartbeat. During the 2014-2015 school year, Michael Mosier was a kindergartener at our school and he had DIPG. Within eight and a half months of his diagnosis, he died. His parents are trying to help make a difference in the fight against DIPG, and founded the Michael Mosier Defeat DIPG Foundation.

To take a step in stopping this horrible disease, over 2400 people participated in the 4th Annual Defeat DIPG Superhero Sprint & 6K. It took place on May 26th at Westfield Montgomery Mall in Bethesda. You could do a 6k race or the kids sprint (1k). One kilometer is 0.621371 miles and six kilometers are 3.72823 miles. In the 6K race, Seven Locks Elementary School's own Charlie and Jenna Datch each finished first for their age groups!

All the specifics can be found on www.Superhero6k.com. Remember, if you missed out on the race this year, you can always do it next year and you can still donate today at <https://runsignup.com/Race/40083/Donate/3j1SdzwDgSxmFBpW>. So far over \$245,000 has been raised from this event. All proceeds will be used to fund childhood brain cancer research.

Bearded Dragons- By: Yossi Rosen

Bearded Dragons are a species of reptiles! These magnificent creatures are a wonder to our world. Bearded Dragon is the common name given to a group of Australian lizards of the genus Pogona. Their common name comes from their habit of puffing out their throat when they are angry or excited, giving the appearance of a "beard". There are seven species that make up the genus.

They are also very affectionate to their owner. Once the owner appears, the bearded dragon will poke its head out of the cage and motion towards him or her. This gives the bearded dragon the title "The Affectionate One" because of its love of people and animals, although when around another bearded dragon it will use all its might to make it go away.

Bearded Dragons are also found to mostly eat pinky mice and insects like cockroaches. But although they will be seen to like this more than other options, it is always best to feed it green leaves and vegetables such as, lettuce and spinach. The Inland Bearded Dragon lives in the arid woodlands and deserts of central Australia. It spends much of its waking hours in bushes and trees, and is also found basking on rocks. When it is extremely hot, the bearded dragon will burrow underground.

Bearded Dragons enjoy playing with a brightly colored ping pong ball or a small ball, pushing it with their nose. Dogs aren't the only pets who enjoy going for rides in the car. Put a leash on your baby dragon or put him in a carrier and take him for a ride for a change of scenery. Bearded Dragons are fast becoming one of the most popular pets in the UK. Their passive nature, ease of care and longevity make this animal a great pet for anyone. If you are going to get a pet, a bearded dragon is the right choice!

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Northern Lights! By: Sinaan Hasan

The Northern Lights happen by the sun and the Earth's magnetosphere and it extends thousands of kilometers it sounds like a lot but it's actually not. They mostly happen in the Arctic Circle. The Northern Lights are also called the Aurora Borealis. The Northern Lights can be seen almost anywhere, even has far south as the equator. The south pole has its own version of the Northern Lights called the Aurora Australis. The Earth isn't the only planet with aurora. Jupiter and Saturn have similar phenomenons as the Earth. I have always wanted to see the Northern Lights since I was 5 years old.

Restaurant Review- La Limeña Grill

By: Freddy Orringer

I ate at a Peruvian restaurant called La Limeña Grill. La Limeña in Spanish means Lima Peruvian Lady. The food I had at La Limeña was delicious! I ate Chaufa and Yuca. Chaufa is peruvian rice and peruvian chicken. Yuca are Peruvian fries. My Dad had Tacu-Tacu La Limeña. It's steak topped with fried egg, fried plantains, and quenelle cake. In spanish, Quenelle is a ball of either meat or fish. My dad had the meat Quenelle. He also had canary beans. My Mom had Paella, which is a food from Spain and Peru. It's rice, seafood, and Peruvian spices. You should go to La Limeña because they make their Peruvian food fresh. La Limeña is located at 1093 Rockville Pike, in Rockville. If you want to make a reservation call 301-417-4922. It's a very quiet place so you can hear the person who takes your order and the people you go there with to enjoy the meal. At La Limeña they have delicious Peruvian food. I give it 5 stars. It's the best restaurant in Maryland, in my opinion.

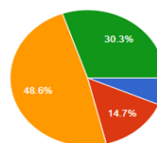


Summer Vacation Survey

By: Meraal Hasan

In this survey, people were asked how they plan to spend their summer break. The survey was sent to every student in grades 1-5, and the teachers in Kindergarten. Each person was asked to answer the questions, and the results are in the pie chart below. Have a **great** summer vacation full of fun and excitement!

I will spend my summer break by...
218 responses



● Staying at home the entire time
 ● I will go to another state/country for the entire time
 ● I will go to another state/country and stay at home
 ● I will stay home and go to summer camp

Julia's Recipe Section

By Julia Azevedo

Rice Krispie Treats - ★★★★★

Ingredients -

6 tbsp unsalted butter
16 ounces mini marshmallows, divided
1 tsp pure vanilla extract
6 cups Rice Krispies Cereal

Instructions -

Line a 9-inch square baking dish with parchment paper. Set aside. In a large saucepan, melt butter over medium heat. Once melted, add in all but 1 cup of the marshmallows. Reduce heat to low and continue stirring until completely melted. Remove from heat and stir in the vanilla. Add the cereal and the remaining 1 cup of marshmallows. Pour into the prepared baking dish. Press GENTLY with your fingertips just until completely spread out (the harder you pack them in, the harder they are to eat). Allow to set, about 1 hour. Cut and enjoy!

New York City- Broadway

By: Lucy Hubeny

I went to New York City with my family for Spring Break. The most exciting thing I saw was King Kong on Broadway. It's about a girl named Ann who has a big dream to become an amazing actor. A guy named Carl tells her that she could be a star. He takes her to an island named Skull Island. They meet a huge gorilla named King Kong. King Kong falls in love with Ann. But Ann finds out Carl is using her as a replacement for someone. Carl captures King Kong to use as a way to get money. Ann helps King Kong to escape.

The show was great but just the feeling of being at a Broadway show was amazing. It was very pretty and was very big. I really recommend going to a Broadway show if you ever go to New York City.



Walter Reed Experience

By Qwyen Le

#TakeYourChildToWorkDay



Some of us were lucky enough to take off school to go to Take Your Child To Work Day. If you were super lucky like me, you would have gone to Walter Reed for this. A lot of people fill in the parking areas around 6am there. Kids sign in for Take Your Child To Work Day Program. Some people are even working. Everybody receives a folder about what they are doing, and get a bag, with water, a pencil, a notepad, and a flashlight. The program starts around 7am, and many kids and assisting parents go in their assigned groups. The groups go to fun places around Walter Reed. It is very big and you could easily get lost. But your parent may know the way around. The program ends around 11am, and then you start to go downstairs to the basement for some lovely lunch. There are many people at the cafeteria, and you start to eat what you chose. There are so many food options you can choose from. After, you go up to your parent's workplace, just in time to see service dogs! They are so cute, and furry that you take a picture with them. There are many, and one you know is Sully, who was George H.W. Bush's dog. You also meet your parent's co-workers, and you may even get crackers, juice, and other types of food they have in the pantry room. You finally go home around 2pm and rest at your house, happy to see your parent's workplace, because you have never seen it before. This is what happened to me and it was a great experience. If you become a surgeon, a nurse, or a doctor, you could work in one of the greatest places, Walter Reed, where my mother works as a nurse.

Can You Guess It?

By: Gabrielle Orringer

Answer #1: Ruby Bridges
Answer #2: Fennec fox

Topic #1: Most of us have lots of friends of different skin colors. But back when this heroine was a child, people of different colors stayed separate. This person made that end, even when they was young!

Fact 1) This person was born in Tylertown, Mississippi.

Fact 2) Eventually, after Brown v. Board of Education, this person went to William Frantz Elementary School.

Fact 3) They wrote a book called Through My Eyes. Ready to guess? 1, 2, 3, guess and reveal Answer #1.

Topic #2: There are lots of foxes. But some are special and maybe even nice.

Fact 1) They are the smallest fox.

Fact 2) Their fur is used for reflecting heat.

Fact 3) These foxes sleep in the day time!

Ready to guess? 1, 2, 3, guess and reveal Answer #2

Information from www.kiddle.co and

<https://geniushourslesfactsaboutfennecfoxes.weebly.com/>.

Ask Positive Guidance Girl!

Dear Positive Guidance Girl, if your friend is being mean, and will not let you play a game, what should you do?

-A Sad Child

Dear A Sad Child,

It's not very nice to exclude you. How would that make them feel? Very bad. I think you should ask this friend why he's being mean. If telling him how you feel doesn't help, ignore this friend. If you have other friends, you could join them, or even link to other friendly people.

Smiles,
Positive Guidance Girl

Dear Positive Guidance Girl,

My friends like to sit with other friends that I don't click with very well. One of the girls that isn't very nice is always texting me, saying that she wants to talk about stuff. But when I ask her if she is free, she starts yelling at me at school. My parents say you should avoid these people. I do. And when the girl continues to be mean, my friends don't stand up for me. What should I do? Can you help me?

Yours,
Bullied Texter

Dear Bullied Texter,

Do your friends always back you up? Are they nice to you, care for you, understand you? If not, then you should probably move on from the mean people and those friends. Your parents are right. And why is this girl yelling at you? That isn't nice. If this keeps bothering you, you should tell a trusted adult. If you have other friends you can count on, you can hang out with them more.

Yours, The Positive Guidance Girl

Dear Positive Guidance Girl,

There's this girl in my math class that keeps tickling, hugging, poking me, stuff like that, but I tell her to stop, but she won't stop touching me! What can I do?

-Troubled

Dear Troubled,

Ask her why she is touching you! It's never okay to let anybody touch you without permission! You can probably learn why she is touching you. But otherwise, you should tell a trusted adult. You can ask the teacher to move spots in your math class if she is nearby you. This is a time to involve an adult to solve this problem!

Yours, The Positive GG.

The Wildcat Times- Student Members



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Riddles

By: Kyle Yin

Two people want to cross a river. The boat can only hold one person. They both got across the river. How? (They were on opposite sides of the river.)

Joe wants to escape prison. There are three tunnels that lead to a lake. The first one leads to a dangerous animal. The second is blocked with rubble. The third one leads to a place in the lake with a raging current. How does Joe escape? (Tunnel three. Lakes don't have currents.)

It was a cold, rainy, Sunday night. Mia's diamond necklace got stolen. She called the police, they questioned three suspects. Her roommate, Luke, said: "I was reading in the living room." The mailman said: "I was delivering mail... duh." Her friend, Aiden, said: "I was swimming, I love chilling outside." WHO DID IT? Clue: there were two people involved.

(The mailman and Aiden, there is no mail on a Sunday, and it was cold and rainy. How does Aiden swim in the cold rain?)

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