December 3, 2021

Knights' News

REMINDER: Please refrain from bringing peanuts or items with peanuts into the school. This would include classroom snacks and items for activities and/or fundraisers for in the building.

We are a Latex free building as well. No latex balloons are allowed in the building!



Dec. 7th – ECFE music and movement 6:30

Dec 10th – Science Fair 1:00 pm

Dec 20th – start of Winter break

Announcements

The Conley benefit is December 6th starting at 6:00 pm

Study with Buddy! Buddy the Elf has shown up at Fisher School and has messages of Christmas cheer to share each day! Find Buddy and his daily message and enter your name into the Study with Buddy container located in the front office. Winners will be drawn and announced on Friday, December 17.

Articles

Should Movie Theaters Have Captions?

Laura Sorenson Grade 12.

We have all gone to a movie theater to go see an entertaining film on the big screen with its big sound. Most often the movie theaters have the volume turned up pretty loud to make sure most people can hear. But with all of that big sound, is everyone still able to understand and fully enjoy the movie? Were you ever watching a movie at the theater, and didn't understand what the character was saying? For many people, movie theaters are less accessible in regards to hearing and understanding.

Closed captioning in movie theaters has become an important discussion in recent years. Closed captioning itself is the text display of the dialog and audio elements in a film. With closed captioning, it can help make movies more accessible to people who are hard of hearing, deaf, or even non-native speakers of that particular language. Recent movies such as the Eternals and the Quiet Place franchise have given representation to the deaf community, and are normalizing the use of subtitles and closed captioning in those films. In the Quiet Place franchise, a large portion of the film's dialogue is spoken in sign language because of a deaf main character, therefore the audience is reading subtitles for a large portion of the film. The same goes for The Eternals.

I, who is not hard of hearing or a non-native speaker, have found myself in moments where the characters in a movie talk too quietly, or way too fast, and I end up not understanding anything they said. Now some may argue that the subtitles are distracting or are in the way while watching the movie. However, I have

grown to enjoy watching movies with captions because I have found out how many aspects of a story one can miss without using closed captions. I think that closed captions help people pick up on that extra dialogue they missed, therefore further enriching one's movie experience.

What School Could be Like in the Future?

By: Chynna Speldrich 12th grade

What would school be like in 2057?. We asked a lot of schools around the world about what they thought school would be like in 2057 and many kids had so many ideas and thoughts. A lot of kids say they would have flying cars and school buses and they thought the school would be just high tec and there would be fly desk and tables and we would use rocket backpacks to get to all the classrooms and that there would be no one late for classes. And there would be no teacher, all the teachers would just be robots that would teach you all day long which would be nice because you can get away with more things and school would just be easier for everyone and no one would fail any classes. After collecting all the responses and reading so many stories we had to pick which one was the best and that was very hard to choose. We read a lot of really great stories. We are going to tell which story we chose. It all began in a big city with a kid named John. He was a very normal person. His life was kind of boring and only had a couple of friends that he would hang out with all the time. But one day his teacher made an assignment that all the students had to write a story about what school would be like in 2057. And John couldn't wait to write this story. He had so many ideas so he just started writing everything that came to mind and he thought that school would be like the same thing it's now because when he was younger he thought that school would be so different but it didn't turn out to be that way. He thought school would be that same old thing it is now but maybe without a mask and having to be 6 feet apart. And when I finished reading his story, I thought this was the best because it was more relatable and more understanding. Yes, we chose the story that was more real than the other stories with flying cars or everyone owning a tesla. We choose the story that was more down to earth and we still think we made a great decision.

Mushroom Music

By Michaela Richards Grade 12

Modern technology has given us a way to give inanimate objects a voice (or sound). It just so happens that mushrooms can play music that sounds like synthesizers. If you're curious to know what noises mushrooms can make, you can listen to it online, where people stream live shows. But how does it work? *Biodata sonification* is a method that uses different forms of technology to turn the biorhythms of organisms into sounds, which allows scientists (or curious tik tokers) to create the synthesized sounds of mushrooms. Small currents that pass through the mushrooms pick up the electrical resistance. Variations of the resistance are converted into signals that create the synthesizer's pitch, rhythm, and other sound effects. The music itself is best described as "psychedelic" or "zen". It's completely sounded by nature, so there's no rhythm, melody, or harmony. *Biodata sonification* can be used on other plants and organisms. Leaves and flowers also have some pretty unique sounds. This shows how complex plant life can be. They are living organisms after all.

Black Friday

By: Michael Egeland 10th grade

Black Friday is Friday the 26th of November. Most stores have many deals for black Friday. Many stores have ramped up prices this year because of supply chain issues. This year there won't be early black Friday, which is black Friday starting on Thanksgiving. They don't have to go to Covid 19. For example, Walmart restocked the Xbox series S and series X for black Friday. Target will be closed for Thanksgiving moving forward and will have a temporary coronavirus policy and is also being closed as a thank you for the

employees. Many stores will be closed this Thanksgiving versus the past where Black Friday shopping deals started early on Thanksgiving night, some as early as 6 pm. Nearly all big-box retailers in the U.S. closed for inperson shopping on Thanksgiving last year amid surging cases of coronavirus nationwide. While many remained open for Black Friday sales, customer turnout was lower than anticipated. Stores tried to spread out shoppers and prevent crowds by introducing services like curbside pickup, offering Black Friday deals for longer and expanding online shopping.

How to make a snowman?

Morgan Bregier 10th grade

Do you want to build a snowman? When winter comes so does snow, it is time to get outside and build a snowman. It is simple to do, check your snow if it is too fluffy you will not be able to make a snowman. You need packable snow. First just start by rolling three snowballs, one large, one medium, and one small. Then stack them up from biggest to smallest. Make sure the smallest is on top of its head. Then let your creative side run crazy. Decorate the snowman with a face. You can use a carrot as a nose and buttons or rocks for eyes, find 2 sticks for arms, and a clothing like a hat and a scarf.

Thanksgiving!

Kaydee Volker 9th grade

Thanksgiving is a national holiday that is celebrated in the US and some other countries have a celebration as well. In the US Thanksgiving takes place every year on the fourth Thursday in November. Canada, for example, celebrates in October. Thanksgiving is also known for giving thanks to people and to be grateful for everything. The very first Thanksgiving was celebrated in 1621, the Plymouth colonists and Wampanoag shared an autumn harvest feast in Plymouth, Massachusetts. On October 3rd, 1863, Abraham Lincoln proclaimed Thanksgiving as a national holiday. On Thanksgiving millions of families and friends get together to have a huge feast of foods, Americans eat about 704 million pounds of turkey each year. At the very first Thanksgiving there was no such thing as eating a big turkey, so the Wampanoag brought deer and there were also lots of seafood and fruits

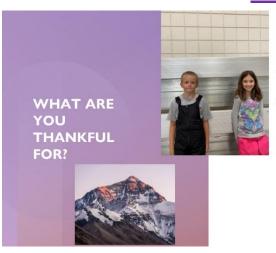
Sports Update

Basketball By: Lindsey Anderson 10th

On Tuesday November 30th, the girls played against Red Lake County Central and lost 63-28. They have their next game on December 6th. Good luck to the girls on their next game!

We wish the boys good luck on their first game on December 14th.

Kids Thoughts Week 12 & 13



- Mikey My Family, and a lot of things.
- Piper My Whole Life.

Where do you want to live when you grow up? What makes you happy?

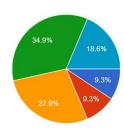




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- Sawyer Idk, Nothing 🕾

Weekly Poll Week 12 & 13

What is your favorite food for Thanksgiving? 43 responses





What is your favorite Christmas carol 50 responses

