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Sockey Game

By: Kerry Ervin

Saint Francis de Sales had a sockey game on November 13. Sockey is a game where the boys and girls in 7th and 8th grade play both soccer and field hockey.

First, they played field hockey. Both the boys

and the girls played in kilts, so it was pretty funny! Then, they played soccer. The girls just wore soccer shorts for that game.

The teams tied for field hockey, which was kind of surprising for the boys. The boys won

Soccer, 3-0. It was really cold outside, so it made me cold just looking at them!

A couple of the girls from 7th grade made cheerleader pom-poms, and Rence Davis in 5th grade made a flag—one side for boys, one side for girls. It was fun, and we all had a great time.

Fashion Show

By: Grace Conick

On November 14, Helene Conick (my mother) had her fashion show at the Black Diamond Lounge, which is next to Adams Ribs in Fruitland. It was very exciting!

There were vendors, drinks, food, and some people even modeled, such as Katie Thompson, Dr. Sara Haverty, Jess Emhoff, Kristen Kirby, and

Sandy Hedger. At the end, Helene gave a wonderful speech. I was so happy for my mom. It was a lot of fun!



Thanksgiving Feast

By: Faith Lafferty

Pre-K and Kindergarten had a Thanksgiving Feast on November 25, 2013. Pre-K students were the Native Americans and Kindergarten students were the Pilgrims.



The feast was held in the cafeteria during 4th period. The Pre-K and Kindergarten students were singing songs about the Native Americans, the Pilgrims, and about turkey! Gobble! Gobble! Gobble!

Favorite Christmas Desserts

By: Wyatt Palenchar & Rence Davis

This time of year, we thought it would be interesting to find out our students' favorite Christmas desserts!

The first graders prefer dried blueberries and ice cream cake.



The second grade likes ice cream and pumpkin pie.



The favorites in third grade were cake and ice cream with cherries on top.



In fourth grade, the favorites were sugar cookies and candy canes.



Fifth graders liked ginger snaps and cake.



The sixth graders' favorites are cookies, especially sugar and peanut butter.



In seventh grade, students liked pecan pie and ice cream.



In eighth grade they liked yule log cake and pumpkin pie.



These all sound delicious! An awful lot of people like cake for a Christmas dessert! We hope you get to eat YOUR favorite dessert this holiday season.

Merry
Christmas

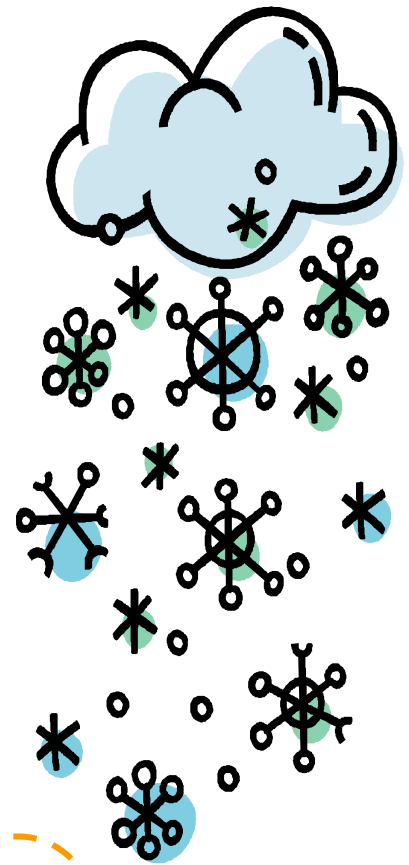


Jingle Bell Ball

By: Auggie Kennedy & Wyatt Palenchar

On December 3 at 1:15, the seventh graders walked to John B. Parsons nursing home. They brought decorations and baked goods to decorate the hallways and set up a food table. They wanted to bring Christmas joy to the residents.

For the rest of the day they talked and played board games. They played Christmas music and shared the refreshments. Some seventh grade parents provided food and chaperoned. The residents had such a good time they can't wait for next year.



Band & Choir Christmas Concert

By: Kerry Ervin

The Christmas Concert for the band and choir was on Friday, December 6th. The Choir performed holiday songs such as 'Lullaby on a Silent Night,' which is a lullaby mixed with the song 'Silent Night.' They also sung 'Christmas is Coming and we Are Getting Fat,' which is a Christmas song

about all of the food we eat during the holiday seasons. There was also 'Scrooge, Scrooge, Scrooge,' which is a song that tells the story of Scrooge. Many more songs will be performed, but I can't possibly name them all! Our choir and band put on a great winter concert!

Basketball

By: Tyler Passarell

The boys' basketball teams' practices have been very good so far. Their first basketball game is the 16th of December against Holly Grove for the 7th and 8th grades. Their coaches are Mr. Matt Maciarelo and Mr. Jim DiPirro.

The first game for 5th and 6th grade is against Most Blessed Sacrament on the

9th of January. Their coaches are Mr. Larry Corrigan, Mr. Tug Binstead and Mrs. Bowes. Both teams have high expectations for this year.

The girls' teams' practices are going well for them also. The first basketball game for the 7th and 8th grades is the 16th of December against Holly Grove. The coaches are Ms. Stephanie Overton-O'Hara and Mrs. Julie Gardner.

The first 5th and 6th grade girls' game is the 9th of January against Most Blessed Sacrament. Their coaches are Mr. Jim Conick and Ms. Elle Phillips. The season extends all the way to February 25, so good luck for the season, basketball players!



Game Night

By: Rence Davis

On December 7, 2013, the National Junior Honor Society had a game night for the third, fourth, and fifth graders. Not a lot of younger students came, so all the students played together. It was super fun!! There were lots of games such as twister, chess, checkers, backgam-

You could even make your own cookies with chocolate or vanilla frosting. There was also rainbow sprinkles. They had cheese puffs and all kinds of chips. Those who came had lots of fun; maybe you could come next time.





The Emperor staff would like to give a special thank you to Mrs. Wallace for all of her help and words of encouragement at our meetings this semester. Our newspaper would not have been able to progress this much without your guidance when times got crazy and our deadlines came closer. We are sad to see you leave and we will miss you very much!

Tapestry Table

By: Paige Jansen

Each month a different color is picked for the old prayer table outside the office, at the top of the main staircase. Eighth grade did blue for September, seventh grade did orange for October and sixth grade did yellow for November. Here is the list for the rest of the school year:

GRADE	COLOR	MONTH
5th	red	December
4th	white	January
3rd	brown	February
2nd	purple	March
1st	green	April
Pre-Kindergarten	pink	May
Kindergarten	rainbow	June

The Big “?”

By: Claire Bowler

I asked students from grades 5-7 **The Big Question:**

If you could turn into any animal, which animal would it be?



“A hippopotamus, because they are fat and eat people.”

- Camper Marsh, 5th



“A bear, because they’re so cool!”

- Wyatt Palenchar, 6th



“A zebra because they have a cool design.”

- Emily Alessandrini, 7th

Bracelet Tutorial

By: Grace Conick



Today I will be showing you how to make the fishtail bracelet for the loom. Follow these instructions and you will have a beautiful bracelet. You will need two pegs on the loom or use two fingers.

1. Grab any color rubber bands that you are using.
2. Take the first rubber band and twist it into the shape of an eight. Put that on the two pegs or fingers.
3. Take two more rubber bands and place them on your fingers without twisting them. Now you have three on your fingers at a time.
4. Grab the bottom rubber band and pull it up and over the peg closest to you so it is in between the two pegs or fingers.
5. Then do the same thing with the other side.
6. Add another rubber band on to your finger.
7. Repeat steps 4,5,and,6 until its big enough.
8. Then add a C clip or an S clip. Then pull it off and you are finished.

Dear Francis

Dear Francis,

I've been here for about 7 years now, but 4 girls in my class are being really annoying and mean to me. Whenever I try to stand up for myself, they act like they never did anything. Please help me!

From, Agitated Cat

Dear Agitated Cat,

Next time it happens you should tell them politely to stop. If they keep on doing it, tell an adult or teacher. Being mean is NEVER acceptable.

- Francis

The Spirit of Christmas

The crowds asked John, "What should we do?" John told them, "If you have two coats, give one to someone who doesn't have any. If you have food, share it with someone else." Luke 3:10-11 (CEV)

Words are taken from Luke 3:7-11 (NLT).



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The Elemental Adventures of Maddie Mercury part 3

By: Jayden Overton-O'Hara

"They call themselves 'The Mod.' They are evil people with plans to control the world," Mira explained.

"That's so awful," said Zulfy.

"It is awful. And what's worse is they need kids who have powers to control the elements." Now it all made sense to Maddie. The Mod needed more power to control the world.

"We are here." In front of them stood a massive building with a long driveway. The building looked like it had been there a while; there was ivy growing on the sides. As they drove up, a man with grey hair walked out of the building. He introduced himself as Principal Marco. He showed them to their rooms, and then told Mira to give them a tour and take them to their first class.

"The students here are separated into groups depending on their power. For example, Callem here will be in a class with other kids who can control metal-type elements. So Callem and Zulfy you come with me; and Maddie, this is your classroom."

When Maddie walked in, everyone there stopped what they were doing and looked up. The teacher stopped teaching and said, "You must be our new student. I'm Miss Dodds." Maddie gave a slight wave.

"Well Maddie, why don't you have a seat?" said Miss Dodds. Maddie walked to a desk near the back of the room. As it turns out, the class was in the middle of demonstrating their powers. It was amazing what they could do. Maddie saw one boy who was playing with a rainbow-colored rock with sharp edges.

"That's Brandon. He controls the element Bismuth." A girl with long blond hair and blue eyes smiled at Maddie. "By the way, my name is Hailey Hydrogen. But you can call me Hailey."

Is hydrogen really her last name? Maddie thought.

"You're probably wondering if my last name really is Hydrogen, and it's not. It's a nickname! Like, we call Brandon 'Brandon Bismuth' for his element."

That's really cool! Maddie thought. "Then I guess my name is Maddie, Maddie Mercury!"

That day after school, Principal Marco explained that their lives have changed forever. They would never be the same.

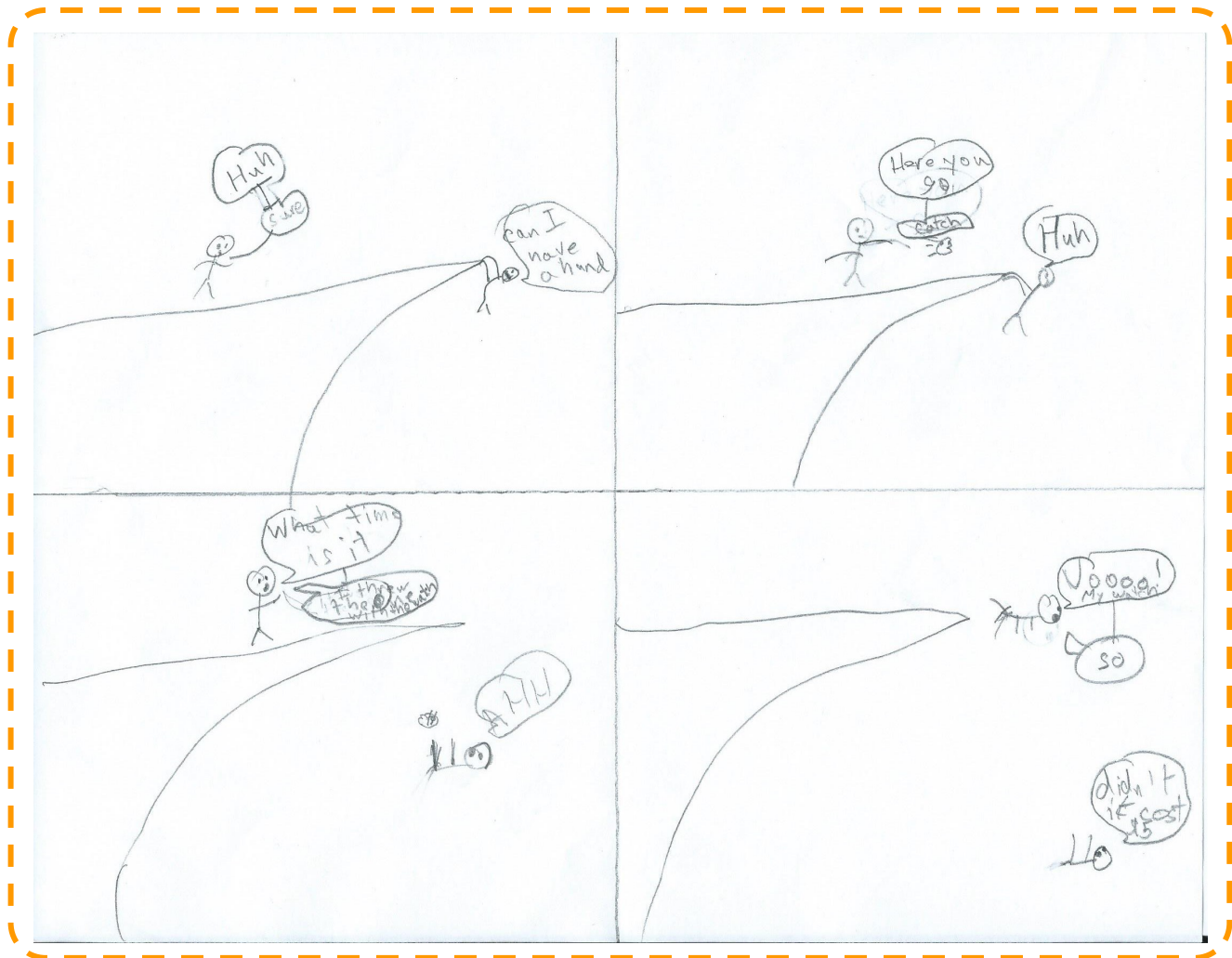
"Here at our school there are groups of students called squads. Squads are groups of students who work well together and who are very good at controlling their elements. The squads are assigned missions around the world to deal with The Mod, and to bring in new recruits."

Looking back at when Maddie and her friends were rescued, she remembered seeing four shadows about her height in the distance. They must have been one of the squads. So from now on, Madelyn Margaret Quincy wouldn't be Madelyn Margaret Quincy anymore—she would be Maddie Mercury.

Next time on Maddie Mercury: Can Maddie and her friends rescue Hailey Hydrogen's squad, who has been captured by the evil Mod? Read Maddie's all new adventure Maddie Mercury: Into the Darkness.



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