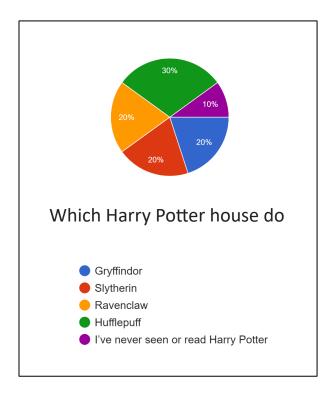
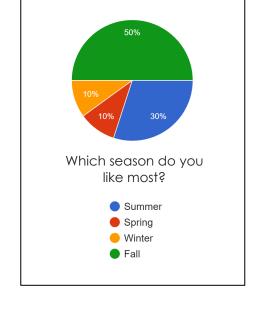


Democracy in young hands

# Poll Results

By: Harper Freeman



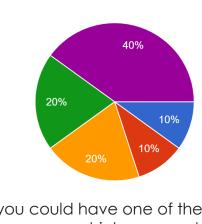


### **Thank You**

Thanks to the 56 people who answered the polls. It would be great if more answered. The polls change every month. And you can request what to include in the newspaper as well.







If you could have one of these superpowers, which one would you

- Be invisible whenever you want
- Superhuman Strength
- Talk to animals
- Read minds
- Be able to fly

### **NEWSPAPER DIRECTORY**



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#### Pop Art: It's way to the top!

Pop art is an art movement that emerged in the 1950s and flourished in the 1960s in America and Britain. Different cultures and countries contributed to the movement during the 1960s and 70s. Pop art reached its peak in the 60's. Pop art began as a rebellious way of art against the traditional art. Rising artists didn't

see the traditional and popular art relatable so thev turned to different things like Hollywood movies. advertising. product packaging, pop music and comic



books for their imagery. It seems like that is how it began and became popular.

Pop art became the most popular specifically in two countries, America and Britain. Although they were inspired by similar subject matter, British pop is often seen as distinctive from American pop. Britain's pop art was inspired by American's popular cultures while American artists were inspired by what they saw and experienced. In America, pop art came as a return of recognizable art and abstract art with looseness and edgy touch. American artists used this art as a way to move away from personal feelings and to only create what they saw. In Britain, the movement was

more straightforward in its approach. It focused more on what American popular imagery represented. The 1950s art group The Independent Group (IG), is regarded as the first group to bring forward the British Pop art movement.

As the pop art made its way to the top, more and more companies wanted to represent themselves by using it. Soon, many of the ad-

vertisements, packaging and labels became a form of pop art. As pop art was very popular back then people became very interested in those products. Because of those bright and attractive colors.





more companies changed their packaging into unique forms of art. Because of so much popularity, artists started painting the cans and wrappers themselves.

Ever since pop art emerged, it has been going hand in hand with the fashion industry. Richard Hamilton, one of the pop art pioneers used to describe pop art as "popular, transient, expandable, low cost, mass-produced, young, witty, sexy, gimmicky, glamorous, big business". All these qualities pop art shared with its culture and the fashion industry as one of its





main features. Designers began to wrap their ideas around this popular form of art and soon it became a unique trend.







### **Minecraft 1.17 Update**

Minecraft 1.17 or otherwise known as the Caves & Cliffs update is the next update coming to Minecraft this year. They announced it on October 3rd, or Minecon Live. The most wanted part of the update is the caves which were lacking in previous updates. They announced large caverns, dripstone caves, a lush cave and a "deep" cave for new cave biomes. They also accidentally leaked a mesh cave which is a small 2x1 cave type. The new mobs so far are the Warden, axolotl, goats and most importantly the glow squid. They also are adding ores and stones which are copper and amethyst geodes and tuff, calcite, shulk growth, dripstone blocks and some other unnamed stones. Then we have the shulk sensor.

The shulk sensor is a new redstone device used to turn vibrations into a redstone output. A comparator is used to determine the type of sound and just a redstone dust is used to see how far away it was. The second part of the update is the cliffs, which won the biome vote in 2019, which they hope to improve the mountain generation and add goats and maybe world height change. Also they are adding some other random blocks and items like lightning rod, glow ink, candles, tinted glass, powder snow, bundle, spyglass, and now lava cauldrons. Also they said at Minecon they are adding an archeology update, but we don't know too much about that yet.









By: Caitlin M.

### From Olympic Gold Medalist to Arrested Insurrectionist

During the unsuccessful riot at the Capitol building in Washington DC on January 6th, supporters of Donald Trump attempted to stop the electoral vote count. Among them was USA swimming champion Klete Keller.

Although Keller had been an avid Trump Supporter over the years, no one would have thought that they would find the 5 time olympic medalist among those who participated in an insurrection against the country he swam for.

After Keller's arrest, Mark Shubert, a former swim coach at the University of Southern California, received a call from none other than Keller himself. Keller's former coach relayed that Keller keep repeating the phrases, "You've done so much for me, and I let you down." and "I didn't mean for any of this to happen."

To gather more insight on the reaction of the swimming community, I interviewed a USA Swimming coach, Jay Friend, Head Swim Coach of the Missoula Aquatics Club. Mr. Friend shared that, "Most people thought it was unbelievable."

When asked about the impact on swimmers, Mr. Friend replied, "Since Klete Keller's career



ended in 2008, many younger people didn't know him." Going on to say, "The older people and people who swam with him are confused of as to why he would do it."

Personally, Mr. Friend found it upsetting that, "Someone in a Team USA jacket would do a very anti-USA thing."

USA Swimming released a statement denouncing Keller's deed, stating, "While we respect private individuals' and groups' rights to peacefully protest, we strongly condemned the unlawful actions taken by those at the Capitol last week. It is very simple and very clear. Mr. Keller's actions in no way represent the values or mission of USA Swimming."

At the close of our interview, Mr. Friend revealed some interesting takes on why people believed Keller attended the riot in the first place. It is widely reported that Keller was going through some rough patches after his swimming career ended, which, as Mr. Friend stated, "Causes people to feel unimportant." Concluding, "Being part of the riot might have given him a sense of belonging."



Keller can been seen in footage from the insurrection wearing a USA Olympics jacket.







## Did you know that...

Henri Richard holds the record for playing on the most Stanley Cup champions, winning 11 times in his career? During Richard's 20 years with the Montreal Canadiens from 1955- 56 to 1974-75, "The Pocket Rocket" never played more than four consecutive seasons without earning a new Stanley Cup ring.



If you were to be paid \$500 in pennies, you would actually have enough metal to be melted down and sold for over \$1,000.

# Did You Know?

The sentence, "The quick brown fox jumps over the lazy dog" uses every letter in the English language.

# did you know?

One of the best ways to remember something is to tell someone else about it. Studies show when you immediately relay what you've learned, you're more likely to remember the details for longer than if you just re-read your notes or textbook. When your brain categorizes memories, it keeps the most important ones more accessible, because it assumes the information you've told someone else must be pretty important.





By: Diya Z.

Music can make you feel better. Every song has different lyrics. But there were moments when it was genuinely beautiful, a series of graceful rippling movements. By the time it got round to Shad-rach, Meschach and Abednego being cast into the fiery furnace, at least one person watching

at home on Tidal would have willingly chucked himself in with them, considering immolation a merciful release from West's reading and Wes's bellowing. Instead, it ended with West commanding the audience to stand and put their hands in the air to praise God. As an opera, Nebuchadnezzar wasn't much use. As an act of authentically mind-blowing pop-star folly, it exceeded all expectations.







"I think music in itself is healing," American musician Billy Joel once said. "It's an explosive expression of humanity. It's something we are all touched by. No matter what culture we're from, everyone loves music." Most of us would wholeheartedly agree with this statement, and it is this universal bond with music that has led researchers across the globe to investigate its therapeutic potential. Joel also said. "It's an explosive expression of humanity. It's something we are all touched by. No matter what culture we're from, everyone loves music." Most of us would wholeheartedly agree with this statement, and it is this universal bond with music that has led researchers across the globe to investigate its therapeutic potential.

In our music we use a lot of instruments. **Music** has the power to trigger a range of emotions, but increasingly, researchers, "Music affects deep emotional centers in the brain, " says Valorie Salimpoor, a neuroscientist at McGill University who studies the brain on music. "A single sound tone is not really pleasurable in itself; but if these sounds are organized over time in some sort of arrangement, it's amazingly powerful."



Music impacts us in ways that other sounds don't, and for years now, scientists have been wondering why. Now they are finally beginning to find some answers. Using fMRI technology, they're discovering why music can inspire such strong feelings and bind us so tightly to other people.

"If I asked you to tell me a memory from high school, you would be able to tell me a memory," says Salimpoor. "But, if you listened to a piece of music from high school, you would actually feel the emotions."





By: Harper Freeman

#### **ABOUT President Biden**



Born In Scranton PA
Date: November 20, 1942
(age 78 years),

**Education:** He graduated from the University of Delaware and Syracuse School. What he used to do: He served as vice president from 2009 to 2017. From 1973 to 2009, Biden served in the U.S. Senate and was on two key committees as both ranking member and chairman: the Senate Foreign Relations Committee and the Senate Judiciary Committee. He also served on the New Castle County Council after finishing law school. Since leaving the White House, Biden and his wife launched the Biden Can-

#### About Vice President Kamala Harris



Kamala Devi Harris is an American politician and attorney who is the 49th and current vice president of the United States. She is the United States' first female vice president, the highest-ranking female elected official in U.S. history, and the first African American and first Asian American vice president.

Parents: Donald Harris, Shyamala Gopalan Harris Trending

Born: October 20, 1964 (age 56 years), Oakland Medical Center, Oakland, CA

#### **Biden Reverses Trump's Legacy**

President Biden unleashed a full-scale assault on his predecessor's legacy on Wednesday, acting hours after taking the oath of office to sweep aside President Donald J. Trump's pandemic response, reverse his environmental agenda, tear down his anti-immigration policies, bolster the sluggish economic recovery and restore federal efforts aimed at promoting diversity. Moving with an urgency not seen from any other modern president, Mr. Biden signed 17 executive orders, memorandums and proclamations from the Oval Office on Wednesday afternoon. Among the steps the president took were orders to rejoin the Paris climate accord and end Mr. Trump's travel ban on predominantly Muslim and African countries.



# Microwave Interview: Mr. Thomas Holodick



By: Roberto Porta

What subject do you teach? 8th Grade English. How long have you been a teacher? How long at HMS? This is my firstyear teaching! This is my first year at HMS. What college did you graduate from? I graduated from Pennsylvania State University located in State College, Pennsylvania, on May 9th, 2020. I hold a Bachelors of Science degree in Secondary Education English / Communication. I also hold two additional minors which were both obtained from Penn State. My first minor is English. My second minor is English as a Second Language (ESL) K-12. I chose my major based on what I wanted to do with my life. I believe you should pursue what you love to do. I believe that if you get a "job" in what you love then you will never have to "work" a day in your life. Tell us a bit about your **childhood.** I was born and raised in the state of Pennsylvania and lived and completed studies in the state of Pennsylvania for the first 22 years of my life. I was born in Berwick Pennsylvania. I grew up and lived in Hazleton, Pennsylvania my whole life. I lived a great childhood. I was always active and playing outdoors growing up -- electronics (besides tv & movies) were basically nonexistent. Growing up, I played sports including baseball, basketball, and soccer. In the summers I enjoyed playing with neighborhood friends located on the "circle" I grew up on. We played many outdoor games, cooled down in a pool, and explored the forest that backed our houses. After graduating from Penn State, I made the decision to move to Virginia because of the promise and opportunities the state (DMV Area) has to offer, its proximity to Washington D.C., as well as the strong and excellent school systems Virginia has. I have lived in Herndon, Virginia since July 2020 and am SO EXCITED to explore this new area I call home! What made you want to be a teacher? I ALWAYS knew I wanted to be a teacher. Growing up, both my parents were teachers and helped influence my decision. My father, (now retired) was a teacher and reading specialist for 41.5 years and also taught 4th and 2nd grade. My mother (now retired) was a special education para-professional for approximately 10 years. Growing up, I remember my parents sharing their daily stories from school around the kitchen table during dinner. Their love of learning and school was extremely

come a teacher. Please tell us about your family. I have a small family. My dad is enjoying retirement from teaching. My mom is enjoying retirement from teaching. Both of my parents currently live in Hazleton, Pennsylvania. My parents plan to move once my sister graduates college and "settles down." My parents want to wait to move because they want to find a place to live that "is in close proximity to where my sister and I live within our adult lives." My sister is a sophomore college student at the University Of the Sciences in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. She is enrolled in their 6 year doctorial program and is studying to become a Physical Therapist was a specialized concentration in Sports Medicine. Do you have any hobbies? My biggest "hobby" is not sitting still. I enjoy cleaning, waxing, and meticulously detailing my vehicle (inside and out). I love to cook and bake and am always making new recipes to try. I love watching "The Office," and "Parks and Recreation." I LOVE all music and spend a lot of time listening to different genres, periods of music, and artists. I also enjoy actively reading each and every day! What is your life philosophy? How do you think we can build a better world, with more equity, more opportunities, more safety, more happiness? My life philosophy is to put forth effort to strive for what you want to achieve and treat others with kindness, respect, compassion, and empathy along the way. I feel we can build a better world through teamwork. We need to listen to each other and help others when they are in need. Doing the right thing should always be at the forefront of our minds and actions. What advice can you give our students? Make a weekly to do list and ask for help when you need help. Making a to do list will enable you to stay organized and on top of your tasks. Asking for help when you need it will enable you to become successful in areas where you are struggling. I feel one thing your generation could do better than mine is to openly and more often communicate with everyone. With the power of technology at your fingertips you can easily communicate information with others efficiently. Use this to your advantage. Also, don't be afraid to pick up the phone and call or facetime someone. Onscreen texts can be misinterpreted.

contagious and greatly influenced my decision to ultimately be-