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No Regrets???

By Leah F.

No regrets? YOLO? Not so much. When questioned if they have regrets from seventh grade, eighth graders had a lot to share. One of the most common regrets from 7th grade was not studying as hard as they could have. Going into middle school is a big step up from elementary school for many students, and studying suddenly becomes more important than ever. On the other hand, a few students said they regretted spending so much time studying and not enough time enjoying themselves and just having fun being young. As many seventh and eighth graders quickly realize, social interactions play a big role in middle school. The range of students' regrets even went from being antisocial to socializing too much. But one regret really stands out: losing elementary school friends. Listen up 7th graders! Don't lose all those people you were close with in elementary school just because they aren't in your classes. Nothing compares to losing a friendship that was born in kindergarten. Those type of friends are hard to come by! Although eighth graders had many regrets, it doesn't mean that last year wasn't a blast! Middle school can be a quick two years, so sit back, buckle your seatbelts, and savor every bit of the ride!

Wonder: A Summary and Review

By Cora K.

Wonder is a realistic fiction book written by R.J. Palacio. It is about a young boy named Auggie who is going into the 5th grade. But Auggie is not like any other kid. Auggie was born with mandibulofacial dysostosis, which means he was born with a deformed face. He has gotten so many surgeries, he has never been to school and his mom always homeschooled him. He was afraid that other kids would tease him or be scared of him. But his life changes when he gets put in Beecher Prep, a private school in New York City, the first school he's ever gone to. Auggie feels like a fish out of water at this school where kids judge him because of his face. He goes through teasings, fights, and times where he thinks he is nothing. Can everyone recognize that he's not so different after all? From science projects to camping trips to plays, this is definitely a book that I would recommend. If you like inspiring stories with some action and drama, this is the book for you. After you read the book, watch the movie! "Wonder" stars Julia Roberts as Auggie's mom and Jacob Tremblay as Auggie. "Wonder" comes out on November 17 in theatres. Happy reading!

Teens Banned from Trick-or-Treating?!

By Shreya G.

Teens over the age of 16 are no longer allowed to go trick-or-treating in New Brunswick, Canada. The city council proclaimed a new law on October 3rd stating that kids above the age of 16 are not allowed to trick-or-treat, and anyone trick-or-treating will have a curfew of 8:00 pm. Anyone over the age of 16 that is seen Trick-or-Treating will be fined \$200. Speaking of laws banning kids on Halloween, this law is actually a revision of a law that was never enforced. That unrevised law stated that anyone 14 and older wouldn't be allowed to Trick-or-Treat, and put the curfew at 7pm. Kim Chamberlain, deputy mayor of the town, voted against it, but was unfortunately out voted. This new law was made with the older citizens of the town in mind. About 49% of the citizens are 55 years or older. Some people agreed with law on behalf of younger kids. Many parents were against this law, saying that kids should just be kids, and that they'd rather have their kids doing this than something destructive.



The Homecoming Parade

By Maya D. and Calla I.

This year, our own HMS Step Team received first place in the performing arts group at the Herndon Homecoming Parade! A big congratulations to them! The theme this year was “Across the World” honoring countries that have been Olympic hosts. Mayor Lisa Merkel said, “The parade is my favorite day of the year because everyone in Herndon is either watching the parade or in it.” Mayor Merkel’s favorite part of the parade is the Department of Public Works, who follow at the end removing road barriers. This year she ran into the street and cheered them on. She said they were out on the streets at six, setting up for the day. The Herndon Homecoming Parade was a big success according to students at HMS! Most people we interviewed weren’t in the parade, we found people who watched from the sidelines. A few people argued about who had the biggest float from Herndon High School. One side said the Junior Class had the biggest float while another argued that the Senior Class did. Students also liked seeing their old elementary schools in the parade. There was even candy thrown out to the parade watchers. Overall, it sounded like a blast!

(Photographer: Becca B.)



Most Expensive Soccer Player: Neymar

By Kailash P.

Born on February 5, 1992, in Sao Paulo, Brazil, Neymar drew attention for his impressive soccer abilities at an early age. He started as a star for Santos FC as a teenager, winning four straight Player of the Year awards while becoming one of Brazil’s most popular public figures. After moving to Europe to join FC Barcelona for the start of the 2013-14 season, he helped the Spanish club win both domestic and international titles. Before Neymar there was Paul Pogba who was transferred from Juventus to Manchester United for 105 million euros.. And then there was the all-time record Kylian Mbappe transferred from AS Monaco to Paris Saint-Germain for a total of 180 million euros. That was the record until now. Neymar da Silva Santos Júnior was transferred from FC Barcelona to Paris Saint-Germain for 222 million euros. So he’s earning a total of \$260,710,140. That’s a lot of money!

EDITORIAL: What’s Up with Your Pants?

By Jenna A. and Mia B.

Saggy pants are definitely a statement, but maybe not the best kind. You are free to wear what you wish, but others might not always agree with your choices. I personally don’t understand why some people feel the need to show how they defied all laws of physics by wearing their pants at their thighs. It isn’t hard to put a belt on (preferably when your pants are up). Belts were made for a reason, to keep your pants up to or above your waist. No one really wants to see your underwear. You may think it’s cool but to a lot of other people it is just plain nasty. People need to be aware of what is appropriate to wear in public. To some people saggy pants are very offensive and we need to respect that.

iPhone 7? Uh, No Thank You!

By Samantha H. and Chloe T.

Hey you! Are you on an old iPhone 5? The iPhone 10 is the newest iPhone to come out. The biggest upgrade that everyone is talking about would be the face ID. Apple tells us that the face ID will still work even if you are wearing hats, glasses, and contacts. The new design doesn’t have a home button anymore, the phone is made of all glass, with new depth sensing camera features and wireless charging. Apple also released the iPhone 8 and 8 Plus with the iPhone X. The iPhone 8 has some changes made, but there is not a big difference. The new iPhone now has true tone, portrait lighting, an improved stereo speaker, and a lot more changes. Some of these features are only on the iPhone 8. Another big change is that it is made out of glass, so you can now do wireless charging. Some downfalls are that it weighs more and doesn’t have all the original colors yet. Now what everyone has been waiting for...the prices! The new iPhone X is about \$1,000. The iPhone 8 Plus is about \$800, and the iPhone 8 is \$699. If price is a big factor in your buying choice then it would be better to get the 7 which is only \$550 or the iPhone 7 Plus is now \$670.

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