

Back-to-School Word Search

KAITLYN KELLER

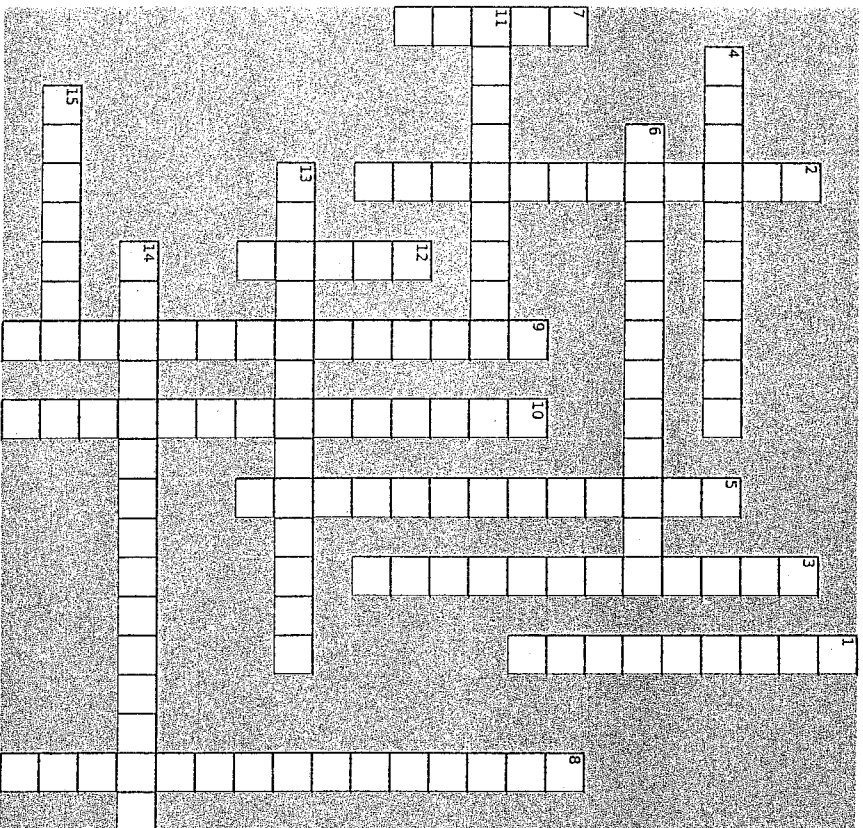
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- BACKPACK
- BINDER
- DESK
- ERASER
- FOLDER
- HIGHLIGHTER
- LOCKER

- PAPER
- PEN
- PENCIL
- STUDENT
- TEACHER
- TEXTBOOK
- TISSUES

Guess the Celebrities!! Emma Johnson

Teenage Celebrities



- Across**
- 4 Sings the song "E.T." New hit sensation from Australia
 - 11 Sings the song "How to Love"
 - 13 Plays Hanna on 'Pretty Little Liars'"
 - 14 Won season 10 of American Idol
 - 15 Sings the song " Put a ring on it"

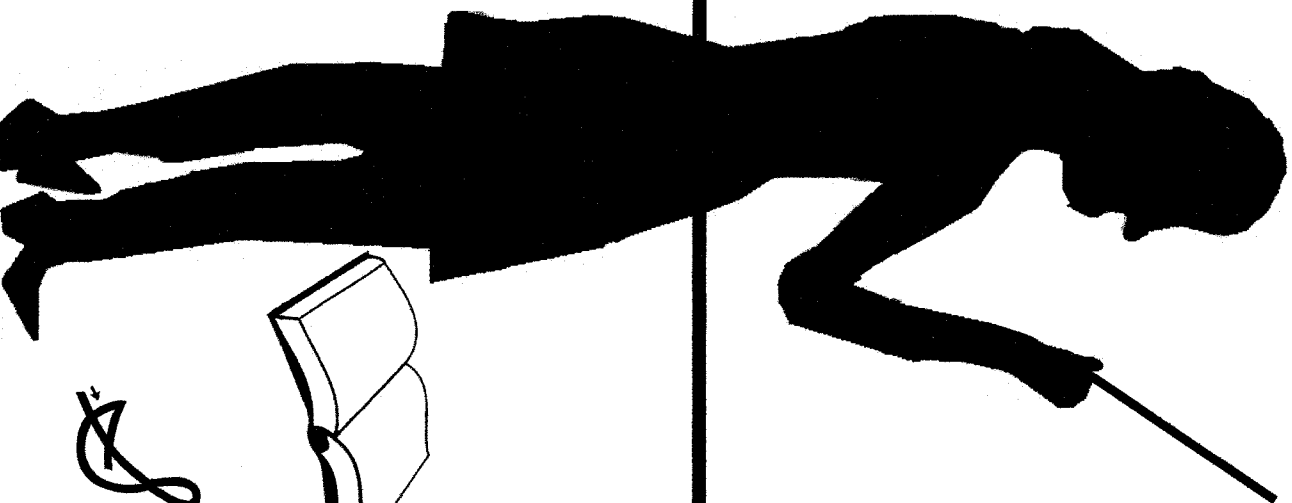
- Down**
- 1 Has CRAZY outfits and once came out of an egg
 - 2 Female singer who writes about her boyfriends
 - 3 plays a wizard on TV
 - 5 Male singer whose favorite color is purple
 - 7 Stared on Hannah Montana
 - 8 Plays Bethany Hamilton in "Soul Surfer"
 - 9 An American Idol judge and pop sensation
 - 10 A werewolf
 - 12 Has a \$ in her name

THE MANNIE LITTLE

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Mrs. Phelps

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| Julia Ash | Madison McInnis |
| Megan Arbuckle | Traci Pardue |
| Emily Elliott | Danielle Perkins |
| Marianna Fotakos | Meghana Rao |
| Landon Guerrero | Johari Reynolds |
| Bailey Harris | Cody Strong |
| Emma Johnson | Hannah Taylor |
| Kaitlyn Keller | Ashlee Waller |
| Alden McCollum | Josh Wooten |



Back

to

School



NEWSPAPER QUIZ: TEST YOURSELF

IRACI PARDEE

- Are you sure you read this newspaper? Test your knowledge here! Answer as many as you can!
- Who was the leader of the Autobots before Optimus Prime?
 - Bumble Bee
 - Cybertron
 - Megatron
 - Sentinel
 - How many points are taken off your grade if you are late to gym?
 - 5
 - 7
 - 3
 - 2
 - What did the new sixth graders do at Stallion Camp after they played the Olympic Games?
 - Pizza and coke
 - Watched the style show
 - Popsicles and water
 - Heard the warm fuzzy story.
 - What is the number one dress code rule students break here at CMM?
 - Holes in jeans
 - Shirts not tucked in
 - Hats
 - Sunglasses
 - What new electronic product is coming out in 2012?
 - Wii 2
 - Mobile Bank
 - World Laptop
 - All of the above
 - What is the top song now?
 - "Smile"
 - "Moves Like Jagger"
 - "Don't Stop Believin'"
 - "G6"
 - When did the last Harry Potter movie premiere?
 - July 15th
 - July 18th
 - June 30th
 - July 3rd
 - What's the fruit on the books on the "Color Me"?
 - banana
 - orange
 - apple
 - grapes
 - When does the Red River Revel begin?
 - September 27th
 - October 5th
 - September 30th
 - October 1st
 - What is one of the ways that can help you not be tardy for class?
 - don't hang around or waste time in the halls
 - don't talk to your friends
 - skip going to your locker
 - skip school

C O T O B E R

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 |
| | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 | Oct 1 |
| | Student Council/Peer Advocate Induction Practice CMM | 2:00 PM CMM Student Council/Peer Advocate Induction Practice CMM | 12:00 PM CMM Pegasus Society Board Meeting CMM | 9:00 AM CMM Lock Down Drills CMM 3:30 PM CMM Retake Day CMM | 7th Grade Colonial Days Festival 1:00-2:45 p.m. CMM | 9:00 AM CMM vs Jets (6th Football) N. |
| | 2:50 PM ACT 171 (drugs) and Bullying Inservise - Vuxxata | 3:00 PM CMM 7th Grade Cheerleader Practice CMM | 12:00 PM CMM Pegasus Society Board Meeting CMM | 3:30 PM CMM Gabi Jolley in Gym CMM | 11:42 AM CMM - Pizza with the Principal CMM | 9:00 AM CMM vs N. Desoto (6th Grade Football) N. |
| | 12:00 PM CMM PTA Board Meeting CMM PAC | CMM PROGRESS REPORTS (w/ P11 Info) (Make Up) | CMM Oktoberfest Festival 1:00-2:45 p.m. CMM | 3:30 PM CMM End of 1st Nine Weeks (45 Days) w/a DRESS CODE | 3:00 PM CMM Startline Practice in the Gym CMM | 9:00 AM CMM vs Youree (6th Grade Football) |
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NEW STALLIONS JOIN THE HERD

MADISON MCINNIS

Being the only middle school in Caddo Parish that doesn't have to wear uniforms is a great honor. CMM is a high excellence school, so we get the privilege to choose what we would like to wear to school. While some of us respect the dress code, others violate it. One of the rules that most girls and boys break is holes in jeans. This isn't allowed and we should all try and wear jeans that don't have holes. Another rule that is broken for girls would be skirts or dresses that are too short. Remember they cannot be more than four inches above the knee. Even if your skirts or dress is four inches, try to wear a little longer because you if not then you will be called to the office to change. Keeping your shirt tucked in is a must for boys. That is another rule that hasn't been followed. Always keep in mind the things that you can and cannot wear. If you have any questions about the dress code, please look in you agenda in pages 15-16. So if you want to be in style, stay in dress code!

Summer Heat

CODY STRONG

Slowly coming to an end is a very hot summer. As we look back we can now see the effects of this heat. The temperature was over one hundred degrees for many consecutive days with little precipitation. Caddo is breaking records as far as temperature and days over one hundred. Lake water levels are dropping, including Cross Lake which is where we get our drinking water. All across the South burn bans have been in effect for most parishes in North Louisiana. It's hot outside so be sure to stay cool and beat this summer heat.

MARIANNA FOTAKOS

Before school started, the hallways were filled with new sixth graders, Student Council, Peer Advocates, Builders Club and Newspaper Staff. Two days before Stallion Camp, all the members of Student Council, Peer Advocates, Builders Club and Newspaper Staff were at school setting up for Stallion Camp! They made survival kits, learned a song and dance, learned games, practiced for the fashion show, and set up for camp! When Stallion Camp started, everyone was outside. The sixth graders signed in, got their shirts, and found out which candy families they were in. Meanwhile, the JCs were mixing and mingling with the new middle schoolers. After everyone got their shirts and signed, they went into the PAC for a small assembly before

Bay "Cheese!"

ASHLEE WALLER

On September 8th, 6th, 7th, and 8th graders said, "Cheese!" for their yearbook picture during gym classes. 8th graders were instructed to dress fancy for their colored pictures, but other grades were to dress nicely but casually. Picture Day is an important occasion for most students, for these pictures will be seen long after their years at Caddo Middle Magnet. Because of this, everyone wants to look their best. Boys wore ties and a dress shirt and girls wore a variety of skirts, blouses, or dresses. One 8th grader commented on his outfit as looking "spiffy." Whatever you wore for Picture Day, make sure you had fun and enjoyed it.

Upcoming Movies

KAILTYN KELLER

Instead of sitting at home with a bowl of microwave popcorn and watching a movie you've seen a billion times, got to the movies! There are a bunch of new films coming out in the next four months. There are a variety of movies. There are adventure thrillers, fun kid movies, and movies the whole family will enjoy. So get out and see a good movie with movie theater popcorn.

- ~September- *Dolphin Tale* and *Abduction*
 - ~October- *Footloose* and *The Three Musketeers*
 - ~November- *Pass in Boots*, *Twilight Saga: Breaking Dawn Part 1*, *Happy Feet 2*, *The Muppets*, *Arthur Christmas*, and *Hugo*
 - ~December- *Alvin and the Chipmunks: Chipwrecked* and *War Horse*
- Source: Roten Tomatoes

E V E N I N G S

New Grading Scale

HANNAH TAYLOR

Making an A is now harder to make. The grading scale for the past two years has been a 10 point grading scale. This year the grading scale has been changed back to a 7 point grading scale. The only exception to this new scale is Gateway English, math, and social studies classes. The decision was approved by the Board of Elementary and Secondary Education (BESE). The grading scale was changed to become more uniform. Is this fair to students who aren't in Gateway, who will have to work harder to maintain an A? Draeyton Thibodeaux, a sixth grader at CMM, was asked if he thought the new grading scale was fair said, "No." The feeling is mutual for many students at CMM. Even though making an A is now harder to make, if you work hard and try your best, it'll be easy to figure out the rest.

WHAT'S HOT IN THE TECH-WORLD

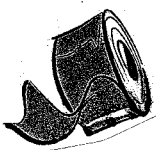
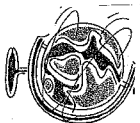
BAILEY HARRIS

Many new electronics have been hitting the market recently. The latest things in technology are iPads and other tablets, the Nintendo@ 3DS, and new laptops and cell phones. These innovative products are super cool, but what will 2012 technology have to offer? Mobile phone "wallets," which will allow users to use their phones as an access card or wallet by using a wireless reader, the Nintendo@ Wii 2, a new video game system that will replace the original Wii, and the D-roll laptop, which has a flexible screen and keyboard, so it stores easily, will all come out sometime next year. So be on the lookout for these and other new gadgets!

Backpack Weights

ALDEN MCCOLLUM

How heavy is your backpack? Heavy backpacks can cause back pain and lead to bad posture. Kids shouldn't carry more than 15-20% of their weight on their back. So, here are some tips to preventing harm to your back. First of all, don't walk around with unnecessary things in your backpack. This adds extra weight. Also, stand up straight and don't hunch over when you have a pack on your back. Lastly, don't carry your bag so that it sags down really low. This affects your posture and it will make the pack seem heavier than it is. Follow these simple steps, and you'll be sure to be back on the right track. <http://www.kidshhealth.org/parent/positive/learnin/g/backpack.html>



Taping Up the World

MEGAN ARBUCKLE

Duct tape is becoming a fad for people all over the world, with many things to make from it. Many students have said that the things made from duct tape are cute, awesome, pretty cool, and awesomely rad! What do you think?

Here are 25 things that people have used duct tape for: Hats, roses, bows, bow-ties, bracelets, bows, backpacks, wallets, purses, bags, cups, sandals, shoes, folders, clothes, rockets, ties, belts, lanyards, picture frames, guitar picks, guitar straps, key chains, bridges, and iPod cases.

Source: <http://www.instructables.com>

La Nina in Louisiana

EMILY ELLIOTT

Have you ever heard the expression, "If you don't like the weather here in Louisiana, stick around; it'll change"? Apparently, that is what many of us have been begging for- a change in the weather! Well, this past few months, Mother Nature must have heard our outcries, because over the period of about three weeks, Louisiana, and most of the United States have been going through a strange weather pattern called La Nina.

La Nina is a very common weather pattern that instead of raising the surface temperature of the earth-like its cousin El Nino- it lowers the surface temperature by a substantial amount. The La Nina is often considered the "Anti El Nino," because of its dramatic cooling effects, and is usually followed by an El Nino or another La Nina. Luckily for the United States, we will not likely be seeing anymore scorching temperatures, because according to the meteorologists of NOAA (The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration) there is yet another La Nina on the way.

On the other hand, after a La Nina has occurred, there are often excessive amounts of rain, which can lead to flooding in some saturated and/or extremely dry places. Furthermore, with the spike in cooler temperatures, many of us will have to go and buy warmer clothing, causing our parents to have to spend more money in these tough economic times. So even though La Nina may seem good to us who have been begging for cooler weather, it does take its toll on us as well.

Source: <http://www.wikipedia.org/lanina>

Summer Reading Book Poll

MEGAN ARBUCKLE

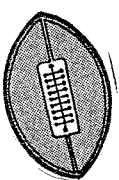
Everyone at CMM read certain books for this summer. What did your fellow classmates think of these books? Well you can find that out here!

6th grade GT at CMM Read "So B. It", "The Cay", and "Every Soul a Star". 33.3% liked "The Cay" the best because of the adventure. 33% liked. 38% liked "Every Soul a Star" the best and the eclipse was their favorite part. And the last 35% liked "So B. It" the best because it was suspenseful. 6th grade Enriched read "Crash" and "Every Soul a Star". 50% of them said they liked Crash better because it was more reliable. The other 50% of these 6th graders said that Every Soul a Star was their favorite because it was more inspiring and emotional.

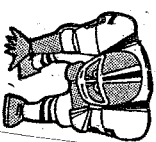
7th Grade GT at CMM read "The Year of The Hangman", "The Wave", and "Every Soul a Star" this summer. 31% said "The Year of the Hangman" was their favorite and their favorite part of this book was when Peter broke Creighton out of prison. 61% said "The Wave" was their favorite summer reading book. Their favorite part of this book was when David pushed Laurie. 8% said that "Every Soul a Star" was their favorite book, and that it was their favorite because of the story line. Seventh grade Enriched read "Harris and Me", and 50% of them said it was better than "Every Soul a Star" because it was funny and short. The other 50% of Seventh grade enriched said "Every Soul a Star" was their favorite and the best part of it was

the eclipse. 8th grade GT read "Trouble with Lemons", "Z is for Zachariah", and "Every Soul a Star". 29% liked "Z is for Zachariah" because it was funny and a great mystery. 14% said they liked "Trouble with Lemons" because it was suspenseful. And 57% said that they liked "Every Soul a Star" the best and their favorite part was the eclipse. 8th grade Enriched read "The Giver" and "Every Soul a Star". 43% said "The Giver" was their favorite because of the suspense. 57% liked "Every Soul a Star" because of the eclipse.

And that's what people thought of the summer reading books!



7TH AND 8TH GRADE FOOTBALL SCHEDULE



DANIELLE PERKINS

| Date | Visitor | Home | Location | Time* |
|-------------------|-----------|---------|------------|---------|
| Monday, Sept 26th | N Desoto | CMM | Lee Hedges | 5:30 pm |
| Tuesday, Oct 4th | CMM | Jets | Messmer | 5:30 pm |
| Tuesday, Oct 11th | CMM | Calvary | Calvary | 5:30 pm |
| Tuesday, Oct 18th | Open Date | | | |
| Tuesday, Oct 25th | Evangal | CMM | Lee Hedges | 5:30 pm |

* Times are for seventh grade games. Eighth grade games begin after seventh grades are over. Times for sixth grade games are not available yet.

New Class: Journey to Careers

MEGAN ARBUCKLE

This year at Caddo Middle Magnet, there is a new class called Journey to Careers for 7th and 8th graders, taught by Ms. Crockett-Tisdon. It is an introduction to the high school course "Education to Careers," and if you take Journey to Careers, it will count as a high school credit. The students who take this class will learn about the Louisiana Career Model. They will also participate in career exploration activities, and learn, understand, and apply themselves to personal finance concepts and skills.

Some of the students who take this class have said they like it because you "learn about jobs and how hard it is to do it" and it "helps you learn about jobs."

Ms. Crockett-Tisdon says



Time for Extracurricular Activities!

DANIELLE PERKINS

Many CMM students participate in extracurricular activities, but finding time to fit them into an already packed schedule is a challenge. Students are in school seven hours a day. According to the student handbook, students should spend an average of 10-15 minutes per class on homework each day (which must not include studying for tests, working on projects, or writing essays). All of this leaves little time for activities outside of school. Despite these time constraints, CMM

HARRY POTTER MANIA



MEGHANA RAO

that she likes teaching this class because middle school students and the career they've chose has always been an interest to her. Her favorite part about teaching this class so far is discussions and projects they have done. Ms. Crockett-Tisdon also says that this class should be easy for most students. When asked what would make it hard for students to get a good grade in Journey to Careers, her answer was, "The student's way of learning and whether or not his/her interest in what we're discussing or doing is at the level where the student enjoys learning and is not bored." So basically, a little hint for all the students in her class is to try to stay interested!

students are excelling in all types of extracurricular activities. How do they do it? Jordan Pearson says, "My weekly extracurricular activities are cheerleading practice on Tuesdays and Fridays, triathlons, 5k races, and more. I fit them into my schedule by working on projects on the weekends, and I don't go to bed until you can see, it takes a lot of hard work to maintain a schedule full of extracurricular activities, but most would say it's worth it."

OPINION POLL

CODY STRONG

A recent poll was conducted on CMM students about which they preferred: summer reading or summer math. 18% of students said that their favorite was summer

reading, 6% said summer math was the best, 4% liked both, and 72% said that they liked neither math nor reading.

IT'S NEVER TOO LATE TO BE ON TIME

BAILEY HARRIS

Tardies have been a problem for middle schoolers. Some students have to go from one side of the school to the other. Others have locker problems, and some just loiter in the hallways until the bell rings. I even asked some teachers to see if they have a problem with tardies.

"Not very often, just for the first week when everyone's a little crazy," says Mrs. Fanning. Ms. Brown says, "Yes I do. Tardies make my life hard." Even Dr. Ellis has something to say about this issue: "There's always room for improvement, but so far there has not been a huge problem. However, it is still important to remember that there are no excuses for being late to class!" But here are some tips to help you if you are tardy frequently:

- Enter the building at the closest entrance to your locker in the morning.
 - At lunch, enter which ever door is closest to your next class or locker.
 - Don't hang around or waste time in the hallways.
 - If you need to go to the restroom or get water, go to your class first, then ask your teacher for permission to go.
- Try your best to be on time.

6:00 A.M. Booley, it's time for school!

45 minutes later... YAWN

After 15 minutes of running... Please, Finally here!

10:45 A.M. GAH! I'm gonna be late for school!

WHAT?!

CLOSED for Labor Day. Just my luck!

Get Dressed Brush Teeth

Bye, Mom!

Mystery Locker...

EMILY ELLIOTT

When one of your friends tells you to meet them by their locker, do you automatically know where it is, what it looks like, and when they visit it? Or do you like to look at the decorations that people put in their lockers from time to time? Well, if you do, the Mane Line staff has created an article just for you: The Mystery Locker!

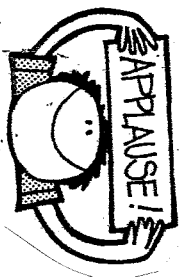
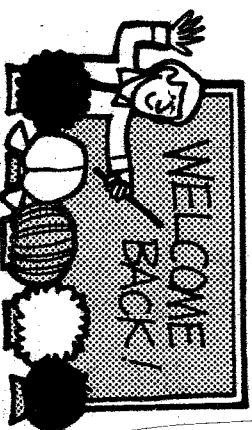
The Mystery Locker is the newest article to the mystery section of the Mane Line, and it tests your skills in order to see if you are a locker genius! In order to have your name featured in the Mane Line, you must be able to tell us whose locker we are describing and tell us the locker number as well.

For the first edition of this article, we will start off with someone fairly simple. This person's locker is in B wing and he/she considers it to be VERY clean! There are no interesting contents in his/her locker, and the only decoration is a "Winking Game" poster. He/she uses the locker daily, and before opening it, he/she bangs on the door of the locker before putting in the combination. If you think you know who this person is, write your guess down on a full-sized sheet of paper, and place it in the box outside of Mrs. Phelps' room (B101). Remember, if you don't put your name on your guess, we won't know whose name to put in the Mane Line! Hope to hear from you guys soon!

NJHS SECRET PALS

BAILEY HARRIS

The eighth grade members of National Junior Honor Society have an entertaining activity that they do every year called Secret Pals. For Secret Pals, the students pick a teacher or staff member to give notes and gifts to, but only the students know who their Secret Pals are. During the semester, they exchange notes and gifts with each other. And when the semester is through, the teacher receives a note giving clues about who the Secret Pal really is. Most teachers love to participate in Secret Pals, and the eighth graders have fun too. Who would you pick?



A Soul Surfer

ALDEN MCCOLLUM

Bethany Hamilton, who is a true soul surfer, is an inspiration to millions. She was born on February 8, 1990 on the island of Kauai, Hawaii to a family of surfers. She has a mom, dad, and two brothers. Bethany has a true love of surfing and entered her first surfing competition when she was only eight.

On October 31, 2003, Bethany was attacked by a 14-foot tiger shark. She lost about 60% of her body's blood in her arm and lost most of her left arm. She recovered and realized her dream when she turned pro in the year 2007. This year she made a movie about her attack experience called Soul Surfer. It came out on April 8. You can now take it home on DVD or Blue Ray! <http://bethanyhamilton.com/about/this>



Favorite Football Teams

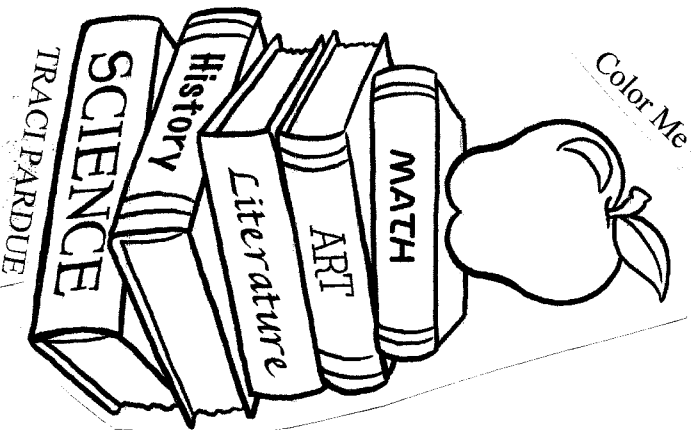
LANDON GUERRERO

Football season is here, so let's go inside CMM to see who our stallions are favoring. Some of the 7th graders interviewed were Nikolai Filippek, David Durel, and Christian Gullledge. Nikolai says that he likes Green Bay, but Christian and David like the Saints. Who do you like the best? Saints-35%
Cowboys-15%
Steelers-30%
Green Bay-20%
Guess what? The Saints are the stallion's favorite team.

DRESSING OUT FOR GYM

ASHLEE WALLER

Every student has one hour of the day filled with gym. Gym can be fun if everyone follows the rules, but there are problems. The first issue is about uniforms. Each grade has a different color uniform that is to be worn each day, and there are spaces to write your name to prevent sharing uniforms. Shorts are allowed to be rolled once and shirts must be untied. Tardies are the second problem and hurt your grade every time. Students receive ten minutes to dress out and points are taken from your daily grade if you go over that time. Gym coaches say ten minutes is more than enough time, though most students complain otherwise. If you don't do what you're told, you can miss out on points and fun. To join in, all you have to do is follow gym rules.



Mystery Girl!

ALDEN MCCOLLUM

One of the Mame Line's articles that we like to do is Mystery Girl! Out of all the girls (6th, 7th, and 8th), guess who it is, write down your guess and your name on a full-sized sheet of paper and turn it into Mrs. Phelps' room, B101 between classes. Last issue's Mystery Girl, guessed by Ki'ara LaFitte, Maggie Knotek, and Jack Hiens, was Madison McInnis. This Mystery Girl is new to the school, has braces, and wears glasses. Her elective is guitar. She has gym for 2nd hour. She likes tennis, art, cats, dogs, dolphins, and hermit crabs. Her favorite color is aqua. She also has a relative that works here at CMM. Who could this Mystery Girl be?

Fun at the Red River Revel!

ASHLEE WALLER

Once every year, Shreveport celebrates the festival of the arts. The Red River Revel starts October 1st and ends October 8th. The Revel has Cajun music, delicious food, fun games, and wild rides at every turn. There are many activities and crafts that are enjoyed each year like the sand art bottles, face painting, and contests. Original paintings beautiful jewelry, homemade toys, and more are sold there. To show school pride, school art classes send Red River Revel themed drawings from students to hang throughout the parade of tents. Also, visitors from other cities of Louisiana and nearby states come to enjoy the Louisiana culture expressed there. The Revel is said to be the biggest and most popular arts festival in the South. Don't miss the fun of the Red River Revel!

Back to School Fashion Trends

HANNAH TAYLOR

It's been really hot lately. So are these back to school trends. Vintage is so in right now. Vintage clothes are worn looking t-shirts, lacy skirts and shirts, leather shoes and high waisted skirts. If you're wearing vintage clothes, you'll be looking cool. Flowy floral shirts and dresses are also "blossoming" in the fashion world. Hipsters from Coach and Fossil have always been in, but what about good old purses from Old Navy and Target. These stylish but affordable purses are so cute and sure to be an awesome addition to your wardrobe. Shoes are an integral part of fashion and their trends are always changing. For girls, TOMS will always be in, but the most recent trend in shoes is fake leather sandals, old school lace up flats, and cowgirl boots. Any of these shoes will put the "Yee haw!" in your outfit. For guys, trends are slower to change. Khakis, tennis shoes, polos, Sperrys, and t-shirts are all the rage at CMM for guys. Don't forget about those black, mid-calf socks that are popping up all over school. So next time you're out shopping, remember these back-to-school trends. Make sure to stay stylish, CMM.

Mystery Teacher

LANDON GUERRERO

Here are a few clues about a teacher at Caddo Middle Magnet. Read these clues and try to guess who this teacher is. This month's mystery teacher is someone the 7th and 8th graders see every day. This teacher has three children and is always busy. He is male and has worked here for eight years. His favorite color is blue. He sponsors one of the most popular clubs at this school. Try to guess who he is. Good luck!!!

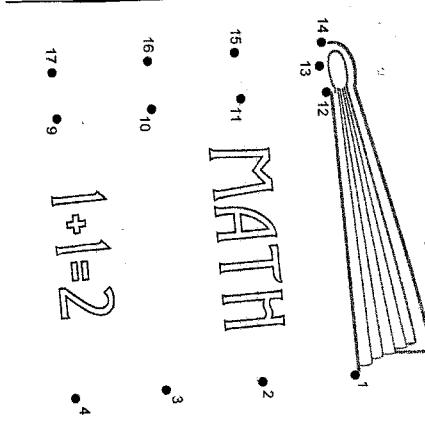
HITTING THE BOOKS

HANNAH TAYLOR

Everyone studies (hopefully), but not always in the same way. Some people need absolute silence, while others need some noise or music to listen to while studying. You might have friends or parents quiz you, or maybe you prefer to study in a comfortable environment alone. Which way works for you? Hailey Enloe, a sixth grader at CMM says "I need absolute silence to study." Some of these study methods have been scientifically proven to help you study more effectively. These include moving around to get

Connect-the-Dots

JOHARI REYNOLDS



SUMMER READING AND MATH: WHAT'S NEW?

JOSHUA WOOTEN

Tell the truth. How many of you out there actually did the summer reading? Or the math? You have probably already heard some people say that they didn't do the reading. Maybe it's our ruthless math teachers, but you probably don't hear anyone saying that they didn't do the summer math. ☺
The summer reading list for the 6th Grade enriched included: Crash, and Every Soul a Star. For

the 6th Grade Gateway, they had to read The Cay, So B. It, and Every Soul a Star. The 7th Graders who are enriched had to read Harris and Me, and Every Soul a Star this year. The Gateway 7th Graders had to read The Wave, The Year of the Hangman, and Every Soul a Star. Do you see a pattern yet? If not, here's the 8th Grade reading list for enriched. They had to read The Giver and Every Soul a Star. The Gateway

classes had to read Z for Zachariah, Trouble with Lemons, and EVERY SOUL A STAR. If you hadn't found this out already, every grade in CMM had to read Every Soul a Star. Don't test your teachers, because it doesn't matter what excuse you come up with, your teacher will see straight through it. Do your summer reading and math!

DARK OF MOON

TRACI PARDUE

Not only was Transformers the theme of this year's Stallion Camp, but it is also a movie trilogy. The latest Transformers movie to come out was *Transformers Dark of the Moon*. The main character, Sam (Shia LaBeouf), has befriended the Autobots (the good guys) and helps them save the world. Before the Autobots came to Earth, they lived on a planet named Cybertron. The reason they left and came here was because they were at war with the Decepticons (the bad guys) and the planet became a barren wasteland by the time it ended. The leader of the Autobots, Sentinel Prime, was in a rocket that would've saved Cybertron, but was shot down by the enemy and crash landed on our moon. Years later, Optimus Prime, the new leader of the Autobots (the good guys), went to the moon and retrieved Sentinel and brought him back to life. Sentinel then joined the Decepticons and worked with them on their plan: to bring Cybertron to Earth with special pillars all around the world and use the humans to help rebuild it. With a lot of fighting and the loss of some beloved Autobots, Optimus killed Sentinel, therefore stopping the pillars and saving the world. He might've saved the world, but with this story line, there could possibly be more movies, so keep an eye out!

MADISON MCINNIS

Here are some quotes and things that you should remember in a hard time. Always remember that you can do anything; nothing is impossible with dreams. If you're not a good test taker then you can try this. Before you take the test, write out what you're feeling about taking the test. On the show "Channel One"

CODY STRONG

It has been ten years since the terrorist's attack on the World Trade Center, Pentagon, and the White House or Capitol. The first plane, American Airlines Flight 11, was flown into the North Tower of the World Trade Center at 8:46 a.m. At 9:03 a second plane, United Airlines Flight 175, crashed into the South Tower. The Pentagon was hit thirty-four minutes later by American Airlines Flight 77. The fourth flight, United Airlines Flight 93, was famous for being taken control by the passengers after they had been informed that that plane had been hijacked. While taking control the plane was crashed into a field near Shanksville, Pennsylvania. It is thought that the target for United 93 was either the White House or the Capitol. Four hundred twelve swamp white oak trees have been planted around the ground zero site for the Memorial Plaza. The Memorial Plaza features two voids where the towers stood with water flowing down the sides. Around the sides of the voids, the names of the 2,997 who perished that day and names of the six who died on February 26, 1993. It also features the Survivor Tree, a Callery pear tree found beneath the rubble and nursed back to health. The Memorial Plaza was dedicated on the tenth anniversary of the attacks, and the museum being built under the plaza will be dedicated next September. When talk about the attack is started, the question, "Where were you on September 11th?" is quick to arise. Whenever you were, you should keep the 2,977 casualties in your mind this month.

Want Wonderful Words of Wisdom?

they showed how this can actually help, so don't be afraid to try. Also if it's really hard for you to make friends, always try to be yourself. For those of you that are involved in after school activities, just keep in mind "Always try your hardest," says Jordan Stanford. Jordan is a 6th grader and says that really helps

Making Friends

JOHARI REYNOLDS

Friendship is very important to girls and boys your age. To make a friend you have to have a good attitude. Smiling and treating them like you would want to be treated is always the key to friendship. Make sure y'all have something in common, but in some cases opposites attract. Don't expect them to like you instantly. Friends aren't made overnight. Keep hanging out with them and talking to them. Let them know some things about you and find out about them. When you do this, you will be on the road to success.

Rise of the Planet of the Apes

LANDON GUERRERO

Rise of the Planet of the Apes was a really good movie. It was sad, exciting and happy during most parts. It was like any other action movie with fighting, bad guys, and weapons. There were guns, apes, humans, cars, helicopters, and the Golden Gate Bridge. It showed what happened when scientists gave an experimental drug to apes and made them super smart.

The apes actually outsmarted the humans. Caesar was a great leader. He was the smartest; he spoke sign language and human language. Buck was the strongest because he defeated the helicopter. Rise of the Planet of the Apes was a good movie.

Sudoku!

JOSHUA WOOTEN

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On Opinions: JPAMS

JULIA ASH

Well, we've all heard of it. Some of us have suffered from it. Even though one whole year, we still wonder if it's an innovation or our downfall. In all truth, it has its good and bad sides, for both teachers and students. "I think it's a good idea that still needs work," says Mrs. Fife. For students, it busts us early for some bad grades, and teachers are still getting used to the odd format, causing a bit of extra work. JPAMS does inform you, as soon as the teacher can put it in, about your grades. It's useful information for parents, and it's organized. JPAMS is also adjusting to the teachers. If JPAMS sticks around Caddo Parish, I'm sure it won't take long for us all to get a better feeling about it, or at least for the teachers!

All about Clubs

JOHARI REYNOLDS

Clubs are coming your way! We have two rotations. You can choose any club to your liking on the right rotation. Some clubs are just for girls. Some clubs are just for boys. Other clubs have different grade levels for each rotation. Clubs are every week on Wednesday. We also have new clubs this year. Math Squared is just fun math games with Mrs. Brossert. No Bones About it is about comparing the anatomy of the human body to other animals with Mrs. Daigle. Red Cross works with local Red Cross to train students with CPR and First Aid with Mrs. Filipek and Mrs. McGowan. CMM Amateur Radio Club is working on getting your Ham Radio License with Mr. Blankenship. These will really spice things ups.

i-what?

JOSHUA WOOTEN

Recently, a computer icon retired. Yeah, that's right, it was Steve Jobs, the mastermind behind Apple's many, many success stories. Most of you are familiar with the iPod or the iPad. Before his retirement, he was the CEO of Apple. He had already suffered, and partially beat, pancreatic cancer. His health had been dwindling for quite some time, and it finally got the best of him. At his final assembly, he said "I have always said if there ever came a day when I could no longer meet my duties and expectations as Apple's CEO, I would be the first to let you know. Unfortunately, that day has come."

How will this affect Apple stocks? Steve Jobs and Apple stock go hand-in-hand and the reaction to his retirement has seen stock falling by seven percent. According to LA Times Apple stock has gone from \$6.56 to \$403 in around eight years. However, after Jobs' retirement announcement letter, shares fell 5.3% to about \$356 in after-hours trading. Even though Apple has suffered a great loss, they are continuing their plans of releasing the new iPhone 5.

Cellphone policy

EMMA JOHNSON

We all love texting and using our phones, but at school your phones need to be turned off. Our school cellphone policy is that if your phone goes off during class it gets taken up. If your phone gets taken up, then it will be held in the office for five school days. After your five days are up to, your parent must come up get your phone. This seems harsh, but it works. My phone got taken up last year and now I make sure it stays off all day. So remember, Stallions keep your phones off!!!



6TH GRADERS NEW TO CMM

Mystery Boy

KAITLYN KELLER

This issue's mystery boy is in 7th grade. His favorite color is green, and he loves to do gymnastics. His favorite store is Barnes and Noble. This boy has seven cats and one dog. Wow! He loves to cheer "Who dar" for the New Orleans Saints. He loves the song "Hey Soul Sister" by Train. In his free time he plays with his dog, practices gymnastics, and spends time with his family.

If you know who the mystery boy is, drop off a full-sized sheet of paper with your name, the date, and guess on it to Mrs. Phelps in between classes (B-101). The May issue's mystery boy was Taj Helm, but nobody guessed. Never be afraid to guess if you think you know who it is.

CLASSES vs. CONTACTS

MEGHANA RAO

A popular question in middle school is "Classes or contacts?" Some say glasses are better because they can be cool and can have cute colors and patterns. They are also a lot easier to put on and see with. Others may say that contacts are better. That is because you can't tell people are wearing them, and you don't have to worry about losing them. Here are what a couple of CMM stallions have to say about which they think is better. Eighth grader Patrick Nix says, "I think glasses are better. Contacts are hard and they aren't comfortable," while seventh grader Charlie Ann O'Brian says, "Contacts are awesome. They're better than glasses. I think they're easy to put on." So, glasses and contacts both have their ups and downs. While some may think that contacts are cooler, others may think that glasses are. So, if the question, "Glasses or contacts?" ever comes for you to decide, be sure to pick whichever one you think will work best for you.

Dear Seatless,
You can sit wherever you want, but you can't save seats or force someone to leave like these boys did to you. The next time someone does this, tell them politely, like you did, that they are welcome to sit there, but your friends and you are also going to sit there. If they keep pestering you and you've politely asked them to stop several times, then go tell the cafeteria monitor what is going on. If the problem still isn't fixed then talk to one of the counselors or principals. These boys are most likely just trying and once they see you standing up for yourself or they get in trouble they will stop. Hope I helped!!!
Sincerely,
Dr. Depressed

EXCUSES, EXCUSES, EXCUSES...

EMILY ELLIOTT

This school year, many of the students would agree that it has been difficult to adjust to their new grade, class schedules, and the amounts of homework. Also, with the new grading scale in place, some students have had trouble keeping their grades up to par. Well, if you are one of those students who is having trouble with tardiness, late homework, or anything that has gone amiss this school year, here are some

funny excuses that should help you justify your wrongs:

1. I was walking past a graveyard, and a bunch of Zombies came to eat my brains. I gave them my homework, but they were nice enough to tell me it tasted like an A+!
2. I'm sorry I'm late, but Mr. Burton said it was okay since he just watched me beat up Chuck Norris on my way to homeroom.
3. I just auditioned for the TV show

EDGAR ALLEN POE

JULIA ASH

Edgar Allen Poe changed the common ways of writing, and is now known as one of the most famous poets/writers in the world. But, he did not start off so great. Born from an actress and actor, Edgar already started off shallow as his mother died when he was only three years old. His father then left him with a man named John Allen, his supposed godfather, and John's childless wife. Later in his life, he was taken to University of Virginia, but was soon taken back for gambling losses. He returned to his former home, became engaged to Elmira Royster, and published a few poems. Edgar soon had to join the army, under an alias, due to poverty. Having his Godfather purchase his release, Edgar went on to publish more poems and stories. Further into his life, he began to drink a great deal. Some say he died of drug overdose, but the doctors say it was a brain lesion. Edgar Allen Poe may not have had the best life living, but he left a huge effect on vivid readers all over the world.

Summer time is definitely a lot of students' favorite time of the year. Why? No school! It's the time for relaxing, going on vacation, or just spending time with family. Many people go to the beach. Also, waterparks are popular vacation spots. Staying at home and "just chilling" is a fun way to spend the summer, too. Let's read about what some students did over the summer. Behram Dossaboy, seventh grader, said, "I went to Disney World and Universal Studios in Orlando, Florida! I had a lot of fun!" Sixth grader Jessica Bakalis said, "Niagara Falls had indescribable beauty, Pitsburgh was really cool, and Cedar Point is the home of the second tallest roller coaster in the world!" Whether you went out of town and did some sight-seeing, or vacationed in your backyard, be sure you were active and had a fun holiday. Hopefully, everyone had a great summer break from school. You probably are anticipating the next summer break, but hey! Enjoy the school time! It's fun, too. You meet your amazing new teachers. You catch up with your old friends and make new friends. And when next summer break does come around, make sure you have a wonderful time!

TOP TEN SONGS

JULIA ASH

Hey, we all love music, especially pop music! From country to rock, from metal to bhangrass, music makes the heart race! These are the current most popular songs going around:

1. "Moves Like Jagger" by Maroon Five (Featuring Christina Aguilera)
2. "Someone Like You" by Adele
3. "Pumped Up Kicks" by Foster The People
4. "Party Rock Anthem" by LMFAO (Featuring Lauren Bennett & GooNRock)
5. "Stereo Hearts" by Gym Class Heroes (Featuring Adam Levine)
6. "Cheers (Drink To That)" by Rihanna
7. "You & I" by Lady GaGa
8. "Lighters" by Bad Meets Evil (Featuring Bruno Mars)
9. "You Make Me Feel" by Cobra Starship (Featuring Sabi)
10. "Last Friday Night (T.G.I.F.)" by Katy Perry

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