

Cheetah Chatter

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Science Fair

Science is a very important part of our lives. Science fair teaches us information that we never knew before. It also lets us be creative and use our ideas to make cool and crazy experiments. The students had a lot of fun creating the projects. This science fair, the students worked very hard to create many different types of projects just for us to see!

The Science Fair was on March 28, 2014. It was fun and interesting to see all the experiments the students had done. There was one winner in each grade. In eighth grade, Matthew Palmer was the winner. His project was 'What are the reasons for the seasons'. In sixth grade, there was a tie so there were two winners. The winners were Ishan Akhouri and Gavin Flannigan. Ishan's project was 'The Battle of the Cleanliness' and Gavin's project was 'Bring on the Blubber'. In fifth grade, the winner was Sardor Danier. In fourth grade, Emilee Lupisella was the winner. Her project was 'Paper Chromatography'. In third grade, Matthew Crosby was the winner. His project was 'Sunflowers'.

The second grade- kindergarten did class project and had no winner. Mrs. Taterway's second grade class project was titled 'Sink or Float'. Ms. Z's second grade class project was titled 'Which airplane will fly the farthest?'. Ms. Clay first grade class project was titled 'Floating Eggs'. Ms. Agresta's kindergarten class project was titled 'Another Matter'. The science fair was a huge success. We can't wait until next year to see all the new projects!

Mommy I love you,
I love you a lot!
Occasionally funny
The best mom ever!
Hard working
mother
Every day is fantas-
tic
Rocking mom!

-Nina Islam

-Ahlam Mohamad and Marissa Edmiston

Read Across America



Read Across America Assembly

To commemorate Dr. Seuss's birthday, Read across America started on March 2, 2014 and ended on April 4, 2014. The month was filled with fun as well as educational activities. One of the goals was to read "1904" books to match the year Dr. Seuss was born in.

It was amazing to see the extraordinary effort students put to read the amount of books required to fulfill the goal. Everyone tried their hardest to read as much as their eyes could possibly take. Lo and behold! The day arrived and we had reached our goal to read 1904 books. After we reached our goal, we celebrated at the assembly with popsicles and reading. At the assembly we found out who read the most books and Ms. Oh's class won. We also saw Ms. Soto with GREEN HAIR! After we found out who won and saw Mrs. Soto with green hair the kids who read the most books got to spray Ms. Soto with silly string. Before the assembly the whole school made shirts with Dr. Seuss character on them. We wore them for the assembly.

-Ahlam Mohamad & Marissa Edmiston



My mommy is great!
Other things she loves, is me!
Things I give her, is love
Her days are beautiful with me every day.
Everything I give her makes her happy and proud!
Roses are red and it's for mommy from Mother's day!

-Alexis Cortis

Crazy Sock Day

On March 20th, something extraordinary happened! Almost everyone wore their craziest socks they had. You know why, because it was crazy sock day. There were stripes, fuzzy, colorful, polka dotted and all types' bizarre socks. Fifty seven students wore their craziest and funny socks they had! Most of the teachers as well wore their craziest socks. Crazy Sock Day was part of Read across America to celebrate Dr. Suess's birthday.

-Marissa Edmiston and Sneha Satapathy



Makes delicious pie and cake (and I can have seconds).

Only has love for my family, nobody else.

Takes me on runs and walks, and kisses when I fall and get hurt

Helps me reach things high, and when I get down she kisses me!

Easily teaches me to get ready for a test in school, and to get ready for school.

Reads me a stories every night, I love you mom!

-Mannat Srivastava



Pi Day Pi Day

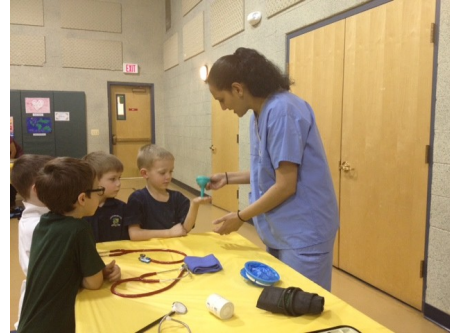
Pi Day was on March 14, 2014. There were many fun math activities that were held that day. One of the activities was memorizing as many digits of Pi as possible. Mrs. D came in first place with 74 digits remembered. Matt Palmer came in second with a score of 70. Gavin Flanagan came in third place with 56 digits remembered. The next activity was making Origami. Origami is when you follow instructions on how to fold a piece of paper to make different figures. We made a frog, a balloon, and a paper box. After that, we made Pi bracelets. The beads on the bracelet represented the digits of Pi. The bracelets were very colorful and fun to make.

During lunch, Gavin Flanagan brought in six different types of pie. There was chocolate dream, cherry cream, pumpkin, blueberry, cherry, and apple pie. He gave the pies to 2nd grade and up. At the end of the day, we were put in teams of two, and we needed to build a structure out of marshmallows and toothpicks. The structure needed to be tall, sturdy, and "cool" looking. There was a tie for first in this competition. Kayla Sabet and Matt Palmer tied with Tyler Sabet and Gavin Flanagan. Overall, Pi Day was wonderful for all of the teachers and students.

-Matt Palmer and Gavin Flanagan



C a r e e r D a y



A Career Day was organized for us during the month of March. On Career Day, many students' parents presented what they do for a living. There were six parents who presented and gave us information about their jobs. The most favorite job we looked at was a parent who worked for the Secret Service.

It was really awesome that he was able to come, since the people at the Secret Service did not allow him to show things about his job. He showed us his gear and showed us his cool, shiny badge. He also told interesting facts about his job and about the gear.

He had so much cool gear, like gas masks, heavy backpacks, and camouflage gear. We got to even look at the gear, hold it, and get a feel to it. When on duty, he has to carry over 100 pounds in his backpack and suit, even while running.

There was also an engineer, a doctor and a dietician. The engineer had a Masters Degree in Cyber Security. The doctor let us examine her tools. The dietician talked to us about healthy eating habits. It was really fun and interesting to learn all these things about different peoples' careers, now it's time to choose ours.

-Ishaan Akhouri and Mihir Sanad



Earth Day is important, since on this day we celebrate the Earth by preserving the resources. This year at Chesterbrook Academy, every class made things out of recycled material. The classes' projects were cool. There were many varieties of materials, and projects. These projects are very special to our school, and mean a lot to us. The projects are displayed all around the school, and you can view the projects if you just walk around the school. It was very of great fun for the entire school. I think the entire school learned a lot during this Earth day.

Junior Kindergarten made a Flower Vases . Kindergarten made a Fish Tank out of Plastic. First grade made a railway station out of Soda cans. Second Grade made Native American Shelters out of cereal boxes, magazines, pipe cleaners, and construction paper. Third Grade made a paper garden out of old magazines. Fourth Grade made Egyptian Amulets out of paper magazines on skewers. Fifth Grade made a Cityscape out of cereal boxes. Sixth and eighth grade made a Chesterbrook Cheetah out of old soda cans and paper mache with newspaper.

-Tyler Sabet and Ishaan Akhouri

Indian Premier League Cricket

Cricket is a game of fun, power, teamwork, and a love for the game. Many people around the world play cricket. The fans get pumped in all cricket matches and some fans are so pumped that they follow their teams to wherever they travel.

Cricket originated in England during the 18th century. The game of cricket is played by 22 players, 11 on each team. The goal is to get as many runs as possible in an allotted number of "overs." All the balls in the game are grouped into a series of six balls. This is what an over in a cricket game is. There are also umpires in the game. The umpires are like the referees in American games. The umpire decides if a hit is really the number of runs it is shown as. He also decides if a person is out after a catch or not. This could be very important to the game, because if the best person on a team might be out and the team is losing, it could be very critical on the outcome of the game.

Cricket is very popular in India. Many kids play cricket as a pass time on the roofs of their houses. This is possible because of the rooftops in India are flat and you need a flat surface to play cricket. They play with plastic balls that aren't expensive, so that if they lose the balls or break them you will not lose money. All the neighbors of these people and people who are walking by near these houses literally stop and find a comfortable seat to sit and watch the game. It is just a really fun game that everybody in India, Asia, Europe, and many more places.

Cricket tournaments are held all around the world and lots of countries sign up to be a part of them. There have been many different leaders of the cricket world such as the country of England, India, and much more. The current reigning champions of the 2013 ICC World Cup was won by the Indians on Team India. This kind of proves that the current leading country of the cricket world is the Indian team lead by Mahendra Singh Dhoni, the captain of the Indian national team, the wicketkeeper of that same team, and is the captain of the Chennai Super Kings. He is the first captain of this team to have won an IPL Cup for his team. Dhoni is currently the most expensive player in The IPL cricket League.

The IPL cricket tournament is currently one of the most highly attended to tournaments of cricket in the world. It is made of all Indian teams, but most of the best players from other teams like West Indies and Australia are called to play for these teams. Some of

the players are Chris Gayle, Dwayne Smith, Darren Sammy, and Kieron Pollard, all of them from the West Indies team. The teams in this famous tournament are the Chennai Super Kings, Kolkata Knight Riders, Kings XI Punjab, Rajasthan Royals, Delhi Daredevils, Royal Challengers Bangalore, Sunrisers Hyderabad, and my favorite and home team the Mumbai Indians. I really hope they win this cup.

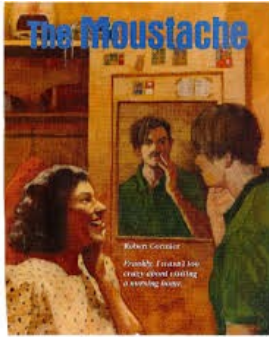
The five franchises to have ever won the cup are the Chennai Super Kings, the Rajasthan Royals, the Deccan Chargers, the Kolkata Knight Riders, and the Mumbai Indians, who won the cup last year and deserve to win it this year too. Overall I think that cricket is a great game to watch and play, and if you play enough and become really good, you can be in the great IPL tournament too.

By the time this article went to printing Kolkata Knight Riders won the 2014 IPL tournament.

-Mihir Sanad



**INDIAN
PREMIER
LEAGUE**



BOOK REVIEW

By: Robert Cormier

This amazing book by Robert Cormier really helps you feel what the main character is feeling. It is a very touching story about a seventeen year old boy named Mike whose grandma mistaken him for her dead husband. For example you would feel the sadness Mike felt when he heard his grandma's story. Just in case you are confused Mike's grandma has arteriosclerosis. That's the reason why she couldn't recognize him because the disease sometimes messes up with people memories.

In the story Mike was confused when she was saying stuff that he didn't recognize. I guess I would be confused but Mike realized that his grandma thought that he was her dead husband. If that happened to me I wouldn't know what to do maybe try to tell her that I'm her granddaughter but she probably she wouldn't listen like she did for Mike. Also it was sad because like Mike said old people aren't supposed to have those thoughts, they are supposed to be happy. They also shouldn't live with regrets because they will have all this guilt inside of them for the rest of their lives.

In my opinion the book is really interesting and sad book so anyone who likes these type of books should read them. I would also recommend this book to 6th graders and up because kids under then that won't really understand it as much as the older kids would. To me I would understand why Mike's grandma mistaken him for her dead husband is because Mike was named after him and basically looked like him too. I would agree with Mike when he shaved the moustache because he didn't want his grandma to make that same mistake. To sum everything up I think this was a really sad but interesting book.

- Ahlam Mohamed

First and Second Grade Musical



A few weeks ago the first and second grade musical was going on. The students' sang very melodiously, and made the crowd cheer. Some people in the crowd even recorded the musical and whistled at the breaks. They sang many cool songs like "Hey Jude", and "All You Need Is Love." Those songs reminded us of the old times, and the old songs, and those brought us good memories. All the songs they sang were by The Beatles, a famous band that sang many great songs and is widely known around the U.S.A.

The theme of the musical was The Beatles, and the songs they sang were feel-good songs. The song that we liked best was "Hey Jude." They were dressed very nicely and most of them were wearing colored t-shirts. They looked like a bunch of pretty colors singing together and having fun. This year the musical was very brilliant and was one of the best ones I have ever seen. One of the hit songs with the crowd was the big finale song, "All You Need Is Love." People were swaying their hands in enjoyment when the 1st and 2nd grade sang the song.

Overall this was a great musical!

-Mihir Sanad and Ishaan Akhouri

Game Review



Imagine a Minecraft-2D-type game where you can go to space, and other planets, and galaxies. That is StarBound. In StarBound, you can play as five characters. They are the Apex, which is an ape, an Avian, which is a bird, a Glitch, which is a super-human robot, a Floran, which is a plant, a Human, and a Hytotl, which is a fish. None of the characters at start have super powers, but when you play more, and find objects, you can use them for your own use. This game is definitely going to be a big hit after the Beta stage.

In Starbound, there is only one goal for the people who want to “complete” the game. The goal is to beat all the four bosses. There is going to be a fifth boss, but it is not in the game yet. To get to a boss fight, you have to make an object that will summon the boss. For example, the first boss is summoned by crafting a distress beacon. The bosses are the U.F.O, the Jelly, The Bone Dragon, and the Robot. There are also other goals, like to get to the tenth tier of weapons, and armor. There are ten tiers of armor in StarBound, and when you start to play the game, you get no armor, just a few seeds for a farm, a flashlight, and a broken sword that does barely any damage. In the game, to get to the next tier, you have to mine and get metals. To get the weapons to the next tier, you just craft them with metals, and other materials.

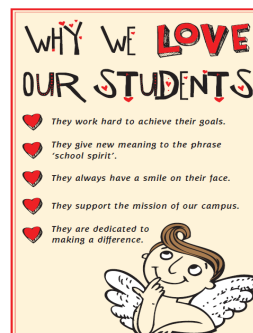
When you feel alone, and want to play with other people, you can! There is a multi-player mode, and you can connect with other people, and your friends. On multiplayer servers, you can trade with people, and fight (in-game). Also, some servers have giveaways, so you can get items, most of the time for free! If you don't like people on a server, you and your friend can make a LAN server (creation is only on windows) .

Right now, you probably have this question in your head “What is it rated?” Right now, StarBound is not rated. But, in my opinion, it should be ten and up, since there is violence, and the people on the multiplayer servers are mean people most of the time.

-Ishaan Akouri

The week of May 28, 2014 was Student Appreciation Week. It was very exciting. The teachers gave us lots of treats! With Dress Like a Superhero, Dress in Your P.J'S, Dress Like a Tourist, and Hollywood Star Day we were able to take a break off of uniforms! The entire week was no homework, which I loved! They gave us things like, chocolate, pizza, and juice! We as students are very thankful for this wonderful week of appreciation towards us.

-Kayla Sabet and Tyler Sabet



Student
Appreciation
Week



NBA Playoffs 2014

On April 19, 2014, the NBA Playoffs began. There were 16 teams, out of 30, that made it to the NBA Playoffs this year. These teams were the San Antonio Spurs, Dallas Mavericks, Indiana Pacers, Atlanta Hawks, Houston Rockets, Portland Trail Blazers, Chicago Bulls, Washington Wizards, Los Angeles Clippers, Golden State Warriors, Toronto Raptors, Brooklyn Nets, Oklahoma City Thunder, Memphis Grizzlies, Miami Heat, and the Charlotte Bobcats.

Soon, only four teams will remain. One of those teams might be the Wizards (our home team). I predict that the Miami Heat will win it all, as they have won two years in a row now. The Los Angeles Lakers won in 2010, and the Dallas Mavericks in 2011. On June 5th, 2014, The Finals begin. Two teams must play their best, and who knows who could win. Be sure to tune in and watch for yourselves, and be sure to not miss any of the action!

-Matthew Palmer

Teacher Appreciation Week

Teacher Appreciation Week is a week for all the teachers at Chesterbrook Academy. The teachers here work so hard to teach us all about new and interesting things. They are so nice to us, and this is the week that we show how grateful we are.

Teacher Appreciation Week started on May 5, 2014. All throughout this week, the students and parents gave wonderful gifts to the teachers. On Monday, there was a breakfast for all of the teachers to enjoy. On Wednesday, the teachers were greeted with a humongous lunch. On Thursday, May 8, Matt Palmer brought in a huge cake for all of the teachers to eat and enjoy. By Friday, the teachers had stacks of gifts, flowers, and their favorite foods. They couldn't have been happier. Teacher Appreciation Week was definitely unforgettable, and the teachers can't wait for the next.

-Matthew Palmer



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