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Happy Holidays!

By: Jonathan Shen

The ‘Green Growl’ is a great newspaper to brighten your day, from [actual fun] facts to minigames to challenge yourself with! Each article we have a different theme, with this one, the team at the ‘Green Growl’ (Jonathan Shen, Alexander Bardy, Kaitlyn Shen, Tiffany Liang, Arianna Campanella, Benjamin Saravi) hope you had a great Thanksgiving and with Happy Holidays to come! With this, we give you our usual, the Quote of the Month, 12 [Actual fun] facts, minigames, and more! We also bring along new sections, such as bringing back the Hockey Tournament, Trimesters, and others! Read along to see what this edition of the Green Growl has to offer! :) !

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Trimester Trubl

By: Alex Bardy and Jonathan Shen

Everybody in each grade from 4th to 9th have to take the drastically feared TRIMESTERS!!! Grades 4th to 6th have trimesters in math only. They require studying and some brainstorming, and it is not too stressful. But, once you enter the upper school, you have to take trimesters in science and math, as if one wasn’t enough (It’s really a lot, but you’ll get through it). ← don’t listen to Alex, it is extremely stressful and requires weeks of studying, preparing, and working to finally feel prepared, but then you will flunk your trimester test and grade :))! ← But... you can still do it! Confidence!

Family Fun Night

By: Alex Bardy and Jonathan Shen

LISG, as usual, held the annual family fun night for the students, siblings and their parents. It was held at Dave and Busters. People had fun with the claw games, scam games, and racing games. Some especially notable students (they asked to stay anonymous) went a little too crazy with the rubber duck claw game. An astonishing 25 ducks were kidnapped! They are now held in a nice habitat by the anonymously excellent kids (Alexander Bardy, Jonathan Shen, Matthew Burgin, Caterina Dottino)! (We do not have permission from half of these kids to be put on the Newspaper)!! If you are planning on beating this record, visit Family Fun Night next year! Please don’t waste your allowance on rubber ducks...

Happy Hockey

By: Jonathan Shen and Benjamin Saravi

The Hockey Tournament is a big event in the upper school. Almost all of the upper school participate to win glory and bragging rights. Although it is only its second year, the Hockey Tournament has racked up lots of excitement. With a round robin to start off all teams in a division, and after, the playoffs, the Novick division consists of the 8th grade, while the O'Shea division contains the 7th grade. Each match is played during lunch (recess) periods for ten minutes, each match having a result of lots of sweaty players. There are six teams that are playing the matches, each with 5-8 players. The results have come out by the time 'Green Growl' was printed. Benjamin Saravi went to interview one of our hockey tournament referees, Mr. Novick to find out the history of the tournament.

Benjamin Saravi: When and why did the idea for a hockey tournament come up?

Mr. Novick: Last year during Day of Play we made a hockey activity for the upper school in the afternoon, and Mr. O'shea and I saw how many students chose to play hockey. We thought wouldn't it be fun if we could have a full hockey tournament. That is how we came up with the idea for a tournament.

Benjamin Saravi: Do you think that the quality in games has increased from last year to this year?

Mr. Novick: Yes. The games have been more even. There is definitely more high quality games than last year, so I would say that this year is definitely a better tournament than last year.

Jane Elliot's Blue eye vs Brown Eye Experiment

By: Tiffany Liang

Jane Elliot was a teacher who performed this project, after Martin Luther King JR. was assassinated. The point of the experiment was to show the kids in her class how it felt to be discriminated against. While performing the experiment in her class she did not tell her students she was doing the test, which left a lot of kids in tears. The blue eyed people were favored while the brown eyed people were discriminated against. Today our school performed our own version of this experiment. Everyone was told about this experiment so no one's feelings could be hurt. This experiment lasted three periods in the morning. In every period the teacher picked something he/she would use as a factor to discriminate against. The teachers did not tell the students how they were going to discriminate and class went on as usual. Everyone had a chance to be favored or discriminated against. Everyone in the classes knew that the experiment was happening and so they tried to guess what the discrimination was.

Student Council

By: Kaitlyn Shen

The Student Council Elections is an event where students participate to represent their homeroom/grade. Each home room has one representative, but in upper school, each homeroom includes the whole grade, which has two representatives. Each representative will have a few weeks to win over the voting students, by using posters and speeches.

On the day of the election, the students running for student council will have a speech already prepared to read to their fellow classmates. Then, the students will vote on who they want to be in student council. Shortly after the voting process, the teachers count the number of votes for each person, and after long, treacherous hours of suspense, they finally announce who the winning students are.

Shopping Frenzy

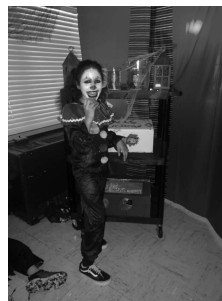
By: Tiffany Liang

At the school there was a book fair and a holiday boutique. The book fair was sponsored by Scholastic. All the books were from Scholastic and the moms helped make the Holiday boutique beautiful.

Spooky Special

By: Mrs. Aziz

On October 31st, the halls of LISG filled up with the spooky, the wild, and the magical. Everyone showed their Halloween spirit at the annual parade, held in the gym this year, due to an unfortunate spell that cast inclement weather over the area. Thirsty vampires, creepy clowns, mad scientists, and of course, Harry Potter and his wizarding friends were sighted at the parade. Every grade, for the first time in LISG history, participated in creating a Halloween themed activity for the Lower School students for a frightening good time. Activities included fun halloween themed stations hosted by 4th grade, a spooky haunted house hosted by 5th grade, an impossible escape room hosted by 6th grade, a wild scavenger hunt hosted by 7th grade and creepy carnival themed games hosted by the 8th grade. Thank you all for participating!!



12 Festive Facts

By: Jonathan Shen

Haha, 12 days of Christmas

- 🌲 Jingle Bells, the well known winter carol, was written on **Thanksgiving!**
- 🌲 In Israel, **oily donuts** are eaten for desserts at Hanukkah
- 🌲 Kwanzaa lasts **seven** days!
- 🌲 There are **sixteen** ways to spell Hanukkah!
- 🌲 In Japan, **KFC** is a great dish to eat on Christmas!
- 🌲 Despite the major hype, Hanukkah is **not** a major holiday in Jewish . It only gained popularity because of Christmas.
- 🌲 People **give** gifts on Christmas.
- 🌲 Seven is a very **prominent** number at Kwanzaa.
- 🌲 Rudolph's red nose is caused by a **parasite...**
- 🌲 Kwanzaa is **not** considered a religious holiday.
- 🌲 The Holiday lunch at school was **canceled** this year..
- 🌲 Please don't get your friends **trash** gifts for secret snowman.

Quote of the Month

By: Jonathan Shen

The Quote of the Month includes a fun fact about the topic each article! This article features Thanksgiving, resulting with a quote:

“Aren't we forgetting the true meaning of Christmas? You know, the birth of Santa?”
- Bart Simpson

Sudoku

By: Alvin Deng

1	5	3
4	2	7
6	8	9

9	2	7
6	8	3
4	5	1

6	4	8
5	1	9
2	3	7

2	1	5
5	4	3
8	7	6

9	6	8
7	1	2
5	3	4

3	7	4
9	8	6
1	2	5

3	2	1
7	5	4
9	6	8

5	4	9

7	6	8

So... everyone thinks I put inspirational quotes. And they are right. Santa Claus is over three hundred years old and can still fall down chimneys and not break his neck. Someone like that must be very skillful and talented, and that is true about Santa, as he brought joy around the world. (I just remembered who Bart Simpson is). But all in all, other aspects of Christmas are also essential, because you won't get presents from Santa if you aren't respectful, caring, etc.

Extracurricular Activities

By: Kaitlyn Shen

Extracurricular activities are a series of activities that take place during 9th period. The upper school, which includes the 7th, 8th, and 9th graders, are the grades who participate in extracurricular activities. Each trimester, students have different activity options to choose from. Some extracurricular activities are mandatory and all students need to participate in the activity, such as, sewing and participating in the play (if you chose to originally be in it). Otherwise, students are given a choice between different activities the school have. Overall, extracurricular activities are just like a substitute for 9th period classes and are an enjoyable series of activities for students to take part in.

Winter Concert

By: Arianna Campanella

At the winter concert there were a lot of great songs. The great songs used were "Hot Chocolate", "Winter Wonderland", the theme song from Pink Panther, "Believer", "A Song of Peace", and "The Lion Sleeps Tonight". This year we have a new music teacher named Ms. Negron. She did an amazing job. Everyone had a great time and we thank Ms Spaulding and Ms Meola and especially Ms Negron for putting up a great show with singing, motions, and skits!

Thank You!

By: Jonathan Shen

Thank you for reading our article about this month's 'Green Growl - Holiday Special'! Don't forget to subscribe to our newspaper to get the weekly, I mean, monthly article! It will probably come out next year, but still, a wonderful hope! Happy Holidays from the 'Green Growl'!