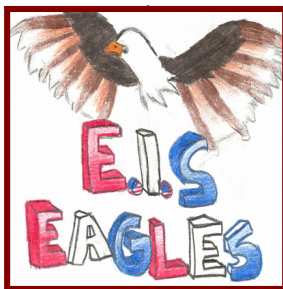


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SPRING ISSUE

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SPRING IS HERE!!!

I asked the Eagle writers to contribute material that reminded them of Spring. I know that you will enjoy reading this issue.

This is the first issue for our new fifth grade writers! I am sure you will find their contributions to be a wonderful addition to the spring issue. I am looking forward to working with them on future *Eagle* editions! Erinn Lee has written a great introduction article about all of our new fifth grade writers.

I hope you enjoy the original poems, creative writing and the Spring word search. The student survey results report EIS students favorite Spring activities.

We have a comic created by Jenny Lin. Read ahead to find out more!!

Our teacher interview is with Mrs. Fyrer. Mrs. Fyrer is a sixth grade teacher who is retiring at the end of the school year. We wish her a happy and healthy retirement!

Ms. McGuinness

Special points of interest:

- Riddles
- Teacher Interview
- Spring Survey
- Poetry
- Comics
- 6th Grade Play
- Creative Writing
- EIS Student Info

Student Writers Who Contributed to this issue.....

Harold Prak

Cassie Connell

Daniel Bazarian

Jackie Meaney

Erinn Lee

Jenny Lin

Alex Corcoran

Sage Rabito

TEACHER INTERVIEW WITH MRS. FYRER

BY: JACKIE MEANEY & SAGE RABITO

Q: What are you planning on doing after you retire?

A: Sleep late and travel!

Q: Have you always been a teacher?

A: No, I was a telephone operator at St. John's Hospital.

Q: How long have you been teaching?

A: I have been teaching for 32 years.

Q: What are you going to miss most about teaching?

A: I am going to miss the kids the most.

Q: What made you become a teacher?

A: I have always loved school and vacation!

Q: If you could be anything else, what would you be?

A: I would be an artist.

Q: Have you had any of your students become famous?

A: Yes, Scott Grimes on "E.R."

Q: Was teaching fun?

A: Yes, of course!

CONGRATULATIONS ON YOUR RETIREMENT!
WE WILL MISS YOU!

Aladdin & The Wonderful Lamp

As you know, the sixth grade play for this year is *Aladdin & The Wonderful Lamp*. This version of this classic tale was adapted by Jack Neary, a well-known local playwright/director/actor. The play is scheduled to be about 45 minutes long. You can catch it Thursday, June 11th at 7:00 PM, but there will be performances for students and staff during school hours.

For a free excerpt, go to our website:
www.englishstudentnews.co.nr.



RIDDLES!

Submitted by: Harold Prak

1. You throw away the outside and cook the inside. Then you eat the outside and throw away the inside. What did you eat?
2. Give me food, and I will live. Give me water, and I will die. What am I?
3. What belongs to you but others use it more than you do?
4. I'm light as a feather, yet the strongest man can't hold me for much more than a minute. What am I?
5. When one does not know what it is, then it is something; but when one knows what it is, it is nothing. What am I?
6. I have holes in my top and bottom, my left and right, and in the middle, still I hold water! What am I?
7. In a marble hall white as milk, lined with skin as soft as silk, within a fountain crystal clear, a golden apple doth appear. No doors there are to this stronghold, yet thieves break in to steal its gold. What am I?

(Riddle answers are found on page 7!)

SPRING WORD SEARCH

SUBMITTED BY: JACKIE MEANEY

Info About our Newest Newspaper Crew

By *Erinn Lee*

These were questions I asked each of the 7 members of the newspaper: 1. *What is your favorite subject? Least?* 2. *Why did you decide to join the newspaper?* 3. *What is your favorite book(s)?* 4. *What personality fits you best?* Instead of saying the questions 7 times each, I'm just going to put the number and then the answer.

Vicky Coyne 103

1. I love math and the least favorite is social studies.
2. I joined the newspaper because I like to read and write.
3. The book I read in school called Monkey High is my favorite.
4. I think the personality funny fits me best.

Jackie Meaney 103

1. Science is my pick and social studies is my least.
2. Since I love to read and write, I joined the school newspaper.
3. Paint the Wind by Pam Munoz Ryon is my choice of book.
4. Funny is the personality I'll have to choose for me.

Erinn Lee 216

1. Math is my favorite subject and science is my least.
2. I joined because I wanted to be part of a school committee and also because I love to read and write.
3. The Secret Garden by Frances Hodgson Burnett is my favorite book.
4. Musical would fit me best as a personality.

Jenny Lin 216

1. My favorite is math and least is science.
2. I joined because I like to read, draw, type, and write.
3. The Sorcerer's Companion by Allan Zola and Elizabeth Kronzek is my favorite book.
4. I think the personality artistic fits me best.

Sage Rabito 216

1. Math is my strongest and social studies is my weakest.
2. Since I love to write, I joined the newspaper.
3. Souder by Williams H. Armstrong is my favorite.
4. Friendly is the personality I'll have to choose.

Cassie Connell M4

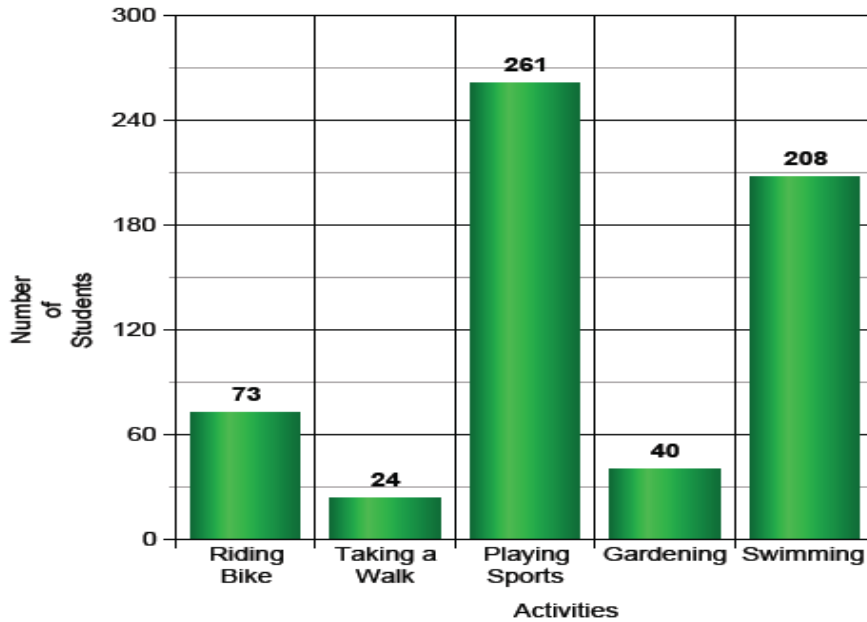
1. Writing is my favorite and math is my least.
2. I joined because I love to write.
3. I like the Twilight series by Stephanie Meyer the best.
4. I would have to say funny fits me best as a personality.

Harold Prak M4

1. My strongest subject is English and my weakest is math.
2. When I grow up, I want to be a reporter and the newspaper gives me a chance to write.
3. The books of Geronimo Stilton entertain me the most.
4. I get excited very quickly so I think it fits me the best.

WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE SPRING ACTIVITY?

Survey & Data Collected by Cassie Connell



The World By Harold Prak

The world is sweet, the world is nice.
 It may be cold as freezing ice.
 It is very busy, sometimes we get dizzy.
 The world is a great place to be with you and me!

Happy Memorial Day!



SCIENCE CONVENTION:

Fifth grade students will participate in the EIS Science Convention on Thursday, May 28. Parents, families, and friends are invited to attend the convention next Thursday from 6-7:30pm

Old Sturbridge Village:

Fifth grade Students will travel to Old Sturbridge Village on either June 2 or 3!

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Gutsy Gardening!!

With Daniel L. Bazarian!!!

Please do not read this slightly disgusting article while eating, or within 5 minutes of doing so. You have been forewarned.

Hello There! Welcome to Gutsy Gardening, your typical gardening article - NOT! Today we will learn about the *Man Eating Tree*, an essential for any of you power mad megalomaniacs out there! So let's get right to it, 'cause you won't want to miss a second of this, folks!!!

Our first description of this tree comes from J.W.Buel, who received it from a friend of his who lived in Central America where the tree was spotted. It is described as having a short, thick trunk. Extending from the top of this trunk, are a mass of narrow, flexible, tentacle like spines, a dark green in color. These spines are described as very careful, and skillful in their movements, and are covered in dagger-like barbs, or teeth. These vines are spread out in a circle around the trunk, each branching out and barely touching each other. They are said to resemble a couch with a green cloth draped over it. (Here comes the gross part, for all you afflicted with squeamishness.) When an unfortunate victim sets their feet within this circle of doom, the spines instantly snap up and grab the poor victim. This monstrous tree will then crush and devour the victim. The tree then once again spreads its monstrous spines to lie in wait for its next victim.

Our next specimen is described by Charles Liche, and his companion, Hendrick. Their tree has a brown, iron hard, 8 foot trunk shaped like a pineapple. Growing from this trunk are 8 leaves, each about 12 feet in length, which hang limply from the top of the trunk. The inside of these leaves are covered in hooked spikes. A small bowl of some sort of intoxicating liquid is supported by stiff, hairy, green tendrils jutting out from the bottom of the tree. At the very top of the tree were wispy, transparent palpi, which would wave around in even the slightest breeze. Liche managed to witness a sacrifice going on, and describes the happenings rather well. (I have excluded some of the too descriptive details for the squeamish.) The sacrifice would drink some of the liquid, immediately becoming only half conscious, much like a sleepwalker. The sacrifice would climb to the center of the leaves. The palpi and tendrils would then hold her in place while the leaves closed up around her. More of the strange liquid then flowed down from the trunk. At this point, Liche and Hendrick, truly disgusted by this seen, politely excused themselves and fled to the nearest town at breakneck speed. (Due to the lack of tools during the sacrifice, all measurements are just guesses, and may not be correct.)

And that's the end of another episode of Gutsy Gardening!! With your host, Daniel L. Bazarian!!!

CONGRATULATIONS

6TH GRADERS!

MCAS OPEN RESPONSE RESULTS:

AVERAGE FOR GRADE 6: 51.19

AVERAGE FOR GRADE 5: 50.49

**THANK YOU TO ALL EIS STUDENTS FOR
THEIR HARD WORK!!**

What A Website!

Alexander Corcoran

You know, this whole website idea of mine has come a long way. I actually started creating the website in September. I told Ms. McGuinness about my idea and she said, "Stick to writing articles." I ignored her. I made the website and showed it her. "How did you do this?!" she asked me when she saw it. Look who was right again. So, I made a few tweaks to it and showed it to the boss.

Mr. Young was unsure when I told him about it. He gave me his famous look: arms crossed, chin up, eyes looking right at you. He invited me into his office where I showed him the site. After his full examination he told me, "It can't have the children's' full names on it." I left with out another word. I went back and edited the current issue, removing all full last names. Only the first letter of the last name appears now.

The day before I opened the site, I made a few moves that made the site so popular: added games. If it wasn't for that last-minute action, everyone would hate it. I am so happy I did that. I've persuaded the bosses to go ahead with the website. The good news: it is up and running. The bad news: Ms. McGuinness says I am now in charge of maintaining the site until I graduate high school!

Please note that I did change the site's web address over vacation from <http://sites.google.com/site/englesbystudentnews> to <http://www.englesbystudentnews.co.nr/>. I did this so it would be easier to remember. But you can still use the old link to get to the site. And you can always contact us by emailing us at eisnews@gmail.com or by writing us a letter and putting it in the lobby mailbox.



Sixth Grade End of the Year Activities!!!!

June 15: Trivia Contest

June 16: Field Day (rain date 6/17)

June 17: Student/Staff Softball Game

June 18: Moving On Ceremony

June 19: Luau

SIXTH GRADE FUN!!!!

Riddle Answers

1. An ear of corn
2. Fire
3. Name
4. A breath
5. A riddle
6. A sponge
7. An egg