

THE THUNDERBIRD TIMES



Your Imagine Schools North Manatee News

February 3, 2017

TRINITY & FREYA

"We pooped on Mr. Prime! Oops!"



We recently had a chance to visit Mrs. Primerano's class and ask Trinity and Freya some serious questions about their life here at ISNM. Here's what they had to say...

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| Q: What's it like to be a guinea pig? | A: Fabulous, of course! |
| Q: What's your favorite snack? | A: Carrots |
| Q: What's your view of Mr. Prime? | A: He doesn't hold us very often because we accidentally pooped on him once. |
| Q: What's your favorite part of the day? | A: We squeal with happiness during snack time. |
| Q: How do you feel about Mrs. Prime and her kids? | A: Mrs. Prime and the kids feed us all the time, and anyone who feeds us is a friend of ours! |
| Q: Do you exercise enough to lose the weight from all that eating? | A: What we lack in exercise we make up in pooping, and Mrs. Prime lets us run around the room. |
| Q: Are you excited for Valentine's Day? | A: Yes, and our cage is red for the holiday. |
| Q: Do you think Mrs. Prime spends enough time with you? | A: Mr. Prime would say she spends too much time with us, but we don't think so. |
| Q: What is your favorite song? | A: The 'tidy up song' because after that we get fed. |
| Q: Do you ever get claustrophobic? | A: No, we like our small space. That's enough questions. We're getting tired now. |

~Aaliyah Francis, James Crowell, & Dorian Sims

Editorial Section

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STUFF

Hey, Dorian here! Today I'm going to give my opinion of stuff. Stuff...what's the deal? It always seems to be the latest fashion, everyone has it, and some people want more of it. I just don't get it. People make stuff so people will give them money for the stuff just to make better stuff. It's a repetitive cycle called the *Exchange Cycle of Stuff*. This cycle is just as common as the water cycle if not more. If the Exchange Cycle of Stuff were to suddenly end then people would freak out and chaos would emerge, making this the most important cycle. This is an easy way to help keep humanity stable. Do your part and help preserve the Exchange Cycle of Stuff. All it takes is a little stuff and a big heart.

~Dorian Sims

THUNDERBIRD SOCCER

On Tuesday the Thunderbird soccer team played their first match at home and lost 4-0 against Sky Englewood. Hopefully soon we can get our first win of the season.

~Daniel Miralda, Local Sports



WHAT IS THAT?

The item photographed below is in the recess field north of Imagine Schools North Manatee in plain view for all to see. Be one of the first ten students to correctly identify this item and win a prize! If you know it, see Mr. Bailey in Room 102.



Regina Bradin Registrar



Q: Why did you become a registrar?

A: I used to be a stay at home mom until someone asked me to do this job.

Q: Where did you go to college?

A: I went to college at the University of South Carolina.

Q: If you weren't a registrar, what would you want to be?

A: I would want to be a photographer or an artist because everything is beautiful.

Q: What is your favorite thing about ISNM?

A: All of the people here. I love the teachers, the staff, and the students.

Q: Who is your favorite musician?

A: The Eagles because they were popular when I was growing up.

Q: What do you like to do in your free time?

A: I like to read or do puzzles in my free time because it's relaxing.

Q: What is your favorite sport to watch?

A: I love to watch college football because it's fun to watch. I'm an SEC girl.

Q: Is there anything else you'd like our reading audience to know about you?

A: I think Imagine is an awesome school, I love it here!

Thank you, Mrs. Bradin!

~Arianna Rodriguez & Seth Hoopingartner
Interview Specialists

STAR WARS

by Daniel Miralda

There have been a total of 8 Star Wars movies but *Rogue One* is between Episode 3 and 4, but Twitter@StarWars announced that the new name for the new Star Wars movie coming up is called *Star Wars 8 The Last Jedi*. Many people think that Mark Hamill (Luke Skywalker) might die. This movie looks like it will be dark from the new design of the title because now it's red and in the Star Wars trilogy red means 'the sith.'



We are used to seeing the yellow design like this,



and *The Force Awakens* wasn't made too long ago. It was released on December 18, 2015 and *Star Wars 8* will be released on December 15, 2017. And while we're at it, Carrie Fisher (Princess Leia) died sadly. RIP Carrie Fisher October 21, 1956 - December 27, 2016.



Astride Kovacik

2nd grade - ELA/Social Studies



Q: Why did you become a teacher?

A: Because I wanted to make a difference in children's lives especially special needs children.

Q: Who is your favorite student?

A: All 36 of them!

Q: If you weren't a teacher, what would you be?

A: A pilot.

Q: What do you do in your free time?

A: I read and watch the news. I love politics!

Q: What is your favorite song?

A: "Don't Stop Believin'" by Journey.

Q: Do you have a hobby?

A: I like to collect small things.

Q: If you could have any superpower, what would it be?

A: To be SuperGirl and fly!

Q: If you could be an actress in any movie, what would it be?

A: *A Walk to Remember.*

Q: I heard you are a crazy good cook. What is your best dish?

A: Rice and beans.

~Aaliyah Francis

SUPER BOWL ALTERNATIVES

by
Jemma Hall



As you probably

already know, the Super Bowl is this Sunday, February 5. If you're like me, you'll be looking for an alternative to the game. Here are some options:

•Watch for the commercials.

The Super Bowl is pretty well-known for its commercials so there are bound to be some interesting commercials. You can sit and tune out the sports until the commercials come but you can also just look them up on the internet afterwards.

•Watch the Puppy Bowl instead

Instead of watching the Super Bowl, watch Animal Planet for the Puppy Bowl. Watch a diverse group of breeds on Team Ruff and Team Fluff compete rather than watching normal boring sports.

•Read, Write, Draw, Et Cetera

It's always good to be creative. Maybe you can work on a project that you have always wanted to do, like do some homework, finish that essay, or complete that sketch. Being creative can range from doing some cool DIY (Do It Yourself) things that you've always wanted to do and never had the time. So finish a book, Write an essay, just do something that doesn't bore you (like watching sports).

Most Watched Inauguration Ever?

On January 20th-21st, President elect Donald J. Trump became America's 45th president. Crowd scientists estimate there was an estimated 31 million people attending Trump's inauguration. That's about 19% below Obama's first inauguration in 2009. It's also far below the 41.8 million people who watched Ronald Reagan's first in 1981. On January 21st, a day after his inauguration President Trump sparked a controversy when he claimed the media has misrepresented the inaugural attendance. White House counselor Kellyanne Conway claimed that "alternative facts" were used by Press Secretary Sean Spicer when he tried to make the claim that "this was the largest audience to ever witness an inauguration, period, both in person and around the globe." Spicer got several facts wrong. He then later admitted that some of the figures he used were incorrect, though he believed them to be correct at the time.



~Anabelle Gilmore
Presidential Coverage

AN UPCOMING EVENT YOU DON'T WANT TO MISS

Middle School Valentine Dance

Saturday February 11, 2017

7:00-9:00PM

\$4 per person in advance and \$5 at the door

Light Refreshments Provided

Semi-Formal Attire

Will's Game Guide

by William Anderson



Alola, my gamers. I am Will and this time I'll be talking about *Pokémon Sun and Moon*. I picked this game because of the adventure, the mischief, the hilarious comments by Hau and Lillie, and because Nebby is a Cosmog (gas Pokémon). While you play *Sun and Moon* it gets harder as you progress after Hea Hae City.



-----!Spoiler Warning: Don't read unless you want it spoiled!-----

You first catch (actually receive) a starter Pokémon - Litten, Rowlett, or Poplio. Choose wisely because this matters in the Guzma fight in Malie City in the garden. He uses bug type Pokémon. He has Ariados, and Golosipod which has the wimp-out ability. It can switch like that at below 50%. OK, assuming you beat Hau next you go to professor. Kuiki Lillie brings you there, then you go to the city where your fist trial is. It's the normal type z crystal. She shows the dance for it. After that you fight some of Team Skull like Guzma. Then you fight the Kahuna Bum Bum Bum Haus grandfather after that you get Fightium Z. Then you get the Tatuross Ride Pager. OK, now you ride a boat to Hea Hae City, then you meet the rock Kahuna and the grass trial leader, then the water trial leader. Next, you get to the mansion and will meet Sina and Dexio from Kalos if you played X and Y. They will give you a Zyguard cube to make Zyguard perfect then more trouble from Team Skull. You then clear the grass trial by collecting ingredients. It spawns the totem Pokémon, totem Lurantus. If you picked a Litten Boom, it's down. Next, you save people from the Aether foundation. They show you Aether paradise and then you fight Nilhighgo, a poison U.B. (ultra beast). After you beat Olivia you can get a Greninja if you got the demo for Sun and Moon. It comes at level 36. Congratulations! You unlocked Island 3. Go there then fight Guzma and save the professor again. Then you go do the electric trial and that's not all. This time you get the electric and steel Z move. After that you get to Festival Plaza. It lets you trade and battle other people online and shout out to a streamer Duncan. Then after the third island you go to Poni Island. There you go catch Solgaleo(sun), Lunala(moon), and Witch (Nebby). Then you become champion but there is more to discover after the credits. You go outside and walk. An old man gives you a note then the U.B. quest starts. You go get a Nilhighgo, Buzwwhole(sun), Pheramosa(moon), Xurkitree, Kartana (sun), Celestia (moon), then finally Guzlord. Enjoy!!!

Panic! At The Disco



The band Panic! at the Disco currently consists of one official band member, and his name is Brendon Urie. It started as three in 2004. They were Ryan Ross, Spencer Smith, and Brent Wilson. (Note: Brendon Urie hadn't joined yet.) Then, one day, Ryan Ross couldn't come to guitar practice. The guitar teacher asked Brendon Urie to come in his absence, and he accepted. Then, they asked him to stay as the lead vocalist, and he decided, "Why not?" In 2005, they released their first album, *A Fever You Can't Sweat Out*, and the hit single "I Write Sins Not Tragedies" made it so popular, the album hit the US double platinum. During tour, Brent Wilson was fired, and Jon Walker replaced him as the new lead bassist. In 2008, after the release of the album *Pretty. Odd.* Ryan Ross and John Walker left the band. The hit single is "Nine in the Afternoon." In 2011, the duo was joined by Dallon Weekes, they released *Vices and Virtues*, with hit single "Ballad of Mona Lisa" In 2013, they released *Too Weird To Live, Too Rare To Die!*, hit single being "Miss Jackson." In 2015, Smith left and Weekes went to being a tour member, leaving Urie alone. The next year, on January 15, he released *Death of a Bachelor*, and is currently on tour for the album. The hit single was "Death of a Bachelor," respectfully so. It is the only album named after a song in the album, and is their best selling album so far. They are considered by many fans to be in the Emo Trinity along with *Fall Out Boy* and *My Chemical Romance*.

My personal opinion on Panic is that they are amazing. My favorite album is *Vices and Virtues*, due to all of the amazing songs considered to be on that album. If I were to rank the albums, they would be in this order: *Vices And Virtues*, *Too Rare To Live, Too Weird To Die!* *Pretty. Odd.* and *A Fever You Can't Sweat Out*. If I were to have to pick one of their songs, I would pick *Hurricane* because of the lyrical value of that song. Next in my top 5 would be *House of Memories*, then *The Ballad of Mona Lisa*, *This is Gospel*, and, finally, *Death of a Bachelor*.

~Isaac Beeson
Staff Writer

Ask Rachel



Dear Rachel,

This week in P.E. we did our testing. I was my friends counter and after I told him his scores he lied to Coach Logan so that he could have the highest score in the class. Should I tell Coach Logan or just let it pass?

~Anonymous

Anonymous,

Honesty is always the best way to go. I understand you don't want to tell because he is your friend. In the end, lying isn't the best way to go, even if you're not the one who told the lie. At this point you have two choices; don't tell the truth and let the lie grow, or tell the truth and clear your conscience. I'm sure you'll make the right decision.

~Rachel Rizzi
Advice Columnist

AN UPCOMING EVENT YOU DON'T WANT TO MISS

Valentine Family Dance

Grades VPK-5th Welcome to attend.

Friday February 10, 2017

7:00-9:00PM

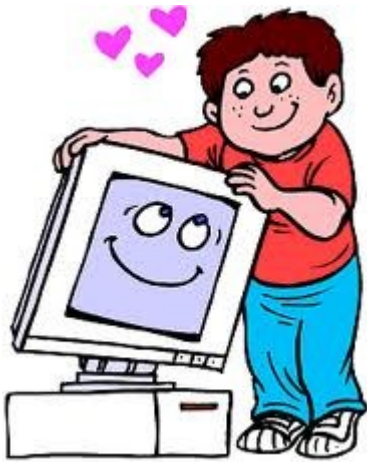
\$4 per person in advance and \$5 at the door

Light Refreshments Provided

The Thunderbird Times Riddle

Two fathers and their two sons go fishing. They each catch one fish and take them home. When they arrive they only have three fish, yet they didn't lose any. How can this be?

(Answer on the following page)



Computer Lab Procedures

by Arianna Rodriguez

Recently there have been some issues in the computer labs: Keyboard keys have gone missing, trash has been left behind, chairs have not been pushed in, etc. When the school needs to spend money fixing computers, we don't have money left over for fun things like field trips. When leaving the labs, please be sure to do the following:

- 1: Log out of any open program
- 2: Ensure desktop backgrounds are the same as when you entered the lab
- 3: Untangle headphones and place them on the monitor
- 4: Push in your chair
- 5: Throw away any trash in the immediate area

FOR THOSE WHO DON'T LIKE SPORTS!!!

ATTENTION!!! ATTENTION!!! For those of you who don't like sports I'm going to begin a new column just for you. Let me know what you'd like me to write - creative fiction, poetry, research a historian - anything!!! Coming soon—just let me know.

~Jemma Hall
Creative Writer/Editor

The Thunderbird Times Riddle

ANSWER

Two fathers and their two sons go fishing. They each catch one fish and take them home. When they arrive they only have three fish, yet they didn't lose any. How can this be?

ANSWER: A grandfather, his son, and his grandson go fishing.

NATIONAL NEWS UPDATE

with James Crowell



Kim Jung Un Requests To Meet Trump



About 2 weeks ago President Donald J. Trump was elected into office. Soon after Kim Jung Un requested to meet the new leader. He says he would love to meet him under the condition he does not try to negotiate or ask Kim to get rid of his nuclear weapons and the progress he has made with them. The president has not said whether or not he will do it.

Big-Time NFL Quarterback Ben Roethlisberger Considering Retirement?



This QB has seen a lot and in a recent comment has brought the assumption he might retire. "I'm going to take this offseason to evaluate, to consider all options. To consider health, and family and things like that and just kind of take some time away to evaluate next season, if there's going to be a next season. ...I'm going to take some time and evaluate with my family and just do a lot of praying about it and make sure it's the right thing for me and my family" was the NFL quarterback's comment. Steelers head coach Mike Tomlin told reporters he takes Roethlisberger's comments seriously but noted he's not alarmed by them. Tomlin also said the decision-making process doesn't surprise him but added that the franchise will "react and plan accordingly."

Hacker Who Breached 500 ISIS Accounts on Twitter Told President Trump Change Your Security Settings ASAP



A hacker that has hacked over 500 ISIS accounts has told Trump he is at risk of losing his if he doesn't set up his password recovery and change his email. The Vice President has changed his but Trump and the first lady haven't touched theirs and have no intention too. Making it easier for hackers to get the president and first lady's accounts.

What You Need To Know About Super Bowl LI

by Caleb Smith, National Sports Writer



FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

You've got your Super Bowl party invite, you're gearing up for a weekend of all things NFL, you've pulled your favorite Super Bowl jersey from the closet. But, no matter if you're a diehard Super Bowl fan, or just in it for the food and commercial watching you're going to want to have something to talk about when it comes to your knowledge on the Big Game. We've gathered some fun facts to help you relive the glory of the Super Bowl 50, and get ready for this year's football showdown.

Recap: Here's what happened last year

Super Bowl 50 was an epic showdown between the Denver Broncos and Carolina Panthers in a 24-10 win at the Levi's Stadium in Santa Clara, California.

But what is the Super Bowl?

The Super Bowl is the annual championship game of the National Football League (NFL) – the highest point of a season that begins in the previous calendar year.

When was the first Super Bowl?

The first Super Bowl, Super Bowl I, was played on January 15, 1967, following the 1966 regular season.

What's with the roman numerals?

The NFL tradition to use roman numerals started in 1971 at the first Super Bowl after the AFL-NFL merger. Kansas City Chiefs owner Lamar Hunt, who also coined the term "Super Bowl" thought that roman numerals gave the championship game a sense of grandeur and gravitas.

When is Super Bowl LI?

The NFL Super Bowl LI will take place on February 5, 2017, with kick off beginning at 6:30 pm local time on FOX TV.

Who is competing?

Super Bowl LI will be a tough match between the New England Patriots, and the Atlanta Falcons. According to Vegas, Tom Brady's bunch is favored by a 3-point margin.

How many seats are in the stadium?

The NRG Stadium has a maximum capacity of 71,500. Though it sounds a lot, it's Super tricky for fans to get their hands on tickets.

How can you get your hands on a Super Bowl LI ticket?

The answer goes like this. Each contesting team receives a percentage of tickets, each gets 17.5%. Because Texas is hosting the game, Texans will get 5% of the tickets. The other 29 NFL teams are given 1.2% of the seats and there's a lottery among season-ticket holders. The NFL league office takes the final 25.2% of the tickets. You can also try your luck getting a seat from a number of authorized online ticket brokers including TicketsNow.com, Ticket Liquidator, Ticket Exchange (official NFL BROKER), sbtickets.com, ticketbis.com and more.

How many people watched the 2016 Super Bowl?

The most-watched annual sporting event on television racked up an impressive 144.4 Million people on NBC, making it the third-largest record in TV history! Though ratings fell short of the previous year's record, maybe this year you too can be part of broadcast history in the making.

Why is the Super Bowl called the Super Bowl?

One of the conditions of the merger agreement between the National Football League (NFL) and the American Football League (AFL) in 1966 was that the winner of each league's championship game would meet in one game to determine the "world champion of football."

Legends tell it that Lamar Hunt, owner of the Kansas City Chiefs and one of the founders of the AFL, referred to the new championship game as the "Super Bowl" in merger meetings. He later explained that the name "stuck" in his head because of a toy his children had, called Super Ball. He further explained, "I probably interchanged the phonetics of "bowl" and "ball."

Who's performing in the Halftime Show?

Since Coldplay, Beyonce and Bruno Mars all showed up to the Super Bowl 50 halftime show, this could be a hard act to follow. Super star Lady Gaga is set to return as the headline act on the biggest stage of all, the Pepsi Zero Sugar Super Bowl Halftime Show.

How much food is consumed on Super Bowl Sunday?

The Super Bowl is one of the biggest junk food fests of the year for many Americans – even though some health brands are buying Super Bowl commercial air time. (Avocados anyone?) So how much food is consumed?

Though figures tend to be exaggerated, Pizzerias estimate a staggering 60% increase in take-out orders, while other traditional Super Bowl foods such as guacamole see over 278 million avocados being purchased, 11.2 million pounds of potato chips, and 1.3 billion chicken wings – that's enough to feed every American citizen 4 wings each!

Which coaches have made Super Bowl history?

Fans tend to get fixated on the players, there have been a number of coaches that have made their mark on Super Bowl history. For Super Bowl XV, The Raiders' Tom Flores, of Hispanic descent, became the first minority coach to win the game. In 2007, Tony Dungy became the first Black coach to win the Super Bowl. The Indianapolis Colts coach competed against Lovie Smith, making them the first two Black coaches to lead the game.

What makes the Vince Lombardi Trophy so special?

This iconic trophy is more than an ornament of wonder. It also holds a treasured history of the "world-championship," its greatest team players, and most celebrated coaches. The trophy, is in fact named after 1960s Green Bay coach, Vince Lombardi, and in his memory. Unlike many other trophies the winning Super Bowl team gets to keep the Vincent Lombardi Trophy. It's made entirely of sterling silver, is handcrafted by Tiffany & Co., stands 22 inches tall and weighs 7 pounds! Each player of the winning Super Bowl team also gets to keep a smaller imitation of the original trophy.

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