

THE THUNDERBIRD TIMES



Your Imagine Schools North Manatee News

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Ask Janissa

Each month our readers can submit a question about a real-life issue they are dealing with. Janissa will offer her heartfelt advice.



Dear Janissa,

I'm 11 and my problem is, when I look in the mirror, all I see is ugliness. My mother has heard the way I talk about myself, and she doesn't like it one bit. But I can't seem to stop because all I hear is a voice in my head saying, "You're ugly or you're fat. Go on a diet!" Is there something wrong with me? Do I need help?

~Anonymous

Anonymous,

Sweetie, there is nothing wrong with you at all. You are fine just the way you are. It is completely okay to be different and unique. Besides, it doesn't matter what's on the outside. It's what's on the inside that counts. I have also struggled with this too, so I understand. But you just have to keep your head up and smile. I'm very positive you are a very beautiful young lady. You have to learn to love yourself no matter what.

~Janissa Uribes
Staff Writer

Calling all young authors! If you have written a poem or short story that you are particularly proud of, please submit it to me, and it may appear in a future edition.

~Mr. Greg Bailey



WHAT IS THAT?

The item photographed above is in the halls of Imagine Schools North Manatee in plain view for all to see. Be the first STUDENT (sorry, no teachers) to correctly identify this item and win a prize! If you know it, see Mr. Bailey in Room 102.

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Editorial Section

Please Note: The opinions expressed in this section are not necessarily those of Imagine Schools or its administration.

ELECTRONIC DEVICES AT SCHOOL

Hey, it's Dorian. Today I will give my opinion on using personal electronic devices at school. I understand that they aren't allowed in class, but why not at lunch or even recess? You finish your lunch and all you have to do is talk to your friends. Yes, we all love hanging with our friends but don't you just want to play a game or get on Snapchat, Instagram, Kik, etc.? And, if not at lunch, we should at least be allowed to use our phones at recess - you know, just to take a break from a stressful day. You could just sit down, relax, and listen to some music. You could do anything (anything appropriate, of course!). But knowing some kids...they would do something and mess this up for everyone. I'm sure everyone would like this but sadly, it's not up to the kids. The teachers decide, and frankly, I don't think they would allow this. That's just my opinion. Until next time on Dorian's Opinion...

~Dorian Sims
Staff Writer

This Month in Social Media

Best Dressed At The VMA's

Chance may have looked like a well dressed super Mario bro, but he couldn't have done it better.



Before switching into her hot pink outfit fitness gear, Ariana kept it simple with an off shoulder top with some flared pants.



~Gabriel Rivas
Staff Writer

Keeping Up With The Primeranos

This is one of our most important features each edition, as the question burning most in the minds of Thunderbird families is "How are the Primeranos adjusting to married life?"

This month I had a chance to sit down with Mrs. Primerano and ask *her* a few questions. Here's what she had to say...

Q: What do you and Mr. Prime do for fun?

A: We play Pokémon Go, watch Netflix, and just chill.

Q: I see you have a puppy. What's that like?

A: He's not a puppy. He is actually eleven years old, and we love him like a child.

Q: How did you feel when Mr. Prime proposed to you?

A: I felt all warm and fuzzy inside.

Q: Mr. Prime said he want to have 3 children. How many would you like to have?

A: We have talked about it and we both agreed to have 3, but I might change my mind after the first one.

Q: Do you think he will change his mind after he changes some diapers?

A: I can see Mr. Prime being proud of his child's massive poop diaper.

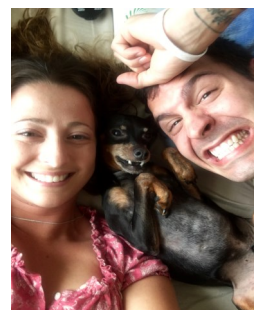
Q: Who is the better driver?

A: I am the better driver, but I'm more aggressive. I don't know how to drive a bus though.

Q: How do you feel about you both coaching sports?

A: It's nice that we both get to do something with the kids. He's the better athlete but he usually lets me win.

Mr. and Mrs. Prime have been pleasant so far. But stay tuned for future editions when they really dish the dirt on each other.



~Aaliyah Francis
Staff Writer

Jennifer McRee

Front Desk Receptionist



Q: Why did you become a receptionist?

A: I love helping the kids.

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

A: I would be a stay at home mom.

Q: What is your favorite band/song?

A: Anything country

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

A: Any and everything outdoors

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

A: To fly

Q: Did you enjoy the last edition of The Thunderbird Times?

A: I loved it. It was very fun and creative.

Q: I hear you live on like 20 acres of land. What's that like?

A: It's amazing. We love the nature.

Q: Is there anything else you'd like *The Thunderbird Times* reading audience to know about you?

A: I enjoy seeing your smiling faces each and every day!

-Aaliyah Francis
Staff Writer

World News Update

Russia Banned from the Paralympic Games

Russia will NOT be competing in the 2016 Paralympic Games in Rio. After losing their court case which originally banned them for using performance enhancing drugs (PEDs) on August 7th, 2016, their appeal request was denied August 23rd and means they are officially banned from the 2016 Paralympic Games in Rio.

Isis Attacks a Military Training Camp In Aden

Yemen: ISIS has claimed responsibility for a suicide car bombing Monday that killed dozens of recruits at a military training camp in Yemen's southern port city of Aden, according to the ISIS-affiliated Amaq news agency. At least 71 people were killed in the attack, and at least 33 others were wounded. A car bomb exploded inside the camp claiming multiple militant's lives and is claimed to be the latest bloody attack in the country's civil war. The explosion happened at 8:15 local time on Monday, August 29, 2016.

~James Crowell
Staff Writer

Sports Corner

Tryout are over and the team list has been posted. The members of your 2016 Thunderbird Flag Football team are: Micah Dortch, Austin Davis, Wyatt Echols, Carter Fulford, Derek Jacobson, Kadian Kinler, Isaiah Ledesma, Onesi Lino, Nate Logan, Josue Louis, Reynaldo Ramirez, Brayden Schofield, Caleb Smith, Leonardo Torres, and Julian Ward.

Haley Simpson and Brooke Waters had a chance to sit down with our flag football coaches, Mr. Primerano and Mr. Wallin. Here's what they had to say:

Q: Are you getting new uniforms this year?

A: Not that we know of. (Wallin)

Q: Are you excited to be coaching flag football?

A: Yes, football is awesome! (Wallin)

Q: Are you going to have your players pull your bus for strength conditioning?

A: We do that everyday. (Prime)

Q: What skills are players working on?

A: Ball handling skills, evasive maneuvering, and teamwork. (Prime)

Q: I've heard you are guaranteeing an undefeated season. Is this true?

A: We'll be undefeated until we lose. (Prime)

Q: Between the two of you, who's the good cop and who's the bad cop?

A: Mr. Prime is the good cop AND he's the bad cop. (Wallin)

8th Grade Interviews

Each month we would like to take a moment to highlight two of our 8th grade students - Class of 2017! This month we sat down and talked with Yahaira Gallardo and Gabriel Rivas. Here's what they had to say...

Yahaira Gallardo

Q: What high school are you going to next year?

A: Palmetto High School. I am looking forward to being in a bigger school.

Q: What are your goals for the future?

A: I want to graduate with honors.

Q: What has been your favorite subject at Imagine?

A: Math with Mrs. Stevenson. More than just math, she taught me to be myself.

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

A: I like to study (she said with a wink and smile).

Q: Do you have a role model?

A: Yes, Kylie Jenner.

Q: What's better - Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, or Snapchat?

A: Snapchat because you can see what your friends are up to.

Q: What was your most embarrassing moment?

A: In 6th grade I tripped and fell in front of the class, including the boy that I liked.

Q: Do you have any advice for other Imagine students?

A: Stay away from drama—it's not worth it!



Gabriel Rivas

Q: What high school are you going to next year?

A: Lennard High School in Ruskin. I'm a little nervous about high school because of how it's portrayed in movies.

Q: What has been your favorite subject at Imagine?

A: Math with Mrs. Stevenson. She's taught me how to be more kind to people.

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

A: I like to listen to music.

Q: Do you have a role model?

A: My Godfather because he's funny, smart, and nice—all qualities that I admire.

Q: What's better - Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, or Snapchat?

A: Snapchat because you get to get a glimpse into other people's lives.

Q: What was your most embarrassing moment?

A: When I was little my shorts fell off during soccer practice. They were too big.



Lunch with Mr. Ron

Q: How did you get started with this job?

A: I got started with my friend, John Weaver.

Q: Are you a native Floridian, or did you move from up north?

A: I am originally from Massachusetts.

Q: How long have you been with Imagine School North Manatee?

A: I have been here for 5 years.

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

A: I would want to stay in the military. I enjoyed my experience driving a bus in Kuwait during Desert Storm.

Q: What is your favorite flavor doughnut?

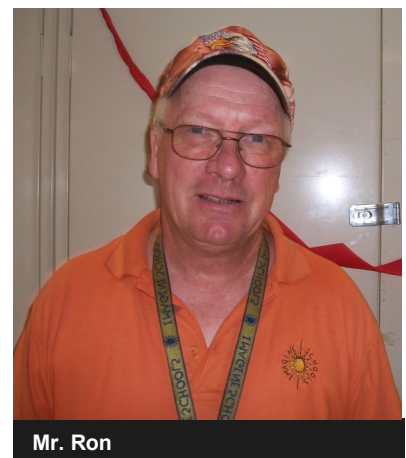
A: My favorite doughnut is butternut from Dunkin' Donuts.

Q: Do you have anything else you'd like to share with *The Thunderbird Times* readers?

A: I would like to tell them to stay in school and follow your dreams!

Thank you, Mr. Ron, for your hard work, dedication, and service to our country!

~Nachariah Cadelus



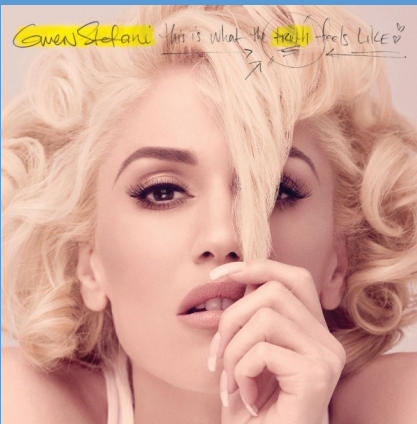
Mr. Ron

Music

Each edition, our music columnist, Arianna Harrison, will review a musical artist. This month, she is featuring **Gwen Stefani**.

Gwen Stefani recently released her third solo album—*This Is What Truth Feels Like*. One of the songs on this album that I particularly like is ‘Make Me Like You.’ 46-year-old Gwen Stefani is a very talented lady, and I myself am very fond of her music. She is mostly a solo artist, and she was nominated for the Disney Music Awards.

~Arianna Harrison
Staff Writer



Gwen Stefani

Staff Birthdays

SEPTEMBER 1	Julie Murphy
SEPTEMBER 5	Janet Russell
SEPTEMBER 6	Jennifer Guadalupe
SEPTEMBER 9	Patrick Anderson
SEPTEMBER 12	Denise Pavlowski
SEPTEMBER 16	Brittany May
SEPTEMBER 22	Astride Kovacic
SEPTEMBER 27	Maria Perez-Arias

On The Campaign Trail

~Angel Cortez
Staff Writer

2016 Florida Presidential Election

Mason-Dixon Polling & Research

August 27-29, 2016
625 likely voters
Margin of error: +/- 4.0

Democrat	Hillary Clinton	44%
Republican	Donald Trump	42%
Libertarian	Gary Johnson	6%
Undecided		6%
Green Party	Jill Stein	2%

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