



SBS Gazette

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Breaking News: Winter Woes

By: Teddy Almeter, Clara Albacete, Megan Sovak, Annie Garness, and Jordan Yaniga

Winter has been harsh on the students this year. Luckily it is cruising to an end; let's take a look at our ratings on delays and cancellations. So far we've had seven delays and one cancellation...and thank goodness for that! The extra hours of sleep have proved most relaxing, but cancellations mean more days at the end of the year, which nobody wants.

Delays provide nice sleeping hours, but no lunch, which is a bummer. At least we have a snack. Nine delays are plenty for the year and I don't think I'm alone when I say: please let them stop! We want warm weather! Lucky for us freezing penguins, weather reports are looking up for March, with an unthinkable fifty degrees! Le gasp! Could it be? Warm weather? Most certainly hope so. But, like usual, there are the frowners. "I like to sleep two extra hours. It helps me stay awake in school," comments an anonymous student. There is truth in this statement, but I think most children would prefer to be able to go outside in light jackets and t-shirts.

Cancellations are fun when they happen, but not so great when students realize this means more days at the end of the school year. Two cancellations is enough! Let's just stay away from them!

While we wait for the warm weather to blow in, let's see what the students are thinking...

Questions

- 1: Do you prefer cancellations or delays?
- 2: Are you happy that the weather is finally warming up?
- 3: Did you enjoy winter, and what did you do?

Sarah Penrod grade 4

- 1: Cancellations
- 2: Yes, because of spring
- 3: I did because I went sledding on a golf course with my sisters.

Adam Dzuban grade 2

- 1: Cancellations
- 2: Yes, because I like summer.
- 3: I did and I played with my friends in the snow

Angelina Brush grade 3

- 1: Cancellations
- 2: Yes!
- 3: I enjoyed it because I went snow tubing

Zach Wernert grade 7

- 1: Cancellations
- 2: Yes, because I hate wearing a lot of clothing
- 3: It was good I guess and I spent time with my family.



OK, Show of hands... Who's tired of snow?

Cool Activities in the ‘Burgh

By: Clara Albacete and Ryan Cooper

March is a great month to see performances in Pittsburgh! *Beauty and the Beast*, the Broadway Musical, is showing at Heinz Hall March 31 through April 5. Also at Heinz Hall the Pittsburgh Symphony Orchestra is playing the music of *Singing in the Rain!* Those shows are March 13 through March 15. At the Benedum Center Celtic Woman Tenth Anniversary World Tour is coming March 10. Also the opera *Car-men* is playing at the Benedum Center from March 21 through March 29. Find more show times at <http://www.trustarts.org/visit/facilities/>

The Pitt Panthers are on the verge of a spot in the NCAA tournament but, can't seem to find a spot in the tournament at the moment. With losing to Clemson but winning to Notre Dame the committee does not know where the Panthers stand.

The Penguins are right at the top of the conference in points. They are doing well and the way it looks right now will not be dropping any spots in the standings.

Editorial

By: Editors

Welcome to March!! This month is looking up with forecasts of fifty degrees and sun. Hopefully this month will allow us to shed our winter coats and scarves! Some things going on this month: Pi Day on March 14, St. Patrick's Day on March 17, and the Feast of St. Joseph on March 19. With the Feast of St. Joseph we get a day to fly kites! The staff here at Newspaper Headquarters is wishing you a vibrant March!

Movie Reviews

By: Sarah Artuhevich, Jacob Daum, Justin North

6th Grade and Down

The Luck of the Irish

The movie "Luck of the Irish" is a good movie for everyone to see. "Luck of the Irish" is about a kid who is the luckiest person in school who does not know anything about his past, and every time he would ask his parents about his past they would just try to keep a secret from him. One day he loses his lucky coin and starts to shrink, get red hair, and his ears are getting pointier. So he runs home and sees his mom shrunk to the size of a foot tall because she was a Leprechaun. Then, they found the boy Kyle Johnson's grandfather Reilly O'Reilly. The family gets their luck back, but the grandfather is taken by an evil Leprechaun Seamus McTiernen. So, Kyle makes a bet with Seamus that if he wins he gets to keep his luck, but if he loses he works for Seamus forever. Luckily, Kyle won and Seamus gives him his luck and goes to the shores of Cleveland.

7th and 8th Grade

McFarland, USA

This new movie is about some boys that live in a small farming area that have amazing talents but do not use them, until a cross-country coach comes and tells them that they have them. Then they start a cross-country team and compete in competitions. The team starts as friends, but ends being a family. This is a very good movie for not just you and your friends, but for your families too! It is rated PG, for more information, look at IMDB.

Advice Cateers

By: Abbie Serwinski

Dear Advice Cateers,

I gave up sweets for Lent as a challenge. I am having trouble getting used to and sticking to it. How do I keep at this goal and keep going on with this?

Sincerely, I Want Candy

Dear I Want Candy,

Many people give different things up for lent. You just have to stick to your word and stay away with them for the first few weeks and trust me, it ends up becoming easier the longer you keep going on. Just stick with it and it'll be Easter in no time!

Sincerely, Advice Cateers

Dear Advice Cateers,

The spring sports will be starting up in just a few weeks. I am excited for them, but I don't know what to chose. Some of my friends want me to do track and some want me to do soccer. My mother will only let me do one sport. What do I do?

Sincerely, Which Sport?

Dear Which Sport,

Spring sports are a lot of fun as the weather grows warmer and the summer break grows nearer, I would definitely recommend doing one. But keep in mind don't just do it because your friends want to do it, Do it because you want to. But no one can answer this question but you. If you really want to do one do it because you want to not other people. If you want to do both you may be able to talk to people and find out practice times and see if you can fit both into your schedule. Just don't give in to peer pressure and don't worry about it too much, also always save time for school work and you will be successful in both spring sports and school!

Sincerely, Advice Cateers

Random Facts

By: Guia Apaga and Teddy Almeter

- The first St. Patrick's Day in 1737 parade was not in Ireland. It was in Boston.
- Persephone is the goddess of spring.
- Most baby birds learn how to sing in the spring time.
- One of the earliest uses of "spring-cleaning" was in 1857.

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Quotes

By: Angelo Giunta and Jacob Brush

"Spring is nature's way of saying, 'Let's party!'"

Robin Williams

"It does not matter how slowly you go as long as you do not stop."

Confucius

"People won't have time for you if you are always angry or complaining."

Stephen Hawking

Animal of the Month

By: Brandon Reagan

Red-Tailed Hawk

Buteo jamaicensis



Interviews

By: Ariana Stark, Adrianna Berry, Guia Apaga, and Brady Pollock

Q1: What's your favorite thing about spring?

Q2: Do you do anything special on St. Patrick's Day?

Cheyenne O'Brien- 8th grade

A1: I look forward to the flowers

A2: No, because it's my parents anniversary

Lewis Migliore- 8th grade

A1: I look forward to the warm weather

A2: No, I just stay at home

Lindsey Perry- 7th grade

A1: April showers bring May flowers

A2: No, I don't do anything on St. Patrick's Day

Benjamin Boerner- 2nd grade

A1: I look forward to the warm weather.

A2: No I don't do anything special during St. Patrick's Day

Catherine Burke- 3rd grade

A1: I look forward to the warm weather

A2: I watch the parade with my family at home

Sarah Mazur- 6th grade

A1: I look forward to all the beautiful flowers

A2: Spend time with my family

Gavin Welsh- 6th grade

A1: I look forward to basketball starting

A2: I don't do anything special on St. Patrick's Day

Student Poems

The Wolf so Gentle

The creature so beautiful

The creature so honored

The creature as brave as night

The creature so full of heart

The creature so full of determination

The creature color of gray and black

May you find this night so tender to your care

Howl sweet music to the moon and stars

Howl to your ancestors and protesters in the pack

May you not forget

The sweet loving care for the warm home you love

May the night carry your heart

To a place you might have thought

Is the most wonderful meadows

The wolf so gentle

The wolf so honored

As the creature comes near

To a night of honored hope

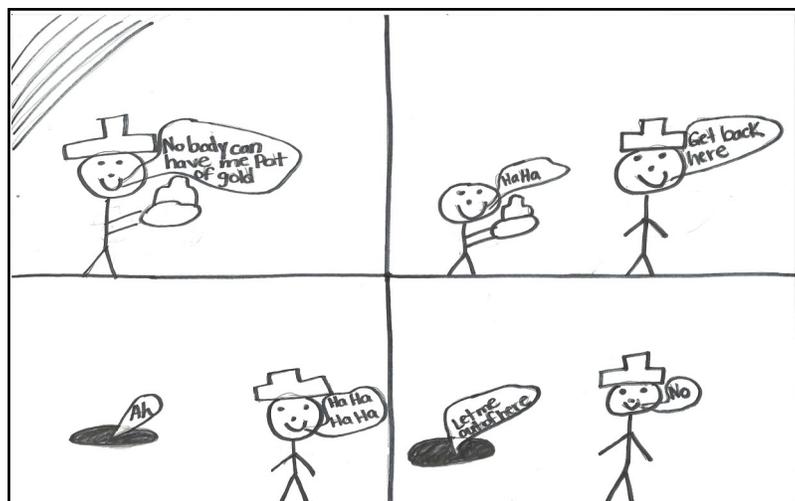
For the one who is dying is so alone and hurt

May your prayers come here

For now your son is there

Comic

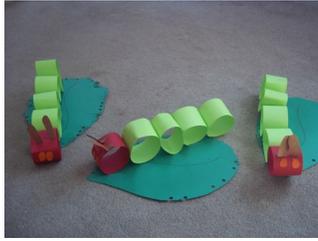
By: Justin North



Snacks & Crafts

By: Livia Chase

Caterpillars



Materials-

Craft Paper (Dark Green, Light Green, Red, Brown, Orange)

Hole Puncher

Stapler

Glue

Black Marker

Procedure-

1. Cut the light green paper into four even strips. Cut one red strip to the same width.
2. With the help of a parent, staple all of the strips into even circles.
3. Glue the circles together, with the red one on one end.
4. Cut the orange paper into two small ovals, and the brown paper into antennae shapes. Glue them onto the red circle to make the head.
5. Cut the dark green paper into a leaf shape. Use the marker to draw a line in the middle of the leaf. Use the hole puncher to make holes in the leaf as if the caterpillar is eating it.
6. Set the caterpillar onto the leaf, and now you're done!

App of the Month

By: Angelo Giunta and Ryan Cooper

ZigZag

Stay on the wall and do as many zigzags as you can!

Just tap the screen to change the direction of the ball. Try not to fall off the edges!

How far can you go?

Available on the iTunes App Store and Google Play Store.

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SBS Sports

By: Mary Kromka, Megan Sovak, Liam Kearney,
and Brian Dzuban

The varsity girls basketball team finished in their section Undefeated section champs 14-0. And this present eighth grade class ended their SBS varsity career 28-0 because they were undefeated section champs last years as well. They won the Diocesan Championship and are headed to the states competition in Allentown, PA. Congratulations girls!

The JV girls finished the section 2nd and 10-2. They won their first playoff game against JFK Catholic but came up short in their 2nd game.

The Varsity Boys finished 3rd and their record was 10-4. Their next playoff game is at Central Catholic High school on March 13th.

The JV boys made playoffs and they tried their best.

The cheerleaders along with cheering at the boys and girls basketball games will be doing a couple competitions. They are on March 7 and March 28.

Spring soccer is starting up again, as our Varsity team has hopes to defend their title from this past fall. Also, it's almost time for track and field again. Our runners are planning on another successful season. Good luck to all of our spring athletes at St. Bernadette.



Word Search

By: Editors

Spring

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flowers bloom	birds return	green
April Fool	cherry blossom	Easter
March	bees	Buddha's Birthday
May	seed	Spring break
plant crops	warm	lilac
bears awake	new leaves	picnic

Jokes

By: Sam Parsons and Sarah Artuhevich

Q. When do monkeys fall from the sky?

A. During Ape-ril showers!

Q: Can February March?

A: No, but April May!

Q: What do you call a rabbit with fleas?

A: Bugs Bunny

Q: What does the Easter Rabbit get for making a basket?

A: Two points just like everybody!

Q: What do you get when you cross poison ivy with a four-leaf clover?

A : Rash of good luck.

Q: What do you get when you do the Irish jig at McDonalds?

A. Shamrock Shake

Q: Why can't you borrow money from a leprechaun?

A: Because they're always a little short.

