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Friendship at University Park By: The Newspaper Team

Friendship at University Park is amazing! University Park feels like a community of all friends. Everyone here is always smiling, laughing, and just having a good time. New students are always immediately greeted and fit in and have a fun time right away. Whenever someone is feeling down, a kid Panther soul will be sure to cheer them up. The sight of looking around and seeing many happy souls with their friends is such a beautiful sight that you need to see. It is amazing seeing people from all over.



6th: Jack, Humam, Amir, Pouya, Chase, Kazim, Josh, Nick





Elephant Toothpaste by: Alex Young & John Courtiss

Elephant Toothpaste is a chemical reaction that causes a giant foam and bubble explosion. Watch our video to see the following! Elephant Toothpaste is a chemical reaction that causes a giant foam and bubble explosion. Make sure to ask your parent/guardian before you do the project or buy any of the materials needed to complete the project. And, please do the experiment outdoors.

The materials needed to complete this project are liquid dish soap, hydrogen peroxide (You can get this at any drug store including CVS or Rite Aid), yeast (1 packet), liquid food coloring, and an empty 16oz bottle.

First, get rid of any contents in the bottle. Next, add the hydrogen peroxide to the bottle. After that, add the liquid dish soap. Then add around 4 drops of the liquid food coloring. And last, add the one packet of yeast. If the chemicals have not yet combined, put the cap on and shake. Remove the cap and let the elephant toothpaste do its crazy scientific thing. To clean the mess up, dump or hose water on the elephant toothpaste. Please do not actually use this as actual toothpaste for anyone or thing. Thank you for checking us out and go let your inner scientist out

Link of the video: https://drive.google.com/file/d/1H
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kiC74qd7/view?usp=sharing

Heart Awareness Written by: Alexander Young

We need to raise awareness for our hearts and others too. This is why our school participates in Jump 4 Heart every year. This year you guys have raised \$10,000. That's 1,000 times the number of fingers you have!







World News Today by: World News Today Team



Surya on the right, Nate on the bottom, and Frankie on top

As bitter cold and snow descended on the Midwest last month, a number of news outlets reported on a seemingly contradictory idea: that under climate change, these brief winter bursts of cold, arctic air could become more common in the continental United States.

As global temperatures warm, sea ice at the poles is melting and exposing the ocean to the sun's heat. Because water absorbs more heat than ice, this raises temperatures and leads to more ice loss, which causes more temperature bumps, and so forth. As a result, temperatures in the Arctic are increasing at about twice the rate of midlatitudes.

The amplifying effect reduces the difference in temperature between the Arctic and the midlatitudes. And this change in the temperature gradient might mess with the polar vortex, an area of cold winds that forms every winter in the stratosphere high above the Arctic. Some scientists have

Valentine's Day By: Nicholas Ahmadi and Alexander Young Pictures By Hannah Sedehi

Valentine's day is here! Mr. Cox's class showed their Valentines Day spirit by exchanging valentines!

















suggested that this could create a weaker polar vortex more prone to southward shifts and splits—events that sometimes lead to cold weather at U.S. and European midlatitudes.

The warming Arctic might also nudge the jet stream—a band of winds moving closer to the ground, in the troposphere—south or cause the feature to become more wavy. "There's a fair bit of evidence [for this] that's been building up since our first paper came out in 2012," says Jennifer Francis, a senior scientist with the Woods Hole Research Center. "The science is still not cast in stone, [but] there really isn't an alternative explanation out there."

Why we're still not sure

"Just because we see the polar vortex getting weaker and sea ice declining doesn't mean that one's causing the other," says William Seviour, an atmospheric scientist at the University of Bristol. "I showed that if we ran simulations that include everything we know [about the atmosphere], rising CO2 and everything, they're just as likely to simulate [the polar vortex] getting weaker and they are getting stronger," says Seviour of his 2017 study in Geophysical Research Letters. "The trend in the vortex is not consistent"



Miss-Know-It-All By: Miss-Know-It-All Team

F.I.R.M Club Interview

Dear Miss Know It All,
Today I am having trouble with my
friend who keeps being mean by
hitting me sometimes. Also, I think
Miss Know It All is Ms. Daley or
Mrs. Montplaisir.
Sincerely,
Sad

Dear Sad,

If your friend is hitting you in a playful way and you still don't like it you can just tell them nicely to stop, but if your friend is hitting you in a way that it actually hurts you, you should talk to your friend about it first, then if they don't stop, tell your teacher. Always report something that someone is doing to you that you don't like!! You could also do this because maybe this person could understand not to do this in the future to anyone else! Thanks for writing to me, have a great day! Xoxo,

Miss-Know-It-All ♥ P.S. You are incorrect on who Miss Know It All is but that was a nice guess c: !

- How did you come up with the idea?
 Mariana and Mahault thought what would be a nice change and came up with a friendship club.
- 2. What do you do in your club? We do fun activities with together.
- Did you make new friends at your club?
 Yes we made stronger interaction with others.
- 4. How many people attend the club?The max amount of people they had was 2. They want to get 15.
- 5. Why did you choose the name Friendship Is Really Magical? They thought that friendship is special and ares to treasure.
- How long have you been thinking of this?
 They have been thinking about 2 month before they started.
- 7. Do you enjoy being there? Yes, they like seeing friendship happen.
- 8. Are you successful?
 She is happy, but she wants more people to attend.

Coach Abby Interview By: Interview Team

1. Who inspired you to become a P.E. coach?

"The UP kids and our wonderful principal, Ms. Daley, inspired me to become a P.E. coach."

- 2. What college did you go to? "I attended medical school."
- 3. Why did you want to be a P. E. coach?

"I wanted to work with kids."

4. What's your favorite part of being a P. E. coach?

"Helping the kids and working with kids because it makes me happy."

5. What grade do you like to teach the best? Why?

Lower grades and upper grades mostly 1st, 5th, and 6th because I like to teach the lower grades new games and like to learn new games from the higher grades.

- 6. How long did it take to become a P. E. coach?
 - "I don't know exactly (approximately 5 months), but it's a long process."
- 7. Have you always wanted to be a P. E. coach?

"No, I've always wanted to be a teacher but if I did not get that I would choose a P.E. coach."

Dear Miss Know It All,

Today I am having trouble talking to my friends and sometimes they make me really mad, and I just want to tell them, but they're my friends and why would I want to yell at my friends? Sincerely,

Frustrated

Dear Frustrated,

If you are having trouble with your friends and you don't want to yell at them then just ask them kindly and in a calm voice to stop whatever mean thing they are doing to you. If this method doesn't work then you can always report to a teacher or another adult because they will help you solve your problem! Thanks for writing to me, have a great day! Xoxo,

Miss-Know-It-All ♡



Wild Life
~Hannah Sedehi, Photograph group,
6th grade

Pictures by John and Alex

Recently in California, lots of rain has been happening. We have had a lot of floods so thankfully we are out of the California drought -- Yay water! Even though this is a miracle,

 Do the kids who attend your club enjoy it?
 They strongly think that others like it.

International Women's Day!

By Alex Young

Women have done many things in mens shadows. I wrote this because international women's day was on march 8. Some people don't appreciate things that women do, but they do the most wonderful things. Here are some achievements that they did to benefit the world. Did you know that women created computer software? Grace Hopper invented the programming in the computer. "She was a pioneer of computer programing." -google Without her we couldn't have our phones or video games, because all of those are made with programming. Josephine Cochrane invented the dishwasher. Without her, we would have to scrub the dishes with soap. Next, rinse them with water. Then, use a towel to dry. We would have to do that to every single dish until there aren't any more dishes. Then when more plates and bowls come, then repeat all of that again. This is just a small taste of the big things that women have done, you can search it up if you are interested in this topic. Thanks!

Pi Day By: Alex Young Sources, Pi day, Google

3.14159265359 is pi. A pi is an infinite number that has no patterns, invented by William Jones. Larry Shaw is the prince of pi day. The pi comes from the sixteenth letter of the Greek alphabet, $\Pi \pi$.

Pi is the most studied number in math because it's the ratio of the circumference of a circle. Pi has been used for over 250 years.

If you want to see the first one million numbers of pi then here is the link: https://www.piday.org/million/

St. Patrick's Day
By: Shadee Ghiassi, Chrisma Agbor, and
Bella Duong

St. Patrick's Day is a day filled with traditions, history, parades, and leprechauns. Did you know that St. Patrick's Day was created to celebrate St. Patron, a Christian missionary, who converted Ireland into Christians and established many monasteries, churches, and schools for Ireland? Saint Patrick's Day is celebrated on the 17th of March each year because that was the day St. Patron died so they created St. Patrick's Day to celebrate what he did for Ireland. Every year people wear green to honor St. Patron and to "become invisible to leprechauns;" by doing this they won't get pinched by leprechauns. The Irish shamrock (a clover-like plant that has three leaves) is a sacred plant that represents pride and the rebirth of spring. In Irish culture, they have traditions that they do to celebrate. For example, they have large parades/festivals and wear green, or do religious services. They also have feasts that usually consist of

it doesn't mean it's always safe. When you are roaming around a natural place, you need to be careful, for example the Nature Trail behind Parkside. You need to start being careful because lots of new things are growing. Everything is growing because of the rain. The rain picked up all of these new types of seeds from all around the world and brought them places. I'm not telling you to be careful of these flowers, I'm telling you to be careful of the animals that are attracted to the flowers, such as snakes, wolves, bobcats, bees, hornets, coyotes, wasps, and so many more. Not all of these will hurt you, but if they get scared they will do anything to protect themselves. For example if its mating season like it is now, coyotes will start to be very protective of anything. Just a warning for people with small dogs, I would be careful because snakes, coyotes, or wolves could just take it and go. So some tips to be safe during this time:

- 1. Walk against traffic so you can see what's coming.
- Ditch the headphones when walking your dog at night.
 You need to be able to hear what's going on around you!
- 3. Stay on the sidewalk along well-lit roads, and avoid shortcuts through dark lots or alleyways.

Remember Guys that being safe is number one

Tubig
By Michelle Crabtree



Sports By John Courtiss

Right now is pretty exciting in sports with Major league Baseball spring training wrapping up and The Regular Season starting up. The teams in Baseball that are expected to be good are the Boston Red Sox who won last season! The AAF is a new American football league that is to the Nfl but with a few small rule tweaks. There are 8 teams in the league. Our local team to root for is the San Diego Fleet. Also March Madness is going on. The college basketball is held every year with the best 64 teams in the NCAA. People fill out brackets to see if they can guess who is going to advance or even win the whole tournament. The team expected to win is the University of Duke. With superstar Zion Williamson who is expected to be the number on pick in this years NBA draft. Thank you for checking out what is going on in sports right now.

Irish, corned beef and cabbage, beef and Guinness pie, Irish cream chocolate mousse cake, Irish coffee, Irish potato champ, Irish stew, and Irish potato soup, and they also go to church to pray. In conclusion, the Irish holiday St. Patrick's Day is an important day for the Irish to celebrate what St. Patron did for the culture of the Irish, and make sure to wear green, so you won't get pinched!

By: Shadee Ghiassi, Chrisma Agbor, and Bella Duong

Spring break!

Here is a list of the top 10 spring break spots for 2019.

- 1. Puerto Vallarta, Mexico.
- 2. Higuey, Dominican Republic.
- 3. Montego Bay, Jamaica.
- 4. Aruba.
- 5. Nassau, Bahamas.
- 6. Turks and Caicos Islands.
- 7. Cayman Islands.
- 8. London.
- 9. Hawaii
- 10. Los Angeles

List provided by SmartTravel.com

Shaun The Special Agent

Story by John Courtiss and Edited by Jake Kobayashi



The year was 2039 and special agent Shaun from the U.S was on a mission. The mission was to save two people in the middle of the ocean. The only problem was that Shaun had no idea which ocean the two people were in. Shaun was called in when people on a boat heard loud screaming noises, but they did not know where the screaming was coming from. So one of the people on the boat called Shaun because he knew that Shaun was the best special agent in all of the world.

Shaun has completed crazy missions including when he found the 94 hostages in a house in the middle of the Egyptian desert. He decided to call NASA to see if the satellites could pick anything up of the people and sure enough they took over 3 days of just looking all over the ocean.

After a long 3 days, NASA called back and announced, "We have some good news and some bad news for you. The good news is that we know where the people are. The bad news is that they are 400 miles off the coast of eastern Antarctica and it may take too long for them to survive."

Orange County soccer club eyeing championship Frankie Ochoa



Orange County Soccer Club made significant strides last year reaching the USL Western Conference finals. Oliver Wyss, the general manager for the Orange County Soccer Club recently said, "We want players of the absolutely highest character who understand that at Orange County Soccer Club, yes, we want to win, obviously, the USL Cup, but we also want to build fans and develop young players who have a pathway to the professionals."

Wyss said OCSC emphasizes making the game experiences at the Orange County Championship Stadium at the Great Park memorable, and making sure it is a "safe environment."

"Many of our fans who come to the games truly enjoy the product they see on the field," he said, "but I can honestly say we've also been able to build a family-friendly environment."

There are games and events for the younger fans and there will be a beer garden this year and wine tasting event for the adults, Wyss said.

In addition, players who are not in games that night spend time giving autographs.

Shaun was ready, he packed all of his jackets and anything to deal with the cold weather. He also packed his super-watch. His super watch could do just about anything. You think of it and his watch could do it. He headed off to LAX, and he took a 28-hour flight to Melbourne. Once he landed in Melbourne, he ran across the airport to catch his next flight was from flight. This Melbourne to Antarctica. He finally got on the turboprop plane.

When he landed, he pulled out a folder with all of the information in it. The two people were on a small fishing boat and the engine was broken. He then went to a U.S base where he got a boat, food, and water. He immediately drove to the water and got the boat ready.

From there he pulled out the folder again to get the exact coordinates of the boat. Then he was ready to start the journey to save their lives. After 4 hours of driving the boat, he got to the coordinates of the boat and sure enough, there they were, passed out from dehydration in the small boat they were in. He told his watch to spawn the mini raft, then he got on the raft. He paddled over to the people on their boat and fed them food and water. All of them rode back to Antarctica and they were saved! Another successful mission completed for Shaun!

"There is something for every family member who comes to our games," he said.

Ticket prices range from \$15 to \$45 for a game.

"There are also group tickets," he said. "But there's free parking, our food is very fairly priced so a family of four can come to our games, have a great experience and can do that for easily under \$100, which I don't think you can do that for anywhere else in Orange County for a professional sporting event."