



Wattpad. While many of you may not know this website, it is frequently used in our school by many young writers. This innovative, unique site is a community of stories and other writing that anyone can contribute to. Started in 2006 by partners, Allen Lau and Ivan Yuen, Wattpad is becoming more popular, worldwide each and every day. By creating an account, you can write stories, poems, and other forms of literature to publish for any other user to view. Along with being able to share your stories, you can also read others' stories, and follow your friends' writing.

As the world, especially America, becomes more and more advanced in technology, much of it is used in our schools as tools and incentives for children to learn. Therefore, using technology, such as iPads and Google Chromebooks, is definitely not uncommon in our classes. In some language arts classes, they have "Wattpad Wednesday". This is an activity where, every Wednesday, students use the free Wattpad app, available on the App Stores, on their cellular devices and iPads. For a certain amount of class time each week, they are able to write their own original stories and even create digital covers for them. Over time, as students write and complete parts to their stories, they can publish them for others to read.

For example, a student whose pen name is Anthony Roth is writing a story titled, "The Seven Sacrifices." By publishing his writing on Wattpad, he was able to achieve 155 reads since creating his account on September 24th! Overall, this app has opened up new opportunities for our school's students as writers, and is a fun way to practice your writing and reading skills.

If you are using Wattpad, comment on the website to share your username with your peers. -Andy B.



Five Nights at Freddy's Yes, the jumpscare game of the year we all know and love. If you haven't heard of this game, you may also be living under a rock. This game takes place at Freddy Fazbear's Pizza at 12 A.M to 6 A.M. You are a security guard working the night shift. It's best known for the life-sized animatronics trying to stuff you into a costume, which can be deadly. At the beginning of the game, you have 100% power, two doors, two lights and a camera.

You can check the camera to see where the animatronic characters are, and you can check the lights to see if they are outside of the security booth. If they are getting nearer, you can shut the doors so they can't get in. However, all of these does take power, which is in short supply.



If you run out of power, the doors will automatically open. The lights will be out. The only source of light is when you see Freddy's face flash along the left side of the hallway. And then when you least expect it-- a jumpscare from Freddy Fazbear himself. The app is on Google Play and iOS app store, and on Steam. Also, the sequel Five Nights at Freddy's 2 has already come to Steam and Google Play. **Comment on the website if you've played the sequel.** -Alexia H.

Gaming

Fun facts about Thanksgiving

1. The astronauts Neil Armstrong and Buzz Aldrin's first meal on the moon was a Thanksgiving dinner
2. Don't forget to say "Thank You Berry Much" because about 768 million pounds(350 million kilograms) of cranberries are being produced all over the U.S. every year!
3. The author of "Mary Had A Little Lamb" was Sarah Josepha Hale. (Woah! Wait... what does that

have to do with Thanksgiving?) Surprisingly, she was the one that campaigned for 20 years to make Thanksgiving a national holiday. So say thanks to the brave lady who wrote the song "Mary had a little lamb, little lamb..."

4. When we think of Thanksgiving, we usually think about the traditions of eating turkey, but is it possible that a hybrid could've come into play in the tradition? Well, here it is, the Turducken, which is a turkey stuffed with duck inside chicken. -Supritaa

For more Thanksgiving facts, visit the website.

Thanksgiving Poem

by Ekaterina Z.

Fall is coming to an end
 So, a message I must send
 Halloween has long been gone
 Far away lies winter fun
 "What is coming?" You may say
 Well, a very special day
 Leaves of color and cold weather
 Bring our families together
 As we gather at the table
 Dine on meals like from a fable
 Soon our stories all unfold
 Tales of weak and tales of bold
 Thankful for the way we're living
 We all know that it's Thanksgiving!

Lesser known Games



Rimworld

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In "Rimworld"

you play as a group of shipwrecked colonists on an unknown planet where you have to grow crops, build shelter, and defend against raiders. There is a communication system where you can buy/sell materials, weapons, and slaves. When you buy slaves, they join your colony and you can sell captured pirates or try to convert them to your colony. If you want to get the game then good luck, Colonists, but beware: when it updates, it deletes all your progress.

-Chris C. * Our website, AWActionNews.weebly.com, is easily accessible through a link the school homepage.

A.W. ACTION NEWS

Veterans Day Concert "Thank you, oh thank you, men and women, brave and strong!" were words of gratitude sung by our chorus. In honor of the Veterans that came to our school on November 11th we held an assembly, accompanied by a lunch-in for our brave soldiers. Our assembly consisted of poems written by our peers, the school chorus singing, and the AWMS Band playing to show our thanks for their service.

Veterans Day



Most of our school dressed in red, white, and blue for the special event. The program began with our Principal, Mr. Aulenbach, giving a speech, and then the AWMS school president, Sabrina Perez, led the Pledge of Allegiance. Next, our chorus sang "Star Spangled Banner" and "Thank You, Soldiers" in which the band joined in. The chorus also sang "God Bless the USA" with Mrs. Sabatino on the piano.

When the band played "Marches of the Armed Forces" the veterans stood up as their unit's song was being played. It was really interesting to see the different veterans standing up when their marches were on. The poems read by Emily Chen, Samantha Hulme, and Tyler Maines, were chosen by the NHS (The National Honor Society). These poems brought tears to the audience's eyes and warmed their hearts. After that, students who invited their Veterans come and enjoy the performance were able to sit down and share a lunch with them. All in all, the performance was a great way to honor all of our Veterans, not just the ones who came, and show our gratitude for what they do to keep America safe. *-By Raquel S; Edited by Jeyda B*

Fashion

__Pattern Print Leggings!__ It's fall!

Leggings are great to wear in the fall. Why don't we add prints to it? Printed leggings are a fabulous choice to keep cozy and warm during the season. They come in all colors and different materials. You could even pair them up with boots or converse. For a top you can wear a flowy shirt, or if the pants are high waisted they can go with a crop top. Just make sure you like the leggings before you wear them. More articles coming soon! -A & R



* Visit our website, AWActionNews.weebly.com to submit a question.

ASK AN EIGHTH GRADER

Welcome to our new column *Ask an Eighth Grader* where you can get advice from your senior students in the school! For Ask an Eighth Grader, the 8th Graders involved are willing to answer questions in topics far and wide. Want school advice? Sure, no problem, we can help! Want friendship help? We can do that too! Having problems with a relationship? We've got you covered there, too!

So feel free to go to the website to ask us questions--anything you wish. We only ask that when asking a question, please make a code name for yourself that you, and only you, will know. This way you'll be anonymous and so will we!

Operation Shoebox: Support Our Troops

This month, for our school's "180 Days of Awesome" campaign, Anthony Wayne has been participating in a program called "Operation Shoebox." Our school is collecting certain supplies to send overseas to our U.S. troops. Students and teachers can donate by placing the items in the boxes located at the front of the school. From there, all of the donations will be sent in care packages to troops that are stationed all over the world in honor of the holiday season.



However, the program prefers that the items not be aerosol, or chocolate and be kept in their original packaging to make it easier to deliver. Some of the products that are most requested by U.S. troops are lip balm, cereal, cookies, toothpaste, and gum (check out the link at the bottom of this article for the full list of preferred items). Become a Secret Santa or send Hanukkah greetings with hundreds of men and women who are working tirelessly to protect our country. So, get in the holiday spirit, and remember: **It's always better to give than to receive!** *By: Jeyda B. Edited by: Ekaterina Z.*