

The Holiday Concert Caroling is in this season! Tuesday, December 9th, from 7:30-8:30 p.m. our school chorus performed some heartwarming and cultural songs. Along with the chorus, there was Music Masters (a club where Mrs. Sabatino and the students meet and come up with a regular song, mash up other pieces of music, make a unique piece



and present it to the audience in the concerts.) The concert featured some duets and solos performed by the students. The many of the pieces that the 6th grade chorus group sang was "Merry Christmas, Merry Christmas, "Nun Gimel Hei

Shin," 7th & 8th grade chorus sang "Hanukkah is Here," "Christmas Time is Here," while the Music Masters presented a song called "The Little Drummer Boy/Peace On Earth." During the solos, Julianna Rigoglioso presented a really fun song titled "My Simple Christmas," Luke Berninger sang "It's The Most Wonderful Time of the Year" and Alexia Hartkopf sang "Last Christmas." The duets were sung by Julia La Sala and Deanna Thomas, performing "Silent Night." Riddhi Jadav (flute performance) & JooHee Han (accompanist) shared the song "Earth and Sky."

Together the students did a fantastic job spreading the holiday cheer. Happy Holidays to everyone! - *By Supritaa and Edited by Ekaterina*

It's a very snowy day, it's cold out and you need something warm to wear. The perfect thing to solve that issue is... a cozy winter sweater! They also make great gifts to give for any of the winter holidays. They come in any style or color. You can get them at almost any clothing store. One of the top hits of types of sweaters right now are ones with classy designs or red sweaters. They help you stay

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Winter Sweaters

warm in the freezing cold, and are very fashionable right now. Happy Holidays to everyone and have a Happy New Year!

-R & A

Trivia Crack The amazing new turn-based game, Trivia Crack, was a hit from the start. Essentially, this is a trivia game where you can start games with your friends and keep playing whenever you have time. You get a character by getting a crown. You can either win the crown by answering three questions correctly, or get lucky by getting it on the wheel. The goal is to get six characters. If you are going against someone who is beating you, you can challenge them by answering a question from every category. If you get more right than your rival, you can steal their crown.



Gaming

This game has swept through the school like wildfire, and if you haven't downloaded it yet- do it soon, so you don't get left out! --*Graziano M. and little bit by Lascelles M.*

Rooster Teeth one of the longest running YouTube channels. They were one of the pioneers of the YouTube video. Their 3 most popular series are red vs blue, Rwyb (pronounced ruby), and their newest series X-ray and Vav. They are based in Austin Texas and created the R.T.X convection. In fact, they have just received full funding, and are making a full feature length movie. So look forward to "Laser Team." -Chris C.

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The New iPad Air Will You Away

This iPad air 2 may look like every other one but think again. Just like the new iPhones it has a finger print scanner. It also has a brand new camera that is not like any others.



It also has the new also IOS 8 update. they don't call the iPad air for nothing considering it is only 0.96 lbs. This iPad is the best of its kind, but this price at five hundred dollars is not. -*Antonio and Jordan*

After hearing about a potential Portal 3 game being in the works, Emily S. was inspired to create a fan image of Chell and her favorite companion.



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



Death by Color

Racism. For decades, this controversial topic has torn America apart. But, through recent events, it has blown up to great proportions. By now, most have you heard about the drastic measures taken during the case involving the shooting of Tamir Rice. This incident was when an African American child was brutally murdered by the police for

playing with a toy gun in the park. Not long after that, other stories of police officers roughly handling African Americans were soon unearthed. Since these tragic incidents, there has been a boom in protests all over America for equal rights based on skin color. These protesters are stating that the recent murders were acts of racism

against African Americans. Now, people of all different races and religions have come together to fight for equality.

Many argue that these issues were coincidences, while others say that the cops killed the victims out of spite, and still some argue that the police did what they needed to do. However, it is hard to believe that all of these events were accidents, since in the past few months, numerous cases like this have been brought to our attention. A lot of occurrences show that African Americans become an immediate target of suspicion when a felony is committed. Many times, they were proven to be innocent, making the actions that officers had taken, appear unjust and stereotypical.

Either way, whichever side you are on, you must always remember that we were all created equal. If a crime is committed, the accused should be trialed fairly, given a punishment that best suits their actions; no more, no less.

Judgement passed upon them should not be based on skin color or race. A golden thread in court states

that a convict is "innocent until proven guilty." These rules should not just apply in the courtroom, but in everyday life as well. Suspicion is a part of human nature, but you cannot let it take control. People need to learn how to handle situations without violence or prejudice. -Jeydanur B. and Ekaterina Z.

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ASK AN EIGHTH GRADER

Plzansweraspa: What are some modern pop songs?

Thanks for the question, Plzansweraspa! Some modern pop songs that are amazing at the moment are *XIAT* by Trevor Moran, *Now or Never* by Trevor Moran, *Nobody* by Ricky Dillon, *Blank Space* by Taylor Swift, *Thinking* by Ed Sheeran *Out Loud*, and *Love Me Harder* by Ariana Grande. You can pick up all of these songs in the iTunes store.

Drug and Alcohol Abuse Forum

Last Tuesday and Wednesday evening, eighth grade students, along with their parents, rushed to Wayne's high schools to attend a mandatory forum about drug and alcohol use. While this forum was partially to get our support and enrollment in the "Be Proud" program, it was also a time to get to know how to prevent drug and alcohol use in our lives.

Overall, while this forum was a little boring at parts, the content discussed was important to know for everyone. Once it was time to start, the speakers began their presentation by introducing themselves. After that, they talked about the impact of drug and alcohol use in our lives, and how it was and still is a major problem in this area. The presenters told students about different types of drugs and how to identify and say "No!" to them. Then, they addressed the parents by teaching them techniques on how to tell if your child is drinking or using drugs. Finally, they ended the presentation by explaining the importance of our district's "Be Proud" program and encouraging us to join. In the end, this program was important to attend and provided our eighth-grade students with a lot of essential information to help them make good, educated choices about drugs and alcohol. -Andy B

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