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SCHOOL NEWS

Christmas Pageant

By: Sofia Lancelotti and Silvia Osorio

Although Ms. Jones' presence was missed at the Christmas pageant this school year, the SJE family was glad to welcome back Mrs. Sutley, who helped coordinate the Christmas pageant the night of the performance. All of the grades K-8 were very good especially kindergarten they were definitely the cutest. There was a variety of songs, there were up beat fast songs to slow gentle songs. Heavens grace always does this beautiful piece at the end while they combined song such as silent night and joy to the world. After every song the 8th graders would do a little skit about Jesus birth. I think we can call this years Christmas Pageant a success.



The 2013-2014 7th and 8th graders rehearsing in the church the afternoon before the night of the pageant.

Serving Others with Honor: NJHS-Toy Wrap Service Project

By: Daniel Singontiko

On December 4, 2013, SJE's NJHS participated in wrapping toys for the Children's Hunger Fund Toy-Wrap campaign, otherwise known as CHF. The CHF is a non-profit organization that alleviates the suffering of impoverished children around the world. CHF has distributed gifts to needy children to feel special about themselves on Christmas day. This campaign involves hundreds of compassionate volunteers, including us, to wrap individual toy bears. We surpassed the minimum requirement of toy bears wrapped, which was over 20,000 in total for about 3 hours. In addition, the NJHS team had a wonderful time wrapping presents to little ones, who they might never meet. In total, the Children's Hunger Fund has raised about 256,800 wrapped toys from other locations. In conclusion, the NJHS team and other volunteer members had help to raise enough bears to distribute globally.

Weclome to our home! SJE's Annual Open House 2014

By: Adriana Perez and Sabrina Cervantes

This year's annual open house was held on January 26th. After the children's mass, doughnuts and coffee were served and many stayed to look at the beautiful art hanging in Grill Hall. From there, families came into the classrooms and observed the showcased assignments. Various students from Junior high volunteered to give tours and explain assignments shown in the classrooms. The open house was an overall success and presumably, everyone enjoyed themselves. The Open House also featured the Scholastic Book Fair (see article below). Students or parishioners could purchase hundreds of books as well as many decorative pencils and posters.



Collage created by Adriana P., and Sabrina C. (Class of 2014)

Chuckle Corner

Soul Food

By: Patrick Mayoral



Punny Jokes

By: Kelan Martinez

Why did two halves make a whole?

Because they had something they needed to hide.

Riddle Me This

By: Ricardo Manzanera

I'm tall when I'm young and I'm short when I'm old. What am I?

A: A candle

SPORTS

Girls' Basketball

By: Hunter Call

Our girls A team have had an amazing season this year and have done amazing things. They went undefeated in the regular season, blowing through every game, they made it to the playoffs as the #1 seed in their pool. They have had one of their greatest seasons we have seen a long time in the girls A team. They had a great year and we are very proud of them. I had an interview with Jessica Gullette, an athlete on the A team. Hunter: "You guys seem to be doing well, in your eyes how do you think your doing this year? Jessica: "Our season is going great, we have fun and learn new things every practice. We work well together. I honestly feel that the team is like the entire team is my second family. We all get along so well. I wish this was my team for life."

Clifford, Pinata, and Books!

By: Silvia Osorio and Lauren Calderon

This years Book Fair had a variety of books. For example, one of the most popular books that was sold was the Minecraft book. Another beneficial book which should be recommended would be the "Guinness World Records 2014". In addition, the winner of the the pinata was in the fifth grade. There were many students trying to guess the amount of candy in the pinata, it turns out that the number of candy inside was eighty-five! Also importantly, Fatima Ruiz (5th Grade) says, "This years Book Fair was the best yet!"



Photo Credit: Collage made by Lauren C., 6th Grade 2014

WORLD NEWS

Typhoon Haiyan

By: Caleb Martin

Typhoon Haiyan also known as Typhoon Yolanda was expected to be the strongest Typhoon in recorded history. Typhoon Haiyan affected areas, are currently being supported by other countries. The most affected country is the Philippines and the most affected city is Tacloban. Many other countries are currently helping the Philippines by donating. The Philippines is not the only country affected, but the Philippines suffered the most damage among all other affected countries. With all the donations from all the other countries the Philippines will hopefully pass through the horrible conditions.



Entertainment Hub

The Box Office Review-An Opinion Piece

By: Kawika Austin and Aidan Hall

#4. Thor: The Dark World - \$204.3 million

What a difference a year makes for Chris Hemsworth who landed in the "dud" section last year with his Red Dawn remake. Give the guy a hammer and he'll make you a fortune. Though the Thor franchise still isn't anywhere near Iron Man levels, The Dark World improved on the original film's total which bodes well for Marvel's upcoming Captain America: The Winter Soldier and, of course, 2015's The Avengers: Age of Ultron. Yet, they've provided a hero we can cheer for and a villain in Loki we can love.

#3. The Hobbit: The Desolation of Smaug - \$249.4 million

It should've caught my eye earlier that in the collage poster for this film that Bilbo isn't even front and center. You know, Bilbo... the only actual hobbit in The Hobbit! Peter Jackson keeps throwing more and more stuff into this artificially drawn-out trilogy and ironically what we're left with is less and less hobbit. Hopefully, this can all be redeemed by getting fellow New Zealander Lorde to sing the end-credits song in The Hobbit.

#2. Frozen - \$336.7 million

I'm not going to lie. Going from Mandy Moore in Tangled to Kristen Bell in Frozen seemed like a step down. Going from the guy who starred in Chuck to the guy who guest-starred in Glee was not a plus. Although to us, there seemed to be no reason to predict that Frozen wouldn't only best Tangled but almost double its gross, that's exactly what it did.

#1. The Hunger Games: Catching Fire - \$418 million

The Hunger Games was the 3rd biggest movie of 2012. The Hunger Games: Catching Fire was the biggest movie of 2013. See what happens when there's not an Avengers and Dark Knight Rises in your way? Will Mocking Jay Part 1 be the biggest movie of 2014? Can Mocking Jay Part 2 best Avengers 2 and Star Wars 7 in 2015?! Are you catching the drift that this series isn't a fluke and is as much a part of the franchise equation as higher profile fan bases? Fans got to Tik Tok through the Quarter Quell arena and are ready for the revolution, I suppose. If you called Iron Man 3 as the top film of the summer and Catching Fire as the top catch of the holiday season, pat yourself on the back for at least knowing something in 2013.

Play Station 4: Building a Community of Gamers

By: Matthew Yuhico and Daniel Setiabudi

The PS4 delivers a more personalized experience during gameplay. PS4 will use real names when connecting to social networks and help you locate and track friends. You can watch games being played on a chat window and even be able to "reach out" and play them on a friend's system. If your friend is in trouble you can jump in their game and save them. New interactive features now allow your friends to look over your shoulder, post your screen during gameplay and even take over your controller if you let them. This "director" status allows others to manipulate game features such as your health, maps among other things.

The user interface has been redesigned to allow seamless upload on the go and the ability to play downloadable titles as they download in the background. Videos are uploaded as you play. The system also has been designed to reduce download times to zero by learning your likes and dislikes enough to tell which games you will purchase next and download them for you in the background. Sony didn't reveal any information on how much the PS4 will cost at its big press conference. According to the Asahi Shimbun, the new PS4 will cost around \$428. This is the first report we've seen with any speculation of the cost. When the PS3 was initially released, the price was \$599. N

SPORTS

Boys' Basketball

By: Ms. Tharayil

The Boys A and B basketball teams also enjoyed successful seasons. This season was filled with much hard work, energy, and most importantly, comradery among all the fast-paced, high energy games! Overall, our boys made us proud with their dedication and great team effort in all the wins and losses of the season! Way to go, boys!

Xbox: Bigger, Better, More!

By: Raymond Levesque

The superior console size of the Xbox One gives air more room to circulate, which means prolonged periods of gameplay, Xbox One offers Dead Rising 3, Forza Motorsport 5 and Zoo Tycoon versus the less anticipated Killzone: Shadowfall. Several of the games we thought would be PS4 launch exclusives have been delayed until 2014. The Xbox One also has serious potential that you don't get with the PS4 camera. You can use it to control the console, swiping in the air to perform commands, and it is a significant improvement over the Xbox 360 Kinect, which was a colossal failure in my opinion. Wider distribution of Kinect will mean for more interesting motion gaming. Even more important than the inbuilt features of Kinect is that every Xbox One ships with a Kinect sensor means that developers will be able to confidently put Kinect features into their games. The Xbox One will also serve as a one-stop hub for all your other electronics. You can plug another piece of hardware into your Xbox One using its HDMI input. This lets you switch between, say, your digibox and the Xbox One, using the Xbox interface. There's only one input, but if you use a receiver it's all you'll need.

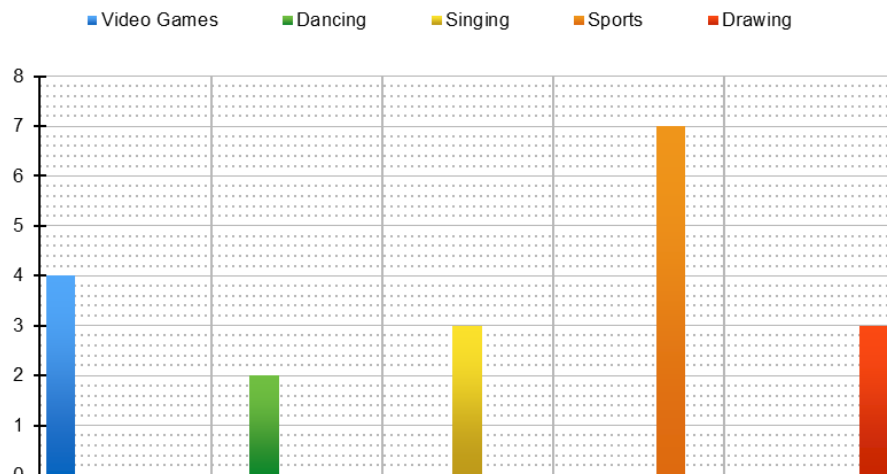
Needless to say, serious gamers everywhere have a weighty and tough decision to make!

Survey Says! Hobbies of SJE Students

By: Daniel Ferreiro

In our stressful lives, everyone has their own ways to relax. To reflect this, the Saint John Eudes Newspaper team went around asked people what they did as hobbies. Below is a chart of the various hobbies we thought may be most common: dancing, singing, sports, drawing, and of course video gaming. In our sample of students around the school, we collected the above data. Coming out on top of the survey was just general sports with video gaming coming out second. However, it is important to note that there were several hobbies that we left out for the sake of making the data easier to read. These might include acting, hobby modeling, etc. Each participant was asked on the basis of their most favorite hobby, therefore one entry per participant. If you're looking for a hobby to pick up, consider one of the following.

So what do you think? Does this graph show the true nature of the school or is it missing something?



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