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Distance Learning

By Emily and the Newspaper Team

Hello North Stars! I hope you are all safe at home. It has been a pretty interesting 2020, hasn't it! Covid-19 has proven to be a difficult challenge but we will rise above it. We will continue learning, but at home through videos, meets and emails. It is really important that you know what is happening so make sure to ask your parents! You might feel nervous or scared right now, but you are not alone! Talk to an adult you trust. Additionally, our fantastic counselor Mrs. Miller is always available. It is SUPER important to wash hands, cough into your elbow, and sneeze into a tissue. Even though we are at home, it is important to exercise to stay healthy. Things like riding a bike, playing sports outside and simple things like taking a walk can make a huge difference in your attitude! Take care and stay safe North Stars. Remember, we are in this together!

"When I was a boy and I would see scary things in the news, my mother would say to me, 'Look for the helpers. You will always find people who are helping'." -Mr. Rogers

*"Going outdoors is not cancelled, listening to music is not cancelled, quality time with our families is not cancelled, reading a book is not cancelled, sharing with friends is not cancelled, singing out loud is not cancelled, laughing has not been canceled, sharing **hope** with others has not been cancelled. Let's **embrace** what we have." -Kelly's Treehouse*

Dear Uncle North...

Dear Uncle North,

There's a kid in my class who is very rude to me, and my friends. They make fun of us, and I don't know what to do. I always tell them to pay attention and don't be disrespectful, but they never seem to learn their lesson. :(Help!

From,

Unsure.

Dear Unsure,

I am sorry that you feel this way. Start with an 'I Statement'. Make sure they know that you are serious and really don't like the way you and your friends are being treated. If that doesn't help, tell an adult that you trust. Like a teacher, parent and more. You are never alone in these situations! Maybe they are acting this way because they are upset with something? Try to be friends! If they are being disrespectful in class then I am almost positive the teacher has already noticed, and if not, tell him/her that they are bothering you. But the most **important** thing to remember is that no matter how upset you feel, do not be mean or take it out on others. Be the bigger person in the situation. I hope this helps!

I hope that this is helpful,

Uncle North.

Have a problem and need some advice? Please talk to us by filling out the form below!

[Ask Uncle North for Advice](#)

Teacher Highlight: Ms. Orwin

By: Bella L.

This month's teacher highlight is the outstanding Ms Orwin. Ms Orwin is our adored I-lab teacher here at North school. She chose to teach at North school because she grew up in Hillsborough, she finds it extra special to teach where you grew up. When asked why she became a teacher, she replied "it makes my heart happy!" Her favorite book is Arnie the Doughnut. Ms Orwin has two dogs and she cherishes them. When growing up she had two gerbils! Adorable! She likes being an I-lab teacher because she gets to see all the kids at North; kindergarten through fifth grade. Getting to teach all grade levels is pretty incredible! In her words innovation means "being unafraid and creative". To help support our change for change cause, Ms. Orwin had students creating dog toys out of old t-shirts and tennis balls. Now that is innovative!



Superstar Potential

By: A. Ganesh Author of the Weekly Shot



Photo Credit: The Washington Post

Joe Burrow, soon to be NFL quarterback, is getting ready for the NFL Draft in which Burrow is highly projected to be the first overall selection. Burrow, who put on arguably the best college football season ever, winning both the Heisman Trophy and the SEC College Football National Championship, is looking to shine in the NFL, and in this article we will be discussing the teams that Burrow can thrive the most with if drafted by them. The first team that Burrow will most likely play on is the Cincinnati Bengals, which is actually a pretty good fit for Burrow even though the Bengals didn't play to their potential last season. The reason I say this is because currently before the free agency process the Bengals have wide receiver AJ Green, running back Joe Mixon, speedy wide receiver John Ross, tight end Tyler Eifert, and wide receiver Tyler Boyd, who are great outlets for Burrow to pass to. The second team that has a shot on Burrow is the Redskins. While the Redskins do need a surefire franchise quarterback because Dwayne Haskins hasn't proven himself quite yet, the Redskins probably wouldn't be the best fit for Burrow, and Haskins is still quite young meaning he still has a chance to prove himself to the Redskins. The third team that probably won't draft him but would be a great fit for him would definitely be the Tampa Bay Buccaneers. While this might be a very interesting and debate-fueling decision, I chose the team by narrowing it down to the Bucs, the Detroit Lions, and the Los Angeles Chargers because if hypothetically the Bucs got their hands on Burrow, then Burrow would have to pro bowlers in wide receivers Chris Godwin and Mike Evans to work with in the passing attack, along with tight end OJ Howard and wide receiver Breshad Perriman to help him out as well. In conclusion, I think that Burrow is a great player, and whichever team drafts him has undoubtedly landed a superstar player!

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NBA Season Postponed



By: A. Ganesh Author of the Weekly Shot

Recently we have learned that sometimes, there are things bigger than the basketball court. Since the Covid-19 outbreak; sports have been shutting down as we know it, as the NBA season, March Madness, the MLB season, and several other sporting leagues have been canceled. On March 12th, NBA commissioner Adam Silver sent out a letter on the NBA website saying that the NBA season will be postponed for at least 30 days, and all NBA fans who purchased tickets can keep the tickets until play is resumed or get a refund, and in his last paragraph, Silver stated, "This remains a complicated and rapidly evolving situation that reminds us that we are all part of a broader society with a responsibility to look out for one another. That is what the NBA will continue to do, and we are grateful for your understanding and for being the best fans in sports." I think that because of this letter, Silver shows that he really cares about his fans, and he has also realized that there is more to life than just basketball. In conclusion, I think that while the spread of Covid-19 has been terrible, it has taught us a lesson that sometimes, you have to look beyond the basketball court. The Weekly Shot's thoughts are with all of you, stay healthy!

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Jam Club



By: Morgan W. and the Jam Club members

Jam club is an exciting club for 4th and 5th graders to bond together and make music. We would potentially like to create original music to perform at fitness Fridays, fun runs, and to raise money for the school. Jam clubs are held every Tuesday at lunch from 12:00-12:40. Students play a wide range of instruments. I think Jam club is so much fun, but don't just take my word for it, everyone else thinks so too! Here are quotes from some fifth graders that participate in jam club:

"Jam Club is full of fun people... and music!"

-Abby M.

"I like Jam Club because you can sing."

-Arman S.

Should Schools Have Extra Recess?

By Jack M.



Jerry, narrator: Today you will read a debate with Carry (pro extra recess), and Larry (con extra recess). **Carry, YOU HAVE THE FLOOR!**

Carry, Pros: Ok, I know what you are thinking **TEACHERS**, you don't believe that students should be given extra recess. But extra recess has many mental, social, and physical benefits; including development in communication and social skills.

Larry, Cons: Well, that might be true. However, extra recess can take up valuable instructional time. In fact, the time spent lining up, walking outside, gathering the kids from the playground, taking kids to the restroom, and going back into the classroom, wastes around 10 perfectly good minutes.

Carry: But kids have less disruptive behavior when recess is more than 15 minutes per day. Disruptive behavior, on some long, rough days, can add up and waste even more than 30 minutes. It has been found that students can focus better after exercising. Exercising releases endorphins, which help our body and minds stay positive and happy. With all of extra recess's benefits, it is certainly worth it.

Larry: Yes, but extra recess sometimes comes with bullying and exclusion. Bullying, exclusion, and other things can make a playground not safe at times, that's why too much recess can be harmful.

Carry: That is why we have programs like Buddy Bench that help everyone feel included and welcome!

Jerry: Okay, Okay. You can settle down now, I think that is enough information for our readers. *They* can decide whether they like the idea of having extra recess or not.

[What do you think?](#)

FUN AND GAMES!

Guessing Game

In the spirit of St. Patrick's Day, how many gold coins are in the jar?



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You have one to two weeks to submit your answer!

Last Edition's Guessing Game Winner, Ethan S!

Total of Hearts in Jar : 58

In last month's newspaper issue, we had a guessing contest for a jar filled with candy hearts. The correct number of candy hearts was 58. The winner of the contest was Ethan S. who won with a guess of 58. Ethan S just turned 9 this week, happy birthday from the newspaper team Ethan! Ethan is in 3rd grade in the amazing Ms. Jones' class. When he isn't at school, he owns the basketball court and plays on Burlingame Soccer Club! He loves technology and knows a thing or two about computers. His faves are sushi, the color blue, writing, playing the piano and ukulele. His favorite thing about North is the people, we can agree. Congratulations!

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Fun facts

An apple, potato, and onion all taste the same if you eat them with your nose plugged.

Pteronophobia is the fear of being tickled by feathers.

May 29th is officially "Put a Pillow on Your Fridge Day".

7% of American adults believe that chocolate milk comes from brown cows.

If you lift a kangaroo's tail off the ground it can't hop.

If Pinocchio says "My Nose Will Grow Now", it would cause a paradox.

The Twitter bird actually has a name - Larry

The average person walks the equivalent of five times around the world in their lifetime.

The world record for stuffing drinking straws into your mouth at once is 459.

Squirrels forget where they hide about half of their nuts

During your lifetime, you will spend around thirty-eight days brushing your teeth.

The most expensive pizza in the world costs \$12,000 dollars.

Comics (Kustom Komiks)



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