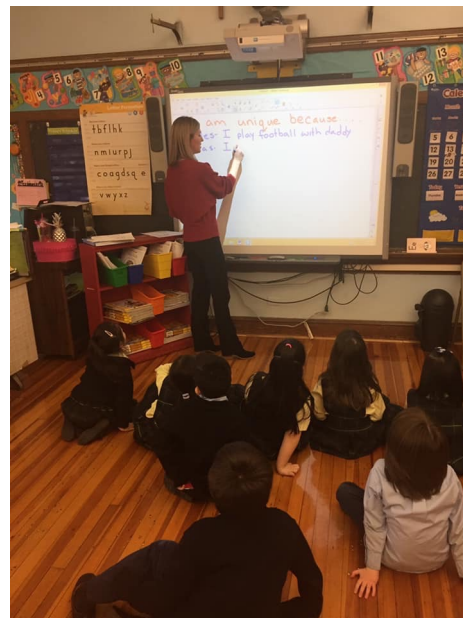
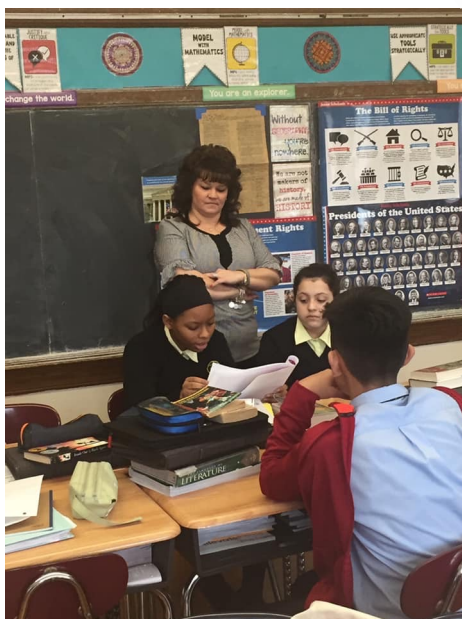


Catholic Schools Week Highlights

Photos By: Ivana Lopez and John Lopez



A Successful Buddy Day All Around



Kids Day BINGO



Teacher Swap



RACA News

By: Gabriel Popa & Liam Sweeney

The Sweetheart Dance is an annual RA tradition that occurs in February. This year, the Sweetheart Dance occurred on Friday, February 7th. The tickets were \$10 a person. The Sweetheart Dance serves snacks and drinks which are donated by the RA parents. All snacks are free, but drinks are \$1 each. The dance also had a DJ that interacted with the kids. He did activities such as the limbo. The whole gym was filled with Valentine's Day decorations. The party started at 7:00pm and it ended at 9:30pm. Some parents stayed to help the HAA clean up after the event. The Sweetheart Dance is a fun-filled night and I encourage everyone to attend next year.

Facts

By: Audrey Lataille, Marianna Mancini-Menditto



- On Valentine’s Day, people would draw names from a bowl to find their Valentine and would wear it on their arm for a week.
- In Connecticut, a pickle is not a pickle unless it can bounce.
- The first oranges were not orange.
- A snail can have 25,000 teeth.
- It is illegal to carry ice cream in your pocket in Kentucky.
- In Arizona, it is illegal to put a donkey in a bathtub.
- Crocodiles cannot stick out their tongues.
- A sneeze travels out of your mouth at approximately 100 mph.
- Like fingerprints everyone has a tongue print.
- If you point your car keys at your head, you get more range.

Comedy Corner

By: Gabriel Hierro Delgado

What do you ask a snail on Valentine's Day?
Would you be my Valen-slime?

What did the farmer give his wife for
Valentine's Day?
Hogs and kisses

Male sheep- I lo-beee you
Female sheep- You are not so baaaaa-d
yourself

How did the phone propose to his Girlfriend?
He gave her a -Ring-

What did a volcano say to the other?
I lava you

What did the cat say to his wife?
Give me a hug and a hiss

What did the Valentine's card say to the
stamp?
Stick with me and we’ll go places

What did the octopus say to another octopus
on Valentine's day?
Give me your hand, hand, hand, hand, hand,
hand, hand, hand

What did Baby Corn say to Mama Corn?
Where's Pop Corn?

Submitted by Marianna Mancini-Menditto

Why can snakes only be measured in inches?
Because they don't have feet
Submitted by Adrian Ochoa



State of the Union Update

By: Liam Sweeney

According to *The NY Times*, On Tuesday, February 4, the 45th President of the United States, President Donald John Trump, participated in his third State of The Union Address. The speech that he prepared was approximately 1 hour and fifteen minutes long. According to *Fox News*, at the beginning of the State of the Union Address, President Trump handed out copies of his speech to his Vice President, Mike Pence, and to the Speaker of the House, Nancy Pelosi. Both Pence and Pelosi took the speeches. Pelosi also put out her hand for Trump to shake. Trump did not shake her hand which many people found very rude. It is unknown why the President did not shake Pelosi's hand. Once Trump was done handing out the papers, he read his speech. President Trump spoke of a “Great American Comeback” and the United State's achievements. The speech was also filled with many emotional stories such as a military officer reuniting with his family. At the end of the speech, everyone stood up and clapped, but not Nancy Pelosi. Instead, she stood up and ripped up not only one, but TWO copies of Trump’s speech! This was certainly a State of the Union Address that no one will forget.



CYO Sports

By: Samantha Jarina & Emma Iorio

RA is starting a tournament with St. Stans. We wish all of the teams good luck and hope that they win. We are also starting CYO Softball at RA.

Basketball: The team of the month is the 4th grade team. The coach of the team is Lou Iorio. The game of the month was very close and physical. They played against St. Anastasia. The score was 7-6. The 2 players who scored were Caleb Viera and Daniel Ruiz. Viera scored 3 points and Ruiz scored 4 points. Great job boys!

Volleyball: On February 8th, RA 8th and 7th graders won against St Margaret’s. RA won all 3 sets of the game. Each player was able to serve about 4 times. Rachele Bifulco and Mercy Hatanga played really well on the net.

February Horoscopes

By: Noelle Imburgia
&
Christina Johnson-Duroseau

Source: CafeAstrology

Aries (March 21st- April 20th)
This month you have been getting so much done, yet it has been in a murky way. Try to have fun while getting daily tasks done. Try to get more sleep and do not worry as much about the small little things that stress you out.

Taurus (April 21st - May 20th)
Right now you are in very good shape to communicate your thoughts. This will lead to more social interaction causing you to rekindle old relationships you may have lost. Your creativity is very strong right now. This may be a good time to start projects that will influence you, forever.

Gemini (May 21st - June 20th)
This month you are seeking balance on an emotional and spiritual level. You are seeking more comforting and grounding activities. Right now focus on yourself instead of putting others first. You feel the need to push yourself to the limit, although this will not help you seek balance.

Cancer (June 21st - July 22nd)
The moon is new for you Cancer, with this you should put aside all things that do not make you feel good about yourself. It is a time of new beginnings. You belong, you are worth it, and you need to know this.

Leo (July 23rd- August 22nd)
Right now is a time to take a step back if you need to, right now you have been more social than ever before. It is okay to have some alone time. Don't be afraid to take a step back, even if you feel guilty about it.

Virgo (August 23rd- September 22nd)
Your social life, communications, and teamwork are all in strong focus this month. It is rather easy to cooperate even if it is not your most cooperative day. Right now try to step out of your comfort zone, even if it means playing a new sport, baking, drawing, etc.

Libra (September 23rd - October 22nd)
During this month, you may have trouble locking down your decisions and making choices. If you have difficulty making your decisions, take your time to make sure you make the right one. This month you may need to let go of certain things to reduce your stress.

Scorpio (October 23rd- November 21st)
This month, your emotional energy may be running low. It would be good for you to step out of your daily routine. You may find art to be an easier way for you to share and spread your emotions. Also making more meaningful conversations will mean more to you than small talk.

Sagittarius (November 22nd- December 21st)
It may be better for you to move on from past challenges and just to trust your gut in many situations. Try to give others the benefit of doubt before you come to a conclusion. Also this month would be a good month to start focusing on forgiveness.

Capricorn (December 22nd- January 19th)
This month you will be good at making small talk and you will be way more approachable. You are inclined to attract more positive, creative-thinking people into your life. You may have a desire to start better time management skills.

Aquarius (January 20th - February 18th)
Decisions won't be easy for you to make but, you will persevere. You may feel more in tune with self care and the work that you decide to do. This month is the best for small activities. You will learn more from your emotions this month.

Pisces (February 19th- March 20th)
This month will be amazing for accessing your inner child. You may be more playful to situations you weren't before. Your playfulness has been taken well and you are seeming more friendly.

Tech Update

By: Marianna Mancini-Menditto

What is TIK TOK?:

Tik Tok is an app where billions of people create short videos and post them for others to see. Tik Tok’s original name was Musical.ly. However, in 2017, the name was changed. In 2018, Tik Tok was the World’s Most Downloaded iOS App. Tik Tok is a visual platform, usually for an audience of 13 to 20 years old.

Should parents be worried?

Tik Tok can be a very addicting app. Parents can place time restrictions on the app if they find children are overusing it. Unfortunately, Tik Tok can have cursing or inappropriate language depending on the user/video, if parents do not like what they hear they should ban Tik Tok from their children or report the inappropriate post. There are privacy settings a parent could put in place that let your child post only for their friends to see.

What you learned:

- Tik Tok is a fun app.
- Report any inappropriate content.
- Make sure you are safe while using the app.
- Don’t get too addicted or out of hand while using the app.



RACA News Continued Kids Day

By: Gabriel Popa & Liam Sweeney

On Monday, January 27, the Home Academy Association hosted the annual Kids Day. Kids Day is a fun-filled day with many activities such as Bingo and Dancing. This year, Kids Day started off as a regular morning schedule with normal classes. All students are required to complete the work that would be done on a regular day. During the morning, music is played over the loudspeakers at various times and the students are allowed to get up and dance. Kids Day has one very unique event that only occurs once a year. Instead of students bringing lunch and eating it in the classroom, all of the students go down to the gym and receive lunch from parent volunteers. The lower grades receive Chicken Nuggets, while the upper grades receive Hot Dogs. Students are also allowed to take one bag of chips and one bag of cookies each. Two HSA members: Mrs. Sweeney and Mrs. Popa along with other parent volunteers helped prepare the food along with setting and cleaning the tables up. After lunch, the students came upstairs and played multiple rounds of bingo. When you get bingo, you go down to the office and pick a prize. Kids Day is well liked by the students and will hopefully stay a RA tradition forever.

Black History Month

By: Stacy Diaz

Black History Month, or as many people call it African American History Month, is celebrated throughout the entire month of February. We celebrate this because it recognizes the role that Black people played in the history of the United States and the achievements they have made. Black History Month began in 1915, which 50 years after the 13th Amendment was created. The 13th Amendment states that people can no longer own slaves. This marked the end of slavery in the United States. Every year there is always a theme for Black History Month, and this year’s theme is “African Americans can Vote.” The reason why this theme was chosen for this year is because of the 15th and 19th Amendment, which declared women finally had the right to vote and Black men also had the right to vote. There are many African American people who played a role to bring about this change. During that era, Rosa Parks, Martin Luther King Jr, and Harriet Tubman were important figures who fought for freedom and equality. However, no one really gives credit to the person who started this movement. Carter G. Woodson was a son of slaves, and he spent his childhood working in coal mines. He went to school for only 4 months. When he was 19, he taught himself English and went to high school. When he finished high school, he went to college and received his masters degree from Harvard University. At the time, many still ignored Black people. Carter challenged himself and tried to make history for the African American people in the United States. So Carter made a book called “Negro History Bulletin” and many other books about black history. After he wrote these books, Carter started going to schools and talking about black history. He started many programs to teach kids more about this topic. After this, many people liked his books and they liked what he was doing. Thanks to Carter, in 1976, President Gerald Ford declared that every February for the entire month, the United States would celebrate Black History Month.



By: Marianna Mancini-Menditto

Tropical Pink Smoothie

Ingredients:

- 5 frozen strawberries
- 12 frozen raspberries
- ½ of a banana
- Milk (desired amount)

Directions:

Blend until smooth



Trefoil Cookie Makeover

Ingredients:

- Freeze dried strawberries
- Butter
- Powdered sugar
- White chocolate
- Salt



Directions:

- Crush ¾ of freeze dried strawberries, mix with 4 tablespoons of softened butter, ¾ cup powdered sugar, 1 ounce of melted white chocolate and a pinch of salt into a medium bowl.
- Mix until smooth, sandwich 1 tablespoon of the mixture between 2 cookies until you have 16 cookies done.
- Freeze until firm. Finally if you want to add a final touch you can dip the cookie in melted white chocolate and put sprinkles on it.

Super Bowl LIV

By: Audrey Lataille

This year's Super Bowl was very surprising with the Kansas City Chiefs being in it after 50 years. They played the San Francisco 49ers. Dwayne Johnson was the announcer for the players when they came out. The 49ers won the coin toss, so they received the ball while the Chiefs picked their side. The first quarter started out calm with a field goal for the 49ers scored by #3 Robbie Gould, and a touchdown by #15 Patrick Mahomes, the quarterback of the Chiefs. By the end of the second quarter, the Chiefs and 49ers were at a tie of 10 to 10. Harrison Butker, #7, scored a field goal for the Chiefs while #44 Kyle Juszczyk, scored a touchdown for the 49ers. The halftime show was hosted by Shakira and Jennifer Lopez. They sang a mashup of their songs, including "Hips Don't Lie," "Let's Get Loud," and "On The Floor." The beginning of the third half was funny because Damien Williams, #26, on the Chiefs lost a shoe on the field. Robbie Gould scored another field goal for the 49ers. Raheem Mostrot, #31, on the 49ers scored a touchdown, so by the end of the third quarter, the score was 20 to 10 with the 49ers winning. All Chiefs fans thought they lost until Travis Kelce, #87, scored a touchdown, so the score was now 20 to 17. With only six minutes left, Damien Williams scored the winning touchdown, and then another touchdown after that. The final score was Chiefs, 31 and 49ers, 20. Patrick Mahomes, the quarterback of the Chiefs, received the MVP award.

Tiffany and Co., the jewelry store, is the company that makes all the trophies for sports. It takes them a few months just to make one trophy. They also make the World Series trophy and the Major League Soccer trophy. They are able to prepare everything in advance, but one person from Tiffany and Co. has to go to the game and as soon as the game is over, they have to carve the winning team's name into the trophy. The people at Tiffany and Co. watch the game and are really excited when the trophy is presented to the winning team.

Believe it or not, there are people that only watch the Super Bowl for the commercials. Some of the funny commercials from Super Bowl LIV include:

- Rick and Morty/Pringles
- Mr. Planter's Rebirth
- Little Caesars/Sliced Bread
- John Cena and Jimmy Fallon Working Out
- Hyundai/Famous Celebrities

This will be one Super Bowl to remember. After that amazing comeback, the Chiefs will definitely be treated with more respect next season.



CARTOON COUNTDOWN

BY: MICAH GAGARIN

Here are some great shows I recommend. These are not in any specific order, so just because it's 3rd doesn't mean it's any better or worse than the 1st.

"Steven Universe" (Available on Cartoon Network and Hulu)

"Steven Universe" is the story of a seemingly normal boy who's entire "friend group" are galaxy saving warriors. Known as the Crystal Gems, Garnet, Amethyst, and Pearl fight for the good of Earth. Steven's mother was once a Crystal Gem, until she gave up her physical form in order to have him. Throughout the story, Steven learns to control the powers his mother, Rose left for him, while saving the Earth one day at a Time.

"Gravity Falls" (Available on Disney, Disney XD, Disney+, and Hulu)

Dipper and Mabel are twins who are forced to spend their summer in Gravity Falls, Oregon, with their Great Uncle, Grunkle Stan. They stay at the Mystery Shack, a cheap tourist attraction set up by their Grunkle. Mabel, starts the summer off strong by creating a scrapbook, as well as being lively. Dipper on the other hand, a nerd if you must, spends his early summer being bummed out until something weird seems to happen. Throughout this mysterious summer, Dipper, Mabel, and their friends at the Mystery Shack uncover the hidden secrets of Gravity Falls.

"Adventure Time" (Available on Cartoon Network and Hulu)

"Adventure Time" follows the adventures of Finn, a 13 year old boy, as well as Jake, a 28 year old shapeshifting dog. These two are sworn to protect anyone in need, and often do it in the most fun and creative way possible. Finn and Jake go on many different adventures each episode, and make many friends along the way. This cartoon has an amazing plot stretching over ten seasons, with amazing character development and even better jokes. It is a fun show for the entire family to watch.



Sports

By: Micah Gagarin, David Giraldo, Renzo Hernandez,
John Lopez, & Dylan Rosa

A PICTURE TRIBUTE TO KOBE
PHOTOS FROM THE LA TIMES

Kobe Bryant

Unfortunately on January 26, 2020 we lost a legend, one of the greatest of all time in the NBA, Kobe Bryant. Not only did we lose Kobe, we lost a future WNBA star, his daughter, Gianna “Gigi” Bryant. It was about 9:45 in the morning, Kobe, Gigi, and 7 others were in a helicopter flying to Gigi’s basketball game. The other people that had passed away in the helicopter crash were: Sarah Chester, Alyssa Altobelli, Keri Altobelli, John Altobelli, Christina Mauser, and the helicopter’s pilot, Ara Zobayan according to *TMZ*. Investigators reported that the helicopter was too low for communication and it was also horribly foggy outside. May Kobe, Gigi, and the rest of the victims rest in peace.

Accolades and Career

Kobe was drafted in 1996 with the thirteenth pick by the Charlotte Hornets. The Hornets eventually traded Kobe to the Lakers on Draft night. For the next 20 years of his career, Kobe would play for the Lakers and become one of the best known sports stars in history.

Kobe started off a bit rough as a 17 year old right out of high school. He attended Lower Merion High School in Philadelphia and entered into a League with a prime, Micheal Jordan and the Chiacago Bulls. Something that made him unique was his amazing work ethic to always get better and to be the hardest worker on the court. Kobe watched a lot of game footage to help him get better, and modeled his game after Michael Jordan. After retirement, Kobe wanted to try different things, and he did exactly that. Kobe was an author, an Oscar winner for animated shorts, an influencer, a coach, and one of the best dads ever.

Some of Kobe Bryant’s Accomplishments:

- Kobe was a 5 time world/NBA champion
- 17 time all-star
- 1997 Slam Dunk Contest Champion
- Scored 81 points against the Toronto Raptors in 2006
- Kobe spent 20 seasons with the Lakers, which is the most seasons an NBA player has played on the same team.
- 2 time Olympic Gold Medalist
- The greatest Laker ever

Accomplishments according to *bleacherreport.com*

Big NBA News (New Trades)

According to *CBSsports*, the Warriors traded D'Angelo Russel to the Timberwolves for Andrew Wiggins. The Blazers traded Skal Labissiere to the Atlanta Hawks.

The Cavaliers received Andre Drummond. The Heat acquired Andre Igoudola from the Grizzlies. 76r’s added Alec Burks and Glenn Robinson III to their roster in exchange for three-second rounders. The Clippers gained Marcus Morris and Isiah Thomas.



World News and Soccer Update



By: Janelle-Stephanie Pascual

Recent Taal Volcano Eruption

The Taal Volcano is one of the most active volcanoes in the Philippines. Its main crater comprises Volcano Island, Lake Taal in Talisay, Batangas. This volcano has erupted thirty-five times, with its most recent eruption occurring on Sunday, January 12 of this year.

According to the *Philippine Institute of Volcanology and Seismology*, on the day before and morning of the eruption, Taal seemed to be normal with an Alert Level of 1. However, at 1:00 PM on January 12, the main crater began to come alive with seismic, or vibrating, activity. This caused the institute to raise the volcano's Alert Level from 1 to 2 at 2:30 PM, which meant there was some unrest at the site such as subtle earthquakes. Then at 4:00 PM, the Alert Level was changed to 3. There was a chance of a more hazardous eruption. About a 0.6 mile tall cloud of ash and more powerful earthquakes occurred. Once more at 7:30 PM, the Alert Level was raised to 4, warning that Taal may erupt dangerously in a few days.

Lava began to burst out of the volcano from 2:49-4:28 AM on Monday, January 13. As the lava reached the waters of Taal Lake, it turned into steam clouds. 144 earthquakes ranging from I-V intensities were felt in nearby cities and provinces. All of the tremors emitted by the eruption risked producing tsunamis in the lake. Ash, volcanic glass, and toxic gases blasted up to 9 miles into the sky in addition to volcanic lightning strikes. Ash can travel fast and cause respiratory issues with the elderly and children. It can also mix with water to cause muddy and unsafe roadways. As a result, many lives were at risk in the Philippines after the eruption. Residents living in the 8.7 mile radius around the volcano were immediately forced to evacuate. The 10.6 mile radius was advised to evacuate as well. Furthermore, Federal Officers prohibited anyone from going near the land surrounding the volcano and air travel was shut down. As stated by *The National Disaster Risk Reduction Management Council*, more than 500,000 people were affected and well over half lost their homes after the devastating Taal eruption.

The Philippine Red Cross is accepting cash donations on their website in support for the many families that were evacuated as a result of the Taal eruption.

Photo below taken from *Newsweek*



Soccer Update



By: Steven Morocho

The January Transfer Window Saga

The January Transfer window has been quite fascinating. There have been big deals and probably game changers that could affect the season for some teams.

Manchester United confirm the Bruno Fernandes deal.

Manchester United could go back to their winning ways after the signing of 25 year old Bruno Fernandes. The former Sporting Lisbon player cost the club around 55 million Euros. Bruno Fernandes is a creative, attacking midfielder who could help Manchester United chances of making Top 4. He has signed a 5 year contract for the club and his stats speak for themselves. In 27 matches, he has scored 15 goals, and delivered 7 assists.

Inter Milan completed the Christian Eriksen Saga.

Inter Milan finally completed the signing of Christian Eriksen for a fee of 16.9 million Euros. He's joined the club on a 4 year deal up until the summer of 2024. The 27 year old, from Denmark joined Inter because he wanted a fresh start. Under Jose Mourinho, the club has struggled to find their rhythm. Also Tottenham Spurs didn't want to lose him on a free in the summer, so they decided to pull the trigger and let him go. Hopefully, he can find his form again and become the player Inter knows he can be.

Borussia Dortmund has completed the signing of an up incoming star, Erling Braut Haaland.

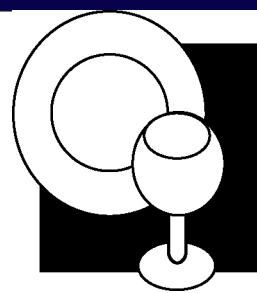
Dortmund has probably completed the signing of the transfer window in Erling Braut Haaland. The 19 year old Norwegian, signed for around 20 million Euros. He played for Austin Club, Rb Salzburg scoring 28 goals in the process. Now joining Dortmund he's on fire. Currently, Erling Braut Haaland has scored 8 goals for Dortmund in 4 matches. He could be key for Dortmund's second half of the season.

AC Milan has completed a loan signing Zlatan Ibrahimovic for a return to Serie A. AC Milan has signed a 38, Zlatan Ibrahimovic for a return move back to Serie A. AC Milan hasn't been at their best for a long time. A 7 time champions league winner, they going to need backup. Zlatan won't win Serie A for the Rossoneri, but will help AC Milan be on the right track.

Javier Hernández signed for MLS side LA Galaxy

Javier Hernández, also known as Chicharito, has signed for LA Galaxy as he comes to the end of his career. The Mexican striker will hopefully be a star in Los Angeles. Chicharito has played in Europe for some of the biggest clubs. Some include Real Madrid, Manchester United, and Sevilla. Furthermore, he is the Mexican's all time leading goal scorer, with 52 international goals in 109 appearances. A wonderful career he's had. Hopefully he can deliver, one last time in his final season.





Restaurant Critique

J and D Pizzeria Review
Rego Park, NY

By Dimitri Olhoviks

Before I explain why J and D Pizzeria is so good, I need to give you some background information. J and D's is located at 98-53 63rd Rd, Rego Park. It has been around for approximately three decades, long before I was born and long before my parents came to NYC. It is very close to Rego Center Mall, and takes approximately 5 minutes to get there from RA. You can have an easy snack or a full-blown meal.

Their crust might be a little well done on their pizza, but it has an extremely big surface area. There are pizzas with strictly vegetables on them (Spinach, Spinach with Broccoli, Spinach with Mushroom, and Eggplant). There is also a pizza that has pasta on it (Ravioli Pizza). They also have Meat-Related Pizza (BBQ Pizza and Chicken and Tomato Pizza).

J and D Pizzeria has pizza-related foods as well. They also have mozzarella sticks and garlic knots. The mozzarella sticks are very crunchy and cheesy. Once, when I went to J and D's, the cheese stretched 6 feet and still held firm! Garlic knots at J and D's Pizzeria are very flexible and have a decent amount of spices, fat, and oil. There are also two main salads, the Greek Salad and the Caesar Salad. Their Caesar Salad has high-quality ingredients. Their Greek Salad has onions, olives, goat cheese, grape leaves, and balsamic vinegar.

I highly recommend that you check out J & D's! Check out some pictures below from their website, jdpizzaregopark.com and stay tuned for my next restaurant review!



FEBRUARY WORD SEARCH

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- PINK
- MARRIAGE
- FRIENDS
- PRESIDENTS
- DANCE
- CUPID
- LOVE

Created by Gabriel Hierro Delgado & Marianna Mancini Menditto



Dolittle

By: Christina Johnson-Duroseau

Rating 2.5/5
This movie is a family movie filled with jokes. You have Robert Downey Jr. as Dr. John Dolittle. Tom Holland as Jip, Emma Thompson as Polynesia, John Cena as Yoshi, and Selena Gomez as Betsy. This movie takes place in 19th century England. Doctor Dolittle is a veterinarian who is able to speak to animals. He lives alone in isolation after his wife died. He refuses to talk to humans and will only tend and talk to animals. His only companionship comes from exotic animals. However, when the young Queen Victoria becomes extremely ill, the odd doctor is forced to embark on a crazy journey with himself and his furry friends to find the cure. I found the jokes to be cringy and not funny. On the other hand, the acting is really good. Robert Downey Jr. does an amazing job as Doctor Dolittle.

Big Fat Liar

By: Gabriel Popa

Rating 4.5/5
“Big Fat Liar” is a 2002 comedy film that stars Frankie Muniz, Amanda Bynes, and Paul Giamatti. The movie is directed by Shawn Levy, who later directed “Night at the Museum” and worked on ‘Stranger Things’ with the Duffer Brothers. “Big Fat Liar” is about an eighth grader named Jason Shepard who gets in trouble with his teacher and later has to write a story that’s due later that day and has to go to a community college. He begins to write “Big Fat Liar”. He finishes “Big Fat Liar” and races to go to the Community College, where his teacher is. He gets hit by a limo and somehow survives. The person in the car, Marty Wolf, tells Jason to get in the car. Marty Wolf, played by Paul Giamatti asks where Jason has to be dropped off. Jason recognizes Marty because he’s a producer and has his own studio called Marty Wolf Pictures. Jason is dropped off, but forgets “Big Fat Liar” in the car. Marty reads it and doesn’t tell Shepard that he forgot it. Jason realizes and is sent to summer school. After his first day of summer school, Jason and his friend Kaylee, played by Amanda Bynes, go to the movies, where Jason realized his story is turned into a movie. He’s furious and his parents don’t believe him. He has a plan to go to fly to Hollywood and go to Marty and tell him to make one phone call to his dad and tell him it’s his story.

I liked this movie, it was funny. There were some parts that didn’t need to be put into the movie, most of it is slow motion shots. I give it 4/5 stars. This movie is PG and parents and kids will like this movie. This movie is available on Netflix.



2/28/20

6TH GRADE
STUDENT OF THE MONTH
RA GYM
8:15 AM

