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April showers bring May flowers.
Have a great summer!

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the Common Good

Hot off the presses...the final edition of the 2023 4th Grade Monthly!

Delilah Delivers on Juneteenth

Next month is Juneteenth!!! Have you ever wondered what Juneteenth is all about?

Well, Juneteenth is about the emancipation (emancipation means: to be set free) of African-Americans from slavery. The Emancipation Proclamation was issued in January, 1863. This important decision took over two years before it reached Texas on June, 19 1865.

At the time of the announcement of freedom, things taking place in Texas were different. The slaves in Texas didn't get the message right away, so two and a half years later they finally found out that they were supposed to be freed from slavery!

When the people in Galveston, Texas finally found out that slavery was over the slaves there broke out in celebration.

In my opinion, there should have never been slavery in the first place. The slaves should have been set free as soon as the Emancipation Proclamation was signed. This makes me feel frustrated and disappointed in people. This doesn't connect with any of our school values. People cannot own others and not care about their feelings. This is really, really selfish and wrong.

At NHCS we believe in committing to the common good and acting thoughtfully. These ideas are how I think the events of Juneteenth should have taken place.

Bellah Prepares For A Legendary Summer

Do you want to have fun and do educational activities at the same time this summer? Read this article!

If you like mysteries, try doing a science, math or even a social studies themed scavenger hunt. Maybe try to make a scavenger hunt for your siblings or other family members. I recommend scavenger hunts because they help you learn all types of things and they are fun as well!

Another fun and educational activity you can do over the summer is visit a museum or a zoo. You can learn about animals or a famous person. A museum I would recommend is the Boston Tea Party Museum. The Boston Tea Party Museum is about the past but it is a fun place to be outside on the water. I also like the Harvard Museum of Natural History. The Harvard Museum of Natural History has many animal, insect, sea creature and dinosaur facts. Now, the zoo that I would recommend is the Franklin Park Zoo. I think most of you have been there, but it's my number one zoo! Another zoo I would recommend is the Stone Zoo. I recommend this zoo because it has all types of animals, reptiles, mammals, fish, birds, and amphibians.

The last activity you can do over the summer to have a fun and educational time is to go to a theme park. Two examples of theme parks you can go to that you can learn from are Legoland and Disney. Legoland is a fun and educational theme park because legos help you learn to understand the way of building with legos. Disney is an educational and fun theme park because Disney helps you learn about nature, wildlife, technology, engineering, history, and lots of other things.

I hope you guys will do what I suggest you should do over the summer to have a fun and educational time.



Jacobi Shares

Summer Safety Tips

It is fun and exciting to go to the beach during the summer.

It is fun and exciting to go to the beach because you can enjoy the nice weather for a while. It's fun and exciting because you get to spend time with your family. You can just relax. It's fun and exciting to go to the beach in the summer because you get to hang out with your friends and play games in the water. It's fun and exciting to go to the beach because you could play fun games like Marco Polo or tag. It's fun and exciting to go to the beach because you can make sand castles with your friends.

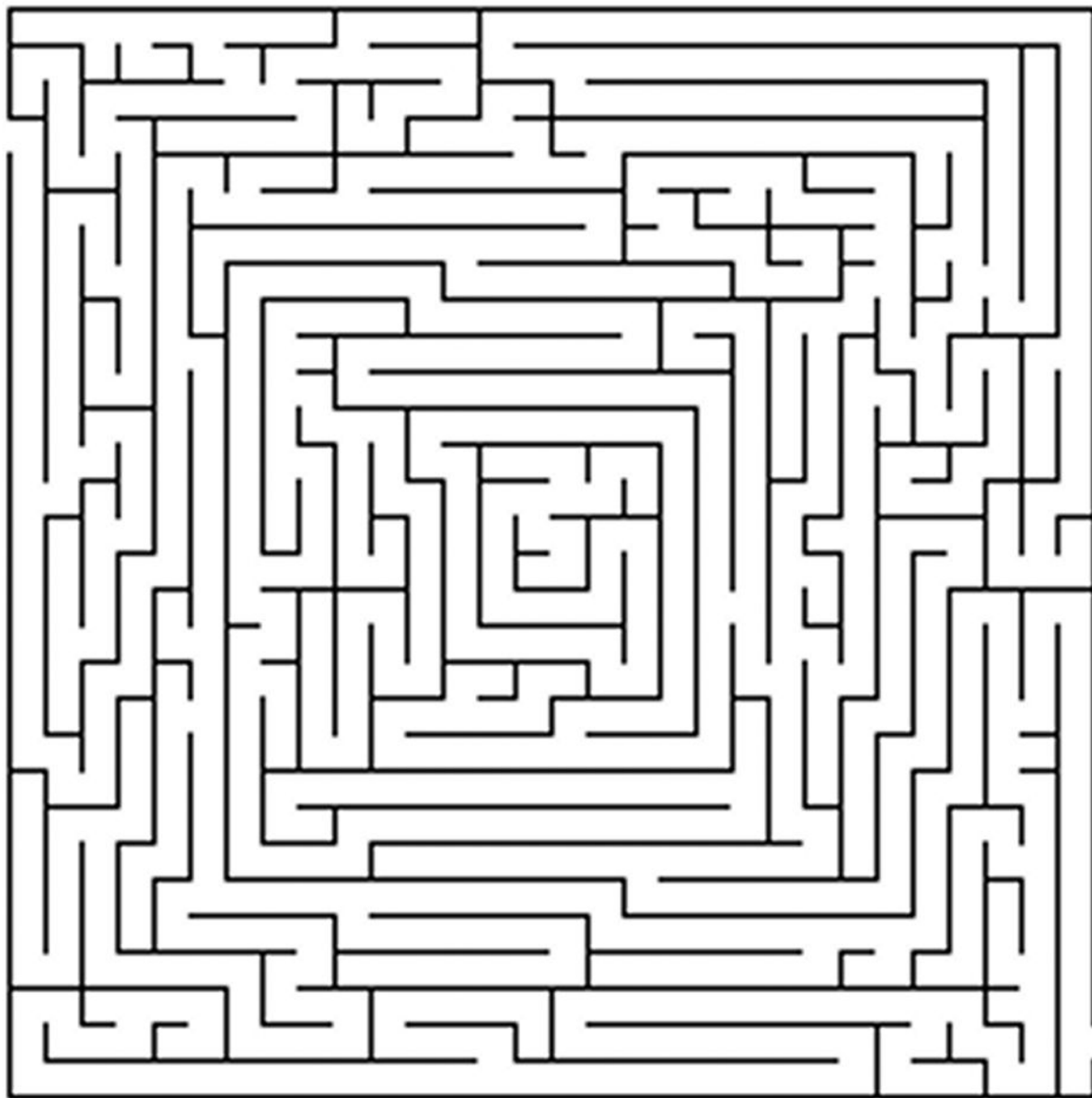
These are 7 tips for how to stay safe at the beach.

- Tip one: swim near lifeguard towers.
- Tip two: understand different warning flags.
- Tip three: check the ocean conditions before swimming.
- Tip four: never turn your back on the ocean.
- Tip five: provide sun protection for everyone.
- Tip six: test your family's swimming abilities before swimming.
- Tip seven: watch the ocean before entering.

It's important to stay safe at the beach because the ocean is dangerous. It's important to stay safe at the beach because the ocean can do anything. Water is powerful. It's important to stay safe at the beach because it's really easy to underestimate the ocean. It's important to stay safe at the beach because even strong swimmers can drown. It is also important to always wear sunscreen because you wouldn't want to get a sunburn.

It's important to stay safe when you're at the beach.

This month's puzzle is a real challenge.
Can you find your way through the maze?



Riddle time...

Grandpa went out for a walk and it started to rain. He didn't bring an umbrella or a hat. His clothes got soaked, but not a hair on his head was wet. How is this possible?

...find out the answer on page four..

Lower School Walk-a-Thon Total

\$3,314!

Whitney Revisits

Rosa Parks

In 1955, there were rules about where people could sit on buses. One day, Rosa Parks chose not to follow the rules.

Rosa Parks is known for fighting for equal rights. She is known for this because of her decision on the bus. She did not give up her seat to a white passenger and went to jail for it. Because of that, more and more African Americans decided to do the exact same thing creating a boycott on buses. They wanted to make sure that anyone could sit anywhere they wanted to on a bus. This was the Montgomery Bus Boycott.

Rosa Parks was a leader for African Americans fighting for equal rights.

Equal rights are important for everyone. Everyone should be treated fairly. People should be treated like people.

Thank you, Rosa Parks.



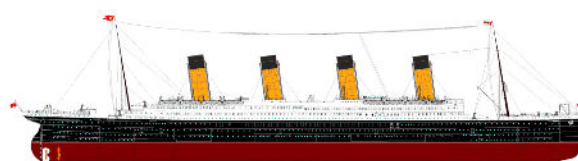
Alejandro Sinks Into the Titanic

The Titanic was a British cruise ship that sank. The Titanic weighed 52,310 tons and was as long as 22 buses. It was 882 feet long! While the Titanic was on its trip from Southampton, England to New York the Titanic approached an iceberg that was about the size of a 500 foot-long boat. The Titanic collided with the iceberg on April 14, 1912. Many people did not notice that it had hit an iceberg.

Once the Titanic hit the iceberg it started to slowly sink. The sinking lasted 2 hours and 40 minutes until it finally sank on the following day, April 15, 1912. People in their rooms looked outside and started to notice that something wasn't right. Everyone panicked. The boat started its evacuation process by getting the guests into lifeboats. Some of the lifeboats were sent away only half full causing the rest of the guests to sit around waiting for their own lifeboat. Not many passengers survived.

This was super sad because people did not know what was happening for a while, only to be given this horrible sinking news. The boat was big. It was slowly sinking. 1,500 people were killed but there were more than 200 survivors. The captain of the ship sacrificed his life to save a child.

The Titanic was found at the bottom of the Atlantic Ocean on September 11, 1985. Robert Ballard discovered the sunken Titanic by using an unmanned submersible. Finding it took 70 years because the vastness of the North Atlantic search area made finding it super difficult.



Christian Is At The Top Of His Game

The game I am writing about is 2K23. 2K23 is a basketball video game. It is a public game. A public game is an online game that lets you play with real people around the world. These games are played online which means you can play on a PS5, PS4, XBOX, Nintendo Switch, PC, or TV. You need a controller to play the game.

You can play 2K23 with other people and animated NBA players. You can watch videos of the game. zktv is where you watch shows. The game can also give you some coins. The coins are called vc. You can use vc to buy clothes.

I love to play 2k23 because I can play with other people. The animated NBA players can talk to you and give you some advice about how to get better at the game. Sometimes I give advice to people I am playing with, such as "use the x button to shoot the ball and b button to play defense."

You should play this game so you can be the best player with your friends. I am a good player partly because I am a good sportsman when my friends are sad.

You play the game by picking a NBA player you want to be, then you load the 2k23 game, and then pick an NBA team you want to play against. Then you go into the game and try to score baskets and win the game.

You should only play the game for about 1 hour and 30 minutes and then take a break. If you want to stay on for more time just keep playing...if it's fun.

Carlianyz Suggests Cinderella

The plot of the movie Cinderella involves a girl living with her Stepmother and evil Stepsisters. When the Prince of the Kingdom hosts a ball at the castle, Cinderella sneaks out of her house to go.

Cinderella meets the Prince. They dance.

Cinderella needs to leave the ball before midnight. She must get home before then. As she is running home she loses a shoe.

The Prince finds the shoe and must find out who owns the shoe.

Do you know what happens next?

Cinderella is a good movie. It is interesting and exciting. I think that everyone should watch it to find out what happens.



Jovani, Jeremiah, Jordan

Basketball inspires us. Our dads used to play basketball. They showed us how to play. We love it. We also love Michael Jordan.

Michael Jordan was born on February 17, 1963. Michael Jordan averaged 30 points a game. He played in over 1,000 games. He started in 1,039 of the games he played. Jordan did not miss more than 4 games in any regular season. Also, Michael has his own shoe by Nike. Since 2010, Michael Jordan has owned the Charlotte Hornets.

He is the second best player in the NBA after Bill Russell because Bill has won the most NBA championships in NBA history.

According to GOOGLE, Michael Jordan has been Rookie of the Year; Five-time NBA MVP; Six-time NBA champion; Six-time NBA Finals MVP; Ten-time All-NBA First Team; Nine time NBA All-Defensive First Team; Defensive Player of the Year; 14-time NBA All-Star; Three-time NBA All-Star MVP.

In our opinion Jordan's greatest achievement was he never gave up and that led him to be one of the greatest in NBA history.

If there is a person that could be better than Michael Jordan it could be Lebron James because he has beaten Michael Jordan in the scoring record by 6,000 points.

Michael Jordan once said, "If you do the work you get rewarded. There are no shortcuts in life. That is why I succeed."

This quote is important to us because it means that you can achieve high goals and go even higher to also become a great player...in any sport.

Zoe Reflects on Springtime

Spring in my neighborhood is very sunny, trees full of leaves. Sounds of birds singing in the trees.

Sounds of bees buzzing, pollen on their hairy backs and wings.

Spring feels like cool air, warm sun and good vibes.

Spring looks like rose bushes, dandelions and buttercups all around the sidewalk bathing in the warm sun.

Plants are blooming. Animals are awakening.

Ava Gets The Scoop From A Choukas...But Which One?

The following conversation took place between Ava and Ms. Choukas.

How old are you?

I'm 23 years old.

Do you have siblings?

Yes. I have three siblings, two brothers and a sister.

What's your favorite snack?

Popcorn.

Do you have any kids?

No!

What do you think about swimming pools?

I love swimming pools.

Do you like shopping?

Yes, but I prefer shopping online.

Do you like cats or dogs?

I like cats, but not as much as I like dogs.

What do you like most about being outside with all of us?

I like seeing you all have fun and taking a break from schoolwork!

Do you know how to bake a cake?

I love baking but I have never baked a cake.

Do you like turtles?

Yes. Yes, I do like turtles.

Do you have any friends?

I have a few.



What is life like living with the other Ms. Choukases?

It's fun, especially now that we all work together, too! We've all become much closer with one another!

I love seeing all the kids playing together and learning new strategies every day. Even though they're at recess, they're still learning new problem solving skills, social emotional skills, and communication skills. Recess is a fun part of the kids' day and it's great to see them happy to be out there and getting a break from the classroom. ~ K. Choukas



Pictured above is the staff of this month's Fourth Grade Monthly. Introducing (top, L-R) Ava, Jovani, Jeremiah, Christian, Yosiah, and Jacobi; (middle, L-R) Whitney, Alivia, Zoe, Alejandro; (bottom, L-R) Delilah, Kaylahni, Carlianyz, and Bellah

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Riddle answer...
Grandpa was bald!

Kaylahni's Kitchen Korner

Hi! I'm going to teach you how to make something delicious! I'm going to teach you how to make pavlova! I chose this because it looks delicious and it is easy!

4 large egg whites
1 1/4 cups white sugar
2 teaspoons cornstarch
1 teaspoon vanilla extract
1 teaspoon lemon juice
1 pint heavy cream
6 kiwi, peeled and sliced

Preheat the oven to 300 degrees. Line a baking sheet with parchment paper. Draw a 9 inch circle on the paper.

Beat egg whites in a large bowl until stiff but not dry. Gradually add sugar about 1 tablespoon at a time, beating well after each addition and continue beating until thick and glossy. Gently fold in cornstarch, vanilla extract and lemon extract

Inside the circle drawn on the parchment paper and working from the center, spread the mixture toward the outside edge and build the edge slightly; this should leave a slight depression in the center. Bake until the meringue is dry and sounds hollow when tapped, about 1 hour. Cool on a wire rack.

Beat heavy cream in a medium bowl until stiff peaks form; fill center of meringue with whipped cream and top with kiwi slices. Enjoy!

It's All In A Name for Alivia

You probably wonder, "why are names important?" Well, names are very important. Names are beautiful. Names have meaning.

When your parents named you, it probably took them a long time to decide because of the meaning behind it.

I have some favorite names. Do you?

Mia: the name Mia means "beloved". It is an Australian name. This name is beautiful to me because when I say it I think of my family.

Charlotte: the name Charlotte means "free man". It comes from the male name Charles.

Olivia: the name Olivia means "olive tree" in Spanish, Portuguese, and Italian. The name connects to peace and to friendship.

Step On It, Yosiah!

This article is about fast cars in the world.

One of the fastest cars in the world is called the Bugatti Veyron which can go to a speed of 268 miles per hour. That makes it faster than almost any car. The best look for this car is black. It makes the car look great.

There is a car that can beat the Bugatti Veyron. It is the Koenigsegg Jesko. This car can travel to the speed of 300 mph, faster than a Lamborghini. I wonder if one day you will maybe see a cheetah chasing a Koenigsegg Jesko. I think the Jesko would win.

Another fast car is the Koenigsegg Agera RS. This is a car that can go 278 mph. The Agera could beat a Supra in a race because a Supra can not go faster than 278 mph. If you saw a Supra and a Koenigsegg Agera RS race, who do you think would win?

Another car is the SSC Ultimate Aero which can maybe beat a cheetah too, or a jaguar because it goes to a speed of 253 mph. It was made in 2007 which means it is 16 years old. Yup, more than 10 years of cool, right? It could also beat a Supra as well because those Supras go like 213 mph, so the SSC Ultimate Aero could definitely beat the Supra in a cool race.

Safety tips when in a car:

Make sure when you go in a car have your seatbelt on the whole time.

Sit back the whole time.

Don't press any button in the car unless you are an adult.

Make sure you always have your eyes on the road.

Lock all doors so a little kid won't open their door.



This Just In From Columbus and The Third Grade...

I would like to announce a new group that is being formed this year. The group is to be called "Kindness Kids." A group of twenty 3rd graders will be working on bringing more kindness to NHCS. In the next few weeks, they will be creating posters, cards and other things to put up around the school or to hand out to people to spread kindness. The group will meet to talk about ideas for bringing kindness to both the NHCS community, as well as outside the community. We would like to make this a group that will continue to grow over the next few years with other grades....because you can never have too much kindness.