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Meet Mr. Murray the Math Teacher

By Bridget Soden, grade 9

Mr. Murray is the new 9th grade math teacher, who fits in quite well with the other students and teachers. Mr. Murray used to work at La Salle School in Albany before coming to Maple Hill. Mr. Murray said, "I decided to come to Maple Hill because I was looking for a job and after taking a year and a half off of teaching, I interviewed here and at another place. But I really like the school and community here."

Believe it or not Mr. Murray was not someone who used to like school or did well but he had teachers who helped motivate him to do well. So he hopes that he have a positive impact on students like his teachers had on him.

When asked if math was actually his favorite he replied with, "That is a good question. When I was in high school it was my favorite subject and but now I would say of any subject taught in school that music would be my favorite." Did you know that Mr. Murray plays in a band as a guitarist and was in construction for a while before becoming a math teacher? Mr. Murray also served in the military for four years and he decided to join because he was failing out of college and needed something to get him back on track. Mr. Murray enjoys working at Maple Hill with both the students and the teachers.



I asked Mr. Murray if it was hard juggling being a teacher and being a new parent and he said, "Right now yes it is very hard because it is a lot of adjusting at home. Sometimes I really want to get home as soon as I can. I also haven't been getting as much sleep as I used to."

However that doesn't stop him from helping his students and creating a positive environment. Mr. Murray is an amazing teacher and I hope he decides to stay at Maple Hill forever.

The Legend of Zelda: - Breath of the Wild -

By: Liam Nevins, grade 7

The Legend of Zelda Breath of the Wild is a really fun game; I've played it myself. I've beaten the main storyline and completed all of the divine beasts, captured all the memories and beat Ganon myself. I still only



have 40% of the game done. This game is about a guy named Link waking up 100 years in the future and he lost all of his memories, has to defeat 4 divine beasts and kill calamity Ganon. There are 120 shrines (which I completed), a

shrine is a mushroom looking activity. There is always a task with a shrine whether it's before or in the shrine. After you complete a shrine the monk at the end of it will give you a spirit orb. If you collect four spirit orbs you can go to a goddess statue and trade 4 spirit orbs for a heart container or a stamina vessel. There are also 900 korok seeds which you can trade to get inventory space.

The most important part of the game is the sheikah slate. You can't even start the game without it. You can take pictures with it, use it as a magnet, map, to zoom in on things, to make pillars of ice on water, make bombs, freeze things in time, most of the things you do in that game is with the help of the sheikah slate.

You can pick up many items on your journey such as :melee weapons, bows, shields, armor, materials, cooked foods, most importantly your key items.

Defeating the Bokoblins is really easy depending on their color.

This is the color in order of strength :red the easiest, blue pretty easy, black pretty hard, silver extremely hard, gold (which you only see in master mode) incredibly hard. Then cursed which are basically floating heads are easier than red. Those colors go for all enemies like Lizalfos, and Moblins.



There are mini bosses like Lynels (my least favorite), then Stone Taluses, Hinoxes, Moldugas, and Guardians. If you defeat all of a certain type you can get a medal. There are also dragons :the fire dragon Dinraal, the ice dragon Naydra which has a cool side quest, and Farosh the lightning dragon.

Then the Ganons are in the divine beasts. You have to defeat them because they're trying to take over Hyrule :Vah Ruta (waterblight ganon), Vah Medoh (windblight ganon), Vah Rudania (fireblight ganon) and Vah Naboris (thunderblight ganon) to me this one was harder than Calamity and Dark Beast Ganon combined.

I liked this game because you can do sooooooooooooooooooooo much in it.



Park Bo-Gum

By Bridget Soden, grade 9

Park Bo-gum is a was recognized for his film and television. Most lawyer in *Hello Monster* in *Reply 1988* Crown Prince in *Love in a free-spirited man who Encounter* (2018). Park is named Actor of the Year also the first ever actor to Celebrity list by *Forbes*.



South Korean actor who diverse range of roles in notable for a psychopathic (2015), a genius Go player (2015-2016), a Joseon *the Moonlight* (2016), and falls for an older women in the youngest actor to be by Gallup Korea. He is top the Korea Power

Park was born on June 19, 1993, in Seoul South Korea and is now 25 years old. He is the youngest of the three siblings and his name “Bo-gum” means ‘precious sword.’ He also knows how to sing and learned to play the piano in kindergarten. Park was on the varsity swim team at Seoul Mokdong Middle School. He initially wanted to be a singer however he changed his path after he was told he would do well in acting.

In 2013 he landed his first major role in a weekend drama *Wonderful Mama* as Yoon Bok-hee playboy son. His roles in the melodrama *Wonderful days* and *Naeil’s Cantabile* landed him nominations for Best New Actor in both KBS Drama Awards and APAN Star Awards. In May of 2015, Park was awarded the Best Newcomer Award in the KBS Entertainment Awards. His role in the crime drama *Hello Monster* gained him rave reviews and him winning Popularity and Best Supporting Actor in the year-end KBS Drama Awards. His role in *Coin Locker Girl* that same year won him a Rising Star Award at the 11th *MaxMovie* Awards and a nomination for Best New Actor at the Baeksang Arts Awards.

His role in *Reply 1988* gave him the nickname of “Nation’s little Brother” as well as making him known as an emerging Korean Wave star. He was given awards such as Best International Artist Award in the Top Chinese Music Awards, the American-based DramaFever Awards giving him the Best Rising Star Award and tvN10 awarding him Asia Star Award.

Park Bo-Gum is a amazing actor and stars in awesome dramas, that are interesting and truly amazing. I hope that you will check him out on DramaFever or any other places to watch K-dramas.

Monsta X

By Bridget Soden, grade 9

Monsta X is a South Korean boy group formed in 2015 by Mnet during the reality survival show *No.Mercy*. The group is employed by Starship Entertainment and consists of seven members, Wonho, Minhyuk, Hyungwon, Jooheon, Kihyun, Shownu, and I.M. They debuted on May 14, 2015, with their EP *Trespass* and in March of 2017 the group released their first studio album and final part of "The Clan" series, *The Clan Pt. 2.5: The Final Chapter*. In May of 2017, the group had an official Japan debut with Japanese version of "Hero". In April of 2018, Japanese single "Spotlight" received an official gold certification by the Recording Industry Association of Japan.



Monsta X's name means two different things, "monsters conquering the K-pop scene" and "my star." As for the X, it symbolizes an unknown existence. Member and rapper Jooheon help to compose songs in their album *Trespass* such as "One Love", "Steal Your Heart," and "Blue Moon." In 2015 Monsta X performed in KCON 2015 in Los Angeles making this their first US performance. At the 2015 Mnet Asian Music Awards or MAMA they received the "Next Generation Asian Artist" award. Also at the 2015 Melon Music Awards or MMA the group won "1theK Performance Award". With the release of their album and series called *The Clan* in 2016 featuring Wheein of Mamamoo. In December of 2017, the group won the "Best of Next Male Artist Award" at the 2016 MAMA or Mnet Asian Music Awards. In January of 2017 the group launched their own variety show called *Monsta X-ray* through JTBC2. In March of 2017, Monsta X finally finished the final part of *The Clan* series with title track "Beautiful". The album reached No.1 on *Billboard's* World Albums Chart and sold over 1,000 copies, making it one of the best sales in America that week. Monsta X also ranked in the Top 10 of *Billboard's* Heatseekers Albums chart and debuted at No. 10. Furthermore, the title track "Beautiful" debuted at No. 4 on *Billboard's* World Digital Song Sales chart.

Monsta X creates amazing music and is personally one of my favorite groups. They have an edgy, punk rock type style and have been featured in 2018 KIIS-FM Jingle Ball in Los Angeles. I hope that you will give them a listen and maybe possibly help to support them in the future.

Festivals of INDIA



By Jasleen Kaur, grade 7

Part-1

In India we celebrate lots of festivals like:

HOLI

The festival of colors. This is a festival of colors because a long time ago there was once a very cruel king called Hiranyakashyap who had a son called Prahlad. Prahlad was very good and always prayed to the god Vishnu, which made his father very angry. The King tried very hard to make his son give up his belief in Vishnu. So the King ordered his sister Holika to take Prahlad in her arms and for both of them to walk into the burning fire. The plan was that Prahlad would die and Holika would be saved because she was protected by the gods of flames. What the King did not know was that the gods' charm over Holika didn't work for one hour during the day. The hour chosen for lighting the fire just happened to be that very hour. When the flames leapt up, Holika died and Prahlad was saved by Vishnu.

Prahlad was so sorry for Holika that he promised to name a festival after her. So now we have the festival of Holi. In this year Holi was on Thursday, March 1.



Lord Vishnu and his wife



HOLIKA DAHAN

LOHRI

Lohri involves a Puja Parikrama around the bonfire and distribution of Prasad. ... The first Lohri of a new born child and a newly wed bride is considered very auspicious Celebration. Lohri is celebrated on the 13th day of January in the month of Paush or Magh, a day before Makar Sankranti. In this year Lohri was on Saturday, January 13





These are the ladoos.
And on this day we do the puja.



Here is a song of lohri that we sing on Lohri.
This song is written the Punjabi language.

Sunder mundriye ho!

Sunder mundriye ho!
one

Beautiful and pretty

Tera kaun vichara ho!

Who has pity on you

Dulla Bhatti wala ho!

Son of Punjab!

Dulhe di dheer vyayam ho!
married

A husband's daughter

Ser shakkar payee ho!

Sugar and sweets

Kudi da laal patakha ho!

everywhere he goes

A person is enjoying

Kudi da saalu paata ho!

Salu kaun samete!

Hi friend, how are you?

Cache choori kutti! zamindara lutti!
care of our dogs and treat them like humans?

Zamindar

Who owes the village?

Sudhaye!

Bade bhole aaye!

You're not innocent

Ek bhola reh gaya!

Only one innocent is left

Sipahee far ke lai gaya!
soldiers

You snatched the

Sipahee ne mari itt!
brick on you

The soldiers threw a

Sanoo de de Lohri, te teri jeeve jodi!
bless your being a couple forever

May God

DUSSEHRA

Dussehra is a festival celebrated in Hinduism which marks the victory of good over evil. Ganga Dussehra celebrates the descent of the holy river Ganga to the Earth. It is celebrated for the first 10 days of the month of Jyeshtha (June in western calendar) and devotees worship the holy river and take a dip in it.

After 20 of dussehra we celebrate **DIWALI**. On this day we fire up this sketue. In this year DUSSEHRA was on Friday, october 19.



While looking at this picture you guys were thinking that why this man have so many heads. There is a long story behind it. Based on Ramayana.



And for people we held an "mela" where the people buy stuff and sell stuff and there are so many stalls of food like " golgappa."



"chaat"



"Aloo ki tikki"



"Cholle puriyan"



" Samosa"



And we take so many
swings there like the
biggest one
“Chandool”

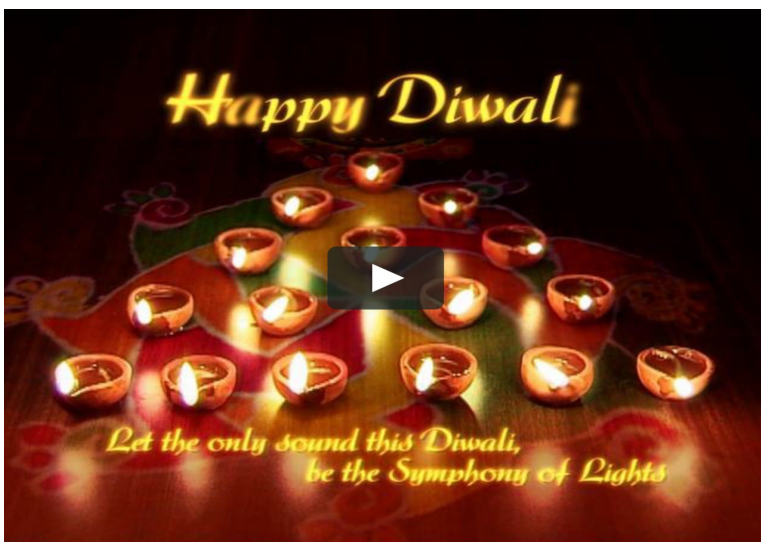


and many more.



DIWALI

Diwali is a festival of light. On this day we light the candles, diyas and lamps. Diwali is the five-day festival of lights, celebrated by millions of Hindus, Sikhs and Jains across the world. The festival, which coincides with the Hindu New Year, celebrates new beginnings and the triumph of good over evil and light over darkness.



And we make this rangoli at the front of our door to welcome the people.

Before 2 months from Diwali we start cleaning our houses properly and decorate them with lamps and diyas for LAKSHMI MATA. The god of cleanliness.



Recycling at Maple Hill

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My name is Olivia Sterantino, and I am a senior in National Honor Society. For my service project, I decided to make Maple Hill Jr./Sr. High School as environmentally friendly as possible.

You may notice some new recycling bins in your classrooms. Please know that **paper, plastic, glass, metal and cardboard can all go in those bins.** Thank you to the National Junior Honor Society students, Ms. Brasie and our custodial staff for making sure that the bins get emptied and the items get properly sent to the recycling center every Thursday.

It is extremely important for everyone to be environmentally cautious. Global warming is a serious threat, causing many extreme natural disasters and many species of plants and animals to be at risk of extinction. You may not believe it, but every single person can make a difference. Besides recycling, some ways you can help are by bringing a metal water bottle and a metal fork to lunch instead of using the plastic ones. Plastic that finds its way into the oceans can seriously harm marine life. The toxic chemicals in plastic can also seep into the surrounding water of landfills and poison anything that drinks it. It is a great idea to pick up any garbage you see on the ground or in a body of water. In the warmer months, riding your bike is a much cleaner and healthier way to get to your around rather than driving. Cars release emissions that damage our atmosphere and increase the effect of the sun's rays, drastically increasing global warming. These simple changes can make a big difference!



Please remember to recycle all of your paper, plastic, cardboard, metal, and glass waste in school and out. We can help save the environment, one person at a time!