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"Blessed is the season which engages the whole world in a conspiracy of love."
- Hamilton Wright Mabie



HVHS field hockey team wiggles their way to provincial gold



Back L-R: Rachel Lunn, Ms. O'Connell, Jillian Beck, Maddy O'Hara, Chloe Levesque, Eden Keilty, Bridgette Tomilson, Liz Delaney, Ellena Sutton, Clare Chisholm, Maria Dobbeltsteyn, Abby Brideau, Juliette Poziomoka, Meaghan Flynn, Kara Watters, Kathryn Greer, Hannah DeLucry Mrs. Lyon

Middle: Katelyn Paulin, Matina Dick, Maddie Glenn, Madeleine Sundblad, Rachel Sheehan

Front: Kaley Watters, Jane MacGregor, Emily Morgan, Aiden Finnigan, Tessa Murray



L-R: Liz Delaney,
Maddy O'Hara,
Kaley Watters,
Eden Keilty

(Photos submitted by
Ms. O'Connell)

December at HVHS

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Have a great holiday!

See you in 2016.



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Question: What is the favourite thing about the holidays?



Alex Banks

"I enjoy being with the family and friends I see at family reunions."



Josh Lively

"I like the decorations"



Ms. Vickers

"My entire family sitting around the table."

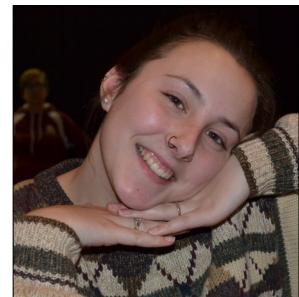


Colton Kenty

"All the joy that happens during Christmas."



With Caleb Hunter



Taylor London

"The Christmas spirit and how magical it is."



2015 Grads came to visit, so we asked them...

L-R:

Lori Park: "Not studying."

Bailey Craig: "Seeing family and friends."

Ethan Gaunce: Working the whole time..." (sarcasm)

Stephanie Paulin: "Snow."

Maddie Logan: "Christmas Eve."



Taylor Ferris

"I like the Christmas decorations."

(Photo by Brianne Durant)

From the editors' desk

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By Lousie Touchbourne

November, otherwise known as the waiting period between Halloween and Christmas, is finally over, and the holiday season is now upon us. It's time to start chopping down trees, building gingerbread houses and playing Mariah Carey's "All I Want for Christmas" on an endless loop.

Unfortunately, some people aren't feeling as spirited as I am, and a controversy even broke out about it in November when Starbucks released their holiday cups. In the past, the cups have been adorned with symbols of the season, not unlike other major coffee retailers like Tim Horton's and McDonalds. This year, however, Starbucks decided to skip the snowmen and go with a minimalist design – a plain red cup.

Many of us took no notice of the design, but one group of people in particular took major offence to Starbuck's lack of decoration. Joshua Feuerstein, an evangelist and self-proclaimed Internet personality, made a video about it, saying "Starbucks removed Christmas from their cups because they hate Jesus." Feuerstein claims that the unveiling of Starbuck's new cups was their way of waging a "war on Christmas."

He even went as far as encouraging his viewers – all 14 million of them – to tell the barista at Starbucks that their name is "Merry Christmas" in order to force them to write holiday greetings on their cups. Apparently he didn't realize that he was actually encouraging his followers to give Starbucks even more business.

The idea that Starbuck's red cups are a way to deter its consumers from celebrating Christ during Christmas is absolutely absurd – and how would images of Santa and his reindeers make any difference? Many people found the entire thing laughable, but others jumped on board to support Feuerstein's theory, claiming Starbucks to be evil.

No matter what side of the argument you fall on, I hope you can see the silver lining to this story -- it's almost Christmas! And regardless of what you celebrate, and how, the holidays are a time for happiness, not Internet controversy. With just a few more weeks left before the break, Merry Christmas, Vikings!

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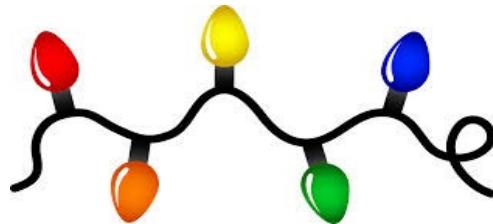
By Danielle Clark

This past November I attended a show at the Imperial Theatre. This show was the *Kenny vs Spenny* season 7 live. Being a big fan of the show I was super excited to get to see Kenneth Hotz and Spencer Rice in person and had very high expectations when entering the theater. However my excitement quickly vanished after seeing them on stage for 15 minutes.

Overall the show was sloppy and unplanned. It seemed like they were just responding to what the crowd said instead of actually having a show prepared. When I hear the words "season 7 live" I expect they'd be doing what they usually do on their show but actually live, not ranting about the past and yelling at members of the audience. At one point, Spencer left the stage for a good 15 minutes before Kenny went to go get him and we were left staring at nothing on the stage.

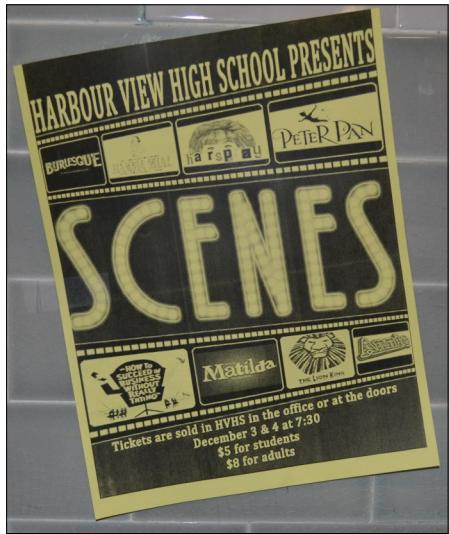
You should not go on to perform if you have nothing prepared. It's disrespectful to your audience and incredibly selfish. It's not that hard to be prepared in advance and know exactly what you're going to do so your audience doesn't feel cheated and confused. A show needs structure to build on; without it, it's just a lot of things happening in some sort of order that is unclear to anyone.

I do love *Kenny vs Spenny* and I probably always will but they just aren't people who can perform live. They've been at it too long and they need to realize when enough is enough. Let the dream die and move on already.



Just in time for Christmas!
Entrepreneurship 110
presents its
Holiday Market
Tuesday, December 15
Periods 2 and 3
in the gym
ornaments
holiday decorations
treats
and many more amazing student-made products

SCENES showcases student actors, singers, dancers and directors



By Camryn Clive

It's that time of year, Vikings! Every year the students of Harbour View High School self-direct a production called SCENES. SCENES is something HV has been doing for many years and this year will be no different. With the help of Ms. Bossé and Ms. Sander-son, students get to pick their favorite scenes from musicals and direct them.

All students are welcomed to be a part of this wonderful event. SCENES will include many amazing scenes from well-known shows like *Hairspray*, *Teen Beach Movie*, *Mama Mia*, and *Burlesque*. These are just a few of the fantastic performances you will get a chance to see.

"This is my first and final year being a part of scenes. It has been such a wonderful experience. Everyone has put their all into each and every performance," says Mackenzie Currie.

Kenneth Fury-Miller is also participating in SCENES for the first time. "I didn't want to reflect on my four years in high school and have nothing to look back on," he said. "The experience was inspiring."

This year's production will take place on the 3rd and 4th of December beginning at 7:30. Admission will be \$10. Everyone and anyone is welcome to come see this amazing show.



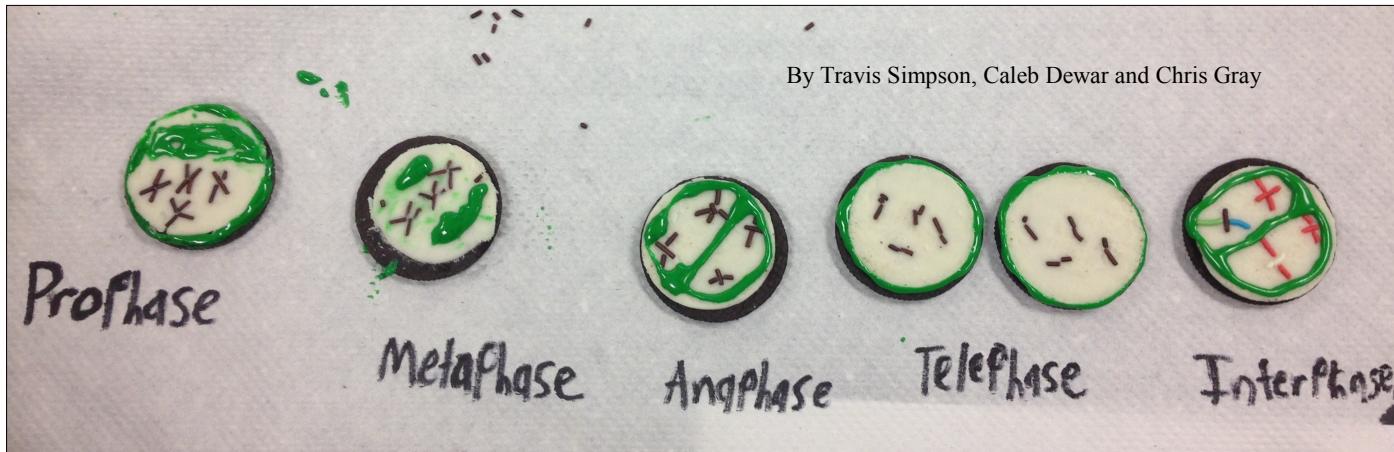
By Katlyn Greer

Hey grads! December is here already here and the school year is flying by. We have many ideas planned for the month of December and we hope that you guys will enjoy them. On December 2nd we will hold a supper at Boston Pizza. It will start at 5 p.m. and the cost is only \$20, and this includes your meal, a salad, a drink, as well as a tip. If you are interested, please sign up outside Miss Oram's room (325) by December 1st.

It is a grad class tradition to do an Elf Yourself themed day in December which is when you dress up as an elf. This event will take place on Wednesday, December 9. As well, we will show a Christmas movie that night in the auditorium to get us in the Christmas spirit. On Tuesday the 15th we will have hot chocolate and cookie decorating in the cafeteria. There will be a sign up outside of Miss Oram's room for anyone that would like to swing by to decorate cookies and sip some yummy hot chocolate.

Also, a massive thank you to anyone who bought or sold any 1049 tickets. It is a huge help towards the expenses for prom and a little will go a long way. In order for ticket sales for prom to be low we have to fundraise which I know can be very tedious but it does truly help. Don't forget to bring in items for the Christmas basket and for every item you bring in, you will be put into a draw for a \$50 gift card to your choice of store. The proceeds of ticket sales of the Christmas basket will also go towards the expenses of prom.

Hope you all have a wonderful December, a Merry Christmas and an exciting new year! Happy days, grads!



By Travis Simpson, Caleb Dewar and Chris Gray

Mrs. Butler's grade 9 science class made edible cells from Oreo cookies – each cookie represents a stage of mitosis!

(Photo submitted by Mrs. Butler)

CBC Anchor Harry Forestell visits Journalism 120



By Gabrielle Loeman

On Thursday November 12th, Ms. McDonald's Journalism class was lucky enough to receive a special visit from Harry Forestell from CBC news. Forestell discussed a variety of topics including news stories that shaped journalism today, stories that inspired him and what it takes to be a good journalist. The class learned that Forestell began his journalism career at St. Thomas University and then eventually went on to become the editor of the school newspaper *The Aquonian* and was a rival to Ms. McDonald herself, who was the editor of UNB's student paper *The Brunswickian*. This was how the two became friends.

After Forestell graduated from STU he studied journalism at Carleton University in Ontario and was then offered an internship at CBC radio. He moved back and forth between Canada and the UK where he worked for the BBC for a while and then became the UK correspondent for CBC. Currently, Forestell is the host of CBC New Brunswick News at 6..

Mr. Forestell told the class about many of the different news stories that shaped modern journalism. One of the biggest stories would be the Watergate Hotel story which resulted in President Richard Nixon resigning. This story is one that inspired Forestell to consider journalism as a possible career choice. The Tiananmen Square protest of 1989, which caused a number of deaths on June 4th when the military moved in to clear out the political protest that was taking place within the square, also had a significant impact on the news. Back in '89, this story was half a world away and it took days for journalists in Canada to hear about it. Now, however, within a matter of minutes thanks to technology it is much easier to receive information.

Forestell wrapped up his talk with a story that hit much closer to home: Ashley Smith. Smith was a young 14-year-old girl who had been arrested for a misdemeanor and, unfortunately, didn't end up leaving police custody until her death at 19. Forestell shared this story because he said it was a much harder story to handle. After Smith died in prison, he went to interview her mother. He explained that it was always important to tell the truth.

Forestell left students with three pieces of advice: "Always ask why, a story isn't told until you tell it, and information can always come from different sources."



Back L-R: Alex Wilke, Brandon Dempster, Julieanne Hosford-Drane,

Middle: Kelsey Sainders, Camryn Clive, Louise Touchbourne, Emily Lohnes, Ian McGill, Harry Forestell, Brent Cochrane, Brianne Durant, Katlyn Greer

Front: Lee-Ann Dunham, Ines Oort Alonso, Gabrielle Loeman, Matilda Giggey, Emily McMillan, Hannah DeLucry

(Photos contributed by Ms. McDonald)

Positively Positive



By Emily McMillan

It was yet another positive month at Harbour View High. Purple flooded the halls on Friday, November 20th. Some may ask: why? Why wear a color, why does it matter? Not many, if any would ever hesitate to wear a color in support of cancer. But this time, the colored clothing was in support of the transgendered community, and all of the people who have lost their life solely because of who they were.

It is sad to see how unsupportive and negative the world we live in still is. We should not even have to have days where we wear colors or ribbons, by now we should all be accepting. Sadly, that is not the case. Transgendered people face acts of violence towards them each day. Anti-LGBT sentiments impacts the Trans community immensely and it's time to counter act their hateful approach. By wearing purple we were able to show acceptance and support. We were able to show support to those who have killed themselves or have died in acts of violence and show acceptance to our students and staff.

All students have the right to feel safe at school. There is no circumstances what so ever that a student should feel endangered by coming to learn. Harbour View is welcoming acceptance to those who are in the LGBT community and supports anyone questioning.

As a student, it was nice to see all of the purple floating around the school. By wearing purple I hope to have shown that not only am I supportive, but that I will stand up for those who are scared to speak out. The next step is to eliminate discrimination against anyone LGBT within our school. The GSA group is certainly on their toes and are ready to spark action.

After the awful events that have taken place this month, it is nice to see the light that shines through the dark. Harbour View will continue to take a positive stance and amaze me through its vibrant rays of positivity.



Left: Staff and students of HVHS wore purple on November 20th in support of Transgender Awareness Day.

(Photo submitted by Peter Boyce)

Wellness Week gets students and staff moving and learning

By Louise Touchbourne

The Government of New Brunswick's latest initiative for public health, The Wellness Movement, has students across the province participating in a wide variety of activities at their schools. Harbour View High is one of many schools endorsing the idea by making "Wellness Week" a monthly occurrence.

The first Wellness Week was from October 1st-7th, kicking off at HVHS with Zumba, the popular combination of dance and aerobics. Students flooded the gym to take a class from a local certified instructor. The twenty-five minute class had students and staff getting into the wellness spirit as they grooved to the music as one.

"Zumba was electric," Ines Oort, an eleventh-grade Viking commented.

For the rest of the week, students could choose from a plethora of activities every day during their homeroom period, 8:45-9:10. Some of the sessions were for the brain, like trivia and chess club, while others were more physical. Dodgeball, yoga and even Ultimate Frisbee were just a few of the fun and sporty activities held in the gym. Bunnies and kittens visited from the SPCA, allowing students to visit and play with the "Furry Friends."

The students at Harbour View were even encouraged to lead sessions, prompting them to teach their peers something they themselves were passionate or knowledgeable about. Ines Oort and Margie Muñoz, both exchange students, led a class teaching their mother language, Spanish.

"It was very much fun to see how hard it was for them to learn Spanish," Muñoz said.

Dance Club was another student-run session, led by twelfth-graders Danielle Clark and Kenzie Burke. "It's a lot of fun to run our own club," Clark said, "I met a lot of cool new people, who even taught me a few dance moves!"

Harbour View's undertaking of this initiative requires meticulous planning and organization in preparation for each event week, but has overall had a positive impact on teachers and students alike. The sessions are well attended and well received by participants. When the bell rings for first period each morning, everyone walks away from their activity smiling, satisfied with the fun and spirited start to their day.



Kinsey Harley and Lorry Binayat take part in a guitar playing class as part of wellness week..

(Photo submitted by Emily Morse)



(Photo submitted by Mrs. Scott)

Sports with Cameron



Hello Vikings, another month is in the books. Coffee pots are on in full force and those all too familiar winter coats have been dusted off and hung up in the front entrance. Winter sports are here and your men and lady Vikings will be taking aim at provincial banners in a variety of frozen disciplines such as curling and hockey. Our swim team has been taking to the pool and we also have our four basketball teams who will look to take their place on the hard courts this winter.

Before we start on the winter sports, I must mention the fantastic performance put on by the Lady Vikings field hockey team. They won the AAA provincial championship! This is an amazing feat, but I have to say I am not sure anyone was surprised. Nobody works harder than the field hockey girls and they truly deserve this banner. Big shout out to coaches Katie O'Connell and Ms. Lyon who have drilled work ethic and determination into these girls since day one. The team was a well balanced mix of grade levels, but received strong leadership from seniors Madeleine Sundblad, Hannah DeLucry, Katlyn Greer and Emily Morgan.

"I've been on the team for three years and we've made it to provincials each year," said Madeleine Sundblad, graduating co-captain.

"In the past, we always lost our first game and

weren't able to advance. As it turns out, it was the two second place teams that ended up on the field for the big game and it was our lucky day."

Once again, congrats girls, you've made us all very proud!

Under the tutelage of coach George Oram, the boys hockey team is making leaps and bounds. They have had strong showings against the league's best and have struck down opponents Fundy and Simonds by scores of 11-2 and 7-1. They will look to carry this strong play into the regular season and into upcoming tournaments. The team will take the road and head to Perth-Andover for a tournament later this month. The team is made up of a solid core of grade 11 and 12 players with a surprising cache of talent coming from grade nine players John Mackenzie and Evan Hanson. Goalie Brad Bordage is this year's only goalie and has been standing on his head for the boys. He has been pelted with pucks game in and game out but, nevertheless, he has been standing strong. Good luck, boys!

The Lady Vikings hockey team has also been hard at work. Strong leadership from veterans along with tons of speed and youth from a great class of first and second year players has proved too much for the other teams to handle. The tenacious defensive duo of the Graham sisters, as well as the tough play of Jenna Donaldson, has pushed the girls to new heights. The girls have even thrown a Mexican into the mix with exchange student Margie Munoz getting into the action on the ice. Get out to watch these girls soon and witness their Viking mentality for yourself.

On the topic of icy sports, our curling team is gearing up for yet another season. This year's squad is looking exceedingly strong. They have had a huge turn out of players. Veteran curler and skip Andrew Booth will be leading a troop of new and experienced Viking curlers into battle on the bumpy ice this winter. Good luck!



L-R: Peter Boyce, Rachel Fullerton-Quin, Jane MacGregor and Caleb

(Photo submitted by Ms. Nearing)

The JV boys basketball team is hard at it this year. With an influx of talent from the middle school level, they are looking on the up. They got off to an amazing start to the year with a first place finish at the annual Simonds tournament. Daniel Bell, Jack Fury-Miller, Ryan Craig and others have provided an excellent dose of defence, offence and teamwork that has proved to be lethal to their opposition. Tremendous work boys; there is no doubt that the future of basketball at Harbour View is safe and secure.

Your senior boys Vikings have a well-established core group of players, a strong mix of both size and speed as well as the leadership to put it all together. Seniors Stuart Earle, Andrew Booth, and Kyle Gray will all play critical roles this year. The boys play with a lot of heart and have shown true Viking spirit of late. Although they have faced some of the best teams the NBIAA has to offer, they have battled hard and kept their heads high. Playing with heart is the most important part of any sport. Great work boys, keep it up and good luck.

Our Vikings swim team has been swimming and training hard. The intense practices may be exhausting, however with excellent results in the events, it's safe to say the "puke" drill pays off. "Caps" off to coach Sana Nearing for her tremendous tutelage and to Ms. Tunney for all the work she puts into the team. The effort really shows.



Graduating team members L-R: Emily Morgan, Madeleine Sundblad, Katlyn Greer, Hannah DeLucry

(Photo submitted by Ms. O'Connell)

Your senior girls basketball team are at it again this year. Coach JP Craig has driven a mentality of hard work and fundamentals into these girls and it's paid off. Sarah Yeomans has been a force on the court, yet again; however, there is something greater than talent that makes these girls so good. These young women have been playing together since they were just young girls.

They have been together through the ups and downs of season after season and they have built onto their skills and strategy each and every year. They know exactly what it means to be a family on and off the court. They have grown up and had their family feuds and fights, but all in all they've made it to the end and their years of work is paying off. They soundly beat Saint John High and have had victories over some of the league's toughest teams. These girls truly embody our Viking values of family, loyalty and heart and they show this on the court every week. Get out and watch these girls work.

Last, but certainly not least, Simonds High will be hosting this year's annual East-West Challenge game. The game is on Dec. 17th, so make sure you get out and support your Viking basketball teams. There will be pizza and facepainting here at Harbour View before the game and transportation to and from Simonds. See you there.

I wish everyone a very safe and happy holidays and good luck to all of our athletes who will be playing over the upcoming break.

Merry Christmas,

Cameron Dick



Back L-R: Shyla Richard (HV grad), Hannah Ring (HV grad), Madison Glew (HV grad), Sarah Yeomans (HV student), Alyssa Yeomans (HV student), Eden Keilty (HV student)

Front L-R: Alyssa Calder (HV student), Sarah Gowlett (HV student), Emily Morgan (HV student), Hannah Graham (SJHS), Abby Morgan (SJHS), Taylor Breneol (HV student)

(Photo submitted by Emily Morgan)

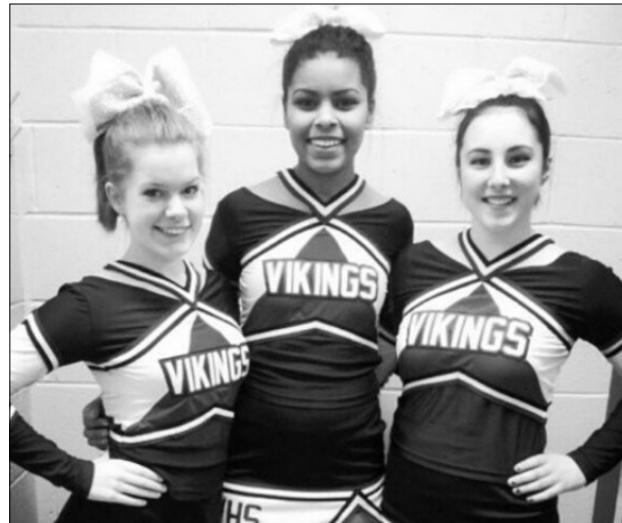
Go Vikings! Cheerleading 2015-16

By Emily Lohnes

Since the cheerleading season is finally here, I thought I would share a bit of my experience being part of the Harbour View cheer team over the past three years. When I came to HV in grade nine, I had no previous experience cheering, but decided to join my friends at tryouts. I practiced day and night and quickly began to fall in love with the sport. I was thrilled when I made the team and have continued to love the sport even more over the past few years. Now that I am in my senior year, I can guarantee joining the team has been one of my favourite things about high school. I have met so many new friends who have become like a second family to me.

Tryouts for this year began in mid November. We had a great turnout and 24 girls were selected for the team. Being a part of the Harbour View cheerleaders requires hard work, dedication, and a positive attitude. The team is coached by Jennifer Woodcock, Chelsea Stewart, Andrea Lawrence, and Shayla Hansen, all of whom are former Harbour View students. This year our captain is Jessica MacDonald along with Spencer Clive and myself as co-captains.

As part of the cheerleading team we participate in many events with the most important being our competitions in the spring. We work extremely hard all year to prepare an exciting two and a half minute routine. The routine is made up of tumbling, cheer jumps, stunting, dance, and, of course, a cheer. We perform our routine in front of a huge crowd of people as well as many other competing teams from across New Brunswick. This year we would love to see as many Vikings as possible in the stands cheering on the cheerleaders. Hope to see you there.



L-R: Emily Lohnes, Jodeci Peters & Taylor London

(Photo submitted by Emily Lohnes)

What's Trending @ HV!

By Rachel Fullerton-Quin and Emily Fox

December has arrived and the holiday season is here! It's cold outside which makes for perfect weather for staying inside wearing your favourite Christmas sweater! Of course, many students have started wearing them in November in anticipation of the holidays. Designs including reindeer, snowmen, trees, and festive colours have all been included and I asked you, HV, what your favourite holiday sweater looks like!

Chelsey Lockhart says hers is a dark green with knitted, coloured lightbulbs and a brown teddy bear surround by gifts. The teddy bear even has a scarf coming off the front of the sweater!

Dustin Gunter said his sweater is a metaphor for living in the past, present, and future. His has a snowman on front of his with a happy gingerbread man on it. He says he loves giving people hugs in his Christmas sweater.

Hayley Johnson says although hers isn't the most colourful, grey and black, it has festive reindeer on it and she typically enjoys wearing a scarf with it.

Kenneth Fury-Miller says his is incredibly comfortable and stylish and encourages everyone to get a Christmas sweater so they can be comfortable too.

Christmas time is here and it's time to break out the Santa hats and elf shoes, along with your most stylish and comfy Christmas sweaters! I hope to see festive looks around the halls leading up to the break, Happy holidays HV!



Dustin Gunter

Don't forget to submit your creative writing, art or photography to Ms. McDonald for a chance to be published in the 2016 edition of The Write Stuff, a literary arts magazine.

See Ms. McDonald in 309 for more information.

Random Reading



By Kinsey Harley

This month I am reviewing the book *Artemis Fowl* by Eoin Colfer. It was funny and I couldn't put it down; it was easy to read, yet I also had to re-read parts to get the jokes and hidden messages. Some of the re-readings were on purpose so I could laugh again.

Artemis Fowl is a 12-year-old genius. His father is missing in 'criminal' action; his mother suffers from depression because of that. Artemis and his security guard Butler track down a mysterious book, the Fairy Bible, to learn more about the fairies so they can acquire some precious fairy gold. Then they capture a fairy, a mistake on their part as it is Captain Holly Short of LEPrecon, a fairy security company that hides their secret life from the Mud People (humans). Her entire team comes to save her, and we learn that the fairies in this book aren't medieval fairies, Tinker Bell, or anything close to that. They are technologically advanced and prepared to get their teammate back without agreeing to Artemis' terms at all, any way possible.

I loved this book. It might seem like a childish sort of book, but really it was interesting. Yes, it talks about fairies, but they're more the New York City cop/CIA/FBI type, prepared to do their job well. And that type usually swears; this is no exception. The fairy team isn't very clean with their language, so it's not necessarily for little kids. If you like encountering a genius who can trick and sneak their way out of unpredictable situations, or a futuristic setting (the fairies' part of the world), then read this book.

This is a *New York Times* bestseller and *The New York Post* called it "A new thriller fairy tale that will grab your interest, no matter what your age."

Have a good month, Vikings!



This is a picture of Terra, which is an opening of the fairy world to our world



By Aaron Sousa

Hello everyone. I hope you had a wonderful November. Have you decked the halls with Christmas decorations? If not, you'd better start, because it's now December and that means we have only a few short weeks until that magical night on the 24th when Saint Nick will deliver all the goodies you asked for on your mile long Christmas list.

Kris Jenner: Here we go again. I had a story about Mrs. Jenner in last month's column and I do again this month. Kris Jenner celebrated her 60th birthday on November, 6 and she went all out. She went with a *Great Gatsby* theme and her party was the place to be. It was worth the \$2 million dollars, right down to the cars and the flappers, fireworks and a lot of food. Tons of people showed up for the party in West Hollywood. They began the festivities with fireworks which went off around 6 PM and lit up the sky from the nearest beach to downtown L.A. All the members of the Kardashian family were in attendance, except for Rob and Caitlyn. I believe that they were on the list, but weren't present. I also learned that Kanye West was at the party (of course) and he sang *Happy Birthday*, which was apparently awesome (maybe for some people) Safe to say, she had a great night.



Gwen Stefani: Okay, for some odd reason, the pop star and judge on NBC's *The Voice* is trying to make it seem like she's not dating Blake Shelton -- even though she clearly is. Gwen was on San Diego's Channel 933 'Frankie and Geena Morning Show' Tuesday, November 10th and they asked if her new album had any songs about her "new relationship." A surprise to all, Gwen responded by saying, "I never said nothing about being in a new relationship."

She added that her kids are now asking about Blake, and she doesn't sound cool with it. Thing is ... it was Gwen's team that confirmed they're dating, and, of course, she and Blake were seen holding hands at a party in Nashville the week before. Maybe Gwen sees a difference between "dating" and "relationship."

Justin Bieber: I would like to extend my deepest condolences to Justin Bieber this month as he is among the many people mourning the loss of a friend or loved one in the aftermath of the November 13th Paris terror attacks. Bieber shared a heartfelt message for long time friend Thomas Ayad on Twitter. Ayad had worked for Mercury Records as a product manager, and was killed during the mass shooting at the *Eagles of Death Metal* concert. In his message, Justin said he and Thomas had worked together for years and he thanked his pal for everything he'd done for him. Justin left his fans with a deep thought: "Make sure to appreciate people while you have them," before sending his condolences to Ayad's family and friends. Ayad was among at least 89 people killed at the concert.

I want to extend my own sympathy to Paris and the rest of the world following multiple attacks that occurred in November. I am glad to live in a country like Canada where I can lie in a warm bed and go to sleep every night, and not worry about a chance of dying the next day, or witnessing something that I'd never be able to forget.

Well that's it for this month guys. I hope you will come out and watch HVHS's annual production of SCENES. It's a lot of fun and it's a great way to spend a night. The show will open on the 3rd and 4th of December and starts at 7:30 PM.

And that's the glimmer in the stars!



HVHS's political junkie: Mason Mowbray

Submitted by *Harbour Views* Staff

It might not be obvious when you first meet him, but grade twelve student Mason Mowbray is passionate about politics. He credits his grade eight teacher, Mr. Tomilson, for creating the spark, but it was Justin Trudeau's run at Canada's top job that ignited the flame.

"Mr. Tomilson's personal views intrigued me," explained Mason. "I followed that whole election and even stayed up all night to watch the results."

At the time, Mason wouldn't really have aligned himself with any particular party. "I was neutral," he said. "I just paid attention."

Then, along came Justin Trudeau. "More than anybody else, Trudeau engaged the youth. He embraced multiculturalism, and that's something that has always made me proud to be a Canadian." Watching Trudeau's campaign and listening to his platform convinced Mason that his political stripe was likely red.

One day in Economics class, Mason was having a discussion with his classmate, Cameron Dick. It was Cameron who suggested that Mason join the Young Liberals Association, an organization Mason had never heard of. Mason contacted local MP Wayne Long to congratulate him on his win and Mr. Long also suggested Mason join the Young Liberals. Before he knew it, Mason found himself at the Young Liberals AGM in Fredericton.



Photo submitted by
Mason Mowbray.

"That was an awesome experience," he said. "I was the only person from Greater Saint John, and I got to share a lot of my ideas." Being a member of the Young Liberals, also means that Mason is privy to all the emails that float back and forth between Liberal Party members, pretty exciting correspondence for someone who is so interested in the political machine.

Mason admits that it wasn't until about half-way through grade eleven that he started to take his future a little more seriously.

"I had an epiphany," he said. "Now homework and school come first. I know what I want to do when I graduate. I'm an honours student." He admits this with a certain pride, but without sounding like he's bragging, either. "This has been a pretty great year for me."

It's been a pretty great year for Trudeau, too. "Everyone looked at him like he couldn't do it," said Mason. "It's not what's on the outside that counts though; it's what's inside that matters."

"I'm not saying he's perfect," Mason concedes, "but, in general, his beliefs about this country mirror mine. He's an actual person, out there shaking hands; he's accessible. He represents the people."

Lesson Learned

There once was a girl who was extremely selfish and needy and always got what she wanted.



Christmas was coming up and all she kept saying was "I want an iPad, I want an iPad."



"Fine we will get you an iPad."



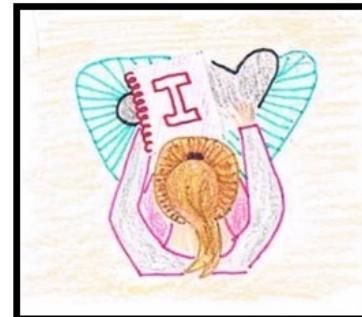
By: Carley M. and Rachel S.



Her parents got so fed up with her whining.

Christmas comes and the girl is so excited for her new gift.

She picks up the present from under the tree, and tears off the paper,



and sees a pad of paper with the letter I on it.

THE END!
Happy Holidays



Par Erica Taylor

Le 12 et 13 décembre, un groupe d'élèves de la 12e année en français immersion ont passé les entrevues pour évaluer leurs niveaux de français. Durant l'entrevue les élèves ont dû parler pour une durée de 20 à 30 minutes et ils ont eu l'occasion de démontrer leur capacité à converser en français sur divers sujets, tels que l'éducation, l'emploi, la famille, les passe-temps, l'actualité, etc.

J'espère que j'atteints au moins un niveau intermédiaire. Je suis heureuse que c'est finalement terminé! » exprime Matilda Giggy, une des nombreuses élèves qui a passé l'entrevue ce semestre. Il y a plusieurs niveaux qu'un élève peut atteindre : intermédiaire, intermédiaire plus, avancé et supérieur. Pour être considéré bilingue l'élève doit recevoir au moins un niveau intermédiaire.

Pour les élèves qui vont passer leurs interviews au deuxième semestre, je suggère de préparer bien en avance et de parler avec les élèves qui ont déjà passé l'entrevue. « Il m'a posé des questions un peu étrange, comme l'origine de mon nom de famille. Je ne m'y attendais pas. » dit Hannah DeLucry après qu'elle a terminé son entrevue. Les élèves comme Hannah DeLucry pourraient te dire d'autres questions étranges que l'intervieweur peut te demander.

Je ne peux pas parler français, le français est difficile. » était la seule réponse Danielle Clark pourrait me donner. Même si le français est difficile, il faut encore essayer le mieux que possible pour avoir le meilleur niveau que tu peux!

Par Hannah DeLucry

Le vendredi 20 novembre, les membres d'AGH (**alliance gay-hétéro**; en anglais « Gay Straight Alliance ») se sont engagés à sensibiliser et à éduquer les gens. Les membres du comité ont invité les élèves de l'école à porter du violet. Sur le drapeau arc-en-ciel des LGBT (Lesbiennes, Gais, Bisexuels et Transgenres), le violet, c'est la couleur qui représente «l'esprit». À *un temps et une place* désignée par le comité les élèves se sont réunis pour montrer leur soutien pour la communauté LGBT. Le but de ce jour était d'améliorer l'environnement dans notre école et de renforcer l'égalité entre toutes les sexualités. Si nous travaillons ensemble, nous pouvons célébrer nos différences.

Le 1er décembre est la journée mondiale du SIDA. Les membres d'AGH distribueront des rubans rouges pendant l'heure du déjeuner gratuitement. AGH réunit tous les mercredis à midi où nous parlons et discutons des événements dans notre école et dans notre ville. Erica Taylor, le co-président exclame, "nous acceptons tout le monde à nos réunions parce que nous encourageons l'égalité pour tous."



Emily McMillan et Hannah DeLucry portent le violet le vendredi
(Photo par Katlyn Greer)



By Lauren Booker, Amanda Lawrence and Briann Scovil

Hey Vikings. Winter is coming. There's no point in denying it anymore and soon the dreaded snow and bitter cold will cause heartache throughout the city. The only option now is to accept and try to make the best out of it. Here are five hacks we hope will make this winter a little more bearable.

If this winter is anything like last, you'll most likely be spending half of your time shovelling. Spraying your shovel with non-stick cooking spray before you use it will stop heavy snow from sticking and prevent further damage to your spinal cord.

For those of you who are privileged enough to avoid cold bus seats in the mornings and drive to school, cover your windshield wipers with old socks the night before so snow and ice won't stick to them.

We all know hats cause unruly and static hair. If this is a problem for you, just tame your hair with a dryer sheet.

To feel like you're in a café but from the comfort of your own home, freeze whipped cream on a cookie sheet and use a cookie cutter to make hot chocolate hearts.

Wishing you a wonderful December and Happy Holidays!



By Samantha Arthurs

Jessica Adams-Saunders is an aspiring poet in grade 11 who uses her passion for writing to express herself in a way “for other people to enjoy.” She believes it is important for young people today to continue to write because “it is a good way to get our brains moving.”

“I started writing poetry two years ago. I was kind of in a down place and I wanted to find a way to express my feelings and I fell in love with it,” said Jessica. “There are some days when I don’t write at all. I write better when I am in a bad mood,” she added.

Jessica always had an interest in reading poetry so it seemed natural to try writing it. She names Edgar Allan Poe as her favourite poet.

“I like Poe because he’s dark and that’s what I like. I like darker things,” she said.

Jessica “instantly fell in love” with the way writing lifted a bit of weight off her shoulders. It helped her to get involved, and she even got published in *The Write Stuff* literary magazine.

In the near future, Jessica “plans to improve her writing” and aims to be published again. Make sure to keep an eye out for more of her work!

By Jessica Adams-Saunders

*Just like the winter
And the cold howl that follows
You gave me chills,
They rose up my spine at night
Only to give me goosebumps
At the grip of your cold hand,
But just like winter
You brought storms
Some so bad I almost froze,
Ready to shatter at any time
And as bitter as it is now
Before you were here
You were all that I wanted,
Now I can't wait 'til you're gone
But you learn that some of the things
That we love, are the things we hate
So just like winter
You were beautiful
And so bright
But winter isn't my favorite Season anymore,
It's the season that I dread
Coming around again after again
Only to remind me of the same touch
Your cold hand, giving me the same
Goosebumps and chills
You once did before*



(Photo submitted by Jessica Adams-Saunders)

LET'S TALK POLITICS

By Matilda Giggey

November was a big month in Canadian politics with Justin Trudeau and his new cabinet being sworn in. Justin had promised real change throughout his campaign and it looks like he might deliver on that promise with a much more representative cabinet. His new cabinet has fifteen men and fifteen women and our Health Minister is actually a doctor. It is evident that Trudeau took his time to pick the men and women he believes will bring the best change to our country. These thirty new Ministers will be hard at work

on December third when Parliament is to be recalled. Trudeau will make his first speech from the Throne the following day.

Dominic LeBlanc, the new government House Leader, has made it abundantly clear that the government's priority is to begin a plan to lower the taxes on our middle class before the year is out. Another one of Trudeau's biggest platform promises was to bring in 25,000 Syrian refugees to Canada before the end of the year. After the vicious attacks on Paris and the hotel hostage situation in Mali, Trudeau has decided to make a slight change to his refugee plan and has now decided that the plan will be limited to women, children and families. The government has decided not to allow unaccompanied men because of security concerns. Over the last six weeks, authorities have been able to screen one hundred people per day in Lebanon to continue the government's goal of assisting 25,000 refugees before the end of February 2016. The extra time will allow the process to work without stressing resources.

After only month as Prime Minister, it is clear that Trudeau is trying his best to turn all his platform promises into a reality. He's already delivered on his promise of a gender-balanced cabinet and has taken action already on other promises. Let's hope he keeps up his enthusiasm to make our the country the best it's ever been.

Playing it safe online

By Brandon Dempster

The Internet is something we use on a daily basis. We interact with friends, family and even with complete strangers. There are many online activities which we participate in, one of which is sharing; the biggest reason why the Internet is where it is today is because of all the content we, the users, provide. Whether it be photos of your recent vacation, friends, or chatting with people in messages or comments, we share nearly everything we do online without a second thought. Because of this, you could be putting sensitive information out without realizing that you are. In today's society, it's more important than ever to be aware of the data you spread online, not only because of hackers, but because of people who may try and track you in person. If someone got hold of your private information it could spell disaster for you. Below are just a few things you can do to protect your identity and safety while on the internet.

The first thing you will want to do is check all security and privacy settings on all websites and services. This includes not only websites but also desktop applications and mobile apps. You will want to make sure that you thoroughly go through each option and set your profiles to private if possible. Make sure that any posts are only seen by you and people on your contact lists. This would, of course, be pointless if you're the type of person who adds everyone to your contact list. You should only be adding people you are close friends with or family. Verifying that the person you're adding is a real person is good practice as well. Some things you shouldn't include on your profiles? Date of birth, phone number, address. The biggest mistake someone can make is sharing their address or location with

someone they just met online. It happens more than you would think.

In order to secure your online accounts, a separate password should be used for each, especially email and banking. Avoid common words, names, and numbers when creating passwords. Don't sign up for every newsletter and website out there. Doing so will only spread the chances of having your information out in places you don't want it to be in. Having

separate email accounts is also a good idea. One for important things such as school, work, banks and one for social media or gaming sites. This helps keep information separate. Pay attention to any links you click in private messages or emails. If you think it may be dangerous, don't click, just delete.



The most important thing you can do is just be aware of what you do. Think before adding someone. Think before posting a photo or status. Make sure it doesn't contain any personal information. You, and only you, can decide what information gets out on the internet. Don't think that a website or service will protect you either, even if they say they will. This has been proven time after time. Case in point: the 2011 PlayStation hack, where people's emails and credit card numbers were leaked. Because a lot of you probably use Snapchat, they had their database leaked back in January of 2014, exposing tons of passwords and phone numbers. Once something is online, it stays there; even if you're told something is not stored, it's always false. This isn't, by any stretch, a comprehensive guide to protecting yourself but it's a good way to start.

If you would like to find out more information on staying safe on the internet visit: <https://www.staysafeonline.org/>

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