

THE LSI JOURNAL

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Students participate in the Jog-a-Thon.

EIGHTH GRADE PROJECTS

BY SARAH PHILOSOPH

Lighthouse:

New project: Cardboard Arcade
The project will help raise awareness of the hungry and homeless.
The money raised in the project will be donated to Convoy of Hope.

Math:

All Blocks - Fantasy Football: Collecting and calculating stats weekly for team points.
Common Core (Blocks 1 and 3) - Finished Graphing Unit (Unit test on 10/27)
Accelerated Math (Block 2) - In systems of Equations Unit

America Then and Now:

New project: Revolution, Just Do It
Scheduled for eight weeks.
Answered questions about Johnny Tremain, learned to connect propaganda from then and now, wrote/presented essays about political action groups then and now.
Objective: Comparing protests from the American Revolution to now.

Exploratory Science:

Working on Superheros of LSI project
Students use new knowledge of genetics to create a villain and/or hero's story.
Final deliverable will be built walk-through "rides" that express stories to 2nd-6th graders.



Congratulations, Mrs. Scullion! Our beloved teacher is currently expecting and will be going on maternity leave soon.

SEVENTH GRADE PROJECTS

BY DEEYA NAGI

Lighthouse:

Against All Odds: Students created stories about how to deal with overcoming struggles in their lives. The stories were put into a book and sent to an elementary school!

PrBL Math:

Various problems involving conversions ('Which Is The Better Buy?' and 'Michaels Coupons')
Fantasy Football: collecting and calculating stats weekly for team points.

Discovery Science:

Completed Spooky Science: Groups created various science projects centered around Halloween. They dressed up and presented to an elementary school on October 30!

World Arts:

Reading: 'The Giver' By Lois Lowry
Finishing up Utopia Project: Students try to create a 'perfect' world.
Completed first SDLT! (Self Directed Learning Time)- Students completed various activities as they read a book within their reading level.

JOG-A-THON

BY SHRUTHI RAJKUMAR

The Jog-A-Thon concluded on October 27, 2017. Many students participated and earned tickets for raffle prizes like Beats headphones. LSI 8th grade history teacher Mr. Grassi was also spotted running with the students during second period. Congratulations to all winners!

Construction

Update:

LSI is scheduled to move into the new building by the middle of December!



We'll miss you
Mrs. Scullion!



The Quimby band students excelled at the Halloween performance last Tuesday!

CALIFORNIA WILDFIRES

BY SHARON CHAN

During October, wildfires have raged across the state of California, resulting in at least 41 deaths, and 88 missing persons. The youngest of these victims was Kai Shepherd, reported by the San Francisco Chronicle to be a 14-year-old 8th grader who died on October 9th in the Redwood Valley Fire, while trying to outrun it. Help has come from across the US and Australia, and approximately 11,000 firefighters have been actively battling the flames. Recovering from the fires will be no easy task. Even trying to rebuild will be a safety risk, due to the toxic ash and

debris hanging around the areas affected. The air quality in the general areas surrounding the fires have ranged from safe to dangerous as the fires alternate between contained and rekindled, according to AirNow. As of now, the air is fine for breathing, but the fire has cancelled class for about 600 schools, which must invest in recovery efforts. Governor Jerry Brown reports that, "This is truly one of the greatest, if not the greatest tragedy that California has ever faced." If you would like to donate to an organization and help to combat the devastating aftereffects of the wildfires, United Way of the Wine Country, the Redwood Empire Food Bank, and Napa Valley Community Disaster Relief Fund are all working directly with those affected.

ADVICE COLUMN BY DD

"Could you give some advice about friendship and how to deal with drama?"

Respect all your friends and give them the love they deserve. If you notice your friends might seem upset, or angry with you, be sure to ask them what is wrong, so you all can talk out your issues. Who you surround yourself with is also extremely important. The people who you surround yourself with influence your behaviors, so choose friends who have healthy habits. As a wise man once said- "If you surround yourself with clowns, don't be surprised when your life resembles a circus".

"Can you give me some advice on how to manage time and get better grades?"

I would advise keeping a Google Doc open for the entire school day, and typing down all your homework and reminders for yourself. I do this all the time, and it is a really good way to get organized, and have a visual of everything you need to accomplish by the end of the day. This little hack will definitely give you better grades!

FEATURE TEACHER

BY SHRUTHI RAJKUMAR

Mrs. Nomura is a very strong teacher. She has grown to become a very different person from her college years to now. She is the first college graduate of her family and one of two women to graduate in civil engineering from Santa Clara University. "It's pretty groundbreaking all the way around," she says.



Los Lobos celebrated Dia del los Muertos, or the day of the dead by selling skulls for their altar. All proceeds went to victims of the hurricane in Puerto Rico.

COLLEGE WEEK

BY SHRUTHI RAJKUMAR

College week ended the week of October 16, 2017. People with a variety of professions and whom attended different colleges such as SJSU and SJCC came to this event. Their presentations recognized the importance of perseverance, good work ethic, and the value of education. The guest speakers also shared their experiences and the life choices that they made to get into the colleges that they did. Sarah Truong, Facebook portfolio manager, shared her experiences as being a clueless girl to becoming the portfolio manager for Facebook. "My pieces of advice for you guys is to persevere and be involved." she says.