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18 Bears Complete the LA Marathon

By Jayla Padilla

Who on earth would want to challenge themselves to run 26 miles?



Students Run Los Angeles, also known as SRLA, is a program for middle school and high school

students to help them train for the LA Marathon. SRLA recently ran a marathon on March 17, 2024. They ran 26.2 miles across Los Angeles.

SRLA practices Monday, Wednesday, Thursday after school, and Saturday at 8 AM. SRLA runs 3-5



miles after school during practices to help them prepare for the LA marathon. SRLA usually practices about 4 times a week. They also do

exercises like yoga to help them strengthen their legs and leg workouts to help them run long distances.

Yuliana, one of the seventh-grade students participating in SRLA, said her friends and family inspired her to join SRLA. She also wanted to earn a medal. She would like to join SRLA again next year because she said it was a wonderful experience that challenged her both physically and mentally. She also made many great memories and had fun. Yuliana said she recommended others to join SRLA because it is a strong challenge for students and makes fun memories.



State CAASPP Testing Begins Soon

By Liliana Dominguez and Jocelihn Vega

Do you ever question why we have to take state tests in Math and English?

Ms. Acosta, our 8th grade counselor, is also our testing coordinator. She said we have to take the tests because it's mandatory by the state government and it shows how each student has improved in math and English.

Testing is starting soon. Assistant Principal, Ms. Gastelum, said that testing for eighth graders is starting on May 1. For seventh and sixth graders, testing begins on May 7.

“The Pride of Highland Park” Powell Pied at Pi Party

By Guadalupe Martinez and Yarezi Robles

Pi day was irrationally fun! Pi is a symbol that is used in math and is used for calculations that have to do with a circle. Pi is approximately 3.14, so the celebration of Pi day was on March 14 (3-14) during lunch time at the stage near the 7th grade building.

Students who memorized the most digits of Pi got to pie Mr.

Mr. Powell, Mr. Joe and Mr. Taylor in

the face. Safety Coordinator, Mr. Powell, got pied by Katleyn, a sixth grader, who memorized about 80 digits of Pi. Mr. Powell said he participated because it is fun to bring



laughs. Mr. Joey, our school climate advocate, got pied by Ozzy

an 8th grader.

The winner of the competition was Logan Rodriguez who recalled 86 of the digits of pi. He chose to pie Mr. Taylor, an eighth-grade math teacher. Mr. Taylor mentioned that he was

pretty used to getting pied because he has done it for so many years.



Students have negative feelings about the test. Briseis from seventh grade said, “I feel scared because I don't know if I am going to pass.” Evelyn from seventh grade said, “I am annoyed because I have to do it every year.”



are some exciting rewards. Students who come every day to take the test will receive a prize!

Even if you are not excited about testing, there

Mr. Feinberg's Advisory – Y22 Bears Watch the Solar Eclipse

By Lucca Nguyen-Perez

Last week, there was a unique astronomical opportunity for

students: a solar eclipse. This was the first total solar eclipse visible in the United States in seven years, which made it a special

event. The next solar eclipse visible in the United States won't occur for another 20 years!

Eighth-grade science teacher, Ms. Alton, explained that solar eclipses happen when the sun, the moon, and the Earth's orbits align, and the moon blocks the sun directly. However, in Los Angeles we only saw a partial solar eclipse since we were not in the direct path of totality.

Mr. Gonzalez, another 8th-grade science teacher, mentioned that even



though we could not see the total eclipse, all students were able to view this special event using special glasses that protected their

eyes from damage.

The eclipse was also visible by using something with punctures to see the shadow of the moon covering the sun. many people used colanders, like the one seen at right.



A Visit To the LA River

By Jacob Sosa

Seventh grade recently played in the mud! They went on a field trip to the Los Angeles River. On this interactive field trip, students got to make mud balls with native seeds, looked at birds with binoculars, and built a water filter.

One student said, “My favorite project was building a water filter with the tools of a coffee blender, sponge, cotton balls, and tin foil.” All seventh-grade teachers will be going on the FOLAR field trip.



Bears Celebrate Springtime Holidays

The History of April Fools

By Yuliana Fuentes

We all know that April Fools is a day when people might pull pranks on other people, but have you ever wondered about the history behind it?

April Fools is on the first day of April. In the eighth century, April Fool's Day spread throughout Britain. In Scotland, the tradition became a two-day event. It started with "hunting the gowk," in which people were sent on phony errands. Gowk is a word for cuckoo bird, a symbol for a fool.

This was followed by Tailie Day, which involved pranks played on people's derrieres, such as pinning fake tails or "kick me" signs on someone's back.

Historians have also linked April Fool's Day to festivals such as Hilaria (The Latin word for joyful). It was celebrated in ancient Rome at the end of March by the followers of the cult of Cybele. This festival involved people dressing up in disguises and mocking fellow citizens and even magistrates.

Historians believe that today's April Fool's Day dates to 1582. This was when France switched from the Julian calendar to the Gregorian calendar.

We hope you had a fun and foolish April Fool's Day!

Burbank Bugle Advisory!

An Announcement from Mr.

Feinberg

Are you interested in writing for the Burbank Bugle? Make sure to sign up for the Burbank Bugle advisory next year! Burbank Bugle Reporters get to use cameras, conduct interviews, and go on field trips! Journalists grow as writers and leaders. Everything in this paper is student driven, from the topics to the final drafts. I hope to see some of you apply!

Bears Go Green for St.

Patrick's Day

By Angie Contreras and Melody Diaz

St. Patrick's Day recently passed so let's see how students at Luther Burbank Middle School celebrated!

Saint Patrick's Day is a religious and cultural holiday that is celebrated on March 17 each year following the traditional death of Saint Patrick. It is traditionally celebrated by people from Ireland and people celebrate by going to festivals and wearing green.

Seventh grader, Arianna, said she celebrates St. Patrick's Day with her family. She celebrates this holiday by throwing a party and inviting close family members. What she likes about this Holiday is that she gets to celebrate with her family, and it is a unique holiday. St. Patrick's Day can always be fun to celebrate.



A Passover Dinner

By Evelyn Dorado

Passover is a holiday that Jewish people celebrate. Passover is the celebration of the Jewish people escaping Egypt. It is celebrated for 8 days. Mr. Feinberg celebrates by having a special dinner called seder with his family. He has been celebrating Passover since he was young. It is so important because it's a celebration of the freedom of Jewish people.

Easter Fun

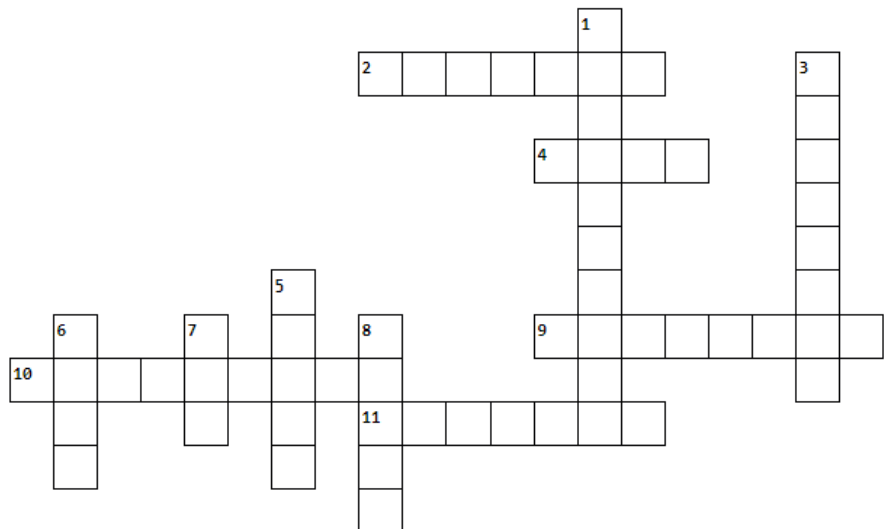
By Abigail Rodriguez and Sophia Ortega

Easter is celebrated by many Christians around the world. Christians celebrate Easter because it marks the Resurrection of Jesus Christ three days after his death of crucifixion. Although Easter is about Jesus, today, we also include a bunny as a symbol of Easter because the bunny represents fertility.

We interviewed a student from LBMS named Yaretzi Robles about how she celebrated Easter. She went to visit her aunt's house for a feast. After the meal, they went to go hunt for eggs. The part that she likes about easter is that she collects a lot of money. She enjoys spending Easter with her family.

Another student, Lilly Rose Cruz, said she celebrated Easter by going to her aunt's house and having a scavenger hunt. She plays board games and finds the eggs. She also loves to eat the food her family provides. Her favorite memory from Easter was spending time with her family.

Yuliana Fuentes told us that she celebrated Easter by going to the park for two hours. She spent that time hiding and decorating the eggs. Her favorite memory from celebrating Easter was playing with her cousins.



Across

2. The latin word for joyful
4. A word meaning cuckoo bird.
9. This is the name for a race that lasts 26.2 miles.
10. Students used this tool to see the eclipse with shadows.
11. When the moon, the earth and the sun align, this occurs.

Down

1. Seventh grade students used these to look at birds.
3. The student who won the pi memorization contest chose to pie this teacher in the face.
5. The traditional dinner on passover.
6. One of the exercises that SRLA students do to help strengthen their legs
7. CAASPP testing will start in this month.
8. The color you wear on St. Patrick's Day.