# A HAWK'S LIFE

St. Elizabeth's School's Student Newspaper



# Introducing: The New Newspaper Staff

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We're excited to release our first issue of the student newspaper for the 2018/2019 school year. It has been a transition as we bade farewell to Ms. Baker last spring and welcomed new and old newspaper staff members (both student & faculty). We hope you enjoy!



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#### **School**

#### Keeping our Children Safe

There has never been a doubt in my mind that the safety of our children has to be at the top of our lists each day that we open our doors for school. We do so many things during the year to help your children grow, learn, and thrive, but that would all be for naught if you did not have the confidence in our ability to keep your child safe and sound.

In order to give you confidence that this is our top priority, we do some things that are easily seen and known which help protect us all. We have regular fire, tornado, and intruder drills. We have clear rules about safe and respectful behavior on the playground, in the halls, and in every class. We have small classes, caring and dedicated teachers, and the support of highly qualified counselors to help us and your children navigate these busy times. We know all of our kids- really well. We do faculty-wide training and sharing about best practices and legal requirements. These all add up to a thoughtful and effective approach which has served us well to date.

Some of you may know that our independent school world, especially eastern boarding schools, have recently gone through very difficult times with regard to issues of student safety, particularly in the area of adult-to-student sexual misconduct. Many of these schools have taken extraordinary steps to address decades-old transgressions and to drastically reduce the chances that these events will happen again. The National Association of Independent Schools (NAIS) is taking this *very* seriously, and we will, too.

As an accredited member of the independent school world through our good work with ACIS, we must uphold dozens of standards of good practice. At our recent fall meeting, the Association voted in two new standards which deal with child protection. These standards are quite broad, but not prescriptive, which means we can meet those standards well while keeping our mission and culture intact. The focus of our future work in this realm will be on making our training and protocols even broader, more regular, and tighter, and they will also include all of us who work and spend time with our kids, even on a volunteer basis. Of course, we will keep you all in the loop about any changes in how we go about our business at SES, and while there may be a few more hoops to jump through, the ultimate goal of having a wonderful and safe environment for our children is still on top of our list

#### FEATURED TEACHER: MR. HARVEY

Mr. Harvey is a Colorado native, born and raised in Colorado! His mom moved here from Chicago because she didn't like the environment in the big city. He learned about St. Elizabeth's School two years ago through a middle school student that he was tutoring. He was inspired to become a teacher when he worked with eighth grade students, and they were unable to do decimals or simple math. His favorite food is "Anything pasta", he likes biking, working out, and sports, and his favorite athlete is Collin Kaepernick because he sacrificed his career as an athlete for his passion for equal rights.

by: Fender Kent



#### **Gun Control**

When does it end? There are 20,000 gun laws at the moment, but does that stop some people from coming into a synagogue and killing eleven people? If you think a shooting in a place of worship is terrible, which it is, how about a school? School is where we are supposed to feel safe, yet just a few streets away from St. E's, at Cole Middle School, a boy was shot. At Santa Fe High School in Texas, a teenager allegedly shot and killed ten people and wounded ten more. He was seventeen. What type of world do we live in where a seventeen year old can walk into a school and kill ten people without regret? So what should we do about it? Adults can vote to elect people who will protect our schools and places of worship. So what can we children do about it? We can march and speak out, and ask adults about other ways that we can make changes. Although a single voice may not be heard, a thousand million will.

By: Willa Gartner

#### Word Search

#### Words To Find

GITYMATCAMASGRAMTRIIP Ghost
HDWKLRGTACCEWKIMIITZI
OLIVIOBOOUJATWHIKAPKA
SCARTGHJKLRJOKERYMPS
TCREEPYTNKEJOJOKETPE
HOKLMTCKTWHCREEPRHE
HIPEPSISPRITVTTXZQWKI
SCREAMTSHTGMCAVZCIIO
DSAXFOXDIGGMANIATIMA
CORTMAVEIRCPIVFGHSXK
VTNRMPTKTADIRYFNFNGY
CCRTTEMPEVFOXISTHEBE
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Scare Creepy Joker Boo RIP Horror Scream Grave

## Music: Alright, Alright



Alright Alright is a folk Americana band, started by Seth Kent and China Kent, they have been fully together for a pretty long time, working with two children, two pets and alternating band members. The Kents are currently building a house that has been robbed 3 times and might get robbed more! They were also just on two tours and are back from that now. The Kents just released their Nearby album and business is successful!

Their band members have a variety of instruments including a baritone ukulele, piano, drums, guitars, bass, trombone, vocals, and a few more interesting music making machines. They are making more and more songs, they might even be making songs right now! But anyway they are getting bigger, and also to make sure they get even bigger and follow them on Spotify!

By: Fender Kent (6th Grade)

#### **Featured Class**

#### 1st Grade

This month's featured class is first grade, so come and join me as we dive into what I call foundation first grade. The first question was, what do you do to make class fun and Ms. Grey said...

She does things to interest her class, hands on stuff. Because when was the last time you wanted to sit for 30 minutes doing nothing? The next one was, have you been on field trips or do you have one planned how do you pick them.

She said she does 5 or 6 a year and the next trip will be the downtown Denver Public Library and will focus on reading. For example, when the class is learning about butterflies, the class will go to the Butterfly Pavilion. It sounds like the first grade class will have quite a year!

By: Peyten Pack

### **City Park Golf Course Update**

City Park Golf Course has been in Denver for over 100 years. It was where African Americans took up their golf clubs to enjoy the course. Local resident, Tom Woodard, 62, has been playing here since he was a kid and holds the course record. He said that there is a lot of history at City Park and that it's a special place.

The construction has definitely been interesting, and the St. Elizabeth's Community has seen its share with road closures, bulldozing, and watching over 100 trees come down. Construction company, Saunders Construction, hit a roadblock with the discovery of uranium in the water, as well as a manganese leak, but Saunders has put in a filtering system which caused a slight delay, but the project is back on track.

People can see the amazing progress taking place. The clubhouse is now under construction in streamlined modern, which will also have solar panels. There will be multiple water features throughout the course, the signature small greens are in the plans and the grass is growing. Opening could be as early as late May, 2019 or early fall, 2019.

#### Food News: Zen



Today I will tell you about a amazing restaurant called Zen. You can find this place in the Northfield shopping area. It's easy to access, and this place has some of the best food ever. Zen mostly serves Japanese and Chinese food. They serve a variety of sushi from the classic California roll to the strawberry cream cheese roll which you may not have heard of. But if sushi isn't your thing, they also have soups and rices too. They even have items for people with a sweet tooth. Some of their items involve a desert spring roll made of ice cream, bread roll, and cinnamon. Or, if you really love ice cream you can get a bowl of ice cream with chocolate sauce on top called the volcano, and it's amazing. So, if you have the time, stop by Zen for a delicious and nice meal..

By: Quinn Pack

# Sports News: G Ron Leary Tore His Achilles

Bad news for the Broncos G Ronald Leary since he has torn his achilles tendon. For the Broncos, this is a major loss because he will be out for the rest of the season. Now it looks like the Denver Broncos could be without its best interior lineman for the remainder of the season. In this case, Leary will have miss the rest of the season. It's a huge blow to the Broncos' offensive line, which is already light on depth. The reason why this would be a major loss is because Denver has lost four straight games after starting the season 2-0.

This season, following a 2-0 start, the team has lost four straight and find themselves in third place in the AFC West division. Coach Vance Joseph waited far too long last year to bench Siemian. If the Broncos don't turn it around, they could have back-to-back losing seasons for the first time since the 1970s. This will also mean bad news for the coach. Coach Vance Joseph has been on the hot seat since the beginning of the year. These losses certainly won't help him in his quest to keep his job. Overall, the Broncos have a 7-15 record under Joseph and had an eight-game losing streak last season. Following an embarrassing loss to the Jets on the road in week five, the Broncos must face a win in upcoming games as they travel to Arizona to face the Cardinals.

By: Sierra Maples



## **Student Happenings!**







Crazy
Hat Day
in 4th
Grade!



Voting in the library!

#### **Quiz Corner!**

#### My Little Pony Quiz

\*What do you do in your spare time?

1. Cook

2. Watch TV

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4. Eat

All of the above

\*What is your favorite pony?

Pinkie Pie

2. Twilight Sparkle

3. Fluttershy

4. Rainbow Dash

Rarity

6. Apple Jack

\*What do you do best?

1. Party planning

2. Designing a runway

3. School

4. Helping at home

Helping animals

6.Helping on a farm

\*Best Feature

1. Being silly

2. Being smart

3. Being kind

Being loyal

5. Being Generous

6. Being Honest

RESULTS

If you have mostly 1's you are Pinkie Pie

If you have mostly 2's you are Twilight Sparkle

If you have mostly 3's you are Fluttershy

If you have mostly 4's you are Rainbow Dash

If you mostly have 5's you are Rarity

If you mostly have 6's you are Applejack

By: Devaki Weathers

#### \*What do you see in your future?

Becoming a princess

2. Becoming a famous helper

Throwing the best party

4. Designing a runway

Restore/help nature

6. Being honest and helping your families home



## FEATURED HOROSCOPE: SCORPIO

**Strengths:** resourceful, brave, passionate, stubborn, a true friend

#### Weaknesses:

Distrusting, secretive, jealous, violent

**Likes:** truth, facts, being right, long time friends, teasing, a grand passion

**Dislikes:** dishonesty, revealing secrets, passive people

Scorpios always want the truth and will stay up all night to find it. Scorpios are good leaders and will be passionate and resourceful to win.

Scorpio is the water sign and they go through emotional turmoil.