



Go Hawks!

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Reminder- End of the 1st Grading Period

Remember: October 3rd is the deadline for the 1st 9 weeks. Report cards are coming out soon, so check with teachers for missing assignments! Make sure you have no missing work, and do all you can to get those grades as high as possible. We want all students to have A's on their report card.



Fall

In 2014, the autumnal equinox brought the fall season to the northern hemisphere on September 22 at 10:29 P.M. EDT. Fall brings many things besides the changing of the leaves and the colder weather. Some things to look forward to in fall are: foods, warmer clothes, and holidays. These aren't the only wonderful things that come with fall. There are also beautiful art like, poems, quotes, and pictures.

A Fall Poem

Fall is such a wonderful time of the year!
Leaves are turning vibrant colors.
Harvests are being gathered.
The weather is getting colder,
But it is still fun to play outdoors.



LUNCH MENU

Mon. Sept. 29, 2014

- Beef and cheese nachos
- Green beans
- Fruit choice

Tues. Sept. 30, 2014

- BBQ Glazed Chicken Nuggets
- Roll
- Steamed Broccoli
- Cinnamon Grahams
- Fruit choice

Wed. Oct. 1, 2014

- Spaghetti
- Garlic Breadsticks
- Garden Salad
- Fruit Choice

Thurs. Oct. 2, 2014

- Stuffed Crust Cheese Pizza
- Garden Salad
- Fruit Choice

Friday Oct. 3, 2014

- Hot Dog on Bun
- Oven Fries
- Baked Beans
- Chocolate Chip Cookies
- Fruit Choice

Springs Valley Events Sept. 29-Oct. 3

Monday, Sept. 29- JH Volleyball vs Paoli

JH Cross Country @ Crawford County

Tuesday, Sept. 30- JH Football @ Mitchell

JH Volleyball @ Orleans

JH Cross Country @ Paoli

Thursday, Oct. 2- JH Volleyball @ Perry Central

Saturday, October 4 - SV Festival of Marching Bands



Book Review- Soldier's Heart

Soldier's Heart is a novel about a young 16 year old male that is drafted into war. Charley explains how war affected him and his family. Charley tells every detail that happens to him and what happens around him. He realizes how many bullets are flying around him when two bullets collide and fall in front of him. He finds that war is just a death sentence, but that is not the case for Charley. He is caught in hand to hand combat. Read the novel to find out the exciting ending! *Soldier's Heart* is rated 4.5 out of 5. I would recommend this book to anyone!

Review by Cole Cooper

Coach's Spotlight- Mr. Crow

What inspired you to be a coach?

I love working with kids, helping them to achieve and succeed not only on the court or the field, but in life.

What sports have you coached?

Tennis, soccer, boys and girls basketball, volleyball, baseball, softball, and little league football.

How many years have you coached?

15 plus years

What is your favorite sport?

Girls' softball and boys' or girls' basketball.

What is your favorite thing about coaching?

Helping kids learn, watching kids work on mistakes to get better. I really just enjoy being around the sport that I am coaching.

Article by Amber Kendall



Halloween is coming up soon, so we've compiled a list of the top Horror Movies of all time! If you want to watch these, please check with your parents for permission!

Top Horror Movies of All Time

1. The Exorcist (1973)
2. The Texas Chainsaw Massacre (1974)
3. A Nightmare on Elm Street
4. Alien (1979)
5. Night of the Living Dead (1968)
6. The Shining (1980)
7. The Silence of the Lamb (1991)
8. Halloween
9. The Blair Witch Project (1999)
10. Psycho (1960)
11. The Evil Dead (1981)
12. Scream (1996)



Quote of the Week-

"Always remember you are braver than you believe, stronger than you seem, and smarter than you think."

-A. A. Milne

Animal Spotlight- African Penguin

African Penguins, also called Blackfoot Penguins, are one of the many types of penguins. Their diet consist of mainly fish, but also some squid and shellfish. They are an average of 18-25 in. tall, and weigh 5-9 lbs. These penguins can dive up to 130 meters, but generally only dive about 30 meters. They can hold their breaths for up to 2 ½ min. They swim at an average speed of 7km/h, but can go as fast as 20km/h when hunting. Their typical life span is 10 years. They lay up to 2 eggs at a time, which they burrow into sand. They live in colonies along the coast between Namibia and Port Elizabeth. These are one of the cutest animals!

By Alicia Plimpton



Celebrity Spotlight- Adam Levine

Adam Levine is an American singer/songwriter who started his career in 1994 when he was 15 years old. He is widely known for his position as lead vocalist in Maroon 5, a pop rock band. Adam was born on March 18, 1979 and was raised in Los Angeles, California. He has received 3 Grammy Awards, 2 Billboard Music Awards, an MTV Video Music Award, and a World Music Award. Since 2011, Levine has served as a coach on NBC's popular reality talent show The Voice. In 2012, he made his acting debut as a recurring character in the horror television show "American Horror Story: Asylum" for the series second season. He also appeared in the film "Begin Again". As an entrepreneur, Levine launched his own fragrance line in 2013. After all of this hard work in his career, Adam Levine has become one of the celebrities we love today.



Article by Hattie Moffitt

New Album Releases

1. *1989* by Taylor Swift
2. *747* by Lady Antebellum
3. *Queen if the Clouds* by Tove Lo
4. *No Sound without Silence* by The Script
5. *Black Veil Brides* by Black Veil Brides
6. *It's About Us* by Alex and Sierra
7. *Cheek to Cheek* by Tony Bennett and Lady Gaga
8. *Anything Goes* by Florida Georgia Line
9. *Black Star Elephant* by Nico and Vinz
10. *Four* by One Direction

Do you like Superheroes? Here's a list of the top Marvel Superheroes!

1. Spider-Man
2. Wolverine
3. The Incredible
4. Captain American
5. Iron Man
6. Thor
7. Daredevil
8. Punisher
9. Silver Surfer
10. The Thing
11. Deadpool
12. Cyclops



List by Nathan Hamilton

Firefighter Family Day

The first annual firefighter family day was Sunday, September 21, 2014. The day consisted of family, food, and fun. There was a lot of food and drinks brought by everyone that attended. Tons of candy and sweets were eaten by the kids and myself. The kids really liked the games and everyone enjoyed the bouncy house. Overall, the day turned out great. The first annual firefighter family day was a success.

Article by Kiara Wheat

RIDDLE:

How do you mend a broken pumpkin?

A: With a pumpkin patch!



SVMS Students of the Week

6th Grade

Daniel Reynolds

Kayla Estrada

7th Grade

Adam George

Addie Buffington

8th Grade

Landon Vanlaningham

Fawn Cooper



Dear Allen,

My two best friends HATE each other. I still want to be friends with both of them, but I don't see how I can. What should I do?

Sincerely,

Rose

Dear Rose,

I'm really sorry you're in a position like that. It can be very hard. My advice would be to tell your friends how you feel, and if they're your true friends, they'll try to make it work. Or you could even talk to them together and try to figure out what the problem is and help them out. Good luck and I hope you and your friends' situation gets better!

Yours Truly,

Allen

*** Remember you can submit your question to Mrs. Allen's room (121). Your question might make the newsletter!**

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Teacher Spotlight- Miss Vertin

1. Why did you want to become a teacher?

To help students grow and help educate the future.

2. What's your favorite food?

Hershey bars, Spinach dip, and S'more Pop Tarts

3. What's your favorite kind of music?

All

4. How long have you been teaching?

3 years

5. If you didn't teach math, what subject would you teach?

5th grade

6. What is your favorite animal?

Polar Bear

7. What is your favorite class to teach?

This week 8th. It changes back and forth

9. What is your favorite book?

The Help

