

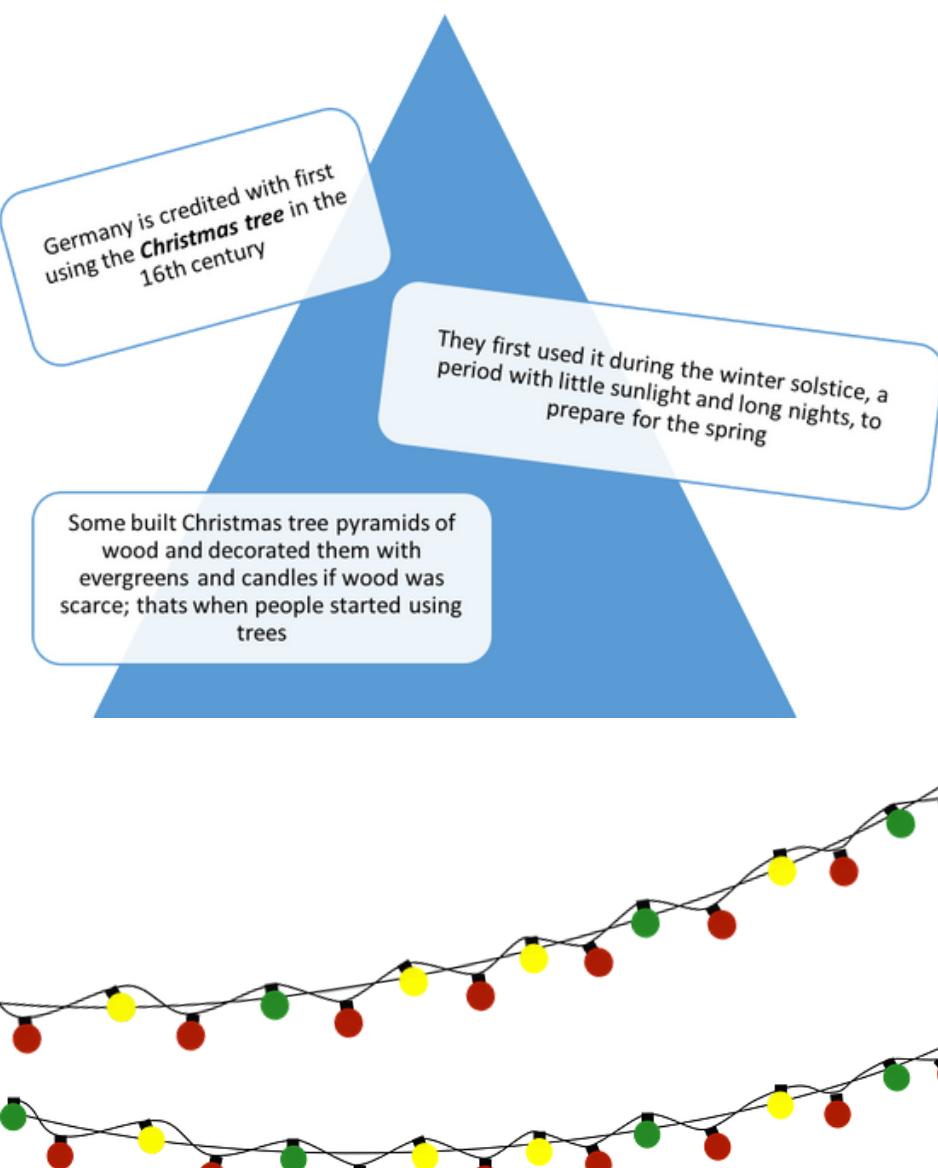
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OH CHRISTMAS TREE

BY TEAGAN FARMER



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We have been attending advent season prayer services every Monday in December. As a school we can learn some very important things from this. On Monday December 3rd, 2018 we talked about faith. The teachers told us that we must prepare for the coming of Jesus. The coming of Jesus is getting closer minute by minute, so grab those decorations, go to mass, and prepare for Christ. The 1st purple candle was lit on that day and it shows that we have faith that Christ will come. If you go into the cafeteria there is a huge wreath on the wall with all of our handprints to make a wreath. The inclusion of our handprints shows that we are all part of preparing for Jesus during this advent season.



ADVENT SERVICE

BY HEIDI LIMBACHER

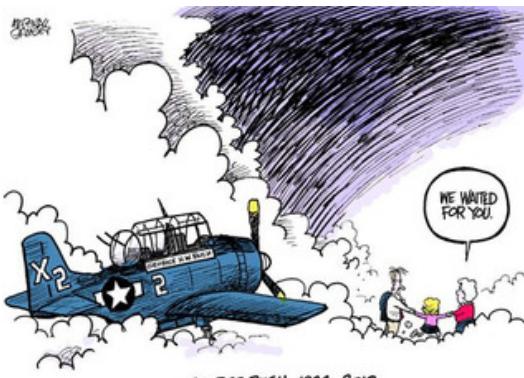


"WE'VE WAITED FOR YOU"

BY AVERY DUNN

George H. W. Bush, the 41st president of the United States, died on November 30th, 2018. He was met by his wife Barbara Bush, who died the previous year. He was also met by his daughter Robin, who died of Leukemia at the age of three. He was a WWII veteran, and loved by all.

December 5th, 2018, the day of his funeral, was named a national day of mourning. As a country, we are sad to see him go, but we can now think of him playing tag with Robin, and strolling through the clouds with Barbara.



Every year at St. Veronica, at Christmas time, we perform a Christmas musical. The first and second graders have their own musical and the third and fourth graders have their own.

This article is about the third and fourth grade musical this year. This year the musical was "We Three Spies"! This is a very exciting and fun musical. "We Three Spies" is about a group of kids in an undercover agency and went on secret missions to spread Christmas cheer!

When I saw "We Three Spies", I thought that it was amazing how well the third and fourth graders did in the musical! The third and fourth graders did a great job in "We Three Spies", and if you saw the musical I hope that you enjoyed it as well!

THE CHRISTMAS PLAY

BY CARLY HEILMANN



Candy Cane: A candy cane is in the shape of a shepherd's crook, because one of Jesus' names is the Good Shepherd. The white of the candy cane is standing for Jesus' purity, while the red shows Christ's blood.

Red and Green: Red and Green are colors we signify with Christmas. The color red is standing for Christ's blood and the green stands for life and light everlasting.

Wreath: a wreath is in the shape of a circle and shows God/Christ's eternal life for us, it also shows rebirth.

Star: The star on top of the Christmas tree represents the star that appeared in Bethlehem. This star also guided the three kings to Jesus, while they came with gifts for Christ, their king.

Gifts: The gifts we receive at Christmas represent the gifts given to Jesus by the three kings. The king brought Jesus gold, incense, and myrrh.

Information comes from the website: www.thespruce.com

THE TRUE MEANING OF CHRISTMAS

BY HEIDI LIMBACHER



BABY ON THE WAY!

BY AVERY DUNN

Mrs. Motz is a 4th grade teacher. She is expecting a baby in January. I interviewed her about her baby, and she is very excited. She told me that she does not know what the gender of it will be, but that all she wants is "a happy, healthy baby".

I asked her what, in her opinion, would be the best thing about having a baby. Her response was, "I would think that watching a piece of yourself grow up would be the greatest thing."

She expresses missing all her students, saying "I will miss them, but will take time with the baby while learning to be a new mother." She will not be coming back after Christmas break, and will return in March. We at St. Veronica wish her luck in the months to come!



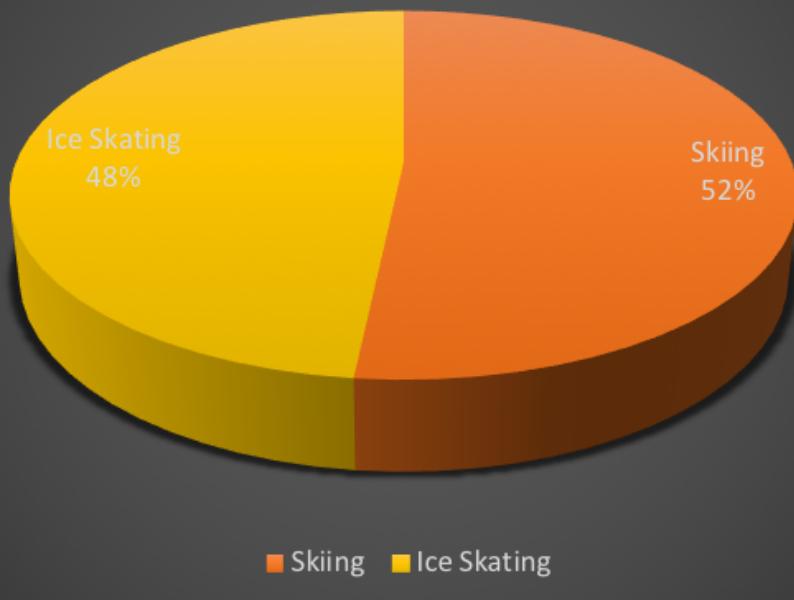
1. The Grinch is a fictional character created by Dr. Seuss.
2. Dr. Seuss's real name is Theodor Geisel.
3. The first appearance of the Grinch was in the poem, "The Hoobub and the Grinch" published in 1955.
4. The Grinch is a hairy, potbellied, pear-shaped creature with a cat-like face.
5. The Grinch has a heart two sizes too small.
6. The Grinch's eyes started out red to symbolize.
7. The Grinch's dog is named Max.
8. Many scholars have compared the Grinch to Ebenezer Scrooge from a Christmas Carol by Charles Dickens.
9. The book, "How the Grinch stole Christmas" was published in 1955.
10. In 2002, TV guide ranked the Grinch #5 on its "50 Greatest Cartoon Characters of All Time"

10 FUN FACTS ABOUT THE GRINCH

BY RYAN LIMBACHER



Skiing vs. Ice Skating



SKIING VS ICE SKATING

BY MATTHEW IRVINE

COLOR ME!

