



THE LION'S ROAR

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2018 is Here!

By Jack B.

We just started a New Year, it's January of **2018** now, and this new month and year has a lot to offer! People all over the world who follow the Gregorian or traditional calendar recognize January 1st as New Year's day. People celebrate this holiday around the world. Not everybody gets to the New Year at the same time because of time zones. The world is split into many zones which each have the people in them at different times. Samoa, Tonga and Kiritimati (Christmas Island), part of Kiribati, are the first places to welcome the New Year while American Samoa and Baker Island in the United States of America are among the last. New Year's traditions around the world include: the ball drop in Times Square, New York; at the Brandenburg Gate in Germany fireworks explode; Maasai tribe members perform a traditional dance on Nungwi Beach in Zanzibar, Tanzania. Festivities take place in Berlin. Even Singapore's financial district celebrates New Year's.

Did you know that there are several cultures that don't celebrate New Year's on January first? Korean New Year, Balinese New Year, Iranian New Year, Sinhalese New Year, and Tamil New Year all celebrate on days other than January 1.

The Chinese New year this year is the year of the dog. The Chinese new year is a

12-year cycle that names each new year for an animal. Their new year actually starts in February, on the 16th. If you know someone born in the year of the dog 2018, they are an Earth Dog: communicative, serious, and responsible in work. If you were born in 2006 you are a Fire Dog: intelligent, hardworking, and sincere. The Chinese new year has a history of over 3,800 years, and it originated from worship festivals. It is celebrated each year by the Chinese, just like we celebrate our New Year.

Rosh Hashanah is the Jewish New Year. The biblical name for the holiday is Yom Teruah. It is a two-day celebration which begins on the first day of Tishrei or the first day of the Jewish Calendar. This falls in September on the traditional calendar. It is celebrated with family gatherings, special meals, and sweet foods. The Jewish calendar is very different from the Traditional calendar. For example, their first month starts in our September, and our first month is their 10th and 11th months!

Many cultures celebrate New Year's on January 1st and some don't. Even on January 1st many people celebrate this holiday differently, whether if it is with sweet food or interesting animals. No matter when it is recognized, the New Year is celebrated across cultures. We here at The Lion's Roar wish you a happy and healthy 2018!

New Year's Resolutions

By: Caitlyn R.

Want to get rid of a bad habit? A new year is the perfect time! A New Year's resolution is a tradition in which a person resolves to change an undesired trait or habit in hopes of achieving a goal. Making a resolution isn't that hard, it's keeping them that's the problem.

The most common resolutions are to eat healthier and to exercise more. Some other resolutions include saving money, making new friends, taking up a new hobby, and getting rid of a bad habit (like biting your nails!). Doesn't seem too hard, right? Wrong. Only 8% of people actually keep their New Year's resolution! Maybe it isn't as easy as we thought.

There are many reasons why people can't stick to their resolutions. Some resolutions involve really strict and ambitious rules. Some people set too many resolutions and wind up not being able to keep any of them. The excitement of a new year may inspire you to create insane new goals, but the

excitement fades when you start to realize just how hard keeping those goals can be.

For those who want to keep their resolutions this year, keep reading. Start small and make goals that you know are manageable and attainable. Instead of trying to stop eating sugar all together, try avoiding dessert after dinner. Make a plan and take things one step at a time. Don't try to rush achieving your goal or you may not get the results you hoped for. Break it down into small chunks that are easier to achieve. Keep track of your progress as you go along too. And celebrate when you accomplish those small goals. They are the stepping stones to your big goal!

New Year's resolutions can be hard to keep, but if you stick with them, the results will definitely be worth it. If you made a resolution for this new year, don't give up just because it may seem hard. Stick with it and follow through with your resolution. You can do it!

Epiphany

By: Benjamin H.

Epiphany, or Three Kings Day, is a holiday that celebrates the Three Kings coming to visit Jesus and give him gifts. Epiphany is celebrated all around the world on January 6. The Three Kings came to visit Jesus when he was a toddler. They gave him gold, frankincense, and myrr. Gold represents the wealth of kings. Frankincense represents the perfume that was burnt to please God. Finally, myrr was put on dead bodies to make them smell good and this represents when Jesus dies on the cross. In the nineteenth century, Epiphany was not

only the visit of the Three Kings, but the baptism of Jesus by John the Baptist. People celebrate Epiphany all over the world and it was believed that this was the origin of gift giving. There are some superstitions about Epiphany that are believed all around the world. One superstition is the Brits believe that if they don't take their Christmas decorations down by the 12th of January, they will have misfortune all year! We should all take time to remember the Greatest Gift of all - Jesus. This is what Epiphany is all about.

Martin Luther King Jr. Day

By: Michael. A

Martin Luther King Jr. was an inspirational African American man that supported civil rights. He was born on January 15th, 1929 in Atlanta, Georgia. His father was a pastor for Ebenezer Baptist Church. Martin was the second of three children. He grew up attending Atlanta public schools. In 1948, he attended Morehouse College and earned a sociology degree. Martin then went to Crozer Theological Seminary in Chester, Pennsylvania. He was the valedictorian of his class!

During his time, African Americans were treated unfairly. They were not given certain services and freedoms, and were forced to work harder than other people. Imagine if you weren't allowed to use the water fountain just because of the color of your skin! Martin Luther King Jr. was determined to put a stop to this unfair treatment and make things right. He was a leader in the civil rights movement and started many non-violent protests. He gave many meaningful speeches, many of which are famous today.

One of Martin Luther King's most well known speeches is called "I Have A Dream". This speech was focused on discouraging racism and unfair rights. Through this profound speech and many others, Martin Luther King Jr. made a huge positive difference. He advanced the quality of all human rights and supported many people in need. With his help, African Americans began to receive the same rights as everyone else.

January 15th is a National holiday, and we have the day off of school to celebrate and honor the accomplishments of Martin Luther King Jr. This holiday is always on the third Monday of January. During this day off school, we should reflect on the important message Martin Luther King Jr. portrayed. We should use this to remind us that everyone is equal. If we remember this and treat everyone with the respect they deserve, this world will be a much better place.

Record weather in January

By: Toriah B.

There has been a lot of cold weather this January and most of the east coast has received some snow this year. Some places have reached an all time low. This has caused icy roads and many schools to be closed. Most people don't know why we have this sudden cold weather.

It started on Wednesday, January 4th when the storm hit the east coast. The "Bomb Cyclone" moved up the east coast over the next week covering everything from Florida to Canada in snow. A bomb Cyclone happens in the northern hemisphere when

warm air meets cold air. The air starts to rotate counterclockwise creating the Bomb Cyclone. The bomb cyclone plus the sudden drop in temperature caused the east coast to receive snow and freezing rain. In some places in New York there was half a foot of snow and in Massachusetts twenty thousand people lost power. It was said to be "the coldest holiday seasons on record".

Even Florida experienced cold weather during the bomb cyclone. Some places in Florida received only a small dust of snow which became a problem because they

don't have anything to remove snow. There were also some weird things happening like iguanas that were half-frozen falling out of the trees!

There have been lots of roadside accidents because of icy weather. Most of these accidents happen farther south where the roads are covered in ice rather than colder, powdery snow in the north. In Wisconsin six

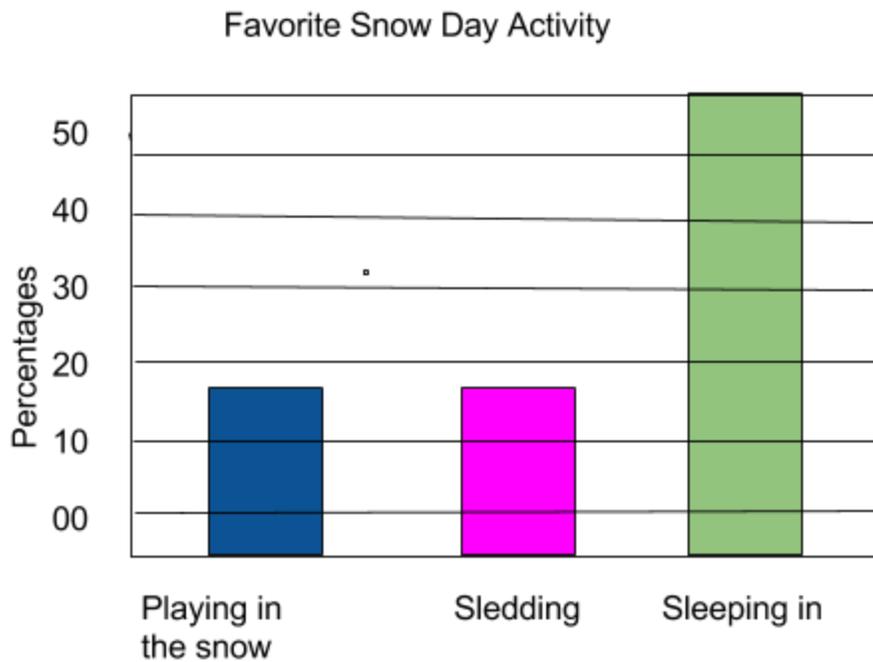
people have died along with three in North Carolina, four in Texas, and one in Virginia, South Carolina, North Dakota, Missouri and Michigan. Throughout that week 5,8000 flights were canceled in total.

This year has had some pretty strange weather, so take a look at the weather before making your schedule. Put safety at the top of your list this year!

How Will You Spend Your Snow Days?

By: MaryWest S.

I went around and asked the students and teachers of RLS what they would do if they woke up and it was snowing. Here is what they said:



Well there you have it, next time you see the flakes of snow on the ground, most likely all of your friends will be sleeping in! Tune in next time for a new data poll coming to you!

The Lion's Roar Contest: Guess The Teacher!
Do you want to win a free HOMEWORK PASS???
Keep reading to find out how!!

By: MaryWest S.

This week I have picked an elementary school teacher. This wonderful teacher has agreed to answer some questions about herself. **If you can guess who this teacher is, based on their answers, you will win the wonderful prize of a HOMEWORK PASS!!** The teacher has sworn an oath to not tell! So who do you think it is? Don't tell your friends, and keep this great prize for yourself!

Now for the questions:

If she could be any vegetable, this teacher would be corn because you can make popped corn, cornbread, and corn pudding.

When asked what animal she would be she chose a dog because they are the best.

Her absolute favorite number is 4.

Her favorite sport is anything without teams, she likes horseback and swimming.

Her favorite season is fall, because she love the colors.

Her least favorite food is cauliflower because her nose wrinkles with the thought of it.

Her least favorite color is white, it is too plain.

Her favorite type of hat is a thinking cap, she makes her students wear them.

If she could mix any two animals together, she would love to mix a dolphin and a giraffe for it would look cool.

She likes the dark, because it is peaceful.

She absolutely hates crunchy bugs because they are disgusting.

She loves sunsets, because of the beautiful colors.

She loves Australian accents, in fact, her phone is set to speak with an Australian accent, and she named it "crickey".

She absolutely loves Pennsylvania, and shoo-fly pie.

Her favorite color is burgundy, and her favorite subject is social studies.

Are you ready to guess which teacher this is? Students may submit **ONE** entry each into the RLS lion at the front desk. Be sure to put your name on your entry! The winner(s) will be contacted and given their free Homework Pass, courtesy of The Lion's Roar!! Good Luck!

Studying Tips

By: Lina P.

Studying. We all have to do it, but that doesn't always mean that it works. Have you ever studied really hard for something and then ended up getting a much worse grade than you hoped for? If this has happened to you before then maybe it's time to find a new way to study. Here are some study tips you might need to ace that next test:

Tip one: Organize! Maybe the problem is that you just can't remember when the test dates are and so you never study. If that's the case, then consider using a planner. Write down all test and quiz dates. That way you can see them coming up and have plenty of time to study. You will then be very prepared when the teacher comes in and hands you a test!

Tip two: Don't wait until the last minute! When studying, it's important to study a couple days in advance so that you do not run out of time or something comes up last minute that prevents you from studying.

Tip three: Study Groups! If you are a solo worker then chances are this tip is not for you. Some people, though, work better in

groups. If that sounds like you, try and assemble a study group. Ask other people or friends in your class if they want to study for the test with you. After that try and find a good place to study and a time that works for everyone.

Tip four: Find **your** way of studying! Not all people have the same studying methods. For example, some people come up with songs inside of their head that help them remember the studying material. Some people can be really good at picturing things inside their head and then remembering the material that way. Find a way to study that works for you and that will help you memorize and learn everything easier.

Tip five: Talk to your teachers! Sometimes, if you are having trouble on something, its best to talk to the teacher. Most teachers will gladly help you and try to find a way to help you understand the material better.

Studying. We all have to do it. But maybe these tips will help make studying easier and more effective. Good luck on your next test or quiz!



Being a Twin

By: Caroline B.

Lots of people around the world are twins. You are about to be sucked into the world of discovery. We are about to discover the world of twins and their lives. I am a twin, and I talked to many people throughout the school. I talked to various twins throughout the school, including, Gwendalyn and Harrison J., Claire and Wyatt H., and Avery and Evan H.. I also talked to people who were not twins about what they thought about twins, including, the whole second grade class, and Enzo M., and Alison H. in fifth grade. Most of the twins that were girls liked being twins including, Gwendalyn and Avery, But most boys did not, including, Harrison and Evan. We asked the second

grade class what they thought if they were a twin. Five girls from the second grade said they wanted to be a twin. Also four boys said they did not want to be a twin. More second graders wanted to be identical twins too. A Lot of non twins wanted to be identical if they were twins. My opinion of being a twin is I think It is better than being just a sibling because you don't have an annoying younger sibling, but you have a bossy same age sibling. In fact, a lot of celebrities are twins, including Spencer and Peyton List and Mary Kate and Ashley Olsen. Many people have siblings all around the world, but only a few get the blessing of being a twin!

Hot Cocoa Picks

By:Kirk P.

Hot chocolate is one famous treat that is brought out during this cold season of Winter. It is one of the most popular Christmas drinks that is perfect after being out in the snow or in the freezing weather. Most people love to curl up watching movies and sip hot cocoa from a mug.

A few weeks ago, I went around school and polled you about if you put marshmallows in your hot cocoa. I also polled about what our school's favorite treat is to add to their hot chocolate.

Most people loved hot chocolate and drink it everyday. However, a few students did not like cocoa at all!

Many people don't like marshmallows in their hot chocolate.

Our overall favorites of what else to put in hot chocolate were by far peppermint. Some people liked to add whipped cream and cinnamon to their hot chocolate.

Overall, hot chocolate is a famous holiday treat that is loved by many.



Words from the Principal

By: Principal Kolb

Did you ever feel that way. That there is more to do in a day than can possibly get done? Is that a "good thing" or a "bad thing"? You may know that RLS recently hosted the North Carolina Lutheran Schools Basketball/Cheerleading Tournament. As I write this article there is a frenzy of activity as many different groups scurry to make ready for our out of town guests. To be honest, I LOVE this furious activity and am looking forward to all the people from all over our state (and Tennessee) that will be in attendance. It makes it so easy to see the vibrancy of a place like RLS in times like these. Don't get me wrong, I wouldn't want

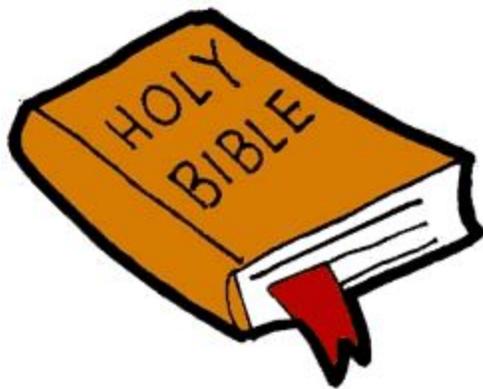
us to try to pull this off every weekend, but once in a while its nice. I don't know if the "busyness" of life gets you pumped or makes you crazy, but I have found that as long as one keeps "first things first" one can really roll with whatever comes down the pike. For me that is centering on my relationship with God and being in His word. Without this, things tend to go "off the rails". I want to thank all those myriad of people who worked so hard to make the Tournament weekend a success. A special thank you and shout out to our Athletic Director, Robin Hester for leading this event. Blessings to all.

Bible Verse of the Month

By: Cailey J.

"To every thing there is a season, and a time to every purpose under the heaven"
Ecclesiastes 3:1

This verse tells about the new year! When Jesus died on the cross he washed away our sins and gave us a new beginning. A new year is a chance to grow closer to our God and our savior!



Endangered animal: Cheetah

By: Katherine D.

For this issue of The Lion's Roar we are focusing on the cheetah. The cheetah- no, not cheeto - is the fastest land animal on earth, reaching 75 mph in short sprints. These carnivores live in East and South Africa grasslands, along with lions, zebras, and elephants. Cheetah numbers are quickly declining and becoming endangered because of hunters taking away the large cat's territory. These fast large cats are

about 2.6 ft from the paw to the shoulder and range from 46 to 160 lbs. Strangely, cheetahs only need to drink water every three to four days. Also, cheetahs are the only big cat that can't roar. Recently in the Saint Louis Zoo a mother cheetah gave birth to a record of eight cubs in a litter. Usually a cheetah only gives birth to about 3 cubs. If you want to learn more about this litter of cubs go to www.stlzoo.org.



Source: www.stlzoo.org

New Year, New You! Healthy, Easy, Tasty!

By: Nora M.

We all know that eating healthy is important, but most people (including myself) slip up and sometimes just stop all together. Sometimes we don't realize how important eating healthy really is. Sugary treats and greasy junk food taste good but when you put into perspective what it does to your body, it's not the best choice. Our bodies need a little salt and a little sugar to function, but with the intake of sugar the average person eats, we do not need all that salt and sugar that goes into our bodies. Fruit as you may already know has natural sugar, so people often think that

because it is natural it is healthy. Well technically cane sugar is natural to because it is a plant. Almost all sugar is the same in reality though and the natural sugar or artificial sugar has the same effect on your body. Now you may be wondering, if apples have sugar, then why are they healthy. Most of the nutrients come from the apple skins. Apple skins have ursolic acids that increase muscle and get rid of fats. Having a variety of colors in your food (not candy, natural colors) is good for you to have in your everyday diet. Eat lots of fruits and vegetables and you can achieve a food

rainbow! So before you eat something, think about what benefits or negative effects it will have on your body.

Here are some ideas to get you started:



Fruit Kabobs

Ingredients:

- Wooden skewers (careful these are sharp)
- Raspberries
- Blueberries
- Grapes
- Apples
- Strawberries
- Kiwi
- Orange slices

Take one wooden skewer and put a grape on it. Slide that down and put 2 blueberries on it. Slide that down and keep putting fruits on it in any order that you want (it doesn't matter what fruit you use). Soon you will have a rainbow of fruits that are delicious, pretty, healthy and easy to make.



Fruit

Vegetable Bugs

Ingredients:

- Wooden Skewers
- Green grapes
- Ritz crackers
- Pretzels
- Grape tomatoes
- Celery
- Black olives
- Peanut butter
- Candy eyes (not totally necessary)
- Cheese slices
- Sunflower seeds

Butterfly:

Take some celery (washed) and slice a small section of it. Spread peanut butter on the curved part of the celery. Stick 2 pretzels into the peanut butter. Add 2 candy eyes (not necessary) and you are finished. Enjoy this tasty, adorable, healthy bug!

Caterpillar:

Take a wooden skewer and slide a bunch of green grapes onto it. Attach candy eyes (again, not necessary) and you are finished! Eat up!

Ladybug:

Take a Ritz cracker, and put a thin slice of cheese on top. Take a grape tomato and cut it in half. Place the 2 halves of tomato on the cracker and cut a black olive into a small section. Place the olive in front of the tomato. Stick sunflower seeds into the tomatoes. Add candy eyes if needed. Have fun with these adorable treats!

Editorial: Dogs - In Or Out?

By: Kirk P.

If cats are allowed inside, then why are many dogs still outside? There are many reasons why dogs shouldn't be left outside in the cold. I believe that all dogs should be able to come inside, not just the tiny toy dogs that don't shed very much. Many presidents kept their dogs inside, such as President Obama and President Trump, so why not? I think dogs should be inside year round, especially in the winter when it gets cold. Dogs feel sad and rejected when they live outside because they are separated from their family. Dogs have emotions too, and they should definitely live inside. Once inside, our favorite pets could roam around and spend every moment of the day with us. Of course, they would need to be trained and get used to being inside, but that wouldn't take long. I believe that all dogs

should live inside. Most dogs are trained well outside and they could use the same "manners" inside also. After all, cats do the exact same as dogs can do inside, but somehow cats have a better reputation inside. Almost 80% of people in America have their dogs living inside with them, which means that 20% do not. When dogs come inside, they have a 24/7 relationship with their owners. Many people believe it is inhumane to keep dogs outside because they can be freezing and neglected.

In conclusion, I think that all dogs should be let inside, no matter the breed, size, or manners. Many people think that only cats should be brought inside because they are less messy and have worse training. All dogs should be let inside.

Winter DIY's

By: Amie M.

Have you ever been bored of the same old things? Have you ever thought of doing something other than lay around and watch TV all day? Well these DIY's are precisely here to help with that. These crafts will be reusable and fun to make! Winter is here folks, so make it count and start 2018 strong with cute accessories to go along.

Are you tired of your hands getting cold over a water bottle? The cold winter weather makes it harder and harder to keep warm. Maybe all you need is a festive cup to take with you wherever you go?! Below is listed how you can make this reusable mug:



What you will need:

- Disposable Coffee Cups
- Blue Spray Paint
- White Acrylic Craft Paint
- Blue Acrylic Craft Paint
- Gold Iridescent Paint
- Silver Glitter Paint
- Small Paint Brushes

- Glue gun
- Glue sticks
- Snowflake Stickers
- Holly
- Iced Twigs

Steps:

1. Set out your coffee cup.
2. Spray the cup with blue spray paint. Leave to dry.



3. Detach coffee sleeves and lay flat. Paint all white and let dry.



4. Add a thin layer of silver glitter paint over the coat of white and let dry.



5. Lay out your embellishments and paint them in blue, white, grey, iridescent gold and silver glitter paints.
6. Let dry between layers.
7. Wrap the sleeve around the coffee cup and secure with hot glue.
8. Using the hot glue gun, position and secure your embellishments to the sleeve and coffee cup.
9. Add snowflake sticker and trim to fit if needed.



And with that- your very own winter coffee cup!

Have you ever looked around your room and thought that your room could use a winter glow? Lucky for you this candle jar is perfect for that, and really is a great decoration for any room or place.



Materials:

- Glass jar
- DecoArt Americana acrylic paint
- Lamp Black, small round paint brushes size 2 and 4, 1/4" flat brush,
- Can of Santa Snow,
- Wire for handle (optional),
- Isopropyl Alcohol Spray
- Clean cloth.

Steps:

1. Clean jar with soapy water and remove any labels.
2. Wipe outside of jar using Isopropyl alcohol spray to remove any residue and then avoid over handling jar.
3. Measure the inside of your jar using a scrap piece of paper. Make your template to fit this measurement and then insert inside of jar. You can use sellotape to hold it in place, so it won't move while painting.



4. Rest your jar on a soft cloth. Try not to handle the bottom of the jar too much as grease from your skin may affect how well your paint adheres to the jar. Using your

small round brush and the black paint, start painting the design, using the template as a guide. You may decide to add other things or trees... I actually added a little fence beside the church on one of my jars.

5. The first coat of paint will be patchy... that's okay. Leave it to dry and when you paint on the second coat it will be opaque. Set aside to dry.

6. If you are going to make a wire hanger for your jar, add that now.

7. Place your painted jar inside an old cardboard box and lightly spray the top third of the jar with the Santa Snow. Do not spray inside the jar. Leave to dry.

8. Epsom Salts to the top of the jar, will give an added effect but it is optional.

8. Insert tea light candle/s. (3 candles inside larger coffee jar)



And there you have it! Please note that some of the materials used are in fact optional and completely up to you.



Strange Holidays in January

By: Daniel P.

Are you ready to celebrate squirrels and measure your feet? No? Well get ready because these are all holidays that will happen this month and most don't know about it. These are some of this months holidays.

January [1\) New Year's Day](#)

January 2) Festival of Sleep Day

January 3) Fruitcake Toss Day

January 3) Humiliation Day

January 4) National Spaghetti Day

January 4 Trivia Day

January 5 National Bird Day

January 6 Bean Day

January 6 Cuddle Up Day

January 6 Feast of the Epiphany - Three Kings

January 7 Old Rock Day

January 8 Bubble Bath Day

January 8 Male Watcher's Day

January 9 Play God Day

January 10 Bittersweet Chocolate Day

January 10 Houseplant Appreciation Day

January 10 National Take the Stairs Day - second Wednesday of month.

January 10 Peculiar People Day

January 11 Step in a Puddle and Splash Your Friend's Day

January 12 National Pharmacist Day

January 13 International Sceptics Day

January 13 Make Your Dream Come True Day

January 14 Dress Up Your Pet Day

January 15 Martin Luther King Jr. Birthday , celebrated on the third Monday

January 15 National Hat Day

January 16 Appreciate a Dragon Day

January 16 National Nothing Day

January 17 Ditch New Years Resolutions Day

January 18 Thesaurus Day

January 18 Winnie the Pooh Day -The Birthday of Winnie's author A.A. Milne

January 19 National Popcorn Day

January 19 National Tin Can Day

January 20 National Buttercrunch Day

January 20 National Cheese Lover Day

January 20 Penguin Awareness Day

January 21 National Hugging Day

January 21 Squirrel Appreciation Day

January 22 National Blonde Brownie Day

January 23 National Pie Day

January 23 National Handwriting Day

January 23 Measure Your Feet Day- we only ask...."Why!?!"

January 24 Beer Can Appreciation Day

January 24 Compliment Day

January 25 Opposite Day

January 26 Australia Day

January 26 Spouse's Day

January 27 Chocolate Cake Day

January 27 Punch the Clock Day

January 28 Fun at Work Day

January 28 National Kazoo Day

January 29 Bubble Wrap Appreciation Day - last Monday of month

January 29 National Puzzle Day

January 29 National Cornchip Day

January 30 National Inane Answering Message Day

January 31 Backward Day

January 31 Inspire Your Heart with Art Day

Isn't this month going to be fun? What is your favorite day?

Sports: The Reformation Rumble

By: Ash F.

The RLS basketball Tournament called the Reformation Rumble is over. Both RLS Boys Team and RLS Girls Team won every single game during the tournament and won the tournament game!!! On January 12th The RLS Girls Team won 18-11 against Emanuel. The RLS Boys Team won 51-11 against First Lutheran. On January 13th the RLS Girls Team won 17-15 against Concordia. The RLS Boys Team won 38-27 against Concordia. On January 14th the RLS Girls Team won 16-12 against Concordia. That game won the Girls Basketball Tournament. The RLS Boys Team won 26-25 in a close match. That Game won the RLS Boys Basketball Tournament. Both Resurrection Lutheran Teams won the Reformation Rumble Tournament. A quote from one of the RLS Girls Team members, Amie M. "The hardest

team we played was Concordia in the championships. Their team was very challenging to face and made a great rivalry to oppose." The RLS Boys Team consisted of: Walt R., Ash F., Michael C., Benjamin H., Jason K., Charlie H., Tyler P., Owen H., Daniel B., Jathan P., Aiden K., Wes N., Blake B., Bradley M., James J., Evan T., Nick A.. With coaches: Sam Kolb, Will Reese, Tom Kolb, Ted Reese, Kevin Caul. The RLS Girls Team consisted of: Amie M., Emma K., MaryWest S., Nora M., Emma M., Ava J., MaryJordan T., Lily L., Abby S., Katie C., Gillian R., Liesl T., Maria H., who was a part time player and coach. Along with the other coaches: Suzy Kolb, Leigh Carter. The RLS Lions are a family that can't be broken through basketball or anything else!



Favorite Christmas Gifts

By: Benjamin H.

This year the students of RLS got some pretty cool Christmas gifts. I interviewed one person from each grade about their favorite gift, and here were there responses:

Michael (8th) will be gaming more comfortably in a new gaming chair.

Cailey (7th) will be cruising down the street on her new hoverboard.

Daniel (6th) will be looking sharp this year with his new dress ties.

Clara (5th) will be destroying her Wreak-This-Journal this year.

UZ (4th) will be shooting some hoops in his driveway with his new basketball set.

Ruby (3rd) will be skating around this Spring on her new roller skates.

Emmett (2nd) will be zooming around on his new dirt bike.

Stella (1st) will be playing dress up with her new Barbie Doll.

Henry (K) will be creating masterpieces with his new art kit.

Whatever you got for Christmas, have fun and be safe!

Personality Quiz

By: Nora M.

1. Your mom is about to drive you to school when the car won't start. What do you do?
 - a. You run in the house to call a mechanic and figure out which bus you need to take to get to school on time.
 - b. You take a look at the car to see if there is anything you can fix, and either bike, or skateboard to school.
 - c. You tell her not to worry and walk to school.
 - d. You throw a tantrum even though you are usually fashionably late to class every day.
2. Your doing a group project in Design class. Which task will you perform?
 - a. You'll build the outside structure and sew up curtains, bedspreads, and furniture covers.
 - b. You'll be the one who presents our house to the rest of the class.
 - c. You'll color coordinate all the rooms and paint them.
 - d. You'll draw up the designs for the house.
3. What is your favorite subject in school?
 - a. Science or history.
 - b. Mechanics or home economics.
 - c. Creative writing or art.
 - d. Drama or choir.
4. You have the day off because of snow. What do you do?
 - a. You get out there and build a snowman, make snow angels, and start a giant snowball fight.

- b. You head to the video game store with a bunch of friends and rent a bunch of video games.
 - c. You put on classical music and get to work on your novel manuscript or paper mache bowl set.
 - d. You spend the day watching nature programs on the Discovery Channel.
5. If you could be a beverage, what kind of beverage would you be?
- a. Gatorade.
 - b. Something herbal and healing like Sobe.
 - c. Cherry bubblegum soda.
 - d. Fruit juice.
6. Who are your favorite cartoon characters?
- a. Belle from Beauty and the Beast and Ariel from The Little Mermaid.
 - b. The Care Bears.
 - c. Spongebob.
 - d. Superheroes like Batman or Spiderman.

Mostly A's: If you got mostly A's you are a performer. If there is a spotlight shining, you're usually right underneath it! You love to be the center of attention, and aren't afraid to let people know it! You're destined to be an actor, actress, singer, dancer, or maybe a comedian. Keep practicing in front of the mirror- it's bound to pay off sooner or later!

Mostly B's: If you got mostly B's you are a thinker. When the lunch bell rings, your friends will find you in one of two places, the library or the science lab. You want to absorb all there is to know about the world and you enjoy working on extra-curricular activities in your free time. You're the perfect candidate to become a professional tutor, marine biologist, police detective, journalist, or research lab technician. Keep reaching for the stars and you may end up discovering a new planet!

Mostly C's: If you got mostly C's your a feeler. Although you can work well with

others, you prefer to be alone. Your idea of a great Sunday afternoon is having the house to yourself so you can work on your latest masterpiece. You're in touch with the world around you and how others are feeling. You're best suited as a social worker, painter, writer or something that will exhibit all your talents, like a kindergarten or preschool teacher. Imagine a day of playing house and finger painting while modeling the minds of others. That's a pretty cool opportunity!

Mostly D's: If you got mostly D's you are a reactor. When push comes to shove, people look to you to get the job done. You're always in jumping to fix things. You prefer to work hands-on project, rather than reading the latest new book in a series. You're best suited for jobs like a carpenter, seamstress, mechanic, gardner, or firefighter. Keep that in mind when you are applying for your next after-school job. It's never too early to start shooting for the perfect career.

Art of the Month
By: Samantha B. 3rd Grade



Thank you Samantha for sharing your beautiful picture with us!

Your artwork could be featured in the next edition of The Lion's Roar!

***Either submit your artwork in the Lion at the front desk,
Or***

Email Mrs. Mudd: jennifermudd@rlscary.org

Don't Miss Out on the RLS Fun!!

January and February are brimming with fun activities here at RLS!! Be sure not to miss out on the fun!

January 22nd-January 26th is National Lutheran Schools Week!

As always, students are able to dress up.

Monday: School Spirit

Also on Monday, the school wide Geography Bee will be held at 7:00 pm in the RLC Fellowship Hall! All RLS students and families are invited to attend! There will be light refreshments following the competition. Please come and support your fellow students!

The winner for the school will get the opportunity to compete to see if he/she will travel to the North Carolina State Bee.

Here is a list of the classroom winners and alternates.

Grade 4: Uzeal W. Alternate: Avery H
Grade 5: Christian B. Alternate: Enzo M.
Grade 6 (blue): Ben C. Alternate: AJ B.
Grade 6 (orange): Daniel H. Alternate: Samantha H.
Grade 7: Nora M., Beau J., Owen H.
Alternates: Jack B., Benjamin H., Tyler P.
Grade 8: Michael A., Mitchell J., Maria H.
Alternates: Lina P., Caitlyn R., Mary Jordan T.

Congratulations to all of the winners and good luck in the competition!

Tuesday: Favorite Color

* all school lunch in the gym (students only)
* NJHS Snack Cart (bring \$1)

Wednesday: Crazy Hair and/or Hat

* morning chapel (instead of afternoon)
* all school service project in the gym 9:45 - 11:00 a.m.

Thursday: PJ Day

* donuts and hot chocolate in the gym 7:45 - 8:15 a.m.

Friday: Favorite Team

Also on Friday, the RLS National Junior Honor Society is sponsoring a Trivia Night to raise funds for the Make-A-Wish Foundation.

It will take place on Friday, January 26th, from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. in the RLS gym. Cost is \$5 per person/\$20 max per family

Included in cost: Prizes! Trivia! Pizza! Drinks!

You're invited to play in the RLS CORNHOLE TOURNAMENT on February 23rd from 11:45-1:45 PM!

Please sign up with your team of two - include the ages of each child on your team! A team can consist of friends, father/son, mother/daughter, mother/son, mother/daughter, etc! All members of the RLS community are welcome!

We hope you enjoyed this issue of The Lion's Roar!

Don't forget, we want to hear from you!! Have your voice heard by sending in your ideas for articles, your feedback, and your thoughts!

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