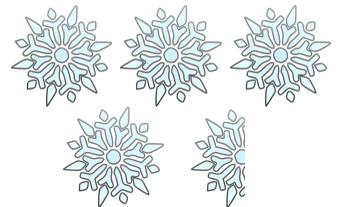


Movie Review: Frozen 2

By Bella Colon-Melendez



Bella's Rating:



Frozen 2, a movie watched by millions of people around the world. Anna, Elsa, Olaf, Kristoff, and the adorable reindeer Sven, go on an adventure far away from the kingdom of Arendelle. To a forest dense with fog so told to Elsa and Anna when they were young by their parents. The group is off on the search for answers. Leading them to some troubles and new beginnings. This movie was so moving and magical. In my opinion, better than the first movie. I cried far more times than I had planned on. I don't normally cry seeing a movie for the first time unless it really touches me. The animation and art were beautiful and the story itself. When everything came full circle and you understood what was happening, it just breaks your heart and the emotion the voice actors put into the characters were amazing. My favorite part I can't get over is Show Yourself. This sequence is the main reason I give it a 4.5/5. This emotionally driven scene is so touching and beautiful, unlike one I've seen before in a Disney movie. Go watch it for yourself and enjoy it for yourself.

Nurse Perspective: An Interview with Ms. Carlson

By: Julianna Jones

- Q:** Is there something more that we need to do during this time besides washing our hands and staying six feet apart?
A: "I use vitamin c and supplements to kinda like boost the immune system."
- Q:** Is there anything you recommend about our health when we are at school?
A: "Use sanitizer, don't be like too close to people because masks can and can't protect you in my opinion."

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Nurse Perspective: An Interview with Ms. Carlson Cont.

3. **Q:** Did you have to do a lot of college to be a school nurse?

A: "I have to take certification programs to be a cna, and then um schools hire LPNs, nurses, and CNAs so I don't have to be a nurse to be hired as a school nurse."

4. **Q:** What is your favorite thing about being a nurse?

A: "Honestly spending the day with you guys and seeing everybody's different personalities and how you guys interact it's definitely a good time."

Pros and Cons of Virtual Learning

By: Arianna Dunigan



Virtual learning is new for all students and teachers across the country, especially here at Pleasant Valley. Like anything, there are pro's and con's.

One student con is that teacher help is delayed compared to last year. For example, if I am stuck on an answer or don't understand a question, I have to email the teacher then wait a few minutes, hours, or even a day for a response! It is frustrating when I can't get a quick answer like how I'm used to. A few cons from a teacher are, "Students may not complete work at home causing them to fall behind, More difficult to receive support in a timely manner, Causes more work for the teachers as they have to record their lessons before teaching them for all students." Another teacher said, "Not seeing everyone every day. Even though I agree with our hybrid model, I can't wait until we can see each other more than two days a week in the future."

A student pro is the ability to be at home more often. When you are doing school at home, you have more independence. You can do school in your pajamas! You can listen to music while you work, and you can even take a midday nap if your work is done. A few pros from a teacher are, "Students can work at their own pace, students can complete work any time of the day, students can rewatch lessons if they do not understand a concept the first time they watch it, and students are able to work in a safe space." Another teacher said, "Being safe! The safety of our school allows us to be in session as much as possible.

The technology! By using technology students and teachers don't need to stress about leaving something behind. This allows them to be productive at all times."



Library V. Netflix: The Last Kids on Earth

By: Ja'Kyrien Herndon

Director: Chris Columbus

Author: Max Brallier

Book Release Date: October 2015

Netflix Release Date: September 2019

Genres: Graphic Novel/Comedy

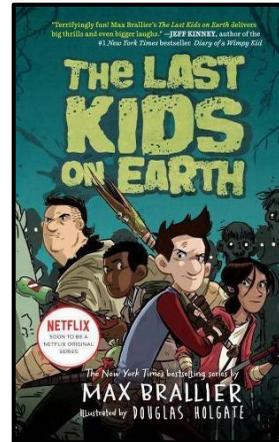
Summary: One day in a normal town a portal opened that allowed zombies and monsters to fall through it. A teen boy, Jack Sullivan, feels he is the only person still alive, so he tries to find others. Through his quest, he finds new friends including June, Durk, Quint, and the monster dog Rover.

Q: Who's my favorite character and why?

A: My favorite character is Quint because he is very smart and makes inventions to help the group survive. One invention was an acid that helped defeat a larger monster.

Q: Where can I read/watch this?

A: You can get the book from Mrs. Sadowski in the library. You can also check out the Peoria Public Library. You can watch the series on Netflix.



Informational: Greater Swiss Mountain Dog

By: George Smith

The Greater Swiss Mountain Dog is a beautiful tricolor dog from Switzerland. It was once used as a farming dog, but is now used as a show dog and a family pet.

Despite their large size, this dog is very gentle especially around kids. They need at least one walk per day to satisfy their needs.

The Swiss Mountain Dog is very easy to train, and is very accepting of new people. They are also very alert and can be used as watch dogs. They have a very smart and friendly nature.



Fun Facts:

- Lifespan: 8-15 years
- No breed specific health issues
- Too large for apartments
- Very social
- Perfect for hiking
- Territorial, but not aggressive
- Nickname: Swissy

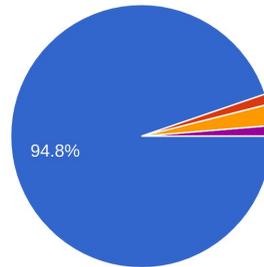
The Christmas Question by: George Smith

This year I made a survey to calculate the christmas traditions at Pleasant valley. I found some very interesting results. The most popular christmas treats were cookies (40%) and hot cocoa (32%). Peppermint ranked last place with 13% and ranking slightly higher we have gingerbread.

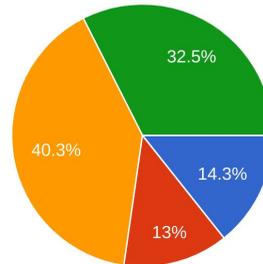
The most popular tradition in the school is christmas(94%) followed by hanukkah(2%) and rohatsu(1%).

Nothing says last minute stocking stuffer like a slinky from the dollar store, but while looking at the data I found some not so jolly stocking stuffers. Here are the top picks for worst stocking stuffers of all time.

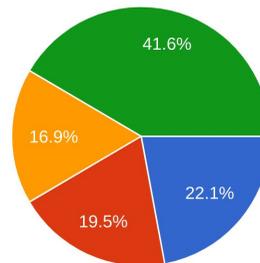
- Toothbrushes (41%)
- Socks (22%)
- Coal (19%)
- Fruit (16%)



- christmas
- yule
- Hanuka
- solstice
- rohatsu
- mawlid el nabi



- ginger bread
- peppermint
- cookies
- hot cocoa



- socks
- coal
- fruit
- toothbrushes

Informational: Hawaii's Active Volcanoes

By: Frank Delvicchio



Two of the world's most active volcanoes - Kilauea and Mauna Loa - can be found on Hawaii Island. Mauna Loa last erupted in 1984, and Kilauea's last eruption was 2018. Other volcanoes on Hawaii Island include Hualālai, and Mauna Kea. Volcanoes can cause a lot of destruction but sometimes they can help the environment because the trees and plants grow back faster and stronger.



Three Career Comparison

By: Aislynn Moran

What do you want to do after you graduate? Below are three different careers and everything you need to know about them.

	Teacher	Dental Hygienist	Surgeon
Job Description	A teacher will educate children between Kindergarten and twelfth grade, which includes the ages five to eighteen.	Dental hygienists are oral health professionals who focus on preventing and treating diseases-both to protect teeth and gums.	Surgeons treat patients for their injuries, such as broken bones; diseases, such as cancerous tumors.
Education Level (years)	4 years of college	2-4 years of college	4 years in college 3-7 years in residency
Program Description	Observe in classrooms. Design and teach lesson plans in front of your classmates Spend a semester student teaching under the supervision of an experienced teacher. <u>Education College Degree Programs</u>	Entry-level programs go over subjects such as: English Speech Psychology Sociology Basic science courses Dental courses <u>Dental hygiene program curriculums</u>	Some common concepts encountered in classes for aspiring physicians: Body structure and function Disease Ethics/Research <u>Physician Courses and Classes Overview</u>
Average Salary	\$30,000 - over \$40,000 a year	An average of \$55,000 a year	An average of \$396,767 a year
Top Ranked Schools	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dallas Baptist University (Dallas, TX) • Texas A&M University (College Station, TX) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New York University (New York, NY) • Oregon Institute of Technology (Klamath Falls, OR) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Duke University (Durham, NC) • University of Pennsylvania (Philadelphia, PA)



Advice Column

By: Arianna Dunigan

1. Lots of homework!

- a. You'll have homework in math, science, reading, language arts, and social studies and they will need to be turned in on time. Online work is usually due at 11:59 pm. Getting work done on time can guarantee you won't have to miss specials to do homework. You could also get snacks (Fruit snacks, chips, etc) or panther bucks just for turning in all of your assignments on time. Getting your work done on time could get you ahead of the class by doing an assignment a day early and not having to worry about it that day.

2. Tests!

- a. Before the test, ask any questions you have and look over the review sheet. If you don't do the homework, you most likely won't do well on the test. Tests are worth 30% of your grade, so make sure you study!

3. Come to class prepared!

- a. Not having everything you need for class can get you a level and can cause you to fall behind since you are missing instruction while getting your material. Always check your backpack to make sure you don't forget something.

4. Keep your grades up!

- a. Keeping your grades up could make sure that you don't miss any of your favorite extracurricular activities. You will miss out on spending time with friends doing fun activities if you are ineligible.

5. Panther Bucks!

- a. By doing all of the above actions you can earn panther bucks! Panther bucks can be used in a variety of ways. You can use them to buy snacks, extra recess, bathroom passes, free seating in the classroom and many more.



College Review

By: Jada Wilson



Bradley University is in Peoria, IL and their colors are red and white. The acceptance rate for Bradley University is 65%. Most students at Bradley earned average grades in high school with mostly A's and B's. In 2012 there were 5,457 students attending Bradley. The average tuition is 25 thousand dollars. Bradley offers 185 academic programs including Executive Master of Business Administration, Master of Science in civil engineering, and Doctor of physical theory and mental health counseling. One famous person who attended Bradley university is Ray Lahood.

At the University of California, the acceptance rate is 15% with a 92% graduation rate. The minimum high school GPA needed to attend is a 3.00. They offer more than 150 academic programs including Arabic, disability studies, and bioengineering, and sustainability design. Their school colors are navy blue and gold. A celebrity that went there is Chris Pine.

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Puzzles

The answers are posted by Mrs. Barrow's room 303.

1. What goes around the world and stays in a corner?
2. Clara Clatter was born on December 27th, yet her birthday is always in the summer. How is this possible?

Jokes by Frank

Q: What do you call an alligator in a vest?

A: An investigator!

Q: Why did the spider go to the computer?

A: To check his web site.

