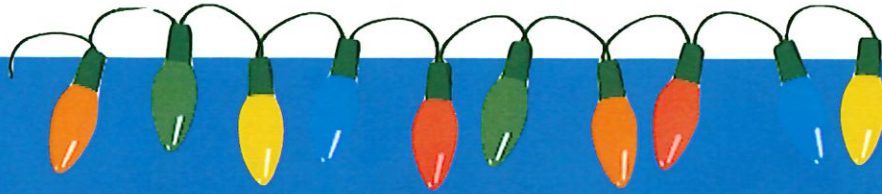


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3rd Annual Dime Line Plus Collection Results in \$2813!

...by Eli Gridley

In the 3rd annual dime line plus collection, both St. Mike's schools raised a huge amount of money. They raised \$2813! The middle school winners were 5th grade and 6a. In the elementary school it was 3rd and 4th grade. The students who are in those classes got to choose the toys ordered and donated. The money not spent on toys will be sent to the Missionary Childhood Association, the Catholic Church's Mission Society for children. The toys will go to two hospitals- Reilly Lehigh Valley Children's Hospital and Children's Hospital of Philadelphia (CHOP). Some of the favorite toy choices were Candyland, Taco vs Burrito, Arts and Crafts Library, Hot Wheels Color Shifters Sharkport Showdown, the Hedbanz Picture Guessing Game, and Create Your Own Bead Pets. There are just so many to choose! There were 50 toys picked between 3rd, 4th, 5th, and 6a. Overall, I think the kids receiving these gifts will have a good Christmas!

St. Mike's students compete in Northeast Cross Country Championship Race!

by Colin Fitzpatrick



Footlocker; now called Eastbay, is a championship cross country race. That only people in the Northeast can sign up for. Our school, St. Michael the Archangel school has been signing up for a couple years now. Now you are all caught up. This year the people who qualified from our team are: Charlotte, Zellie, Andrew, Colin, David, Ollie, Jack, Antonio, Liam, Theo, Gabe, Thomas, Ellie, Caley, Maura, Felicity, and Henry. This year a runner (unnamed) got third place and that is the best place St. Mikes has ever had.

Fun Facts about Footlocker:

It is in New York City.

It was started in 1975.

The person who started it was F.W. Woolworth.

The GRINCH comic

..by Faith Sedicum



Christmas

Trivia

by Eli Gridley



Q: What are two other popular names for Santa Clause?

A: Kris Kringle and Saint Nick

Q: Which popular Christmas beverage is also known as milk punch?

A: Eggnog

Q: In the classic movie, "How the Grinch Stole Christmas" the Grinch was described as which three words

A: Stink, stank, stunk

Q: Which country started the tradition of putting up a christmas tree?

A: Germany

Q: What was the highest grossing Christmas movie all time

A: Home Alone

Q: In the movie It's a Wonderful Life, what happened every time a bell rang

A: An Angel gets its wings

SUDKO from Olivia Lounsberry

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CYO in the Know!

by Colin Fitzpatrick



K-2 Boys stats: after just missing out on a team title all season long, at champs they finally pulled out a win. They won by one point! Isn't that awesome!

K-2 Girls stats: ended up winning at champs, because of all the amazing work they all did!

3-4 Boys stats: in champs to three-four boys got second place. They still had an awesome year!

5-6 Boys stats: won at champs as a team, with an undefeated season! Isn't that crazy!

The 5-6 girls, 7-8boys, girls, and 3-4 girls didn't have enough people to qualify as a team. They still had an outstanding season!

5-6 Boys Basketball: practices are going to be at 6:30-8:00 on Tuesdays. On Fridays at 5:00-6:30. Coach says our first week of December.

5-6 Girls Basketball: practices are Monday and Tuesday, right after school.

7-8 Boys Basketball: practices are Monday and Thursday. Monday is 7:00-8:30. Thursday is 5:45-7:15.

7-8 Girls Basketball: the team only has seven team mates. This team needs a big spark!

5-6 Boys had two great games on December 4 and 5. Their first game they won 44-7. Their second game they also won 48-11

Sources: my brain, dad, and my coach.

The Christmas Orange

by Gavin Kreder



Mrs Baritia, the new book keeper in the front office, gave a very interesting answer for her most memorable Christmas present. We decided to ask her about her answer! This is what she had to say about getting oranges for Christmas!

"The oranges were my favorite Christmas treat because they were only available in Romania in the winter. To this day the smell of oranges reminds me of Christmas! It was a treat and her parents put it under the Christmas Tree. Other than this time it was never seen or purchased. You can buy toys and clothes but you can't buy oranges anytime. St.Nicolas is her name day on Dec. 6th and she would get presents and her birthday is Dec. 11 which she also got presents but the oranges at Christmas was the only time she would get them. The oranges were green and they had to wait until they turned orange so they could be eaten.

I am so excited to be able to introduce St. Michael the Archangel school's first journal. The idea to start the journal was so that students would be able to explore creative writing. I would like to thank Mrs. Chirico for allowing the journal club to start and keep flourishing. Our parent mentors for all their hard work and endless help and our printing press Mrs. Sweterlitsch and Mrs Martin.

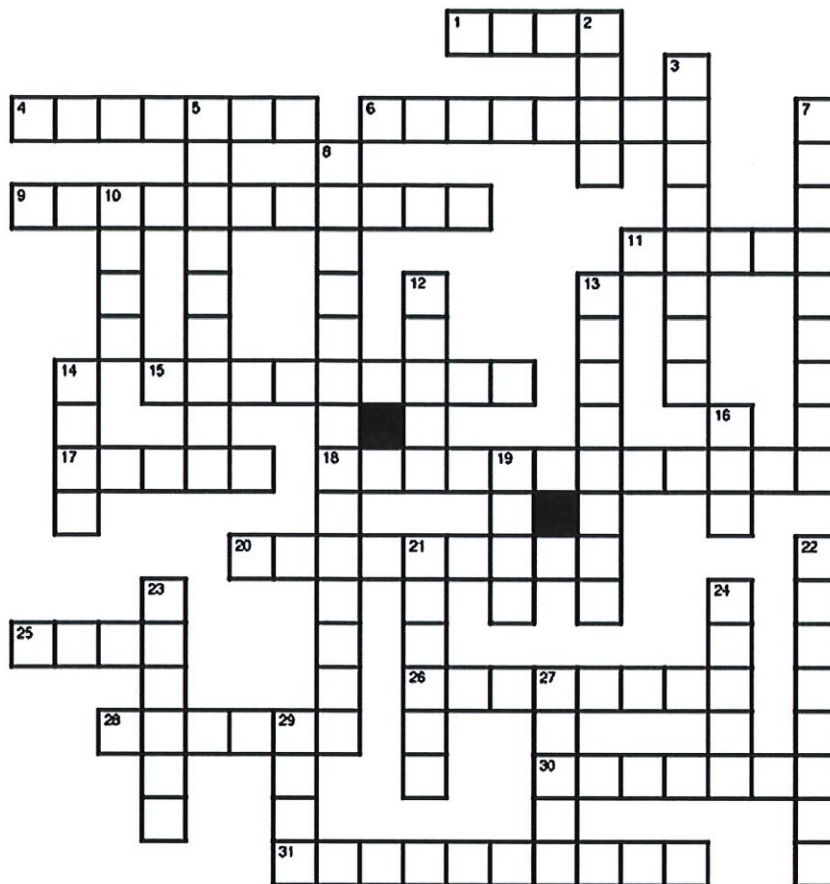
Lastly, I would also like to thank all the journalists for their hard work and creativity!

Happy Holidays!

Olivia Lounsberry
Editor



Christmas Crossword



Merry Christmas!

Across

1. Another word for present.
4. Santa's door?
6. Animals that pull Santa's sleigh.
9. What people put on their Christmas tree.
11. Something on Santa's face.
15. The day after Christmas.
17. Santa's helpers.
18. The day before Christmas.
20. A piece of snow.
25. What Santa gives to bad girls and boys.
26. A sock that hangs by the chimney.
28. People put these bright things on there house.
30. A reindeer with a red nose.
31. A jolly man in a red suit with a beard.

Down

2. Something people decorate.
3. What people give each other.
5. Where Santa's workshop is located.
7. A striped Christmas treat.
8. Drink and food left for Santa.
10. Something people send to each other to say 'Merry Christmas'.
12. The presents are usually _____ the tree.
13. The month of Christmas.
14. Look at a present before you should.
16. The color of Santa's suit.
19. A common decoration for the top of the tree.
21. A famous snowman.
22. The place where Santa makes toys.
23. Santa's car?
24. A common decoration for the top of the tree.
27. A Christmas song.
29. What Santa gives to good girls and boys.



We wish you and your families a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

ENJOY YOUR CHRISTMAS BREAK!



Olivia Lounsberry Audrey VanHauten Eli Gridley Gavin Kreder Faith Sedicum
Colin Fitzpatrick Grant Kanuck Bentley Swiatek Max Stolzer Joey Zientara

How well do you know the St. Mike's staff?

by Joey Zientara

We asked the staff members at St. Mike's to answer the following question:

What is your most memorable Christmas gift ?



Mrs. Korpics: _____

A. cookbook

Mrs. Torres: _____

B. oranges

Mrs. Sweterlitsch: _____

C. art set

Ms. Ross: _____

D. green 10 speed bike

Mrs. Kline: _____

E. my son was born on December 29th and I think that is the best present that God gave me.

Mrs. Ebert: _____

F. British Knight sneakers

Ms. Imlay: _____

G. giant wrinkles dog puppet

Ms. Mickus: _____

H. a puppy

Mrs. Salvatore: _____

I. Leo the Lop

Mr. Olivo: _____

J. Michal Jackson THRILLER album

Miss Anna: _____

K. a watch I always wanted that my mom and dad got me

Mrs. Gano: _____

L. When I was 7 years old, I received a "little girl's" cooking stove that came with dishes. It was a really cool gift.

Mrs Durback: _____

M. The Barbie Fashion Show stage

Mrs. Baritia: _____

N. a guitar

Mrs. Chirico: _____

O. 30th anniversary vow renewal party

Miss Coulier-Moore: _____

P. A record player with Elton John's 'Rocketman' album

Mrs. Martin: _____

Q. My most memorable Christmas gift was from my husband. It was a beautiful necklace. It was special not only for its beauty but for what it symbolized. It was our first Christmas together.

Mrs. Malik: _____

R. a puppy