

Announcement!

By Andre, editor

In this week's article, the game is actually the Christmas riddles. Complete the riddles with the correct answers and turn them into the blue folder by the microwave. If you get them all correct you get \$5 FS Cash! Contest winners from the Dec. 4th issue will be announced Dec. 20th.

Looking Back, Looking Forward

By Tyasia

December birthdays:

- Marta - 4th

Upcoming:

- Winter Wonderland - 18th
- Christmas Eve - 24th
- Christmas - 25th
- New Year's Eve - Dec 31st
- New Years - Jan 1st
- Hanukkah - 22-30th

Ongoing:

- Human Rights Month
- Aids Awareness Month
- Operation Santa Paws (1st-24th)

Student of the month (Nakiya)

By Tyasia

Each month at FSS a student is awarded Student of the Month. They are chosen based on how they show S.O.A.R qualities (Safety, Ownership, Acceptance, and Respect) in school. This month's Student of the Month is Nakiya. I interviewed her on being a Student of the Month and this is what she said.

How do you feel about being awarded student of the month?
- "I feel honored"

What do you think makes a good role model?
- "Someone who cares about the people around them and is responsible."

Who is a good role model to you?
- "Sebastião Salgado"

What advice do you want to give to other students on how to be a good role model?
- "Help those around you and work hard."

Mall Trip

By Nakiya

Dec. 12th was our annual mall trip to the Christiana Mall. The goal of this trip is for students to learn how to manage their medical condition in a real-world experience and spend some free time with their friends and interact with teachers and staff on a different level. The mall was not bustling with people like it normally is as a result of going on a Thursday morning. Students and staff got to get some holiday shopping done. There were cute therapy dogs in Barnes and Noble. Ms. Brittany and Mrs. Tuttle went head-to-head in an old-style video game and Ms. Brittany reigned victoriously. After most of the shopping, it was time for lunch. Students and staff had the option of eating at Chick-Fil-A, Chipotle, Auntie Annes, Dunkin Donuts, Philly Cheesesteaks, and a lot of Asian cuisines. After we ate we had some more time to shop before we had to leave. Kareem and Elijah took this time to get the full Yogibo experience with a bean bag, a blanket, and a cute stuffed animal.



Family Fun Night

By Nakiya

Family fun night was on the menu on Dec. 11th. If you missed it this year, don't miss it the next. The staff turned out in full force with back up from former interns Lindsey and Cierra. There were friendly rivalry and loud bits of laughter involved. Just ask Mrs. Eros! Three kinds of pizza, salad, and more cookies than you could count were served. The veggie pizza was a hit! There were games for all ages such as Bingo, Ring Toss, and Corn Hole that came with gift card prizes if you won. Ms. Brittany got creative with the minute to win it games like cup stacking games, fast grasp, and more! One of the most memorable noises from the night was the loud crashing from the supersized Jenga blocks when they fell. The main rivalry of the night was between Mrs. Eros and Mrs. Adams over a super focused game of Bingo.



What is Kwanzaa?

By Andre

Kwanzaa is an African American and pan-African holiday which celebrates family, community and culture. It was created in 1966 by Dr. Maulana Karenga, a professor of Africana Studies. Kwanzaa, a seven-day cultural festival, begins December 26 and ends January 1. It joins communitarian values and practices of Continental African and African American culture. During the holiday, families and communities organize activities around the *Nguzo Saba* (The Seven Principles): *Umoja* (unity), *Kujichagulia* (Self-Determination), *Ujima* (Collective Work and Responsibility), *Ujamaa* (Cooperative Economics), *Nia* (Purpose), *Kuumba* (Creativity) and *Imani* (Faith). Participants also celebrate with feasts (karamu), music, dance, poetry, narratives, and end the holiday with a day dedicated to reflection and recommitment to The Seven Principles and other cultural values.



Information from Kwanzaa's official website: officialkwanzaawebsite.org

Christmas Riddles

By Nakiya

I come with many colors, so beautiful and bright, I turn so many houses into a beautiful sight. What am I?

I am a catchy carol and a tune which likes to rhyme, I contain 12 grand gifts that come around Christmas time. What am I?

If the end of the year is on December 31st, then what is the end of Christmas?

What kind of egg can you drink?

What is another term for Christmas?

What is Santa's real name?

What are the names of Santa's reindeer?

What do naughty children receive on Christmas?

Decorate Your Own Christmas Tree Ornament!

(You can cut this out and put it on your tree!)

