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EDITORIAL

It's raining clickbait: the Trump campaign's use of dog and cat memes in the presidential election

By: Sophia Lee

On Tuesday, September 10, the United States of America saw their first presidential debate with candidates Donald Trump and Kamala Harris. Both took the stage to speak on their policies and campaigns for this election.

When questioned about immigration and border security, Trump responded by claiming millions of illegal migrants were entering the country, invading towns such as Springfield, Ohio, which has a large Haitian immigrant community.

"In Springfield, they're eating the dogs... They're eating the cats," he stated. During the debate, the city manager of Springfield responded to say there were no credible reports of specific claims of pets being harmed, injured or abused. Trump responded saying he had heard local reports from residents who have allegedly witnessed pets being eaten.

Trump's running mate, Ohio Senator JD Vance, acknowledges the claim may not be true. "The American media totally ignored this stuff until Donald Trump and I started talking about cat memes," he stated when interviewed by CNN. "If I have to create stories so that the American media actually pays attention to the suffering of the American people, then that's what I'm going to do."

The story is gaining traction. Memes have flooded social media, and the original audio clip of Donald Trump has been turned into a popular song that circulates social media platforms including Tiktok and Instagram. By Monday, over 47,000 posts were shared on platform X.

The Springfield community has faced multiple security concerns following the statement. The city hall closed due to a bomb threat on Friday. Two elementary schools were also evacuated, along with two local hospitals going into lockdown. Schools continue to close this Monday, with two more shutting down.

The mayor of Springfield, Rob Rue, repeated on Tuesday that there were no documented cases of immigrants eating pets. "Rumors like these are taking away from the real issues," he said at a meeting of the city commission.

The Trump administration is split on the statement. Republican Ohio Governor Mike DeWine denied claims of illegal Haitian migrants. "...The Haitians who are in Springfield are legal. They came to Springfield to work," the governor stated. "This is a piece of garbage that is simply not true."

Others agree with Vance's statement on the need to spotlight the information. "Just, suffice to say, he was aware of it. He decided to bring it up," Tim Murtaugh, a senior Trump adviser, told NBC News. "Now it's a major story. We would otherwise probably not be talking about immigration if not for that."

While the dog and cat rumors themselves are proving to be controversial, it's the intent behind them that's problematic. Spreading groundless claims under the justification of ensuring "...the American media actually pays attention," as Vance said, is an irresponsible stance. So called clickbaiting – the use of outrageous headlines, catchphrases, or statements that may or may not be factual in order to engage audience attention – has long been criticized in news and other media as the cause of widespread misinformation. However, the Trump campaign has not only condoned, but actively advocated for the practice.

This lends credibility to the use of clickbait. This is a nation-wide campaign that reaches thousands of people across the United States. Prominent figures such as Elon Musk have posted memes referring to the claim. Official Republican party social media channels have also released posts mentioning the statement. All of these generate millions of views. Whether the claims themselves are taken seriously or not, they have an undeniable impact on the audience they reach.

It has framed clickbait as a legitimate justification for misinformation. The implications this has on the objectivity of information and news shared to the public are alarming. This comes at a time where the media already struggles with fact-checking information and legitimizing sources across the Internet.

Additionally, the memes trivializes the situation being faced in Springfield because of the statement. While major city buildings continue to face bomb threats and security concerns increase for the community, Vance said on X "to keep the cat memes coming." The Trump campaign has been held to no accountability regarding the impact they have had on the residents of Springfield due to their irresponsible spreading of misinformation. Even if they intended to use the memes only to spotlight other immigration issues, the rumors still carry real life repercussions that affect the immigrant community.

Currently, Kamala Harris leads in the polls by a 6 point margin. With the elections set in November, both candidates will continue their campaigns across the country.

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By: Maya Wilson
& Catherine Ang

William Aberhart's Welcome Back BBQ: Bringing Back School Spirit

Thanks to the leadership team's efforts, hard work, and staff members' support, students at Aberhart kicked off the 2024 school year with a lively Welcome Back BBQ.

On Friday, September 6, the BBQ was held in Aberhart's field — the afternoon consisted of food, lawn games, music, and perfect barbeque weather. Students filled the field, some enjoying volleyball and spike ball matches. In contrast, others relaxed with friends, enjoying the freshly grilled hotdogs, snacks, and drinks, as well as the vegetarian, halal, and kosher options provided.

With back-to-school nerves and the scramble to return to old routines, this barbecue was the perfect way to reconnect and re-energize the Aberhart spirit. The teachers and leadership members are dedicated to furthering our

schools' sense of unity through pep rallies, more frequent homerooms, and school-wide events. Coming out of COVID, the return of "...all of these things are a process," as Mme. Trudel, the dance and social studies teacher, remarked. The leadership team is committed to making it happen.

the BBQ, the leadership team worked closely with homerooms to encourage student participation. Leading up to Friday, activities had been planned in the additional homeroom classes, such as the class playlists, which were played during the barbeque, adding a personalized touch to the event.

The event ended up drawing in a lot of people and did an amazing job of bringing the students together. Students who were interviewed expressed their appreciation and enthusiasm towards the BBQ. According to eleventh grader, Colin Sam, "this has been the most participation of any event I've seen at Abe." The enthusiasm of the students was really what made the BBQ such a success.



A lot of preparation went into ensuring the event's success. Amy, one of the student leaders for the leadership team responsible for the event, explained the process and consideration that went into this project. "We had to split up a bunch of people, make sure everybody was getting what they needed foodwise, [...] planning how many games we needed, expected turnout, things like that. [Also] changing the times of the bells today so that we can make this work, everything like that is what kind of went into planning this."



The school hopes that students will continue to look forward to upcoming events, and that they will continue to boost school spirit and create a positive, lasting impact on William Aberhart's community.

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The Advocate

Do you have a passion for writing? Are you able to creatively express your thoughts through written words to bring readers valued information, or do you simply want to develop your writing skills and find a useful way to spend your time? The Advocate is created by Aberhart's Newspaper Club, consisting of newspaper issues creatively put together by devoted students to bring our high school information about current world events, sports, and events at Aberhart that you don't want to miss! Come by Room 114 on Wednesdays at lunch hour to learn more about this welcoming club. Indulge yourself with the art of writing and reporting and even join our design team if writing isn't your thing! Expand your creativity, join The Advocate.

Diversity Club

Come join Diversity Club, where you can learn and celebrate the many cultures of Aberhart. If you are passionate about engaging the student body in exploring different cultures or organizing events like Culture Day, then come join in Room 325 on Thursdays at lunch.

Terry Fox Foundation

By: Emaan Saeed and Mariam Fatima

Terry Fox remains an inspiring symbol of hope and perseverance for Canadians. In 1980, despite losing a leg to cancer, the 22-year-old athlete embarked on the "Marathon of Hope," a cross-country run to raise funds for cancer research. His goal was to run across Canada, raise awareness and money for cancer research. Although he passed away in 1981, Fox's dream lives on through the annual Terry Fox Run, which has raised over \$850 million globally for cancer research. His courage, determination and selflessness continue to inspire people of all ages.

Terry Fox has had a significant impact on Aberhart. This year, Aberhart created a challenge for all homerooms for the Terry Fox Foundation. The challenge was to raise the most money out of all homerooms. Whichever homeroom contributes the most donations towards the Terry Fox Foundation wins an ice cream sandwich party. Everybody was welcome to participate in this challenge to win themselves and their homeroom an ice cream sandwich party.

This was a great initiative to both raise school spirit and unity along with giving back to the community. The Terry Fox Foundation, established in 1988, fundraisers for cancer awareness, research, and to continue Terry Fox's legacy.



They continue his mission to raise a loonie for every Canadian along the Marathon of Hope. The competition fostered school spirit leading up to the run itself. Despite the rain on the day of, the run took place with enthusiasm from students and volunteers. After the run in the rain, the students returned back to the warm school to enjoy some hot chocolate, ice tea and snacks, organized by the leadership club.

The school has really taken a new approach to this day and has started to add more things to the day to make it more enjoyable for the students. When asked how the run was going, one teacher exclaimed, "[it] feels like when I was in high school. I'm having a good time!", while another student commented on the energy in the school during the run. "I think it's really cool. It's really great. I've seen a lot of school spirit happening because of it". When asked about the homeroom fundraising challenge, the student added, "I actually think it's a really good thing because it has encouraged a lot of people to step in and donate!"

As of the date of printing, Ms. Gillis' homeroom class has raised the largest amount for the Terry Fox Foundation with a total of \$515. Aberhart's goal for the year is to raise \$10 per student, for a total of \$13,000.

Robotics Team

The Aberhart Robotics Team is kicking off again after their huge success getting third place last year at provincials in Red Deer! If you have a knack for computer science or an eye for design and constructing, then come check out the Robotics club to learn more about building robots and competing! Robotics is open to beginners who want to gain experience in coding and learn about building robots with a team. Meetings are Mondays and Wednesdays from 3:15 to 4:15 p.m. in Portable Two.

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Comic by: Chelsea Ji

Edge-of-Your-Seat Action: This Year's Fall Classic Volleyball Tournament

By: *Emmerson Budyk*

Aberhart's athletic teams, known for their dominance in the Calgary Senior High School Athletic Association, continued to shine at this year's action-packed Fall Classic Volleyball Tournament, which took place on September 12th. The Senior Boys Volleyball Team played two nail-biting games against Central Memorial High School and Crescent Heights High School, defending their reputation.

Aberhart's first game against the Central Memorial Rams was a hard one. It brought Aberhart Orange fans out of their seats—cheering and rooting for the win. The game initially looked rough for Aberhart, as they lost three points early on. However, Aberhart found their footing. It only took a few points for them to get going; as soon as they started moving, there was nothing stopping them.

Ultimately, Central Memorial kept it close. After a beautiful serve from Jeff Wang (#3), the score was 9-8 for Aberhart. Aberhart was able to keep slightly ahead with several hard earned rallies and difficult points. Eventually, they had managed to pull ahead, winning the first set and preparing for the second one.



The second set was even closer than the first. Central Memorial had the first serve, and let Aberhart take the first point. Quick points by Aberhart followed by quick points by their opponent kept the score tied ... until Aberhart started to pull away. With many barely in-bounds spikes and dangerous serves, Aberhart won the second set 25-16 and took the game.

After a brief break, Aberhart was back on the court with more team spirit and determination than ever. Fired up for their second game, Aberhart Orange challenged the Crescent Heights Cowboys. The first couple of points in this game gave Crescent Heights an early advantage. A commanding block from Crescent Heights stopped a spike from Aberhart, and the point gap was further widened. Aberhart fought hard through the next few exchanges. With lots of grit and determination, the score was tied at 11-11. The game went on much longer, including back-and-forths, wins and losses on both sides, and intense rallies. A gorgeous spike by Aberhart tied the game yet again at 23-23. In the end, the set went to Crescent Heights with a final score of 23-25.



Every move counted in set number two. Crescent Heights used that to their advantage and started to pull ahead by capitalising small mistakes made by Aberhart. The point gap became enormous, but Aberhart started to earn their points back with a couple of quick and powerful hits over the net.

The end of this set was certainly an exciting one. Crescent served into the net, quickly followed by an out-of-bounds serve by Aberhart. A score of 22-24 for Crescent Heights had Aberhart fans at the edge of their seats, willing their team to score the points they needed to keep their chance at winning the set. Aberhart scored the necessary point, bringing the score to 24-24. Eventually, Aberhart pulled the set together, winning it with a score of 27-25.

Winning 3 out of 4 sets at this Fall Classic was an amazing achievement for the Aberhart community! Congratulations to Aberhart's Senior Boys Volleyball Team!

Chess Club

Want a place to hone your chess skills or learn the basics of the game? The Chess Club invites players of all skill levels to play! Club sessions are on Mondays and Thursdays at lunch in Room 127.

Teacher Interview: Mr. Decock Edition

By: Ruby Tovich

Just for the record here, could you please state your name and what you teach?

Mr. Breyden Decock, I teach physical education.

Could you tell us a little bit about yourself?

Growing up I played hockey, I grew up in Calgary, and I actually went to William Aberhart high school when I was a kid. Later, I went to the University of Calgary, where I continued playing hockey. I still play all the time, but I also enjoy mountain biking and road biking.

What is your favourite physical education unit to teach and why?

Probably basketball, there's always a lot of competition and students usually love it. I used to teach science at Churchill as well.

Because you're a physical education teacher, how many pull ups can you do?

I'd say around 20.

What are some things you like about teaching at Abe? Since you said you taught at Churchill for a little bit, do you find that it's "better" here?

I don't know if I can say that, the atmosphere's a little different. In smaller sized schools I feel like it's a bit more of a closer knit community, so you have more students involved in multiple things, which is nice to see. As for the school culture, I love to see everyone dressed up in their finest attire for Filthy Friday, which is something that was just starting to be popularized back when I attended Abe. It's definitely changed, before people would just show up in Value Village clothing. Now it's a little bit crazier, it's cool though.

If you had to teach a different subject that was not physical education or science, what would you want to teach?

I'd probably want to teach something like mechanics. I love doing my own auto work, although I did not take mechanics when I was at Abe. I took the sciences and french, so I didn't have much room left for it.

If the Aberhart staff were in the Hunger Games, who would you want to make an alliance with? What is your strategy for picking your person?

Probably Ms.Thibeault, she's pretty tall. She can grab things that I can't. I'm around 5'8", though my hockey stats would definitely tell otherwise.

What is an underrated part of taking Abe physical education?

Usually people think that you're only playing sports, which is honestly pretty far from the truth. You're learning many other things besides just sports. It's the basic skills that you learn that can benefit you in the long run, so when you're finally in the workforce or doing something else, it gives you a pastime, a hobby, perhaps. You can find what you're passionate about.

Did you enjoy your high school years? Did you enjoy taking physical education when you were at Abe?

I did, yeah. I also took Sports Performance. I do remember my teacher being Ms.Lloyd, she used to teach here a few years back, but she's retired now. I have some fond memories of gym class, it was a good time in high school for sure.

Do the pinnies actually get washed?

They do! They actually got washed today, you can quote me on that.

What is a fun or little known fact about you?

My family has a place out in the Shuswap, I spend a lot of my summer water skiing, slalom skiing to be specific.

What was the last book you read, and how long ago did you read it?

Oh my gosh. Well I'm expecting a kid in October, I'm around three quarters of the way through a baby book, but I haven't quite finished it. A preparation book if you will.

Do you have any thoughts on the Aberhart mascot suit?

Do we have a mascot suit? I've heard we have a Gritty suit. To be honest, I haven't seen it yet. My friend played for the Philadelphia Flyers, so I've seen Gritty in person before. He's hilarious.

What sports do you watch on TV? What teams do you cheer for?

I'm definitely a hockey fan, and I also love to watch F1. I used to be a Detroit fan when I was growing up, because of my favourite player at the time, but I'm still a Flames fan at heart. I've always been a fan of Redbull and Max Verstappen as well.

What are some outdoor activities you enjoy doing in Alberta?

Definitely mountain biking. Whenever I have a chance on the weekend or after school, I try to head out to Bragg Creek or Moose Mountain and rip the trails.

How did you wind up teaching at Abe?

To be honest, when I was done school here and went to university I knew I wanted to come back to Abe eventually. It was kind of my goal to get back here, I wanted to start teaching, high school, specifically. I worked at Churchill for the past 8 years, and then a position opened up here and I was able to get back to Abe, so it worked out full circle.

Thank you for agreeing to this interview, the students will love to hear from the newest member of our physical education department!

No problem, Can't wait to read it

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October in Calgary

By: Tess Wilton

For you and the community:
Hoping to make a positive impact on your community this month?
Wanting to build up your resume or university application? Try these exciting opportunities to accomplish both!

Run & Walk for a cause

Sunday, October 6th: Canadian Cancer Society CIBC Run for the Cure. Run the 1 km or 5 km loop to raise funds for cancer research and patient support.

Sunday, October 13th: Alzheimer Calgary Walk & Run, sign up for the 1 km, 5 km, or 10 km race online and help raise funds to support those affected by dementia in Calgary. If you prefer, you can also participate online and run the race on your own time.

HISTORY OF NATIONAL DAY OF TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION

By: Emily Ren

On September 30th, the entirety of Canada will commemorate the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation in remembrance of all the children who lost their lives, as well as those who survived, in the Canadian government's residential schools, and the Indigenous families and communities impacted by this continuous pain and loss. Each year, it grows more and more evident the importance of remembering this dark chapter of our past, and to listen to the voices of the Indigenous peoples as the impacts of these schools are still felt deeply to this day.

One cannot talk about Truth and Reconciliation Day without talking about Orange Shirt Day. Orange Shirt Day started when Phyllis Webstad shared her story at a gathering held by the St. Joseph Mission

Volunteer

Volunteer with Youth Central Calgary, sign up online for free and you will have access to a plethora of exciting opportunities that will allow you to gain more skills, as well as volunteer experience which you can put on your resume or university application.

If you have an affinity for animals, volunteer with AARCS or the Calgary Humane Society by signing up online.

University open houses:

University of Alberta open house - Saturday, October 19th, 9am-3pm

Mount Royal University open house - Saturday, October 19th, 9am-3pm

University of Calgary open house - Saturday, October 26th, 9am-3pm

University of Lethbridge open house - Saturday, October 26th, 10am-3pm

Commemoration Project and Reunion. The goal of the gathering was to bring together residential school survivors and their families together in order to share experiences, as well as to help with healing. Webstad described how when she turned 6 years old, her grandmother brought her to town in order to pick out something new to wear. Webstad chose a brand new orange shirt for her first day of school. She loved that orange shirt and was proud to wear it. However, on Webstad's first day of school, she and the rest of the children were forcibly stripped and could only wear the clothing given to them by the school. Since then, Webstad has stated that "[t]he colour orange has always reminded me of that and how my feelings didn't matter, how no one cared and how I felt like I was worth nothing. All of us little children were crying, and no one cared."

Webstad's story eventually spread all around Canada, and it was decided for the orange shirt to become a symbol of remembrance. September 30th was chosen for Orange Shirt Day because for generations

Weekend plans

It's larch season! Head out on a walk or hike to appreciate the beautiful larches and fall colors. If you are searching for a walk in the city, try North Glenmore Park. If you are keen, head out to Arnica Lake for a 10km out and back, or Larch Valley for an 8-12 km hike. Enjoy the changing seasons and make sure you bring your bear spray!

October 5th: Check out the Alberta Wilderness Association 12 km guided hike from Aura Creek to Horse Lake. You will have the opportunity to learn about the effects of logging on Alberta ecosystems. Sign up on their website for the donation of your choice.

Looking for a cozy, fall study spot? Check out Higher Ground in Kensington. With lots of tables, yummy food, and delicious drinks, this cafe is the perfect place to get lots of homework done or meet up with a friend.

A hot new single has entered the villa, check out Brooklyn Dumpling Shop, the New York dumpling shop that has just opened a location in Calgary. They have innovative dumpling flavors such as bacon cheeseburger, macaroni and cheese, lamb gyro, and even dessert dumplings!

it marked the day where Indigenous children were forcibly taken from their families in order to attend residential schools. In June 2021, the federal holiday of National Truth and Reconciliation Day was created and coincides with Orange Shirt Day. Both days share the common goal of commemorating all who have been affected by the residential schools as well as listening to Indigenous voices.

Learning and listening should not be confined to only September 30, but something we strive to do as often as we can. Continue your research and expand your knowledge on impacts such as Truth and Reconciliation with the following website sources:

Assembly of First Nations
Inuit Tapiriit Kanatami
Métis National Council
Legacy of Hope Foundation
Reconciliation Canada

By: Aneurin Evans

This Month in History - October

October is most widely celebrated for the spooky holiday Halloween. Halloween was founded based on old Celtic (specifically Irish and Scottish) traditions, based around the ancient “holiday” Samhain. This was the equivalent of a Celtic New Year, celebrated on November 1st. The traditions were thought to connect the living druids and priests with otherworldly entities and gods. October 31st was, in a way, their New Year’s Eve, which they commemorated with bonfires, fortune telling and dressing in the hides of animals. These Celtic Samhain traditions were altered and combined with Roman festivities over time, and eventually morphed into the holiday we know and love now.

Halloween is celebrated differently around the world. In Canada and the United States, it’s common to trick-or-treat without much cultural significance.

In Latin American countries such as Mexico, Día de los Muertos (Day of the Dead) is celebrated on the 1st of November, which has similar themes of death and life to the traditional Celtic Samhain. In Portugal, they have something similar called Dia de Todos os Santos (Day of Saints and Martyrs.)

Despite the popularity of the holiday and having close ties with Britain, which shares some modern festivities with the more Americanised version of Halloween, Australia doesn’t celebrate. This is due to their weather, which is different from northern continents, and the cultural divide between the USA and Oceania.

For westerners, costumes are a staple of Halloween and have been for centuries. Take a look at some old-timey Halloween costumes from bygone eras!

HALLOWEEN FACTS:

1 - During Samhain, people would carve faces into turnips and other roots and vegetables to ward off evil spirits. Today, this is called jack-o’-lantern carving and is a common Halloween activity!

2 - The aptly-named horror movie Halloween (1978) is considered one of the most iconic horror films of all time. The villain, a jumpsuit-clad Michael Myers, is known for his creepy white mask. Interestingly, this mask is actually a cheap party mask based on the original Star Trek TV show, based on William Shatner’s Captain Kirk, and spray painted white.

3 - Last year, in 2023, the most popular Halloween costume was Barbie, based on Greta Gerwig’s blockbuster film. In 2021 & 2022, the most common costumes were witch costumes.

4 - People have always wondered about how much fake blood has been used over the years in the horror industry. One man, Kynan Eng, theorised that over 619,000 litres of fake blood have been used. Last year’s Evil Dead Rise used 6500 litres, and the record for the most fake blood used in a horror film goes to 2013’s Evil Dead from the same franchise.

5 - Released in 1986, the 3-minute film Le Manoir du Diable/The House of the Devil, is considered to be the oldest horror movie. In the 1930s, horror took off as a genre, spawning adaptations of “classic” monsters such as Frankenstein (1931), Dracula (1931) and The Mummy (1932).



(Top)
Halloween costumes from the 1980s

(Bottom)
Trick-or-Treaters dressed up from the 1950s



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Hidden Gems: Alternatives to Commercialized Destinations

By: Laura Zitkova

Have you ever wanted to visit the Eiffel Tower? Or the Colosseum? How about the Taj Mahal? New travel destinations are breaking records, and popular cities are creating headlines around the world like never before. Over the past year, travel rates have gone up by 17.23%, amassing a significant 1.53 billion tourists so far in 2024. This expanding trend negatively affects the economic and social health of cities around the world, especially in Europe.

History of tourism vs modern tourism:

Tourism has been around for a long time, as the origin can be traced back to the 17th century, when people would tour around European countries, with the main purpose of amassing knowledge on history, arts, and cultural heritage. It was considered a source of education, and was mainly available to young nobles and upper class citizens. When the industrial revolution began in the 18th century, major economical, social, and technological transformations took place around the world, which resulted in more travel, mainly due to work opportunities in the new industries. This huge change resulted in new forms of entertainment, and a desire for new cultural experiences, which is known in our modern world as tourism.



Today, the tourism industry affects a large amount of income of all countries, and some, such as the Maldives, rely heavily on the industry to thrive. According to the World Travel & Tourism Council, travel and tourism directly contributed to 7.7 per cent of Venice's GDP in 2022, and the Spanish city of Barcelona received around 26 million visitors in 2023. After the Covid-19 pandemic, which dropped travel rates globally, the level of tourism still hasn't fully recovered to the point at which it was at before. It's estimated that international travel will reach 80 per cent to 95 per cent this year. In addition to that, travel has become increasingly more accessible, with an emerging middle class and the promotion of new destinations through technology.

Cons of Tourism:

There's no doubt that the demand for travel has been building up post-pandemic, though mass tourism has proven to be a problem for people all around the world. Tourism affects the quality of life for locals, some examples including: rising food prices, housing and rental shortages, and more. The detrimental effects that tourism has caused for locals in cities goes far beyond this though, as some European cities, such as Sicily and Barcelona, have experienced water shortages during the hot summer months, and environmental destruction to their ecosystems. In 2023, Amsterdam's council banned cruise ships altogether, as a measure on controlling both emissions and visitors in the city. Tourism already places a strain on natural resources through consumeristic over-consumption, therefore rising numbers are not aiding the issue at hand.

Pros of tourism:

Of course, there are benefits to tourism as well. Many large travel destinations rely immensely on the tourism industry as a means to make profit, as well as providing millions of jobs to citizens. It offers great economic benefits for many countries around the globe, which can contribute to anything, ranging from infrastructure and development to maintaining the environment and alleviating poverty.

The future of tourism:

Some cities have implemented encouraging ways to welcome tourists, such as motivating visitors to help with city clean up in exchange for free access or discounts to attractions. Ultimately, the goal is to contribute to the quality of life of the citizens, while still making the experience enjoyable for the visitors.

So what is the solution? Simply, there isn't a direct solution to this problem, as the population only grows, and demands do too. Detering tourists isn't the answer, balance and responsibility is. There are many ways to be a responsible tourist, you can limit your expenses, find new underrated locations, or travel in the off season. Though the demand will always be high, it's possible to diminish the negative consequences going forwards. The prosperity of our economic and social systems rely on a balanced and healthy consumerist lifestyle, and it's the least we can do to make travel more pleasant for everyone!



Leadership and Social Action Club

Is taking action to help others by playing a positive role in your school important to you? This impactful club takes part in the planning and volunteering for school events, as well as initiating campaigns focusing on local, national, and international social action and social justice issues. This is the club that gets things done and makes things happen! Meetings are Mondays at lunch in Room 108. Talk to Mr. Beland to join! To raise awareness about important issues and to get that rewarding feeling from helping out with school events, join the Aberhart Leadership Club.

Escalating Tensions: The Risk of Full-Scale War Between Hezbollah and Israel Looms Over the Region

By: Finn McRae

The potential for the escalation of a conflict between Hezbollah and Israeli forces is on the minds of leaders in the region, with Hezbollah warning of “huge losses” if the conflict escalates to a full-scale war, and Israel’s Defense Minister Yoav Gallant said that “military action” is “the only way” for Israel to return its displaced citizens.

Since Hamas’ October 7th attack sparked the war in Gaza, the Iranian-backed Lebanese group Hezbollah has traded near daily cross-border fire with Israeli forces, claiming that its attacks are a show of solidarity with Palestinians in Gaza. Both sides have been launching rockets, mortars, and drones across the border.

This conflict has displaced hundreds of thousands of civilians on both sides of the border, which has been a centerpiece in recent discussions of the conflict. It has also led to civilian deaths, with particularly heavy civilian casualties in Lebanon.

“The only way left to return the residents of the north to their homes is via military action,” Israel’s Defense Minister said on September 16th while discussing the situation with the American envoy Amos

Hochstein. On the subject, Hezbollah’s second in command, Naim Qassem, warned that a full-scale war would displace hundreds of thousands of more Israelis.

When it comes to escalation, on September 14th, Mr. Qassem said Hezbollah has no intention of going to war as they “consider that this would not be useful”. He did add however, that if full-scale war were to break out, there would be “large losses on both sides”.

For his part, Mr. Gallant “emphasised that the possibility for an agreement is running out as Hezbollah continues to ‘tie itself’ to Hamas, and refuses to end the conflict,” according to a statement by Israel’s defense ministry regarding the meeting between Mr. Gallant and the US envoy.

Further exacerbating the tensions, on September 17th paggers used by Hezbollah exploded across the country, causing a wave of injuries with the New York Times reporting that there were at least 12 dead, including 2 children, and thousands more injured. The next day, on the 18th, a second wave of explosions, this time targeting walkie-talkies, left another wave of casualties in its wake. Lebanese officials have said that 20 people were killed

and hundreds more injured in this second wave of attacks. It is unclear how this attack occurred, however Hezbollah has pointed the finger of blame at Israel saying that “We hold the Israeli enemy fully responsible for this criminal aggression”. As of publishing, Israeli officials have declined to comment on the attacks.

Lebanese Prime Minister Najib Mikati called the attacks a “serious violation of Lebanese sovereignty and a crime by all standards”.

“This treacherous and criminal enemy will certainly receive its just punishment for this sinful aggression, whether it expects it or not,” Hezbollah said of Israel in response to the pager attack.

The conflict between Hezbollah and Israel goes all the way back to Hezbollah’s founding in the Lebanese civil war. Hezbollah was created in response to Israel’s invasion of southern Lebanon in 1982. Even after Israel’s withdrawal across the Blue Line (a demarcation line dividing Lebanon from Israel established by the UN to determine when Israel had fully withdrawn from Lebanon), the conflicts did not cease.



Debate Club

Do you have little to no experience in debate, or are you a seasoned disputer that wants to build more confidence in public speaking skills? Join the friendly, no-pressure environment of the Aberhart Debate Club to gain skills around how to articulate arguments and clarify your ideas, all the while having tons of fun with other like-minded students. Club members will enjoy learning debate skills and will gradually gain enough confidence to even compete against students from other schools in a few local debate tournaments if they wish. Practices are Tuesdays after school in Room 232.

The Correlation Between Stress and Highschoolers

By: Addison Carr

Imagine navigating the labyrinth of academic pressure, social expectations, extracurricular commitments, and future uncertainties, all while legally classifying as a child. For many high school students, this is a recurring reality awaiting every morning. With exponential evidence, it's noted that modern-day high schoolers are experiencing spikes of chronic stress and mental health struggles, due to escalating academic duress.



Recent statistics draw attention to a perturbing pattern in adolescent mental health, with a remarkable elevation in stress levels among the general high school population. According to The Journal of Adolescent Health, in August 2024, recent studies showed that 40 percent of students experienced a decline in academic performance throughout the 2023-2024 school year. The same research exhibited a 25 percent increase in school absenteeism. Another recent survey conducted by The National Institute of Mental Health (NIMH) conveyed that 50 percent of students experience some sort of mental disorder by the time they reach 18. The harsh yet direct cause of such mental illnesses derives from the neglectful eye society turns on said affected individuals.

The few years called high school are said to be the most important of one's life.

This is, false, yet this ideology is why it is so common to crack under the societal pressure of academic success in high school. As a teenager in 2024, stress can arise from not only schoolwork but also family issues, friendships, and social media. When students face too much stress, it can lead to feelings of anxiety, irritability, and exhaustion. Over time, ongoing stress can affect physical health, leading to headaches or trouble sleeping, and can also impact relationships, school performance, and most importantly, mental health.

Although some students view it as a menial task, education is a privilege in the end. With the help of the right coping mechanisms, school does not always have to result in chronic stress that lasts a lifetime. Said coping mechanisms include effective time management, such as implementing designated homework time into

a daily routine, which results in the alleviation of overwhelming feelings.

Practicing mindfulness strategies, including meditation, or deep breathing exercises can also be beneficial, bringing relaxation and focus into one's life. Additionally, seeking proper support from other friends, family, therapists, guidance, counselors, or teachers can bring encouragement in place of isolation. Finally, setting small realistic goals and celebrating the small achievements in life can boost ambition, along with a positive mindset.

In conclusion, the pressures of high school can create a massacre of stress that remarkably impacts students' mental health and overall prosperity. Accepting the reality of these challenges is the first step toward fostering a healthier environment for all adolescents. By implementing effective coping strategies, such as time management, mindfulness, and seeking support, students can navigate this challenging period of their lives more successfully. Society needs to recognize the importance of mental health in education and provide access to the necessary resources and support systems. Ultimately, by prioritizing well-being over mere academic achievement, we can help high schoolers prosper, not just survive, during these critical years.

Dance Club

Are you interested in entering the world of dance, or are you already a seasoned dancer? The Aberhart Dance Club has a place for you! In this exhilarating club you can get exercise, meet new people, and have fun, all while learning choreography and even performing at school events! Take the center stage and express yourself with the exciting art of dancing. See Ms. Trudel in Room 318 for more information and to sign up! Practices are in the Drama room, Room 128, on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Fridays after school.

Improvisational Theatre and Audio-Visual Club

Is acting and performing things on the spot right up your alley? Join Improvisational Theatre Club today! This club is a fun way to make new friends with similar interests, and helps build up your confidence in speaking and thinking on the spot! Students have the opportunity to perform if interested, or can just join to have some fun and gain some experience in the world of performance art. Meetings are Tuesdays at lunch in the Drama room, Room 128. See Ms. Peters to sign up!

Audio-Visual Club

If you like to do important work behind the scenes, the Aberhart Audio-Visual Club is for you. It teaches students to be responsible for planning, running, and designing sound and lighting during school dramatical productions as well as concerts and assemblies. Please see Ms. Peters for more information.

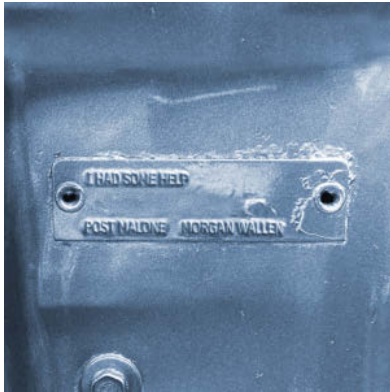
Music Review

By: Oliver K. & Kyu M.

Are you looking for hot new music? Here are the top 10 songs from the Billboard Hot 100 for the month of September! So buckle up and get ready for these juicy takes, courtesy of Abe's monthly paper!

1. A Bar Song (Topsy) - By Shaboozey

In an interview with Katie Neal, when questioned about his hot hit, Shaboozey stated "It's just a feel-good song... As soon as you hear it, your worries go away". This song features a catchy chorus and the unique addition of a fiddle, blending elements of pop, country, folk, and hip-hop. Looking deeper into the storytelling, it suggests someone who may be experiencing struggles and just trying to get by. Shaboozey portrays the joyful, slightly hazy experience of being tipsy with lyrics about having fun, feeling liberated, and enjoying the night without overthinking. If you enjoy upbeat, carefree tracks that blend genres, "A Bar Song (Topsy)" is the perfect track for letting loose and enjoying the moment!



2. Had Some Help - By Post Malone Featuring Morgan Wallen

Post Malone's "I Had Some Help" featuring Morgan Wallen blends country and hip-hop, creating a unique mix that is both fresh and reflective. The song has a laid-back, almost nostalgic feel, as both artists sing about overcoming tough times with the support of loved ones. The lyrics emphasize gratitude, resilience, and leaning on others in difficult moments, giving it an emotional depth that resonates. Wallen's country vibe pairs perfectly with Post Malone's smooth vocals, creating a heartfelt contrast that adds to the song's appeal. I'd recommend listening to this track during a quiet evening or while reflecting on the important people in your life—it's a perfect reminder of the strength we find in others.

3. Espresso - By Sabrina Carpenter

Sabrina Carpenter's "Espresso" is an upbeat, lively pop track that highlights her playfulness and spicy side. This song encourages listeners to embrace their strength and playfulness by using the metaphor "espresso" to represent being bold and unapologetically yourself. Thanks to its incredibly catchy lyrics and hype-filled beat, "Espresso" stands out as a feel-good anthem about empowerment and confidence. If you're in a pumped-up, hype mood, "Espresso" is the perfect song to match your energy and keep the vibe going!

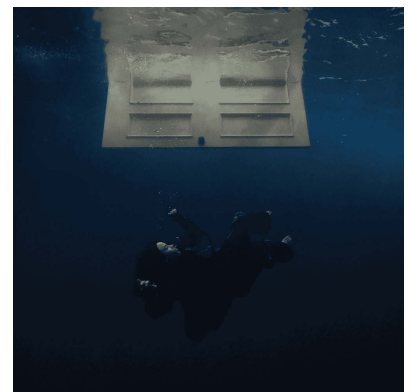


4. Die With A Smile - By Lady Gaga & Bruno Mars

Bruno Mars and Lady Gaga's new hit song "Die With A Smile" navigates the ongoing theme of not taking love for granted and instead holding on to it, because in reality, "nobody's promised tomorrow", a direct quote from the track. Bruno's smooth and steady tone, contrasted with Lady Gaga's theatrical and expressive voice creates a perfect balance and natural harmony between their voices. With a unique mix of pop, soul, and heartfelt lyrics, this song leaves a lasting impression that listeners can deeply resonate with. I'd recommend listening to this song with some friends or family as it creates a sense of appreciation for those you love.

5. Birds of a Feather - By Billie Eilish

Billie Eilish's "Birds of a Feather" is a powerful and intense song about the bond between people who share similar emotions. The lyrics highlight the importance of sticking together, through thick and thin. This idea, communicated through Billie's vulnerable vocals, makes the track relatable and impactful to listeners who understand the importance of true and real connections. The soft and beautiful melody combined with the meaningful lyrics gives the track a heartfelt depth that really resonates with the listeners. "Birds of a Feather" is a great song to listen to whenever you need reassurance that you're never alone when facing the realities of life.



Music Review

By: Oliver K. & Kyu M.

6. Taste - By Sabrina Carpenter

Sabrina Carpenter's "Taste" from her new album *Short n' Sweet*, is a fun and bold pop song that's all about confidence and empowerment. With its playful and unapologetically suggestive lyrics, it captures her sassy attitude and a strong message about owning your past and standing out. The viral music video adds an extra punch, featuring Jenna Ortega and showcasing a shocking storyline. The combination of the song's lively beat and the video's eye-catching visuals makes it a memorable experience. I'd recommend listening to this song and watching the video during a night out or when you're in a party mood. It's perfect for creating a lively atmosphere and embracing self-confidence!



7. Good Luck, Babe! - By Chappell Roan

Chappell Roan's "Good Luck, Babe" is a standout track with its catchy pop rhythms and meaningful lyrics. The song explores the emotions of wanting more from a relationship and the pain of loving someone who won't commit. The upbeat yet emotionally charged melody creates a captivating contrast, making it both a danceable hit and a heartfelt reflection on unrequited love. "Good Luck, Babe!" demonstrates Chappell's ability to create relatable, emotionally charged music that deeply resonates with listeners. If you're into music that combines an infectious beat with compelling storytelling, this song is a must-add to your playlist.



8. Please Please Please - By Sabrina Carpenter

Sabrina Carpenter's "Please Please Please" is a heartfelt song that captures the desire of wanting someone to stay in your life. Her passionate and soft voice combined with the song's gentle, simple beat, emphasizes the emotional impact of her words. "Please Please Please" is a heartbreaking track that connects to everyone who has ever felt the pains of unreciprocated love. If you're ever in your feels or dealing with conflicting emotions, "Please Please Please" is the perfect song to relate to and let your emotions run wild.



9. Lose Control - By Teddy Swims

Teddy Swims' "Lose Control" is a soulful track about being completely captivated by someone and losing control of your feelings due to the intensity of the love. The song's raw vocals and powerful chorus make the track expressive while also full of emotion. Its heavy and rich sound adds an emotional weight to the music and overall vibe. Whenever you're feeling like you might be losing control over your feelings or even day-to-day life, this song is perfect to identify with and vibe along to!



10. Not Like Us - By Kendrick Lamar

Kendrick Lamar's "Not Like Us" is an upbeat and absolutely killer diss track that's making headlines in 2024. With a great beat and rhythm, it's one of the catchiest rap songs of the year. The track takes blunt and entertaining shots at Drake, making it both clever and funny in its lyrical takedown. Lamar's ability to deliver sharp, insightful commentary shines through, while the driving hip-hop beats amplify the intensity. I recommend throwing this on during a workout or car ride since it's ideal for staying motivated, feeling energized, and getting pumped up!



Beetlejuice Beetlejuice Movie Review

By: Aneurin Evans

Released on the 6th of September, Tim Burton's Beetlejuice Beetlejuice was meant to be the big blockbuster of our 2024 Halloween, but did it succeed? Serving as a sequel to 1988's Beetlejuice, this new Beetlejuice Beetlejuice (I've said his name three times now, haven't I?) brings new cast members, new effects and of course new audience members back into the wacky world of the Deetz family, the Maitland house, and Betelgeuse himself. My off-the-bat review for this one is that it's fun. If you're a fan of the original film, or even the animated TV spinoff from the '90s, then you'll probably like watching this one. It's exciting! It's got the hijinks you've come to expect from Michael Keaton's Ghost With the Most, and it delivers on the nostalgia and enjoyment factor.

Going more in depth, I'd say that this was a very difficult film for director Tim Burton to make. It's a hard thing to take a beloved source material, cult classic Halloween movie that's been watched and loved for nearly 40 years, then to stretch it into something that suits modern audiences and also appeases folks who watched it on release. As someone who wasn't around when the OG came out, but who did watch it religiously growing up in the 2010s, Beetlejuice is a good movie, and it's iconic for more than just its main antihero. Beetlejuice has an incredibly iconic world, and that's where I think the newest film is strongest.

In this new 2024 look at Beetlejuice, we see Winona Ryder's character Lydia struggling with the harsh truth of her ghost-seeing abilities, the way that this impacts her life and family dynamics. She's wonderful and on-brand with the strange and unusual goth girl from the original film. Of course, there's Canada's Own Catherine O'Hara, who



reprises her role as Lydia's stepmother, Delia. O'Hara brings all the erratic, eccentric energy we've come to expect from her, and brings the energy level up from the rest of the cast while she does it. As I mentioned earlier, Michael Keaton's performance as the title character Beetlejuice is just what you hope it's going to be. He's wild, unhinged and a little all over the place. In short, his character represents this film as a whole; it's something a little weird and wacky but it's iconic in its own right.

Returning cast members aside, there are plenty of new faces to see. Lydia's daughter, Astrid, is played by the Modern Scream Queen Jenna Ortega herself. She's amazing as always, and her performance never strays into Wednesday Addams territory. One of the most interesting and surprising character additions to the film was Willem Dafoe's character Wolf

Jackson, an actor who met an unfortunate end. He's cartoonish, but he fits right into the rest of the shenanigans that the Deetzes get themselves into

The only real weak points that I noticed with this film were Monica Bellucci's Delores, who felt shoe-horned in at best, and unnecessary at worst. They had a strong concept to build on, but with everything else happening in the 105 minutes of screentime, this storyline just didn't shine. The pacing itself was a bit odd at times, but I think that they juggled the characters and plots as best as they could.

The effects are wonderfully keeping with Tim Burton's style- they look weird, but that's the whole point. I would like to thank the crew for the limited use of CGI effects, and to congratulate them for using as many practical effects as they could. You can tell that Burton had a lot of creative control going into this piece, which is only fair, since many consider the original film to be his magnum opus. A highlight for me was the soundtrack, which featured many masterful needledrop instances, as well as callbacks to the original film.

My last statements and the important information to watch this movie would be to go and have fun, you won't enjoy it all that much otherwise. I think everyone should watch the first one, then pop over to the cinemas to catch this one with their friends. It's an exciting event and it's an enjoyable time. Happy watching!

QSA/SOGI

The QSA/SOGI welcomes any student looking for a fun place to hangout, meet friends and help plan activities! QSA aims to provide a safe environment while creating a supportive network for all. Meetings are on Tuesdays at lunch in Room 228.



Boots

By: Maya Storck

It had been a tedious day for Fiona Love. Weary, she reminded herself it was almost over. It was suppertime and she strutted through her apartment lobby as proudly as she had in the morning. Remnants of snow melted off her slim figure and seemed to amplify the sound of her freshly polished black heeled boots on the tile.

She reached the elevator, sighed and pressed the “up” button with her gloved finger.

Ding. It had been waiting for her.

Although the doors of the elevator were merely old fat metal bars that belonged in a zoo, it felt more private than any modern elevator in New York City. She slid her heavy coat off her shoulders and slipped her gloves off her fingers. Fiona was a woman of privacy and composure; these were things she never did outside of her apartment walls.

There was another ding and the screeching of metal against metal as the elevator came to a stop. It wasn't Fiona's floor, and the doors did not open. It started upward again.

On the next floor, the same thing happened.

She was aware of the antiquity of the elevator, yet this was unprecedented.

At the next floor, the elevator once more came to a jarring stop. Fiona, scared now, called out for someone, anyone, to help.

“Hello!?” Fiona screamed, mashing the elevator's up and down buttons, fruitlessly seeking the distress button.

“Pardon me!” she exclaimed, after a stranger had exited the stairwell.

The stranger was funereal, dressed in all black. She did not stop to look at Fiona. “Ah, c'était toi qui monopolisais l'ascenseur. Idiot,” she said.

It was strange but not inexplicable to hear French in a city apartment. Fiona knew little of the language, but she could make out the words monopoly, elevator, and idiot. She had understood enough.

The chilling woman had almost made it to her apartment when two young boys exploded through the door.

“Maman, maman!” they squealed. Eventually, two of the three retreated back into the apartment. One boy hung back to take an intent look at Fiona, who stood transfixed behind the bars.

“Hello, Miss,” he said.

“Hello...?,” she responded.

“Stuck?” he asked. Fiona nodded.

The boy tilted his head and walked away. He disappeared through the door, and for a fleeting moment Fiona was relieved, believing she had avoided something altogether unpleasant, something ... ghastly, even. She couldn't say why, had anyone asked, but the feeling remained. She was impatient to finally return to her own apartment ... until she remembered the bars and how stuck she was.

The panic rose.

The smell of a rich meal began to tease her empty stomach, just as the two boys came casually back through their door.

“Bon appétit!” one said, holding up plates of food.

Fiona, quite shaken and ravenous, ate everything willingly from the boys' hands like an animal. Their wrists were thin and could fit through the bars. To drink the tea they had brought, she pressed her sharp cheekbones against the bars and parted her lips so they could pour the hot liquid into her mouth.

She stayed like that for a while, face pressed against the bars.

It was only the slamming of a door that drew her attention from the boys and their offerings. The woman now stood not far from Fiona's cage. She grew bigger and bigger and bigger to Fiona, who felt dizzy with fear but was unable to move her face from the bars. The woman became enormous, and pressed herself against the bars to ensure Fiona could not see her figure in its entirety. Fiona stared at the floor so her nose wouldn't dig into the woman's stomach. Her view was of polished black boots, pointed toward the stairwell door.

The woman pressed the “up” button from outside.

The elevator moved, and the strange woman disappeared beneath Fiona's boots.

The doors opened at last on Fiona's floor. She barely noticed, half asleep from exhaustion and wholly paralyzed from her experience on the floor below.



And then, once more, from the stairwell, came the clicking of two black heeled boots and the high pitched giggles of two impish little boys.

Literature Club

If you like reading and exploring different genres of literature, the Literature Club might pique your interest. Here you'll have the chance to discover new books and have fun discussions with peers who share the same passion for literature! Club meetings are on Thursdays at lunch in Room 331.

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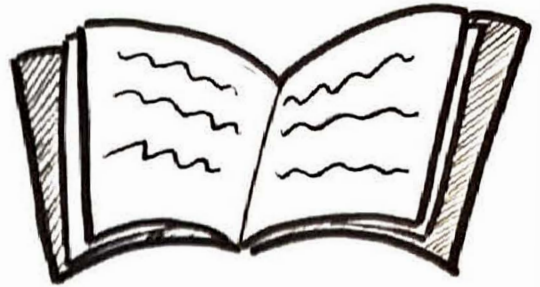



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↳ Turns out he only does odd jobs.
- Dogs can't operate MRI machines.
↳ But cats can.
- Can a frog jump higher than a house?
↳ Of course! a house can't jump

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a) Yes b) No
2. What is the strongest muscle in the body?
a) Masseter b) Biceps
c) Glutes
3. What is a group of pugs called?
a) a puglet b) a litter
c) a grumble
4. What is the smallest country in the world?
5. How much does the heart of a blue whale weigh?
a) 1000 lbs b) 50 lbs
c) 400 lbs

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By: Catherine Ang

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Environmental Club

Do you care deeply about protecting and conserving our earth's environment? Aberhart's Environmental Club spreads awareness and interest about environmental issues in our school and community. Join this caring club today to help our school and its students make meaningful changes to protect our beautiful planet. Meetings are Thursdays in Room 318 at lunch hour.

Yearbook Club

Our high school years can feel so long, yet fly by so quickly. If you want to be a part of something memorable to remember your eventful time at Aberhart, then the Yearbook Club might be right for you! Help out with designing, photography, editing, sales and so much more to produce a professional publication of our collective journey together! Meetings are every Wednesday at lunch in Room 321.

Fall Colouring Sheet

By: Ruby Tovich



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Virgo (August 23 - Sept 22)

You might not realize it, but you're a warm and kind individual. Especially during the start of a new school year, you should make some new friends!



Capricorn (Dec 22 - Jan 19)

Alright, please for the love of everyone around you, lock in. People are giving you signs and you aren't realizing it yet.



Aries (March 21 - April 19)

What are you waiting for? Take that big next step already! Whether you're known for it or not, that determination of yours isn't doing anything while you're idle.



Libra (Sept 24 - Oct 22)

You may find it hard, but it's best to be prepared for any situation. It seems like this month will have a lot of bad weather days for you.



Aquarius (Jan 20 - Feb 18)

There's a saying: "Always keep your guard up." Unfortunately my friend, your guard may be facing the wrong way.



Taurus (April 20 - May 20)

A bull's greatest strength is its headstrong charge- but also its weakness. You might want to take a break, lest you burn yourself out when things get important.



Scorpio (Oct 23 - Nov 21)

Soon enough, you'll find things going your way. Take that opportunity to brag a little- have some fun with people!



Pisces (Feb 19 - March 20)

You should accept all the small things in life- literally. For a student, critters are more friends than they are foe. Maybe you should consider looking after one, I'm sure all your friends would love to meet your pet worm.



Gemini (May 21 - June 20)

You should really talk to that one friend (like, really). It doesn't matter who you consider a friend, communication is always key.



Sagittarius (Nov 22 - Dec 21)

With a new school year starting, you may feel a bit overwhelmed. Take a chance to reflect, rework a plan, and don't place too harsh of an expectation on yourself.



Cancer (June 21 - July 22)

The National Cancer Institute shows up whenever you search up your sign. Isn't that awkward? Or maybe you're just feeling down in general. In any case, treat yourself to something nice!



Leo (July 23 - August 22)

As Halloween rolls around, you should definitely scare a few more people. Your bold nature would allow it, and yes, the stars said it would be funny.

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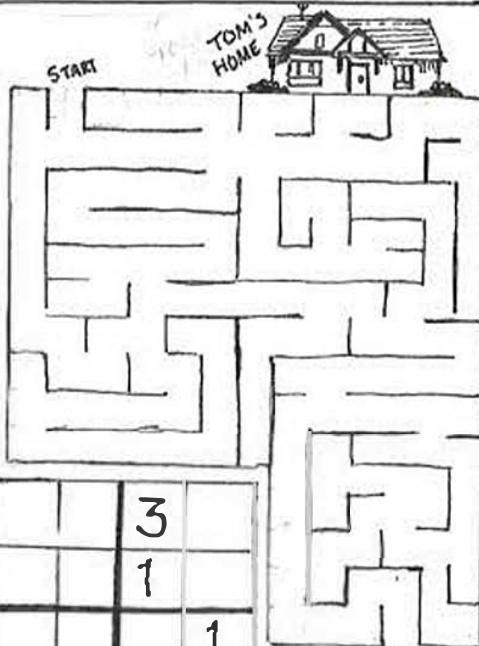
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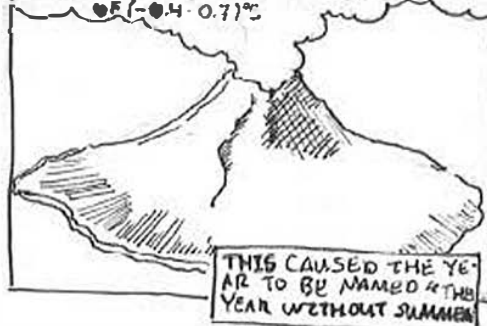


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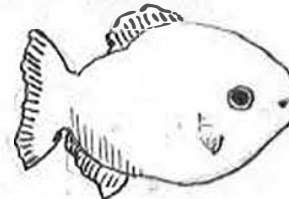
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