

Door Decorating

By: William Janos



This year our school particpated in a activity to determine what class can make the best Christmas door in 1 hour. The activity was intense with each class doing a diffrent idea. Mr. Stanwoods class designed a Grinch themed door with a marble run. Mr. Dolan's class designed a door that says "Shrek the Halls" and has pictures of gingerbread houses and people. Mr. Byers class designed a door based on the cover of the meeting "Home Alone". Mrs. Tazioli's class designed a door that was based on the Grinch. Many other classes designed doors, but these were some of the best.







Christmas Craft By: Diane Chang

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Santa Advent Calendar Supplies: Red paper White paper Peach colored paper A black marker cotton balls glue

Cut the red paper and white paper into a Santa hat shape and glue a cotton ball to the end of the hat.

Cut the peach colored paper in a circle and glue it under the hat. Draw two eyes and a nose on the peach colored paper. Also cut the red paper into circles and put them next to the eyes and nose. Glue a long beard onto the face underneath the drawn nose.

Write numbers from 1 to 25 on the beard.

Now use cotton balls to mark the day in December!



Mall Cop Movie Review By: William Janos

Mall Cop

Mall Cop Starring Kevin James is an amazing holiday-ish movie taking place in New Jersey. An overall funny movie, a mall cop that failed state police training takes his job too seriously, and acts like he is a real police officer. A gang of robbers infiltrate the mall and take hostages while trying to steal all the stores credit card

info. Paul Blart tries to stop the gang and knocks one member of the gang out at a time. His final obstacle is someone when kidnapps

his daughter and girlfriend. While in the pursuit he misses the van and falls onto the road, but eventually at the last minute he gets his daughter and girlfriend back. Overall I rate Mall Cop a 7/10, because of its humor and





Scrambled Christmas Words By: Diane Chang

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christmas tree, jingle bells, snowman, christmas carol, snow, Santa Claus, Mrs Caus, elves sleigh , angel, Jesus, manger, presents, ornaments, christmas lights, star, stockings, mistletoe , holly, candy cane, bow, wreath



Sugar Cookie Recipe

By: Andrew Fanning



Ingredients 1 cup unsalted butter, softened (226g) 1 cup granulated sugar (200g) 1 1/2 teaspoons vanilla extract 1 large egg 1/2 cup of all -purpose flour (Plain Flour) (315g) 3/4 teaspoon baking poweder 3/4 teaspoon table salt



- Combine butter and sugar in the bowl of a stand mixer (or in a large bowl and use an electric hand mixer) and beat until creamy and well-combined.
 - Add egg and vanilla extract and beat until completely combined.
 - In a separate, medium-sized bowl, whisk together flour, baking powder, and salt.
- Gradually stir dry ingredients into wet until dough is smooth and completely combined.
- Lay out a large piece of plastic wrap and transfer approximately half of the dough onto the wrap (dough will be quite sticky at this point, that's OK!).
- Cover dough with clear wrap or wax paper and mold into a flat disk. Wrap tightly. Repeat with remaining cookie dough in another piece of clear wrap. Transfer dough to refrigerator and chill for at least 2-3 hours and up to 5 days.
- Once dough has finished chilling, preheat oven to 350F (175C) and line a baking sheet with parchment paper (alternatively bake cookies directly on an ungreased baking sheet). Set aside.
- Generously dust a clean surface with flour and place one chilled cookie dough disk onto the surface. Lightly flour the dough and roll out to ¹/₈" (for thinner, crispier cookies) or ¹/₄" (for thicker, softer cookies). Add additional flour as needed both on top of and beneath the dough so that it doesn't stick.
- Note: if dough is cracking as you roll it, let it sit at room temperature for 10-15 minutes to soften before attempting again.
- Use cookie cutters to cut out shapes and use a spatula to transfer shapes to prepared baking sheet, spacing at least 1" apart. If you are not intending to decorate your cookies with icing, you can decorate them with sanding sugar at this point before you bake them.
- Bake on 350F (175C) for 8-10 minutes (this is for cookies that are approximately 3" [7.6cm]; note that smaller cookies will need less time and larger cookies will need more), or until edges just begin to turn lightly golden brown.

Allow cookies to cool completely on cookie sheet before decorating.

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Saint Marys Choir Sings for the Guild By: Morgan Wilkie

I interviewed the 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th, and 8th grade choir. For the 4th grade, I interviewed students Julia Melsheimer, Nina Hefner (5th), a 6th grader, Eloise Hartman (7th), and Lulu Byers (8th).

Q. Did you like singing at the Women's Tea Guild? 4th. Yes, I loved it.

5th. It was very fun.

6th. Yes because we got cookies and skipped a few classes. 7th. Yes, I loved it, it was so much fun to bring joy to all the women and Fr. Mike was there.

8th. I loved it because it was so fun and there were so many supportive women there and we got free cookies.

Q. What kind of feelings did you experience singing in front of an audience?

4th. I love singing in front of audiences.

5th. I'm usually scared, but when I was there, I had courage to sing.

6th. I felt awkward but I still had fun

7th. I felt excitement and a mix of emotions, but it was a fun experience.

8th. I had a feeling of thrill and I also had chills whenever we sang

Q. Did you have to practice a lot before the event? 4th. No, because we already knew the Christmas songs. 5th. I've only been in choir for a few weeks, but I knew the songs from before.

6th. No, most of us knew the majority of the songs 7th. No, we only had one practice before going, but we all

did great!

8th. We did have to practice and I also practiced during class when we sang the Christmas songs.

Q. Which was your favorite song that you sang? 4th. Jingle Bell Rock and Christmastime is Here 5th. Jingle Bell Rock and Rudolph the Red-nosed Reindeer 6th. IDK I love them all 6th. IDK I love them all

7th. Jingle Bell Rock and Deck the Halls

8th. This is definitely a harder question. I love all Christmas songs but I would have to say my favorite that we sang was probably Up on The Housetop

Q. Did it seem as though you were there for a long time? 4th. I felt like it was short because I wanted to be there longer.

5th. It was long, so we had to take a break.

6th. It felt like forever, I felt lightheaded

7th. " Time flies when you're having fun" which is for sure what happened at this event.

8th. while we were there it felt so short but It was probably longer than I thought

Q. Did you see anyone you knew? 4th. Yes, a lot of people. 5th. I saw Mrs. Pohl and Mrs. Thompson. 6th. So many people I knew 7th. I saw Fr. Mike, Mrs. Farrell, Mrs. Thompson, Mrs. Quckerbush and a couple of other people. 8th. I knew most of the parents but I also knew some of the staff.

Q. Would you like to do this next year? Why or Why not? 4th. Yes I would love to do it next year! I find joy in singing and participating in mass! 5th.

6th. Duh why not? Cookies!

7th. I have done it for the last couple of years and would love to do it again next year to

8th. I would LOVE to do this next year because I had so much fun and I felt so much support from the ladies of the guild. But, I sadly am graduating and might not be able to do this next year



Match the teacher with their favorite Christmas carol

Ms. Stride	O' Holy Night- Nat King Cole										
Mr. Stanwood	Chestnuts Roasting On An Open Fire (The Christmas Song)										
Mrs. Antrim	In The Bleak Midwinter										
Mrs. Hogan	Jingle Bells										
Mrs. Tazioli _{Al}	rs. Tazioli All I Want For Christmas Is You- Mariah Carey										
Ms. Banewicz	Jingle Bells										
Mrs. Fox	Christmas Tree Farm- Taylor Swift										
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Fun & Games







Christmas Word Search

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SANTA SLEIGH STOCKING TREE WINTER WREATH













Christmas Songs

EMOJI PICTIONARY QUIZ

