

UPCOMING EVENTS

October 7– Football @ home & Wear Blue to Stamp Out Bullying

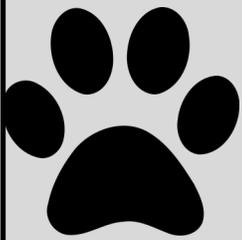
October 8– Volleyball tournament @ SMS & Football at home

October 11– Promote the Vote

October 14– Columbus Day (No School)

October 15– volleyball Tournament @ LMS

October 17– Report Cards go home



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Are Ghosts Real?



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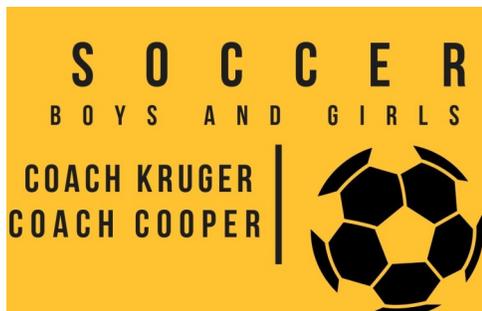
For several years theorists have pondered over the question, “Are ghosts real?”, but in the end no real answer comes to play. Leaving us to assume what is real and what is not. The concept of ghosts was based on an ancient idea that a person’s spirit lives on even after death. It is not proven to be real, but it is not proven to be a hoax, either.

The “Ghosts” reside in a place with a haunted and tortured past. Some like the Eastern State Penitentiary, a prison that forced prisoners to sit solitude for their sentence. Another example of the blood-chilling tales is the Stanley Hotel. The Stanley Hotel inspired Stephen King to make “The Shining”, a movie about paranormal activities inside the hotel, when he experienced a ghost attack on himself.

Every year at least one person claims to have experienced a “ghost sighting” and it is said that about 60% of Americans have claimed to see a ghost. Just a few months ago, a mother claimed there was a ghost sighting in her own home. The mother supposedly saw her dead son on her home security camera. The figure’s silhouette shockingly matched the description of her son.

In the end, even with all this evidence, we still can’t come to a conclusion whether ghosts are real or not. Maybe you’ll find out this Halloween!

By: *Bella Laveck & Lilly Urban*



The Boys and Girls DCMS soccer team doesn’t get as much recognition as some would hope. We decided to interview the Boys’ and Girls’ coaches known as Coach Cooper the Boys’ coach and Coach Kruger the Girls’ coach. We also wanted to share a few facts about soccer. Records trace the history of soccer back to England. Though Greece, Rome, and Central parts of America claim they started the sport we

know as soccer. The soccer ball is prolate spheroid, and its shaped of an inflated pig’s bladder. 250 million people play soccer making it the most popular sport in the world. Below are the answers that our soccer coaches gave us about when they started playing and funny experiences they had.

Coach Kruger: “I started playing soccer when I was four. I played competitive soccer for 9-10 years. I broke my leg when I was slide tackled, but it’s not that funny.”

Coach Cooper: “I started playing at 7 years old. I played for about 9 years for Memphis Football. During a college tournament, I was left behind and had to run and bang on the windows for them to let me in.”



By: Jackson West & Jason Ford

Cancer- a disease caused by an uncontrolled division of abnormal cells in a part of the body.

Cancer is something that has been in almost all our lives. It completely changes the person its effecting and destroys them from the inside out. For decades, scientists have been trying to develop a cure for cancer but have not been successful in it helping everyone with the disease. There has been some breakthrough in a college in Ohio. It's an aggressive cure for it but if it works should end the need for near death surgeries. This could also help many surgeons not go through the radiation. The current cancer drugs struggle to reach the cancer in the brain because of the brain itself. The brain has barriers that prevent the medicine from reaching certain parts of the brain but this new cancer drug during a test was able to get past the defense. It's a new drug and its experimental, but if proven to work could be revolutionary for stopping cancer. People are starting to come up with these new drugs that are actually putting an end to this horrible disease and soon cancer might be a thing of the past that could be cured with a simple pill.



Desoto County Historical Field Trip



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Last week, the eighth grade took a field trip to the Desoto County Museum to learn more about our state's history. The museum features artifacts from 1541 to the present. It details every event in our state's history, ranging from Hernando DeSoto's conquest to the Holocaust exhibit. The trip was separated into 2 days, and students went based on their 3rd period. Students filled out a sheet about Mississippi's colonial artifacts, explored the museum, and ate lunch. Students went into the small museum in groups and discovered the many fascinating aspects of Mississippian history. If you didn't get to go this time, don't worry! The museum is open to the public, free of charge. The Desoto County Museum was an amazing experience, so we recommend making your way down there if you'd like to know more about Mississippi's fascinating history. We also asked a few eighth-grade students and teachers about what they learned from the trip.

"I learned about the guns of colonial history, including musket, which were different from the large guns that don't have to be reloaded today. I also saw the uniforms of Confederate soldiers and learned about the Holocaust." - Sanai McKinney

"I learned and saw a lot more things than I thought. The museum had a variety of exhibits and objects." - Mrs. Purvis

"I learned what French trading beads can make." - Lana Brinker

"I learned a lot about different types of minerals and rocks. I also learned more about the way of life a long time ago." - Brooklyn Mount

"I learned that all of the artifacts in the museum were given from citizens of DeSoto." - Lilly Urban

In conclusion, the DeSoto County Museum field trip was a very educational and enriching experience for our 8th grade students.

THIS DAY IN HISTORY

By: Brooklyn Mount & Jamie Barden

On September 26 & 27, 8th grade students got the chance to visit the Desoto County Museum in Hernando. The field trip inspired this article that is regularly features in JagWire newspaper.

This day in history, October 4th, events such as:

-King Henry VIII marries Anne of Cleves, his 4th wife in 1539

-Gwen Stefani and musician Gavin Rossdale divorce after 13 years of marriage in 2016

-Derrick Rose, an American basketball player was born in 1988

-Dakota Johnson, an American actress and model was born in 1989

-William Wordsworth marries his childhood friend Mary Hutchinson in 1802

These are just a few of the very many historical events that occurred this very day.



How Healthy Is Cafeteria Food?



By: Meghan Bradford

Cafeteria food is something millions of kids eat each day. It is also a convenient way that children like you and me eat lunch, so we don't have to worry about forgetting it. But, some people are wondering is what we are eating healthy?

A healthy lunch usually consist of all the healthy food groups which is fruit, vegetables, grains, and dairy, yet all school meals don't consist of those all the time. When you have foods such as cheeseburgers, French fries, and chicken tenders, that isn't going to be healthy. A 2009 investigation by USA today found that meat served in U.S schools wouldn't meet the quality or safety standards of fast-food restaurants." That shows that a big percent of schools lunches aren't healthy.

Yet, school lunches have come a long way from then. They began serving more fruits, vegetables, and healthier snacks. This is always a good thing, because when you start to eat unhealthy food is can be counter- effective to your health. It can cause kids not being able to focus and sufficient weight gain.

To sum it all up, you can see that some school lunch choices aren't always healthy. But, as stated earlier they have come a long way from a few years ago. So the next time to choose your lunch you can make the choice of getting a hot lunch, or you can always opt to a brown bag, or grab some more fruits and veggies in the lunch line instead of that extra bag of chips!