

What Would You Do With \$10,000.00?

by: Anonymous

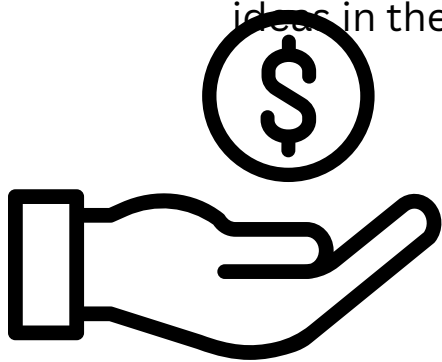
Our Woodman leadership students were asked this question a lot: what would you do with \$10, 000.00? Last year, students identified that we needed more picnic tables and seating areas outside, as well as a water bottle filling station in the basement. The tables were purchased and the water bottle filling station is coming soon!

This year they have been asked the same question. What kinds of ideas did our students come up with?

The money used for these projects comes from our Healthy Hunger sales. This year we have estimated that we will get another \$10,000 for the school. Every purchase you make helps us with improving the school for our students, and you do not have to make lunch every day. Thank you to all of the students who have spent their money on Healthy Hunger and helped us fundraise for the school.

From the information gathered in the school survey we did in October we know that lots of students would like the bathrooms and the change rooms to be better. Apparently, there are a lot of problems about the bathrooms and change rooms that the staff was not aware of. We are planning on having a drop box outside of the Design Studies Lab (at the front of the school, where Mr. Homewood hangs out) for any suggestions that students may have. Hopefully this can help us get more specific ideas for how to improve the bathrooms and changerooms.

Thank you for deciding to read this month's Woodman Howl, and do not forget to share your ideas in the drop box to improve our bathrooms and changerooms !



The Calgary Dream Centre

By: Bella G and Isaac M

This past Wellness Day, all the Grade 8 students went on a field trip to the Calgary Dream Centre. The Dream Centre is a place that helps people dealing with homelessness and addiction. It offers several programs to help people rebuild and stabilize their lives. For a few hours, we volunteered to help with jobs such as cleaning, cookie and sandwich making, card decorating and much more to help those in need feel a little better over the holidays. It was a great experience, and we hope to come back in the future. If you weren't able to join or are interested in helping again, there are individual volunteer opportunities that you can apply for. The centre is also a non-profit, meaning they rely on donations to continue to run. If you aren't interested/unable to volunteer, consider making a donation instead- every dollar counts towards helping someone in need!





WOLVES GOT TALENT

By Aila S.

Art is a wonderful way to share an idea from one artist to another, and today I will be featuring Alice P in grade 8. Alice is an extraordinary artist with great skill and talent. Alice has created several pieces over the years and still continues to make more. Alice uses different media and explores different art styles and techniques. Here are wonderful pieces made by Alice.



Acro

By Brielle W

Have you ever wanted to do an extracurricular activity where you can become flexible, strong and learn to tumble through the air? Well then, look no further - acro is the sport for you! Acro is a style of dance that combines classical dance technique as well as gymnastic elements. Acro dancers tend to have better perseverance, good work habits, core strength and confidence. Most acro studios will have different levels for different ages and skills. Level ones, for example, learn the very basic fundamentals of acro, such as forward rolls, back rolls, cartwheels and handstands. Higher levels, such as level 7 will start to learn skills such as aerials, back handsprings, oversplits, and one arm shoulder stands. Young dancers will be able to express how they feel without speaking since acro lets kids add a touch of personality to their dancing. In conclusion, if you want to learn to tumble, to be flexible and to be strong - try acro dance!



Animal Farm

By Cadence W

It starts with a leader, one not like the others,
He gives a plan to take these humans down
And that pig there, is Old Major, the leader of a clan
Mr. Jones their feeder and beater
So they decide to take him down
Their plan works you see
Commandments are made, seven to be exact
All animals are equal they say, but the pigs are the farms brain
Puppies are gone, with apples and milk along
Humans are back, back to attack
This is how cowshed takes place
Snowball was in charge, but Napoleon’s dogs fought back
Snowball’s expulsion lead to no “Beasts of England” instead
“Comrade Napoleon”
In case of death, no one shall take a breath on Napoleon’s chest
Animals are killed for communicating with Snowball
Napoleon’s selling goods for things he doesn’t need
No ones getting food, but they notice the pigs are getting fat
Boxers worn down, too old and tired
Boxer gets taken away to a safe place they say
Benjamin tells them otherwise
They don’t listen they are all surprised, when Squealer tells them lies
Pigs get more greedy taking things that are not for them
Lazy pigs change commandments, all animals are equal but some are more equal than others
Pigs turn into humans, for real this time, after all that, it starts all over again.

Three Awesome Places to Visit in and Around Calgary

By: Amelia P



1. The Calgary Zoo: The Calgary Zoo is one of the amazing attractions in our city. It has many different places you can visit, such as the Savannah, where you can visit the giraffes and hippos to the jungle where you can see crocodiles and the kimono dragon! The zoo is definitely one of the best places to visit in Calgary and I would highly recommend going and meeting all the animals.
2. Banff: Banff is a beautiful town nestled inside of the scenic rocky mountains just an hour and thirty minutes away from Calgary. It is a beautiful place to go hiking in the summer or go skiing/snowboarding in the winter. From Banff you can go to many different ski resorts, like Sunshine or different scenic locations such as Lake Louise. Banff is a place you definitely have to visit at least once.
3. The Calgary Tower: The Calgary Tower is undoubtedly one of the most well known buildings in Calgary. It is 191 meters high and it is located in downtown Calgary. It was built to celebrate the 100th birthday of Canada in 1967 and to add a new attraction to downtown Calgary for generations to come. If you would like to visit a piece of Calgary's history, then the Calgary Tower is just the place for you!

Fallen

By Aila S.

My soul,
shattered
The pieces,
scattered
My sanity, gone
My smile, a con
Happiness, a
vision
Though, peace
is my mission
A beam of light,
The sun shining
bright,
In the blue sky,
Over green
fields
A sudden cold,
A story long
told





GreenVille

An inspiring, fictional read
by: Alexandra A



Once upon a time, in the quaint town of Greenville, resided a young girl named Bella. Enthralled by nature's beauty and possessing a profound love for the environment, Bella believed in the shared responsibility of caring for Earth.

On a sunlit day, Bella embarked on a mission to transform her town into a greener, more sustainable haven. Organizing a neighborhood cleanup event, she rallied friends, family, and community members to join her in picking up litter and planting trees.

As Bella and her team toiled, a remarkable transformation unfolded. The community united, inspired by Bella's passion. Recycling increased, reusable bags became the norm, and water and energy conservation efforts took root. The town blossomed into a cleaner, greener haven.

News of Bella's initiatives spread, earning her an invitation to speak at a local school. Sharing insights on recycling, waste reduction, and endangered species protection, Bella captivated students, sparking a desire for positive change in their lives.

Bella's influence expanded further as she cultivated an organic garden, sharing its bounty with neighbors and advocating for local, low-impact living. Discovering EcoTech, a company championing eco-friendly practices, she supported them and urged friends and family to do the same, championing sustainable businesses.

With dreams of a world harmonizing with nature, Bella wrote articles and created educational videos, gaining a vast online audience. Her unwavering dedication continued to make a positive impact, showcasing that small actions can lead to significant change.

Bella's passion endured, fostering a positive impact in her community and beyond. Through her steadfast dedication, Bella demonstrated the transformative power of small actions, leaving an inspiring legacy for all.

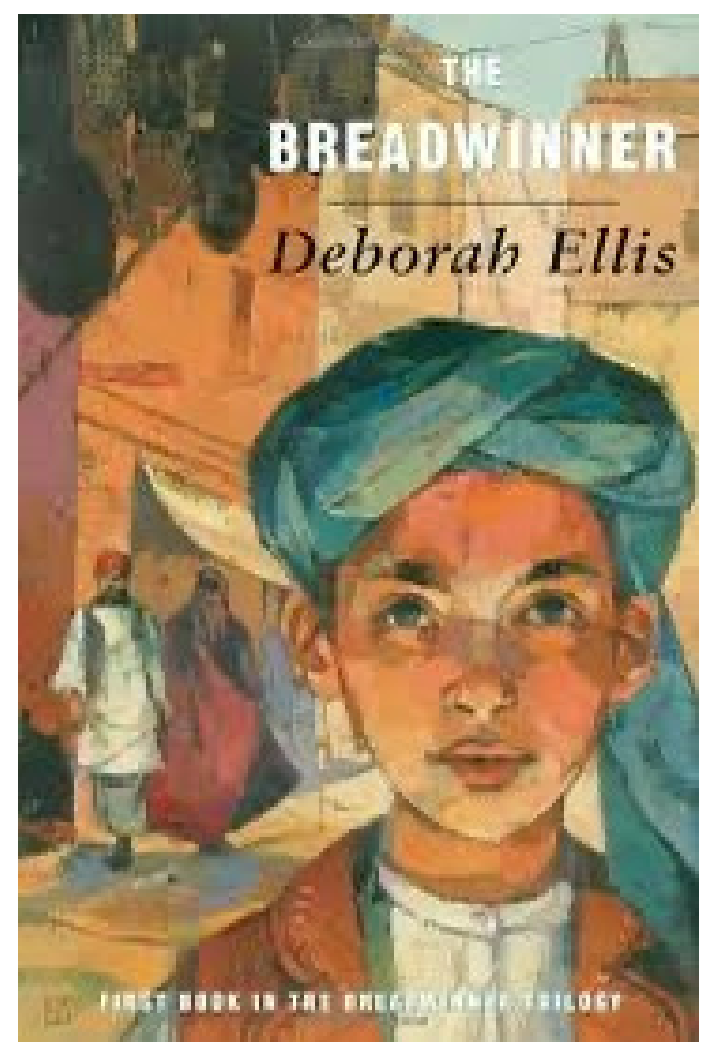
And so, Bella's story became a beacon of inspiration, reminding everyone of the collective power to protect and preserve our precious planet. The end.

The Breadwinner by Deborah Ellis

Book Review

By Brielle W

All 11 year old Parvana knows is war. But when the Taliban arrived everything seemed to go downhill. Her home, her education, her voice and even a family member, have been stripped away from Parvana in seconds. But that's how it is being a girl in Afghanistan where the Taliban control her every move. However, when there seems to be no options Parvana must step up to save her family. The young 11 year old finds strength and courage to work for her family and even risk her own life. Parvana must learn to be brave when there are seemingly no other options. But more importantly she must not get caught.



Amazingly written book for ages 10-14 which will leave you unable to not turn the next page...

Zodiacs Signs of January

By Aila S.

Capricorn-

December 22 - January 19

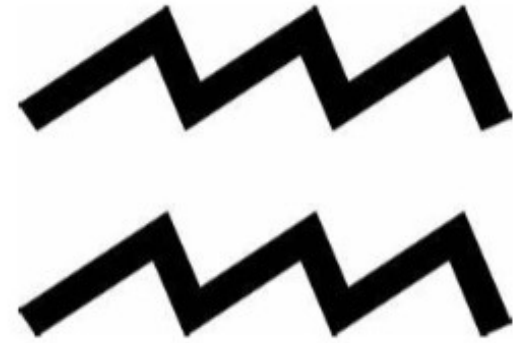
Capricorns value patience, perseverance and dedication. They like to get up to trouble and mischief.



Aquarius-

January 20 - February 18

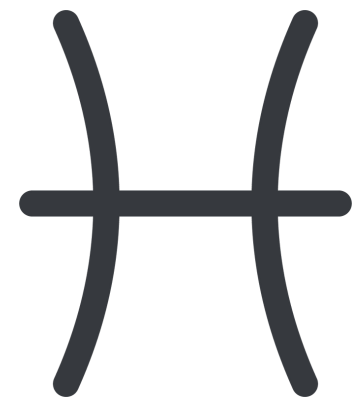
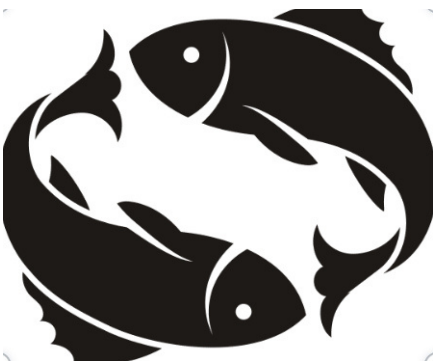
Aquarians are creative, progressive and independent. They love to socialize with others and take small risks.



Pisces-

February 19 – March 20

Pisces are creative and imaginative people. They are also very compassionate and caring.



Jokes and Riddles

by Amelia P



Why do we tell actors to “break a leg?”

Because every play has a cast.

Je parle sans bouche et j'entends sans oreilles. Je n'ai pas de corps, mais je m'anime avec le vent. Qu'est-ce que je suis?

Un écho

What is seen in the middle of March and April that can't be seen at the beginning or end of either month?

The letter R