# Northwest Middle School

# MIGHTY MOHAWK MEDIA



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Editor: Bella Harness

#### **LUNCH MENU**

MONDAY- Cheeseburger on a Bun or Honey Mustard Ham Wrap, Baked Beans, Golden French Fries, Diced Peaches, Fresh Pear, and 1% Milk

TUESDAY- Meatball Marinara Sub or Crispy Chicken Nuggets, Whole Grain Dinner Roll, Steamed Green Beans, Cucumber Slices, Mixed Canned Fruit, Fresh Pear, and 1% Milk

WEDNESDAY- Sausage Egg & Cheese Sandwich or Honey Mustard Ham Wrap, Potato Wedges, Baby Carrots, Pineapple Tidbits, and 1% Milk

THURSDAY- Beef Chili and Grilled Cheese Sandwich or Honey Mustard Ham Wrap, Broccoli Florets, Cucumber Slices, Applesauce, and 1% Milk

FRIDAY- No school!

### WEATHER

By: Calleigh Kattine & Gracie Moore

### **IMPORTANT EVENTS**

- The Sweet Heart Dance was rescheduled for March 31st. All the information regarding it is the same otherwise.
- On Thursday, March 2nd, there will be Parent-Teacher Conferences.
- We will have no school on March 3rd.
- We will be having a two hour delay on Wednesday, March 8th.
- The end of the third nine weeks is March 10th.
- There will be a fun day on March
   24th for 8th grade students.

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#### WORLD NEWS

#### BY: WESLEE SHARP & BRYSON NEWMAN

U.S- The United States' president, Joe Biden, has named Indian-American businessman Ajay Banga as the U.S. pick to lead the World Bank. The move is in place because of the increased pressure on the bank to put more emphasis on tackling climate change. Mr. Banga led credit card giant *Mastercard* for more than a decade and now works in private equity. U.S. officials said he had the experience to help the bank work with the private sector towards its goals. It is up to the bank's board to officially appoint its next head.

Read more at the BBC News Site (Source - BBC News)

Israeli- In Israel, there was a daytime raid. At least eleven Palestinians were killed during this rare daytime raid. The raid was in the occupied West Bank. Israeli military forces were targeting three militants planning an imminent attack.

Find the video at (Source - CNN News)

Ukraine- "The Ukrainian president, Volodymyr Zelenskiy, gathered with members of the armed forces and a small group of dignitaries in Kyiv's St Sophia Square on Friday to mark the first anniversary of Russia's invasion. Zelenskiy was emotional during the remembrance ceremony, which included a moment's silence, as he gave out Hero of Ukraine awards to troops and the relatives of soldiers who had been killed." Find the video at (Source - The Guardian)

By: Ivan Ealey and Ethan Ferguson

# **Mohawks of the Week:**

Madison Cotton & Madisyn White- Helped Mrs. Bays arrange her classroom.

Brady Dettwiller- Helped clean up a spill in Mrs. O'Dell's art class.

Brock Wilson- Helped clean up a spill in Mrs. O'Dell's art class.

Clara Wilson & Elizabeth Golden– Nominated by Mrs. Redoutey for being outstanding students, for following directions, and working hard on their writing assignments.

Natalie Ramirez-Helped Mr. Fry clean his classroom.

Gabby O'Dell- Being a kind student.



**By: Gabe Suthers and Jordan Emmons** 

#### C.A.N.S

**Comedy At Northwest Schools** 

Did you hear the one about the roof?

Never mind, it's over your head.

What does a pig put on dry skin?

Oinkment.

What's the best smelling insect?

A deodor-ant.

What do you call a fake noodle?

An impasta.

By: Mason Bender & Gwyneth Montgomery

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### INTERVIEWS/CLUBS

**MUSIC** 

By: Lucas Crabtree and Salem Lockhart

Congratulations to Salem Lockhart for making it into All-District Honor Band! The first All-County rehearsal is February 26th at 2:00 p.m., the second is February 27th at 6:00 p.m., and the third is February 28th from 8:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. with the concert that day at 7:00 p.m.

- 1. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ObzNCS32GDI
- 2. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Aa6kOyfrrKE
- 3. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ucniWROEZC4

The artist of the week is Lady Gaga. Lady Gaga has won over 350 music awards over her 15 year career. She was born March 28, 1986 and has been performing since she was a teenager. She has also founded two organizations on her own. Lady Gaga's real name is

Stefani Joanne Angelina Germanotta. The artist's most famous songs are:

- 1. Applause
- Judas
   Alejandro

We are open to suggestions for who the music artist of the week should be! Email: suthersg27@nwmohawks.org

#### <u>Interviewing Ms. Karri Goodman</u>

What level are you on in Candy Crush?

**"10,587.**"

Why do you like playing Candy Crush?

"It kills time."

How long do you think you play Candy Crush agriculture? "My favorite the

"Probably 3 or 4 hours a day, off and on."

#### Interviewing Mrs. Freeman

Have you always wanted to teach agriculture? "I wanted to teach agriculture class in middle school, but I've never grown up in a farming family so I thought it was interesting."

### Why do you like teaching agriculture?

"I love teaching agriculture because it is the industry that supports all of our needs as human beings."

What is your favorite thing about teaching agriculture?

"My favorite thing is that I love seeing students make connections to where their food comes from and I also love all of the things we get to experience with FFA."

Interviews by Salem Lockhart and Kali Zukoski













## **Brief Sports Summary of the Week**

Track is expected to start around the second week of March with a meet scheduled later in the month. The new junior high track coaches are Steve Cunningham, Jason Smith, and Jerry Barlow. We will update you with the meet dates as well as dates for baseball and softball.









### **Author of the Week**



For this week's Author of the Week, we have American author Mildred D. Taylor. Mildred Delois Taylor was born September 13th, 1943 in Jackson, Mississippi. When she was three months old, her family moved to Toledo, Ohio. Growing up, she heard her family's stories of her ancestors, about the struggles of slavery, which became an inspiration for her future novels. On that note, pretty much all of her literary works involve the hardships and perspectives of African American life in the 1900s. In fact, after hearing the tales of her ancestors, Mildred vowed to "present a richer portrait of African American life" (Britannica). In 1965, Taylor went to the University of Toledo and earned a bachelor's degree in education. She worked with the Peace Corps in Ethiopia and studied at the University of Colorado after. It was there she earned a master's degree in journalism. Mildred D. Taylor worked as a study-skills coordinator in a education program she had helped design before she began her writing career. Her first book was published after she won a contest sponsored by the Council on Interracial Books for Children. That book was Song of the Trees in 1975 which introduced the Logan family and began their story. The Logans' tale takes place during the Great Depression in Mississippi. She continued the series with Roll of Thunder, Hear My Cry, which, in 1977, won the Newbery Medal and became a finalist for the National Book Award. In 1978, it was developed into a mini television series. Four of Taylor's book involving the Logan family even won the the Coretta Scott King Book Award. Not just that, but numerous books by Mildred D. Taylor's were "honored by The New York Times" (Britannica). In 2003, Taylor was the first individual to have the pleasure of winning the NSK Neustadt Prize for Children's Literature. Not only that, but in 2020, she received an amazing award, which was the Coretta Scott King-

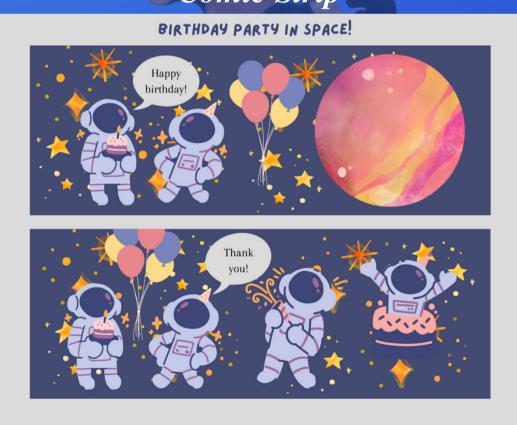
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**Annabella Harness** and Adelyn Smith

# Comic Strip

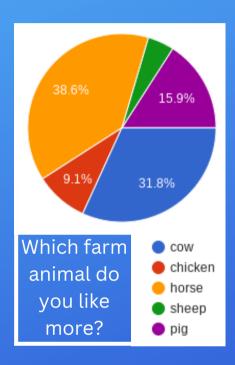
Virginia Hamilton Award for Lifetime Achievement.

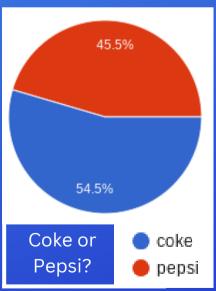


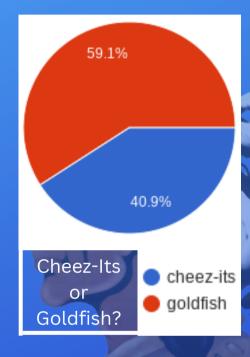


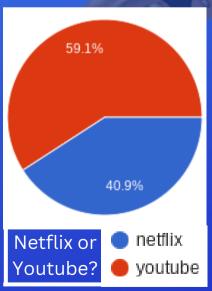
By: Brycen Montavon and Kaylee Thackston

## **Results from Last Week's Polls:**

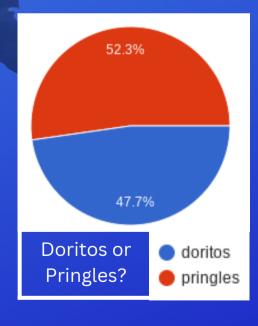












By: Elena TePas and Cora Alexander

Polls for this Week:

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### **Sharp Moments**

Where we cover interesting and unheard topics, old and new. With J Weslee G. Sharp and His Co-writer Annabella (Bella) Harness.

#### Is Homework Necessary?

No matter what grade you're in, you will have homework at least one time. Homework is what is assigned to be done at home or after class to have turned in by, usually, the next day. It's a thing a lot of students despise and some teachers don't even like to give. It's a worldwide argument, is there any meaning to the extra work teachers have you do outside of school?

Let's look at the side that says there is little to no value in being required to do more work at home. Students join sports teams, after school clubs, and high school students may have jobs that take up a considerable amount of their evening. They may be stressed because they have those things to do, but then you have homework. Depending on the student's understanding of the topic the homework focuses on, it may be time consuming or they fly through it. No matter how long it takes, it's just another thing stacked on a student's plate. If it's difficult for a student to complete their homework, it may lead to a student becoming stressed to the point it affects their grades. Not only that, but students are still children as long as they're below the age of eighteen. Children are meant to enjoy their time off school, but homework makes it to where some don't have the opportunity to do that.

However, some would argue that homework is actually immensely helpful. Yes, struggling on homework takes up a lot of time. Though, when they finally finish it after the struggle, it is beneficial. It teaches them to persist and not give up as well as problem solving skills. When a student knows they have homework to complete and they make sure they do it, that also is a sign they will do well in life. When you have a job, you know that work must be done and you have to do it to keep the job and be paid. This teaches students one of the key factors to success early on. Also, it causes there to be a better understanding of the topic. As said, students persist on homework and complete it despite the struggle, but the persistence leads to them having a better understanding of the topic the homework focused on. It gave them extra practice and helped to better their skills on the subject. This leads to them doing better in the classroom and on tests because they had more practice. For example, "Studies have shown that homework improved student achievement in terms of improved grades, test results, and the likelihood to attend college" (Britannica). Homework is a great way to help students succeed.

That makes us wonder, is homework really worth something? It takes up so much time and it's stressful, but it's beneficial all the same. It helps you currently and in the future. While it isn't exactly pleasant, it is the best thing for students. They learn, they improve, and they do better than they did on the topic before. Sure, practice doesn't make a student do perfectly, but it makes progress. Thus, homework is of value and it is useful, no matter how much it feels like it isn't.

#### Source:

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