



Welcome to the May edition of *Panther Times*, made by Mrs. Joyce's Yearbook Class. The school year is coming to a close and summer is on its way! In this edition, we will close off the year and give you tips and tricks on summer. With that, we'll give you some fun activities and information for the end of the school year and summer!

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Mr. Green Interview

by Sofia Alalof and Malia Hanson

Mr. Green is the new 7th grade guidance counselor at our school. Last year, he worked at Osceola Middle School. He loves working with kids and is a great addition to our school!

1. Q: What made you want to become a guidance counselor?

A: I have always worked with kids since I was 15 years old and I wanted to help kids with their personal issues.

2. Q: What other schools did you work at?

A: I have worked at Osceola Middle, college basketball at Lynn University, Sanctify College, and USF.

3. Q: What is one thing no one knows about you?

A: I used to play trombone from 7th grade to 12th grade.

4. Q: What college did you attend?

A: I went to USF, and Capella for grad school.

5. Q: What is the most difficult part of being a guidance counselor?

A: When I must hear that children are going through very serious things at home.

6. Q: What is one thing you like about being a guidance counselor at our school?

A: There are great kids here, and every day is never the same. It is very entertaining to watch what kids are like.

7. Q: Where are you from?

A: I grew up in Tampa and I have lived here my whole life.

Q: What do you like to do in your spare time?

A: I like to spend time with my family, especially my 2-year-old daughter, watch sports, and workout.

8. Q: How long have you been a guidance counselor?

A: I have been a guidance counselor for 3 years.

9. Q: Have you always wanted to be a guidance counselor?

A: No, I wanted to be a college basketball coach, but I didn't want to move every 3 years. I became a guidance counselor because I want to help children. I love what I do.



Summer Life Hacks

By Emily Conner

We all know that summer is filled with fun, but you still need to be safe and comfortable. With the heat rising, and bugs swarming, you might need a couple of tips to stay safe! Here are seven life hacks for summer!

1. Hiding Valuables at beach or pool.

When you go the beach or pool, you always need to make sure your belongings are safe from theft and damage. One easy way to do this is to hide your stuff in basic containers. For example, you can easily put your glasses or wallet in an empty *Pringles* container, where no one will be looking. You can also use an empty sunscreen bottle to hide your belongings while you enjoy yourself!

2. Removing Sand!

One downside from the beach is the clingy sand, that is very hard to remove. One way to quickly remove sand is to put *Baby Powder* on it and wipe off simultaneously. The chemicals in *Baby Powder* clings to the sand and makes it easy to get rid of the mess!

3. No More Mosquitos!

An easy way to stray from Mosquito bites is to make your own spray, that has a less strong odor. Mint mouth wash does a fantastic job of making bugs leave, just put some into a reusable spray bottle and keep them from bothering you!

4. DIY Sprinkler

Everyone loves to splash around in hot sun, but not everyone has a fancy sprinkler, a fun replacement can be made just by a hose and a water bottle. Get your bottle and poke some holes in it, then put the hose in the top, when you turn on the hose, you'll have an incredibly fun sprinkler.

5. How to keep your steering wheel cool!

To keep your steering wheel from burning your hands, turn the wheel to 180 degrees when you park!

6. Get rid of fake tan stains

To get rid of a nasty fake tan stain, you can make a remover out of baking soda and lemon juice. Apply to the stain and rub in a circular motion to get rid of it!

7. Keep your flip-flops close!

To make sure you don't lose your sandals, attach a D-Ring to your bag and when you need to take them off, attach them to the ring so they remain on your bag!



Summer Safety

By Cassidy Morris Perket

Climate change is coming fast, and the Sun could really affect your summer plans. There are many ways to protect yourself against the Sun's rays, such as using sunscreen and applying it often, seeking shade at the beach or poolside, all of these could save you from a painful sun burn. Wearing a hat and sunglasses can protect you face and your eyes from the harsh rays of the Sun. If it's too late for these protection precautions and you have already been burned, some Aloe Vera gel almost always helps to moisturize the sun burn and relieve pain.

Must See Movies

By Justine Miller

During the summer there will be a lot of free time. You can easily just sit down in front of the T.V. and watch a movie. If you want help looking for the perfect movie, look no further!

If you want to watch a musical, you can watch Mamma Mia! Here We Go Again, Mary Poppins Returns, and The Greatest Showman.

If you are looking for a movie you can watch with your family, I suggest Wall-E, Wonder, Lilo & Stitch, How to Train Your Dragon 1, 2, and 3, and all the Home Alone Movies.

If you want to watch some super hero action, you can watch Spider Man: Into the Spider-verse, Captain Marvel, Avengers: Infinity War, and Shazam!

If you want to watch a movie in a fantasy setting you can watch Fantastic Beasts: Crimes of Grindelwald, Rogue One, and Solo: A Star Wars Story.

If you want a horror movie you can watch IT, Coraline, and Birdbox.

If you want to watch movies based on a true event you can watch Bohemian Rhapsody, Dolphin Tale 1 & 2, One Direction: The Story of Us, Five Feet Apart, and Miracle from Heaven.

So, if you just want to sit down and watch a movie. You have some pretty good choices to pick from!

Riddles

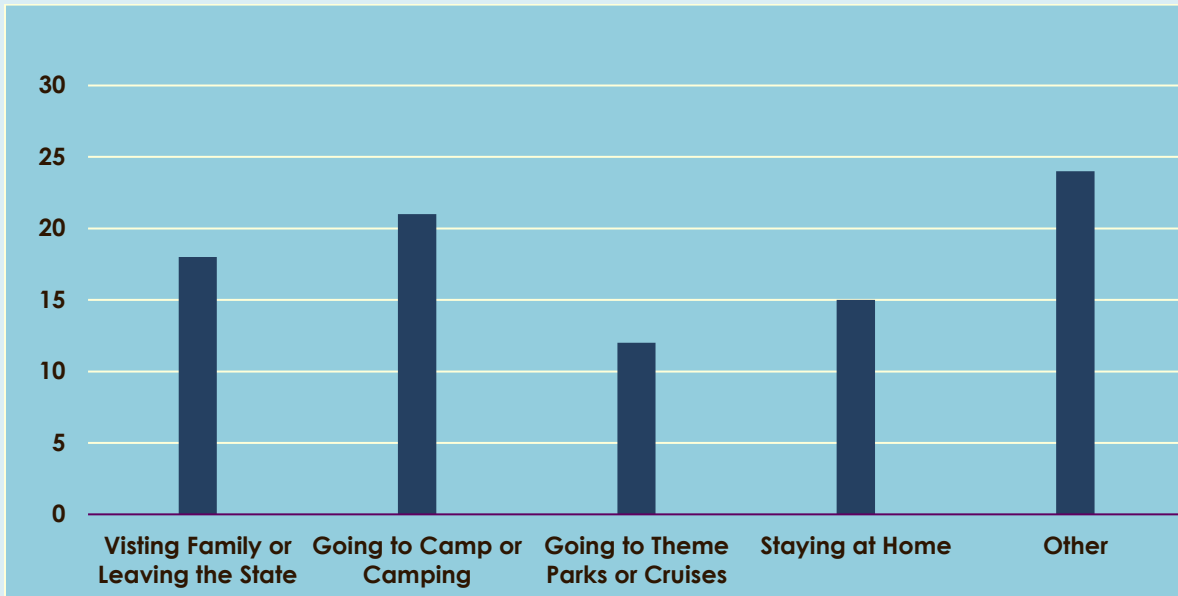
By Madie Hicks, Bella Silvestro, and Emily Conner

1. In the NBA, how many men are on the basketball court for each team?
2. Can you name three consecutive days without using the words Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday, or Sunday?
3. They have not flesh, nor feathers, nor scales, nor bone. Yet they have fingers and thumbs of their own. What are they?
4. There are 20 people in an empty, square room. Each person has full sight of the entire room and everyone in it without turning his head or body or moving in any in any way (other than the eyes). Where can you place an apple so that all, but one person can see it?
5. A boy was at a carnival and went to a booth where a man said to the boy, "If I write your exact weight on this piece of paper then you have to give me \$50, but if I cannot, I will pay you \$50." The boy looked around and saw no scale, so he agrees, thinking no matter what the carnny writes he'll just say he weighs more or less. In the end the boy ended up paying the man \$50. How did the man win the bet?
6. Romeo and Juliet are found dead on the floor in a bedroom. When they were discovered, there were pieces of glass and some water on the floor. The only furniture in the room is a shelf and a bed. The house is in a remote location, away from everything except for the nearby railroad track. What caused the death of Romeo and Juliet?
7. What can you catch but never throw?

Answers: 1. Five, not ten! = yesterday, today, and tomorrow. 3. gloves. 4. place the apple on one person's head. 5. The man did exactly as he said he would and wrote "your exact weight" on the paper. 6. romeo and juliet are fish. 7. A cold. of the train knocked the tank off the shelf, it broke, and romeo and juliet did not survive.

Summer Plans

By: Sophia Alalof and Malia Hanson



As summer break gets closer and closer, everyone is planning what they are going to do over the summer. There are so many fun things to do, such as visiting family or going on vacation, going to camp or camping, going to theme parks or cruises, staying at home, and many other things. Our students here at PHMS can't wait for this amazing summer to start!

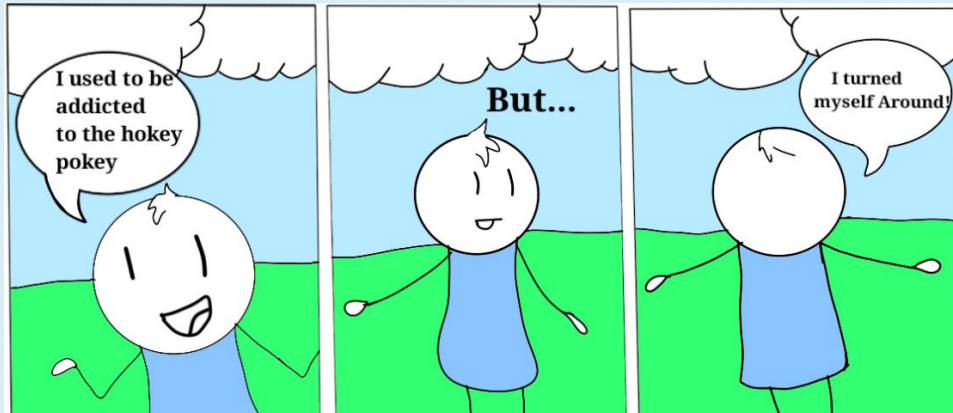
Skimboarding

By Bailey Turner, Kendall Strycharz, and Mia Lemmons

Skimboarding is a sport where you use a skim board (a type of surfboard, typically round or short) for gliding across the water's surface where the ocean touches the shore. Skimboarding is fun to most people and is very similar to surfing, however, skimboarding seems to be safer for some people. It takes a while to get used to riding it but once you learn and get the hang of it, it's all you'll want to do! All in all, skim boarding has its thrills and exciting moments; skimboarding can be an intriguing experience for everyone.

COMIC STRIP

By Justine Miller, Katherine Jean, and Mia Lemmons



Summer Snack

By Justine Miller and Katherine Jean

Snack Mix Square

Prep/Total Time: 30 min.

Makes about 3 dozen

1/2 cup butter
2 cups of Corn Chex

1/3 cup peanut butter
2-1/2 cups of halved pretzels

5 cups of miniature marshmallows
1-1/2 cups of M&M's

- 1) Take out a large bowl and combine all the Corn Chex, halved pretzels, and the M&M's.
- 2) Next, in a large saucepan over low heat, put in the butter and peanut butter. Add marshmallows; cook and stir until the marshmallows are melted.
- 3) Pour over the pretzel mix and stir until it is coated in the marshmallow mix. Then press it into a greased in a 13x9 pan. Cool until it is firm, then cut into squares.

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