

## THE PAWPRINT

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## **HOT OFF THE PRESS**

Writers Unite to Ignite the Power of Words

Katy, TX - Welcome to the Paw Print Press! We are Tom Wilson's school newspaper and we will keep you updated on events at TWE, Katy, and Houston.

On October 11 Tom Wilson's Newspaper Club held its first meeting, bringing together a diverse group of aspiring journalists. The meeting, held after school, had a big turnout as 4th and 5th graders gathered to embark on a journey into the world of journalism.

The writing staff promises that the Pawprint will be a platform for students to express their thoughts, explore their creativity, and stay informed about the happenings within the school community.

"Our goal is to create fun articles to show what students know and like," said student writer, Mariela Mejia. The Pawprint looks forward to a year filled with words that inform, inspire, and connect...

We have writers, photographers, and even students interested in graphic design. The possibilities for collaboration and creativity are endless. The club aims to publish a newspapaper about once a month, showcasing the talent and perspectives of its members.

By Arnav Vijay, Praket Sajwan, Zulema Esparza



The newspaper staff meets once a week to collaborate and brainstorm.



## Must-See Places Around The World



### **Paris**

Paris is an amazing place to visit. There are a lot of fun things you can do there. You can go to the Eiffel Tower or the Louvre Museum. Did you know that the Louvre is where the Monal Lisa is? The Arc De Triomphe is a good place to go as well. Did you know that De La Bastille used to be a prison? Des Vosges is a museum of modern art.

Are you hungry? Then you should go to Printemps Du Louvre. You can get really good Ravioli there. You can go to Westfield Forum Des Halles if you like a good shopping mall. If you are out of food do not worry because you can just go to Carrefour Market. If you like classical French food, then Pied de Cochon Is the place for you. Do you like modern crative French food? then Le Gabriel is a great option.



### The Palace of Versailles

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The palace of Versailles is a 392 year old palace in the City of Versailles, France. The palace was built by king Louis XIV. The palace was ruled by numerous French kings until the French Revolution in 1789. The royal family left the Palace of Versailles on 6 October 1789 for the Tuileries Palace in Paris, but many expected they would swiftly return. Even though the sovereign and the court were no longer residents, the Palace was not left to go to ruin. The palace is now known for its beauty, Art and exclusive artifacts.

#### The Eiffel Tower



#### **Fun Facts**

- If the Palace of Versailles were built today, it would cost roughly two billion US dollars.
- Queen Marie Antoinette had her own private village within the grounds.

By Temi, Elizabeth, Akhil Kunapareddy, and Aadvay Joshi

#### H-Town Favorites

#### **Football**

NRG Stadium, Sunday October 15- The Texans had a staggering win against the New Orleans Saints, winning 20-13. A great throw by C.J. Stroud received by Dalton Schultz resulted in the first touchdown of the game early in the first quarter. But not until the Saint's Rashid Shaheed made it to the end zone. The rest of the game was a back and forth tug of war between the 2 sides. They also lost against the Falcons a week earlier at the Mercedes-Benz Stadium.



#### Baseball

In the baseball scene, the Houston Astros did not make it into the World Series, losing 11-4 to the Texas Rangers. It was a tough loss for the Astros, and it impacted a lot of fans. It was an unexpected loss because they were leading the series 3-2. Sadly, they let their guard down and the Rangers came back to win it all, winning the semi finals 4-3 taking them to the World Series. The time sadly has come to an end for the Astros manager Dusty Baker who has decided to retire from his career.



Moving over to basketball, The San Antonio Spurs have a good season ahead of them, all thanks to Victor Wembenyama. The Spurs had a great game not so long ago against the Suns on October 31st.



#### Soccer

After a decade of struggling to make the playoffs, the Dynamo made it to the postseason in 2017 and have continued to compete at a high level since. The Dynamo went on a seven-match unbeaten run earlier this season, which was the club's longest such streak in over a decade.

Another accomplishment is that The Houston Dynamo has won two Lamar Hunt U.S. Open Cup titles in recent years, in 2018 and 2023.

The team has been led by captain Hector Herrera, who has been a massive factor in their recent success. The Houston Dynamo FC has made significant strides in recent years, with playoff success, unbeaten runs, and US Open Cup titles. With strong leadership and improved performance, the team will continue competing at a high level in Major League Soccer (MLS).



#### Lets Go Rockets!

Houston, Texas- The Rockets have not had a very good season this year. Their best season was in 2017-18 but this year is one of their worst. The Rockets opened the season with a pair of road games at Orlando in October. Their season is not going very well with o wins and 3 losses so they are in 14th place with the Grizzlies trailing behind them with o wins and 4 losses. So we all hope that they start making better plays and start winning some games stop they can get 1st place. If you are wondering what the best player on the Rockets in 2023 is, Alperen Sengun and right behind Jalen Green. But Fred VanVleet is also very good because he scored 3 points against the Warriors best defense. As you can see the Houston Rockets are not the best team this year but we all hope that they improve next year and become the best team of all time!

By Sawyer Eccleston, Aadhira Subramanian, and Shenyi "Chiara" Wang





Houston, Texas Skyline

# The Student Council Working to Serve The Wolfpack

#### What is STUCO?

Student council is a significant detail to our school community, it helps set up fun activities for students, fundraisers, and much more, but the student council does more than that. Chloe Kim, a student council member in 5th grade, stated: "Student Council is a vital part in our school, we help keep the school in line, but we also help make it as enjoyable as we can. Making sure the school is organized is our top priority."

## What has STUCO done so far?

They have already planned out our school's first Candy Grams of the year. Mrs. Artley's Representative Mateo Velez-Lopera said, "The purpose of the Candy Grams is to spread kindness to students and staff using a note and a fun candy cane. This year we're doing it for a whole month and it starts November 6. During this period, you can go up to your homeroom teacher and ask for a note. It will cost only one dollar to help spread kindness around the school."



Student Council members had their first meeting on October 4th. Mrs. Harwell, principal, Mrs. Hernandez, assistant principal, and Mrs. Shukla, STUCO sponsor, in attendance.



Arnav Vijay-President



Mary (Ali) Heywood-5th Grade Class Representative



Mateo Velez-Lopera-5th Grade Class Representative



Chloe Kim-5th Grade Class Representative

## Artificial Intelligence

Artificial intelligence is becoming more and more smart. Because of this, AI is creating it's own art. This is causing a big problem in cyberspace. Artificial Intelligence is the highest trending thing in the technology industry. Some influencers make youtube videos to gain likes about artificial intelligence-powered robots. Some websites, such as ChatGPT, make AI (Artificial Intelligence) generated photos by inserting content with words, and then generating an image.

By Ipek Semiz, Irobosa Belo-Osagie, and Hudson Rader

## Must-Have Apps

#### Pou



AND CHICAGO

This is a game where you take care of your alien pet Pou & see your pet grow.

\*Available in Google Play. Costs \$1.99 on app store.

#### Cat Tennis

There's a cat that throws the tennis ball at you, the player. You must click back at e right time and space and the more you do, the more you can do.

#### **Subway Surfers**

An infinite runner where you have to ride trains & other things

#### Geometry Dash

A game with different and unique levels to play with an added level editor to share levels for other people to enjoy!

#### Jetpack Joyride

An infinite runner where you're on a jetpack and try to dodge obstacles while also obtaining score, coins, powerups, and more!

By Matias Fonseca and Mauro Ferrari

## Awesome Hacks for Your Computer

#### Be a Pro with Shortcuts

In 4th grade I was doing a project and I had to keep track of a ton of slides on my computer on google, and I wanted to know if there was an easier way to get around on those slides and things that could help me be more efficient, so I did what most kids my age would do I went to the internet to help me be more efficient and you'll never believe what I found.

On your school chromebook you can do the following cool stuff:

- Ctrl + alt + ? and it will pop up a list of shortcuts for you!
- Ctrl + z rolls back your last action
- Ctrl + c copies the selected text
- Ctrl + v pastes the copied text
- Ctrl + a selects all the text
- Ctrl + tab switches google tabs
- Alt + tab switches between any browser you have open
- Ctrl + shift + n maximizes out the size of the text that you have selected.

Here are some ways to access different tabs and more.

If you also want to be able to access different tabs very quickly, you can use these little skips: Use three fingers and scroll sideways to the left or right.

If you press and hold ctrl, shift, and click Q two times, you will sign out of the computer.

Time to put some of these in action on your next project!

By Killian Enger and Oren Cicekli

### TWE Talent Show

There is going to be a talent show this year. It's our first time doing this. There are going to be only a few people chosen so try your best. Don't be afraid to show your talent and be confident! We hope you come and audition. It's going to be for grades 3-5. Don't forget it's happening in the middle of January! We will love to see you there to watch or be one of the performers.



### Glow Run

The glow run and the bookfair are both on Friday, November 10th. The glow run is on the same night as bookfair and is a fundraiser for TWE. You can donate \$5. (Optional) It is from 5:00 to 7:00 PM.

The bookfair is inside the school, so if you're going to the bookfair you will go inside the front office and go straight then you will see the school library. The bookfair will be packed with people.

The glow run will be in front of the school so if you go to the front of the school you will see everybody. The glow run will provide the glow sticks for everyone.

By Chloe Xie and Remington McLelland



#### Read-Deed-Run

Read-Deed-Run is an after-school program for kids that commit to a 26-week program. At Read-Deed-Run, you read 26 books, do 26 good deeds, and you would be required to run a mile each week (26 miles). The last 1.2 mile is run around NRG stadium. Studnets get a trophy after completing the program. Here is what some students in RDR have to say about RDR.

Ufuomanefe, or "Nefe," is in Ms. DuBose's 5th grade class and has been doing Read-Deed-Run for 2 years.

#### Q: What is Read Deed Run?

A: Read Deed Run is an afterschool program for 4-5 graders. Read Deed Run is running, doing deeds, and reading."

#### Q:Why do you enjoy RDR?

A: I enjoy RDR because I have a passion for running and during RDR they really let you embrace it by running and doing good things.

#### Q: Do you suggest RDR?

A: I definitely suggest that you sign up for RDR because it's very enjoyable and you get to read, do deeds, and run!"

Madison Watson is a 5th grader at TWE and joined RDR this year.

Q: Why are you in Read-Deed-Run/RDR?

A: I am in RDR because I like to run.

Q: Why do you like running?

A: I like running because I feel free and I'm fast.

Q: Do you like to do deeds

A: Yeah, they're fun." What about reading?

Q: Do you like to read?

A: Yeah, I like to read. I read in most of my free time.

Q: Are you doing pages or books?

A: Pages.

Q:Do you have any friends in RDR?

A: "Oh, yes. Lucy Anderson."

By Reagan Banowetz, Anne Moura Rodrigues, Chloe Kim, and Olivia Jang



## Wolfpack Chorale

Do you like listening to music? If yes, then you will like the Wolfpack Chorale. They have been working hard by coming to school early in the mornings to practice wonderful songs. Some of the songs are calm, while others are a bit more lively, but their music will amaze you! There is an event in the afternoon and in the evening at Jordan High School on November 16 at 6:30. It costs zero dollars. So we hope you can be there!

By Arnav Vijay and Praket Sajwan

## The 4th Grade Musical

The 4th grade musical was on Thursday, November 2nd, 2023. It is a very important event that happens every year at TWE. They performed lots of songs related to food this year. They performed 3 times. They performed to their parents from 6:00 PM to 7:00 PM then their musical will be finished for the rest of the day.

4th graders have practiced for months to show to their friends and family this amazing show. The 4th grade musical also has lots of scenes that tell the audience what the next song might be about. They are trying their best to remember their lines even though it may be hard to remember.

The 4th grade musical is an awesome show. They even have solos that people will sing and rap. They tried their very best to give you a good show. This is a very important show in TWE and they all hope you liked it.

By: Chloe Xie and Remington Mclelland



## Endangered Animals

The Tree Kangaroo and Axolotl are symbols of their native country

Tree kangaroos and axolotls are both critically endangered animals.

#### Environment

Tree Kangaroos and Axolotls are both endangered animals, that is why we need to keep their environment save. Tree kangaroos live in trees but Axolotls live in water. Axolotls live in Mexico and Tree Kangaroos live in Australia. Both Australia and Mexico are hot and dry.

#### Diet

The Tree Kangaroo eats plants,flowers, and insects/larva. Axolotls eat crustaceans, mollusks, insects/larva, worms, and sometimes small fish.

#### **Fun Facts**

There are only 50 tree kangaroos left on earth. Are endangered because people are eating them. The rarest axolotls are piebald, copper, lavender, firefly, chimera, and mosaic. Axolotls can come in a whole variety of colors. Tree kangaroos look like a red panda and a mini kangaroo mixed together.

Disclaimer: You can't get these animals as pets.

By Isaac, Gio, and Zoe







## The Hammerhead Shark

Swish! Swish! A Hammerhead Shark senses its prey. Hammerhead Sharks have special organs in their giant heads that can sense electricity in animals and therefore sense the animals. The shark maneuvers above the stingray. Its head bumps its prey and pins it down with its giant head. Dinner is served. Slowly, Piece by Piece, the shark eats away at its prey, the stingray. Stingrays are one three big prey Hammerhead sharks eat, the other two being other rays and skates. Hammerhead Sharks are interesting animals. Let's dive into the world!

#### Fun Facts

- 1.Hammerhead Sharks can tan.
- 2. They use their heads to aid.
- 3. There are 9 species of Hammerhead sharks.
- 4. Stingrays can't sting them.



#### **Pandas**

Pandas live in the South of China. Pandas are usually black and white, eat bamboo, and climb trees. Baby cubs sometimes look like they are fighting but they are actually just playing. Adult pandas leave their cubs at 18 months old . Pandas usually hide or sit behind bushes.

#### Nine Cool Facts about Pandas

1.Like domestic cats, giant panda bears have vertical slits for pupils 2.Mother pandas keep contact with their cub nearly 100% of the time the first month-with the cub resting on her front and remaining covered by her paw, arm, or head 3.Giant pandas are good swimmers and excellent tree climbers. At 5 months old, giant panda cubs learn how to climb-sometimes practicing by climbing on their mom, They have an expanded wrist bone that they use like a thumb to help them grip food giant pandas spend 10-16 hours a day feeding, mainly on bamboo, pandas need at least 2 different bamboo species in their range to avoid starvation.

By Karmah Abouelsaoud and Amarisa Nkamare





### Pick Up A Good Book

## Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone

"Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone," a fantastic book for young readers, is filled with mystery and magic. This story was written by J.K. Rowling. It is most suitable for kids, ages 8-14. This book is about a young, orphaned boy and his two friends who go to a school for young wizards and witches, but they soon find danger inside the school and have to face a series of challenges. Read the book to see if he succeeds. This great story wraps you up in magic and adventure. This book deserves a five-star rating because it is full of fun, excitement, delightfulness, and surprises. This book will unravel the wonderful wizarding world of Harry Potter. But be aware, this could be a possible ORANGE\* for you. So, if you are looking for a new book, maybe try Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone. Our team has interviewed some staff and students and here is what they said. Fifth grade teacher Mr.Castillo said, "My favorite part of the book is when Harry goes to Diagon Alley to buy his supplies." He also said that his favorite character was Harry. Claire Qin said, "My favorite part of the book is when Hagrid saves Harry from the muggles."

\*ORANGE(s) are(is a) possible detail(s) that readers may find to be disturbing please be aware of them. HAPPY READING!

By Amelia Curtis, Tara Sharan, and McKenzie Hitch





#### Leave It to Plum

This is the perfect book for kids who are starting to read more and more chapter books. It is a surprisingly highly illustrated chapter book with a humorous plot and an animal nobody knows about called a "Ningbing". "Leave it to Plum " is written by Matt Phelan. This book is also a bluebonnet book and it is mostly meant for children ages 7-12. You should consider reading this book if you have just started reading chapter books and enjoy a good laugh! Here is a quick summary of this book: Plum is one of the many peacocks at the Athensville Zoo, who get to greet and hang around the visitors at the zoo. When a small marsupial called 'Ningbing' tries to get rid of the peacocks, so he can greet and give lectures to the visitors. instead, Plum saves the day and gets everyone on their way. We interviewed Ms. Shmidt said that her favorite part of the book is how they named the cat Jeremey. Her favorite character is Plum. This great book for kids in the grades 2nd-6th. It could also be for ages 7 to

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