

The Informing Feathers

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Issue 6

Welcome to the 6th Edition of our school newsletter!
Our team is dedicated to giving you past, current, and future
information about Miller Middle School, in Riverside, and
even worldly happenings!

Macaw Happenings

By: Isabella, Lauren, Tessa

<p>April 1-9, is spring break. You got a whole week to relax and prepare for summer break with only about 3 months left of school. 8th graders spend the rest of your time wisely in the home stretch to summer and high school.</p>	<p>Support the Miller Color Guard team for their competition on April 14th at Santiago High School and if our Miller Macaws continue on to the championships on April 21st in Orange County. Good luck to our Miller girls!</p>	<p>Friday April 20th is the ASB carnival from 2-4. Come support this amazing school and spend the day having fun at this amazing school.</p>
<p> Spring Break</p> <p>Douglas Shooting Walkout</p> <p>On March 14, our school had a walkout for all the victims in the Douglas shooting. Here are some pictures we took from the walkout:</p>	<p></p>	<p></p>

Worldly Happenings

By: Angelie L. and Sonia G. .

Celebrating Saint Patrick's Day around the world



St. Patricks day is one of the most celebrated annual festivities in the world. In Chicago, USA they dyed the Chicago river green, which you could've viewed from the sides of the river. Also, in Sydney, Australia, London, England, Brussels, Belgium, New York, USA, Auckland, New Zealand, Tokyo, Japan, Toronto, Canada, Munich, and Germany they all held a very green parade, which includes large numbers of performers and floats. In other parts of the world instead of parades many held street parades, which include music, dancing, and plenty of the most essential thing in living ,food.

Easter celebrations around the world



Easter has come and gone! Many countries around the world celebrated Easter in different and unique ways. In Europe, large bonfires are lit on Easter Sunday. These bonfires are called Easter fires and are lit to represent Spring chasing the darkness of winter away. Now, bonfires are also lit for the purpose of bringing communities together. In Sweden, people eat meals of eggs, herring, and a plate called Jansson's Temptation that consists of potatoes, onions, and pickled sardines baked in cream. During this time children also dress up as Easter witches by wearing old clothes and going door to door exchanging

paintings or drawings for sweets. To many people, Easter is a very important part of their life, so they come up with wonderful traditions.

Earth Day



Earth day is on April, 22nd. The exponential growth of plastics has been threatening the survival of our Earth. That is why Earth Day 2018 is going to be all about spreading information and inspiration on how to stop the widespread problem of plastic pollution.

ON THE RISE (TRENDS)

By: Hailey, Abby, and Hanah

As spring soon approaches, trends come and go. Many up and coming styles and crazes come with the changing seasons. Read our article below to stay up to date with all the rage!

Fortnite: Battle Royale is a huge multiplayer game developed by Epic Games and People Can Fly, with Epic Games publishing the game. The game was released on July 25, 2017, and has rapidly gained popularity since then. It's based off of survival, and the objective of the game is to be the last survivor. It's often posted on social media as a way to bond with others and show off your video game skills.

Another trend is one that most people love and never goes away is food! Spring 2018's food trends are colorful, fun, and look delicious. Poke (pronounced po-kee) is a HUGE topic. Poke is fresh fish usually seasoned with soy sauce, green onions, and other seasonings to bring out the color and fresh flavors. Traditional poke bowls from Hawaii include rice, poke, and sometimes even Kalua Pork and cabbage. The flavors are



refreshing and visually aesthetic. Other food trends you may have heard of are boba, acai bowls and Hot Cheetos. While these have been around for a while, many people still enjoy eating them and share with friends and family.

Clothing and fashion is yet another trend that many love, but is constantly changing. Skating brands such as Thrasher, Vans, Santa Cruz, and Supreme. Many people are currently obsessed with Gucci, but in reality, no one can actually afford it. As spring approaches, many are going back to floral and loose clothing, for a cute, but casual look. A lot of outfits that include these looks can be found at most stores in the mall.



Clubs/Elective Spotlight

By : Kylie, Bailey, and Stacy

Mr. Berz:

Outdoors Club

What made you want to start this club/activity?

I wanted to become more involved in this campus.

How long have you done this club?

This is my first year.

Do you enjoy doing this club?

Yeah!

What do you do in this club?

Talk about outdoors, watch videos, do interactive stuff

How many kids are in your club?

31.

What else do you teach at Miller?

7th grade world history.

What is your favorite thing about outdoors clubs?

It's still teaching and I like to teach kids about the outdoors.

Student: Kiera Roberts

What do you do in outdoors club?

We watch videos about the outdoors learn survival skills.

Do you enjoy doing outdoors club?

Yeah its cool.

Is Mr. Berz a cool teacher?

Yeah he's Gucci.

What's your favorite thing about outdoors club?

When he shows us hunting videos.

What made you want to do outdoors club?

I like the outdoors.

What do you dislike about outdoors club?

Nothing :)

Student: Alyssa M

What do you do in outdoors club?

Talk about hunting .

Do you enjoy doing outdoors club?

Yes.

Is Mr. Berz a cool teacher?

Yes.

What's your favorite thing about outdoors club?

Watching videos about hunting.

What made you want to do outdoors club?

I thought it was a class where you sit outside.

What do you dislike about outdoors club?

It's not outside.

Students: Ilala and Marie

What do you do in outdoors club?

I like how we learn about different animals and about survival skills if we were stranded.

Do you enjoy doing outdoors club?

Yes, it's very fun.

Is Mr. Berz a cool teacher?

He's cool.

What's your favorite thing about outdoors club?

Watching videos about the outdoors.

What made you want to do outdoors club?

Ilala: I go hunting with my dad.

Marie: I like learning about the outdoors.

What do you dislike about outdoors club?

We don't go outside.

Student: Anthony Herrera

What do you do in outdoors club?

We watch videos about a guy hunting an animal and how he enjoys it.

Do you enjoy doing outdoors club?

No, we have nothing to do basically.

Is Mr. Berz a cool teacher?

Yeah he's pretty cool.

What's your favorite thing about outdoors club?

The fact that Mr. Berz talks about his adventures.

What made you want to do outdoors club?

I ran out of options.

What do you dislike about outdoors club?

Not being outdoors.

Student: Adriana M.

What do you do in outdoors club?

We learn about survival and what to do when you're in the woods and how to stay safe.

Do you enjoy doing outdoors club?

Yes, sometimes.

Is Mr. Berz a cool teacher?

Yeah, he's very funny.

What's your favorite thing about outdoors club?

When we learned the different ways to tie a rope.

What made you want to do outdoors club?

I thought it was going to be outdoors.

What do you dislike about outdoors club?

That we're not outdoors.

Mrs. Parker

Science Olympiad

How long have you done this club?

11 years, I used to coach it at my old school.

Do you enjoy doing this club?

Yes I do.

What do you do in this club?

I coach 4 events and fill out paperwork. The kids learn about college level science and compete in build, lab, and study events.

How many kids are in your club?

29 kids.

What else do you teach at Miller?

I teach 7th grade science.

What made you want to do Science Olympiad?

I like being around kids that like science and I like to be around kids that are motivated.

What is your favorite thing about Science Olympiad?

Seeing the kids that worked hard get a medal in the events they studied for.

Entertainment

Kayla, Mia, Sean'na, Linzy and Camden

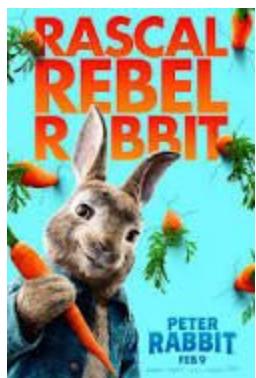
Music:

1. Perfect by Ed Sheeran
2. God's Plan by Drake
3. Plain Jane by A\$AP Ferg
4. Bartier Cardi by Cardi B

- 5.Finesse by Bruno Mars FT Cardi B
- 6.Roll in peace by kodak black FT XXXtentacion
- 7.Love lies by khalid
- 8.Drowning by Kodak Black
- 9.Codeine Dreaming by lil Wayne

Movies:

Peter Rabbit The Greatest Showman Early Man



Step Sisters



STEP SISTERS



Games:

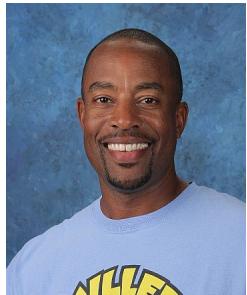
Top 5 games of PC and console

1. Fortnite (100 player drop into an island and fight to be the last one standing, will you be next?)

2. Call of Duty: WWII (Play a variety of game modes, Campaign, Multiplayer, and Zombies)
3. Playerunknown's Battlegrounds (PUBG is a game that when release hit the world by storm, 100 players drop into one of the two abandoned islands available, gather gear, weapons, and tactics to fight to be the remaining one, two, or four people left (Solo, Duo, or squads))
4. Rainbow Six Siege (Play online with other players and take part in scenarios like free a hostage, stop drug operations, or just all around mess around with your buddies!)
5. Roblox (Roblox is a game where you can play a variety of games, Roblox is targeted towards a younger audience (5-10) but it's still really fun to meet new people and just have a good time!)

If you ever play games with others make SURE to never give out any type of information that could hurt you or your family, if anyone ever makes you feel bad about yourself in a game talk to a parent/guardian if necessary

Meet...



Mr. Jones

By: Kadence K.

1. How long have you been at Miller?

9 years

2. Have you ever taught another subject?

Yes, math, science, health, cooking, art, computers.

3. How many sports have you played and what were they? What was your favorite?

I played about in high school I played baseball, basketball and football it was a tie between baseball and basketball

4. How many countries have you been to? What was your favorite to go to?

Two countries. I really liked Italy.

5. What's your favorite part about being a teacher?

When i actually get through to a student and change their life positively.

6.What inspired you to be a teacher?

I was able to be help out in basketball as a sophomore in high school for the 8th grade basketball team. My

math teacher was a 8th grade basketball coach and she gave me tutoring for me to help her with basketball.

7. What would you call the best part of this 2017-2018 school year?

The end when the 8th grade leave the finale of how much we cared for them down when they are going to miss Miller.



Mrs.Ruff

By: Kaylee P and Olivia R

1.How long have you been at Miller?

Since 2010 (A year after it opened) .

2.Have you taught any other subjects?

No, just this subject, math.

3.Have you worked at any other school?

Yes, this program used to be at Earhart.

4.What was your favorite subject as a kid?

Depends on what grade I was in, in 7th grade it was math, in 9th grade it was math, and 8th grade it was reading and language arts.

5.When you were a kid did you ever think you would become a Special Education teacher?

No, not when I was a kid. I started as an instructional teacher and decided to make a career out of it.

7. Do you have any goals you would like your students to accomplish this year?

Independence.

8. What would you call the best part of this 2017-2018 school year?

I think the way my club works together with the students and collaborate.

9. What is the most challenging part? What's your favorite part?

The most challenging is to get their attention.

My favorite part is when they are proud of themselves.



Mrs.Graydon

By: Sumaya K and Olivia R

1. How long have you been at Miller?

This is my 5th year this year.

2. Have you taught any other subjects?

I teach Read 180 Language Arts and strategies for success.

3. Have you worked at any other school?

I worked at a lot of other schools when I was a substitute teacher.

4. What was your favorite subject as a kid?

Music.

5. When you were a kid did you ever think you would become a Read 180 special education teacher or Language Arts teacher?

I decided when I was probably in 2nd grade.

6. If you could teach any other subject what would it be?

I think World History.

7. Do you have any goals you would like your students to accomplish this year?

I would like my students to be self-motivated and independent thinkers.

8. What would you call the best part of this 2017-2018 school year?

Watching my students thoroughly enjoy reading Wonder.



Mrs. Jones

By: Marina S. and Olivia R

1. How long have you been at Miller?

Since it opened, 9 years

2.Have you taught any other subjects?

I used to teach third grade. When I got to middle school,
I only taught math.

3.Have you worked at any other school?

Earhart, Kennedy, and then in Moreno Valley

4.What was your favorite subject as a kid?

Math

5.When you were a kid did you ever think you would
become a math teacher?

No, I wanted to be a lawyer.

6.If you could teach any other subject what would it be?

Probably History I like learning about History.

7.Do you have any goals you would like your student to
accomplish this year?

I would like them to leave enjoying math and feel they
would like to be successful at it.

8. What would you call the best part of this 2017-2018
school year?

I like the beginning when everything is new. Students
are excited to learn and be here, and get to know
everyone.



Mrs. Ayala

By: Marina S.

1. How long have you been at Miller?

I have been here for 4 years

2. Have you taught any other subjects?

I have taught elementary school for 18 years

3. Have you worked at any other school?

I worked at Taft elementary, Monroe, and Saint Edwards Catholic School.

4. What was your favorite subject as a kid?

I have always liked reading as a kid.

5. When you were a kid did you ever think you would become a spanish teacher?

No, I hated kids.

6. If you could teach any other subject what would it be?

Spanish

7. Do you have any goals you would like your students to accomplish this year?

I liked my students to be confident in their ability to engage a conversation in spanish.

8. What would you call the best part of this 2017-2018 school year?

The best part is that I feel that my students are learning spanish.



Ms. Castillo

By: Marina S.

1.How long have you been at Miller?

I have been here for nine years since the school has opened.

2.Have you taught any other subjects?

No

3.Have you worked at any other school?

Yes, I have worked at Sierra Middle School for 2 years.

4.What was your favorite subject as a kid?

Math

5.When you were a kid did you ever think you would become a math teacher?

No I wanted to be a FBI agent.

6.If you could teach any other subject what would it be?

P.E.

7.Do you have any goals you would like your students to accomplish this year?

Ya I hope that my students that did not like math understand and enjoy it now.

8. What would you call the best part of this 2017-2018 school year?

How our school is coming together to support Douglas High School in Florida.



Mrs. saucedo

By: Kaylee P and Sumaya K.

1. How long have you been at Miller?

Since the very beginning, 9 years. I started at Earhart then came here. I was at Earhart for 9 years also.

2. What is so interesting to you about history?

My father was in the military, so I lived in many parts of the world. I love to see the ruins, art, and museums. I've also been interested in the history behind where I lived.

3. What made you want to become a teacher?

I've always loved learning and reading as a child. I have 3 siblings, and we would play school when we were little. I was always the role of the teacher.

4. Have you ever taught another subject?

Yes, when I was at Earhart I taught Language Arts for 9 years. When I came to Miller I taught World History, which is definitely my favorite.

5. How many places have you traveled to? Which was your favorite?

Turkey, Italy, Virginia, United States... I have lived in 7 different states, a couple of them twice and my favorite place was Turkey.

6. What would you call the best part of the 2017-2018 school year so far?

Planning for the big field trip that we took to the Museum of Tolerance. I've never gone before, but I'm super excited! I think it will be a life experience none of the students will ever forget.

7. Where are you from? What made you want to move here?

I say that I'm from North Carolina because that is where my family is from, but I was born in Turkey and I visit 4 times a year.

8. Which period is your favorite and which is your least favorite?

Each class has their own personality and that depends on the way I teach them.

9. What made you want to teach history?

Because of the way I grew up having a love for history.

10. What is your favorite unit you'll teach us this year?

Byzantine Empire and China

Sports

By: Katie Beckum and Bianca Magana



Current Standings for NFL

NFL website: <https://www.nfl.com/>



Football Spotlight

Nick Foles



Nick Foles is a quarterback for the Philadelphia Eagles. The Philadelphia Eagles won the Super Bowl in 2018.

Born: January 20, 1989(Age 29)

Height: 6'6"

Current Team: Philadelphia Eagles

Education: Arizona State University, Michigan State University, University of Arizona

Current Information for MLS

MLS Website : <https://www.mlssoccer.com/>



Soccer Spotlight

Lionel Messi



Lionel Messi is an Argentine professional soccer player for the Argentina national soccer team. He also plays for F.C. Barcelona.

Born: June 24, 1987(Age 30)

Height: 5'7"

Playing Position: Forward

Current Information for MLB

MLB Website: <https://www.mlb.com/>



Baseball Spotlight

Justin Turner



Justin Turner is a baseball player for the Los Angeles Dodgers and has also played for the Baltimore Orioles and The New York Mets.

Born: November 23, 1984 (age 33)

Height: 5'11"

Bats: Right Handed

Current team: Los Angeles Dodgers #10/third basemen

Education: California State University, Fullerton.

Games and Puzzles

By Collin Burgh



A colorful puzzle page titled "April Foolery!" featuring a jester's hat illustration and a question about the origin of April Fool's Day.

In which country did April Fool's Day originate?

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NUF
KITCR
EJERTS

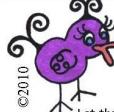
Unscramble the letters below to make 5 words related to April Fool's Day. Then unscramble the letters in the red squares to answer the question at left.

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Buttercup
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Fascinated
Funnies
Game
Happiness
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APRIL CROSSWORD PUZZLE



Across

1. April is a ____ month.
 4. The weather is ____ in April than in March.
 6. Which holiday is usually celebrated in April?
 8. April is usually a wet month because of the ____.
 9. What is the fourth month of the year?
- Down
1. ____ begin to bloom in April.
 2. Trees turn ____ in April.
 3. You need an ____ in April.
 5. April arrives during the ____ season.
 7. How many days are there in April?

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ASB COLUMN

By Brayden Rosa

Hello fellow Macaws, welcome back to the Informing Feathers! On this month's edition, I'll be focusing on what our typical week in ASB is like. All right then, let's begin.

On Mondays and Tuesdays, we usually brainstorm ideas about lunch time activities, dances, and how to make this FAMM-tastic school even better. We also make posters to advertise on dances, fundraisers, and other school events.

While we don't have ASB on Wednesdays, we get right back into action the following day. On Thursdays, we are probably the busiest out of the entire week. Thursdays are our meeting days. All money that is

transferred throughout the school goes through ASB first. Thursdays is when we monitor and approve (or disapprove) these transfers. While it may sound a bit dull, it's actually quite fun being able to be a part of something bigger than yourself.

Moving on to the last day of the week, Fridays are very similar to Mondays and Tuesdays. However, on either Mondays, Tuesdays, or Fridays, we periodically have a meeting with our amazing principal and vice-principal; Mrs.Simmons and Mr.Shaw. In these meetings, we go over ideas of how to even further improve our school spirit. This is the basic week for ASB.

For this month in particular, ASB has been working on our carnival. At the FAMMS carnival, some clubs will create carnival-like games that all students will have a chance to play. ASB will help run this festival, so make sure to look out for your elected student leaders! This has been yet another ASB section, and I hope you have a blessed rest of your day!

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