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Feeder School Tournament



During the school week of March 4-8th, Hugh Boyd hosted its annual Trojan classic feeder school tournament. The Trojan classic feeder school tournament is where multiple elementary schools from grades 6-7 in our catchment come together for some friendly competition and a chance to show their basketball skills. This year there were twelve teams, 4 boys, 4 girls and 4 co-ed. The elementary schools that participated in the tournament were Manoah Steves, Quilechena, Jessie Wowk, Blundell, Bridgehouse, Gilmore, St Joesphs, and Grauer. The students played in an array of games. Super exciting games took place as they engaged with other students from around the area. Throughout the series of games, elementary students were able to interact with each other and explore their future highschool. This was an annual tournament up until Covid hit. This was the first elementary school tournament that Boyd has held after a long four years. Ultimately, three winners were revealed. The first place co-ed team, first place boys team and first place girls team. There was also an award for the most team spirit. The first place team in the co-ed division was Sameul Bridgehouse. The first place team in the boys' division was Gilmore. Finally, the first place team in the girls' division was Grauer. The elementary school that won the spirit award was Grauer as well. Additionally there was a shooting competition that a student from Grauer won. Congratulations to Grauer for their triple wins, as well as the rest of the schools for their terrific efforts! This tournament was a super fun experience for elementary kids to meet other kids their age that will be at Hugh Boyd with them in the future years.

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Teacher Interview: Senior Joseph

BY: AALIYAH CONNOR

One of Hugh Boyd's most well known teachers, Sr Joseph has been teaching at Hugh Boyd for 14 years. This is the first school he has taught at, besides for a practicum at McMath Secondary. In the early days of teaching at Boyd, Sr Joseph taught Spanish



and Social Studies and now he teaches Spanish as well as Physical Education/Fitness and Conditioning.

Something interesting about Sr Joseph is that he started in the French-Immersion program and learned this language throughout his high school days. Then in college, he minored in Spanish and Sociology- focusing on Latin-American culture, which sparked his interest in the language and the culture. From there, he traveled to many places with his friends in his 20s to many Latin-American countries like Columbia, Cuba, Bolivia and Bogota and other places like Fiji and Indonesia. Being able to experience the sounds, the sights, the culture of these countries was awesome for him after learning the language and everything about the culture. Ultimately, having the ability to share his experiences and knowledge has truly become a passion for Sr Joseph.

For Sr Joseph, his favourite part about Hugh Boyd is the students. He says that the kids have "a lot of personality and a good sense of humour," and from there it creates a great classroom environment where he can teach and have a chance to joke around. When asked about why he got into teaching, he said "I like teaching Spanish because it's an academic class, but it's not like a life or death class." He didn't want to get into teaching for the sake of teaching kids to become Spanish professors or teachers. Sr Joseph enjoys the energy of teaching young people and believes that Spanish is a "super beneficial skill that opens many doors," and how life-enriching it can be to learn it.

Past students who have taken Spanish with Sr. Joseph, have learned so much from his classes and had a blast every year. He creates an interactive and enjoyable learning environment and never fails to make jokes in class.

Spring Break

BY: TIFFANY TARRANT

Spring break has finally arrived, and students all around Richmond are hyped for some well-deserved time off! After a long period of hard work and relentless studying, it's time to unwind and relax.

While students eagerly look forward to taking a break from their studies, it's undeniable that many will miss the friends usually seen everyday. Thus, plans are already being made to connect over the break, whether through meetups or online.

Though students will certainly have plenty of video game sessions with friends, it's important to balance indoor and outdoor activities. Don't forget to step outside for some fresh air every once in a while, and refrain from staying up too late. Take advantage of the free time and catch up on sleep to fix your sleep schedule while you can!

In this time of rest and relaxation, it's also wise to prioritize productivity. Many of you likely have messy rooms, and spring break is a great opportunity to get a kickstart on some spring cleaning! Your parents will undoubtedly appreciate the effort. Even a little daily tidying up can gradually transform your room from chaos to order.

One exciting day to look forward to within the break is Easter! This year the holiday falls on March 31, and comes with plenty of community events and popups. The Easter celebrations at the Steveston Cannery offer various activities, from crafts to scavenger hunts, making it an ideal outing to bring a younger friend or sibling to!

I sincerely hope that everyone has a chance to enjoy this hard-earned break. Take the time to relax, but remember to stay productive as the time will pass before you know it!



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Richmond Cultural Centre Annex Opening

BY: VALENTINA YEP

Formerly the Minoru senior center and later used as an emergency shelter, the building has now been reimagined into a vibrant culture center. The grand opening of the Richmond Culture Centre Annex took place back in February, and offered visitors the opportunity to explore the various rooms of the building.

Mayor Malcolm Brodie expressed his enthusiasm about the new hub and its contribution to Richmond's arts and culture scene. "The Richmond Cultural Centre Annex is an exciting new hub that will play an important role in strengthening Richmond's already strong and vibrant arts and culture community," Mayor Brodie remarked. "Not only will it complement our City's existing cultural facilities, it will showcase and foster the creativity of many emerging and established local artists and performers."

The renovation of the former seniors center into the culture center annex involved a cost of nearly three million dollars. Fundings came from a number of sources, including the province's contribution of about two million dollars and the federal government's contribution of about one hundred thousand dollars.

The centre boasts a variety of rooms, including various dance studios, a pottery zone, a gallery space for local artists to show their work, and a media lab where youth can learn digital media skills from sound recording to 3D printing. Notably, one of these rooms is a soundproof recording studio, where individuals can engage in activities like animation, recording, and music practice without distraction. The media lab is equipped with computers full of creative software programs like PhotoShop, Premier Pro, and After Effects, allowing youth explore creative programs and undertake personal projects.

The hub also plans to support other programs and local culture institutions like the Richmond Arts Center and Richmond Art Gallery. Operating hours for the Culture Centre are Monday through Friday, from nine a.m. to nine p.m., and on weekends from ten a.m. to five p.m.



Ambani Wedding

BY: CELINE EPKENS



The son of the richest man in India is getting married this summer in July, but the wedding celebrations began last week in New Delhi. The groom's father, billionaire industrialist Mukesh Ambani, who is currently

India's richest man and the ninth richest man in the world, with his net worth just under \$118 billion. His youngest son, Anant Ambani is set to marry his long term girlfriend Radhika Merchant. Radhika's father, Viren Merchant, is the CEO of Encore Healthcare Private Limited, a pharmaceutical giant in India.

The three day pre-wedding festivities were held March 1st-3rd in the city of Jamnagar, where the guestlist totaled to more than 1,200 people. Big names including Bill Gates the founder of Microsoft, Meta founder Mark Zuckerberg, CEO of Google Sundar Pichai, Disney CEO Bob Iger, former first daughter Ivanka Trump, and A-list Bollywood celebrity Shah Rukh Khan, were all invited to the celebrations. Even pop star Rhianna was paid \$6 million to come out of retirement to perform for their party. The three day event reportedly cost \$120 million.

Many described the event as being transported into a whimsical fairytale, completed with fireworks, and a drone display. The 5,500 drones adorned the sky with

imagery of the couple amidst nature. It seems that those who were lucky enough to have gotten an invitation really enjoyed themselves at this extravagant gala. The Ambanis left everyone amazed, and all the eyes will be on them once again for the wedding on July 12th.



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Mama's Diner

BY: PAUL DELOS REYES

Located in Garden City, adjacent to Walmart, Mama's Diner is a recently opened Korean-style restaurant. Known for their Korean style comfort food and their delightful hot pots, Mama's Diner has an impressive overall rating of 4.4/5 on Google Maps' reviews.

The restaurant has a comfortable and modern atmosphere, perfect for relaxing after a long day. With an exceptionally clean environment, Mama's Diner is perfect for enjoying time with friends and family, or for small celebrations. Despite its high-quality interior, the food is all budget-friendly and won't put a strain on your wallet. Moreover, the delicious taste and generous portions of their dishes make it worth the money and wait.

Their food presentation is nothing short of mouthwatering, earning recognition from food bloggers across Richmond. As you eat, accommodating staff members attend to customers with warmth and dedication, showing a clear effort and passion for their roles.

Having tasted numerous dishes throughout my several visits to the diner, I have curated some highlights to share my dining experiences. The beef bone hot pot, cooked with zucchini, mushrooms, onions, glass noodles, and beef brisket slices, has a delicious aroma that adds to the anticipation and appeal. Equally delicious is the spicy chicken with rice cakes, cheese, and cabbage – a flavourful combination of both sweet and savoury tastes that blend perfectly well together. For a more simple dish, try the pan-fried squid; the taste reminds me of the refreshing scent of a beach. The glass noodles, or japchae, has a chewy texture that goes well with the assortment of vegetables. This classic dish is ubiquitous in Korean cuisine, and to try the newest place, Mama's Diner is the place to go!

serves as a good option for first-timers unsure of what to order. Meanwhile, the chicken rice bowl has a savoury and sweet flavour that I would recommend for kids.

A standout feature of Mama's Diner is their unlimited assortment of complementary appetizers, including kimchi, kimchi radishes, bean sprouts, and soy sauce green beans.

Overall, Mama's Diner has left a great impression on both myself and my family. Whether you're a newbie to Korean cuisine looking for a new dining experience, or a veteran wanting



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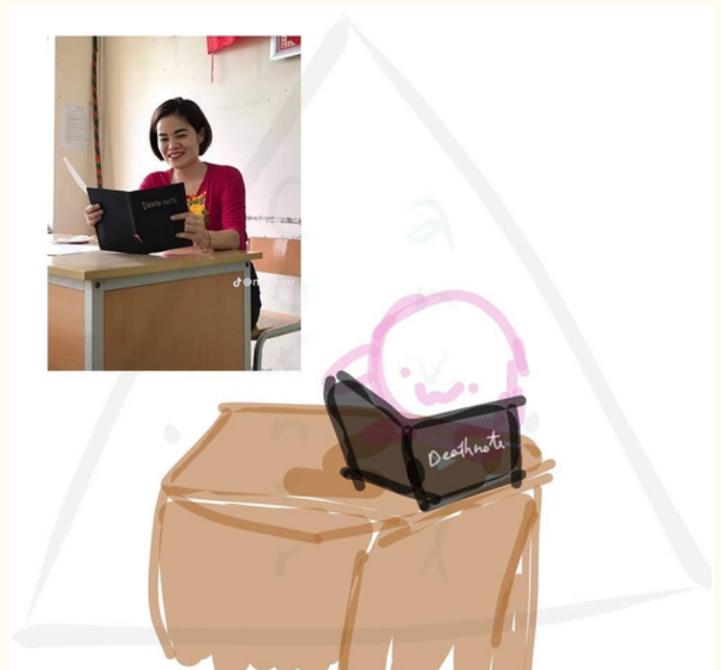
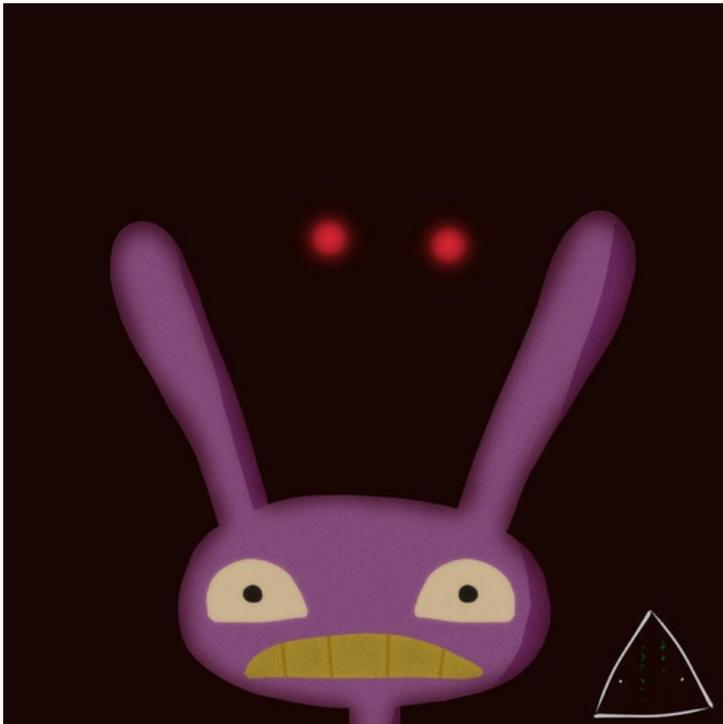
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Alvin Lee

Alvin Lee explores digital art with a simple and charming style, utilizing many different colours and textures to create works reminiscent of whiteboard doodles and children's book covers.



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Artist's Statement: As one of the members of The Golden Times, I thought it would be soon enough that my art could be shown for Artist of the Week. I've done art starting back in Gr. 6 where my interest started to peak. Two years later when the pandemic hit, I drifted towards digital art on my laptop. I then posted a simple drawing of a cat with the message, "Stay Optimistic" during those hard times. Ever since, I've improved on my skills throughout four years even if there isn't much time.