



# SB Wolf Pack Press

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## Grand Opening of Wolfpack Warehouse

Earlier in the fall, Carol McNair's Apps Class decided to take on a project of starting a school store. Students in that class include Abdiqadir Abukar, Will Anderson, Brady Barrett, Isiah Gomez, Suat Gungor, Ivy Jiang, Tiana Nash, Natalie Torres, and 8th grader, Ryan Hurdle. First, they would need funding. Together, they made a slideshow to submit to the Vermont Federal Credit Union and acquired a loan of \$1000. Work then began on refurbishing an old school store that was once run at the high school. Students demolished all but the bones of the frame, and then nailed, screwed, drilled, sawed, and painted until they achieved their final product. Lights and plexiglass were added to create a polished look.

Next, students shopped online for inventory. They also purchased and programmed a cash register. They were then ready and open for business!

The store was named the Wolfpack Warehouse, and will be open several days a week during lunch periods. They have a wide variety of merchandise including school supplies, jewelry, stress balls, and other trinkets. Proceeds will go toward paying back the loan. Once the loan is paid, proceeds will go to charity.



*School Store Before*



**Guess Who!!!!**

**Which FHTMS teacher looked like this back in the day?**

*See page 2.*



*School Store After*

## Guess Who? It's Mr. Walker

**Favorite food:** Pizza

**Favorite sport:** Curling

**Favorite Movie:** The Blues Brothers

**Favorite Holiday:** Christmas

**Favorite App:** YouTube

**Hidden Talent:** Air Force Auxiliary Pilot

**What wanted to be when grew up:**  
Superman

**Middle School You Attended:** Rutland



## Winter Chorus Concert

By Savanna Ploof



On December 3, 2018 the students in 6th , 7th, and 8th grade held their winter concert. The 6th grade sang songs like Winter's Waking, Winter Light, Hine Ne Ma Tov, Let It Snow, and Il Est Ne Le Divin Enfant. My favorite song was Il Est Ne Le Divin Enfant. The people in the chorus wore white on top, black pants and black shoes. The boys had to wear ties. It seemed like 2 hundred people were watching me when I was on stage. We had been practicing those songs since the first day of school. There are two groups: Altos and Sopranos. I am a Soprano, and in 6th grade we sing higher than the Altos sing. The two groups have different parts. Our concert was a huge success.



## Fun Way to Decorate Presents

By Isabelle Barrino

Want to know some different way to decorate presents? These ideas will make people want to open your presents before anyone else's! Decorate your present as animals, food, or even an emoji. It's a great present for kids.

Another idea: add a wooden letter of the person's name. Attach it with some string, wrap it, and there you go. You have the best present! Here is another idea: decorate a mini chalkboard, write the person's name, attach it to the present, and there is another great present. Other unconventional objects to put on presents are: bells, paper objects, fake plants, googly eyes, ornaments, and pompoms. Next time don't just put a ribbon and some wrapping paper. Use these ideas and impress your friends and family.

## How You Know When Ice is Thick Enough for Ice Fishing

By Kaydyn Riley

Insert a tape measure into the hole, hook the end onto the edge of the **ice**, and take the measurement. If your reading is at least four inches, proceed with caution. **Ice** more than five inches **thick** will likely hold a snowmobile, and **ice** more than eight inches **thick** will likely support a car or small pickup truck. **BUT BE CAREFUL!!!** Don't take any chances.



## **Gifts Under \$25 for Friends and Family**

Looking for some good holiday presents for friends and family? If you need help finding where to get these, consider going to these stores to find them: Michaels, Target, Walmart, Pier One Imports and Marshalls. If you are stuck for ideas, here are a few that are all under \$25:

1. A Gift Card- (ex. Visa, Starbucks, Target, Lululemon)
2. Earbuds
3. Wallet
4. Blankets
5. Mugs
6. Money
7. Flowers
8. Cell Phone Case
9. Candles
10. Necklaces
11. Clothes
12. Friendship bracelets
13. Chocolate
14. Earrings
15. Candy
16. Slippers
17. Hand Sanitizer
18. Pencils
19. Food
20. Water bottle



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**Yours!**

### **CONTRIBUTE!**

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- A persuasive essay that you want to share with a larger audience?
- Appreciation or Apology?
- Announcement?
- Club or athletic event update?
- Artwork you want published?
- Need Advice?
- Have a suggestion????

All items are welcome. You can put any of the above in teacher, Carol McNair's mailbox located in the main office, or share it with her via Google Docs. Join us in making this paper and integral part of our school!!!



These are some ideas to give your friends or family. – By Alexis Graves

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## **The New Girl's Thoughts**

By Milka Alvarado

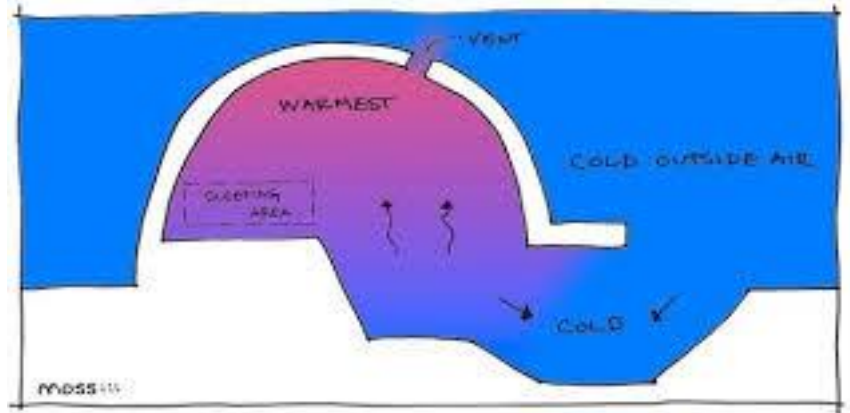
I've moved many times before, but ever since I met the kids at this school, I feel like I fit in more than what I have had in my previous schools. In my previous school, Hambrick Middle School, I would get picked on by the "popular girls" which was really just a group of girls that were much taller than me. I too had my own little group that were the people that would get picked on by the same girls. On Instagram and Snapchat, they would shout us out on how we were too weird and ugly, and all of the mean things you can think of. If we would come out in some school pictures, they would cover our bodies and faces with the touch-screen marker and a throwing-up face emoji. I was used to it. When classroom picture day came, we would not dress up because we knew we would not be featured in the pictures any way. Sometimes we would want to express our feelings to them, but instead of starting a huge physical fight, we did the right thing and told the principal (because sometimes the counselors wouldn't be at school). CONSTANT fights would go on almost on a daily basis. I'd try not to be the one who kept it going. But here, ALL of the kids accept you for who you are: Hispanic, Asian, African, American, etc... In the eyes of the students, they see new people as a chance to make a new friend. They don't judge you for who you are as soon as you get here. They take time to try to get to know you more. I'm happy that I came to this school because there is a lot of acceptance for who you are and what you believe in, including religion and culture. I feel very lucky.

# **Fun Facts About Igloos**

By Sander Groeneveld

## **1) How do people in igloos stay warm?**

Igloos have three floors: the bottom floor is the entrance, the second floor has a fire, and the third floor is the bedroom. The warmth of the fire rises to the top where the beds are. There is a hole in the top so that the igloo doesn't fill with smoke.



## **2) Why don't igloos melt?**

The fire will melt the igloo, but only until the heat can escape. Snow is a good insulator, so the snow and the people inside warm it up by themselves.

## **3) How do igloos stay together?**

Most of the time igloos have a fire, so the fire melts the snow and it refreezes, keeping the igloo together.

## **4) How big is the average igloo?**

An igloo can come in several sizes, but the average Eskimo igloo is said to be about 3 to 4 meters and can comfortably house 5 adults. However, community-type igloos have reported to be as large as 9.0 meters in diameter.

Igloos are great for a temporary house, and you can make one in about 4.5 hours! So go and make one for yourself (once the snow comes back). For a project, I am making a life-sized igloo out of milk jugs for kids to read in, and I still need **A LOT** of milk jugs. So, if you could bring some 1 gallon milk jugs to Ms. McNair's room (#230), that would be great!

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## ***Team Jordan's or Team Gucci ???***

By: Ahava Avery

How do you even decide? Obviously, Jordan's have better shoes. Gucci is expensive, that's why you think it is the "better" brand. If you actually look at Gucci, they are just NOT CUTE. They have a weird looking toe, and they have an awkward shape. Plus, who has the same exact colors as their shoes? No one (ain't nobody got time for that)! I mean the clothes Gucci produces are KINDA cute, but not the shoes. If you don't agree with me, please come talk to me. I would love someone to argue with me about it and support Gucci, because I am all Jordan. Let's see who can change my mind! It's hard to, but give it a try.



# Update on Downtown

By Ajdin Burazerovic



Hello guys. It's me again, your reporter of new shopping center news! If you don't know, downtown Burlington is building a new structure in its city center! But they haven't been working on it lately, so the opening may be delayed. WCAX news says that they're gonna resume the project in the spring. One thing that is bad is that they made a big hole in the ground during construction, and it's deeper than expected. The state can't afford to fill it up. The project is said to be done in 2020. One cool fact about the new building is that on top there's gonna be a playground, a dog park, and also apartments. That will be costly. Also, on the bottom, there's gonna be a Starbucks and small shops. I'll keep you guys posted on updates on the building.

## Online or In Line?

By Londyn Simerley

Trying to decide whether to buy online or at a local store? It may depend on what you want. Below are my recommendations.



| Best Online        | Best In-Store           |
|--------------------|-------------------------|
| Esty               | Best Buy                |
| American Eagle     | Dick's Sporting Goods   |
| Target             | Motherhood              |
| Amazon             | Target                  |
| Asos               | Lowe's Home Improvement |
| Boohoo             | Famous Footwear Outlet  |
| Redbubble          | DSW                     |
| Personal Creations | Old Navy                |

Out of these online or instore shopping lists, the top is the highest rated and the bottom is the lowest rated. Choose your store wisely when you do your holiday shopping.

## Top 4 Ways to Find Out what You're Getting for Christmas

By Teddy Maynard

Have you ever ruined Christmas by trying to find your presents? Well, here's the top 4 ways to find your hidden Christmas presents!

#1 Look in your mom's closet. Moms think they're smart by hiding the presents in the closet. But when you look there, you'll be happy to see what you find.

#2 Look under your parents' bed. Moms think they're sneaky because they know that you'll look in their closet. Moms try to hide gifts under their bed, but if you are a good detective, you can find something there that you wanted for Christmas.

#3 Look in your parents' socks. Sometimes your parents hide tiny gifts in their socks. When they think they're sneaky, check in socks and again you find that thing you wanted for Christmas.

#4 Look in your parents' car trunk. Parents often leave presents in there. They sometimes forget them when they're taking presents to hide in some of the spots that I told you about before. Sometimes they leave their presents in the trunk and forget to come back for them. So that is a spot to most certainly check if you want to see what you're getting for Christmas

And that concludes the top four ways to find out what you're getting for Christmas! If you like to spoil the holiday and find what you're getting for Christmas, these tips are for you!

## 6th Grade Winter Concert

By Allie Verchereau

On November 12, there was a 6th grade band concert in the lunchroom. We played well, but unfortunately between songs, it sounded like chaos from the audience. Every time we stopped playing a song, the audience talked so loudly we couldn't hear each other as we prepared for the next piece. It was terrible. We played Merrily We Roll Along (which is to the tune "Mary Had a Little Lamb"). We also played Jingle Bells and a Beethoven song. I was on the clarinet. Although the audience was loud, we got through it and we all sounded great!

### Wolfpack Warehouse Get your Secret Santa gifts and Stocking Stuffers

Shop During Lunch Times!

