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TOM BRADY ANNOUNCES 2ND NFL RETIREMENT “FOR GOOD”



Image of Tom Brady.

By Maria R. and Maddy S.

On February 1, 2023, Tom Brady announced his retirement at the age of 44 after 22 seasons of playing football. During his football career he played 20 seasons with the New England Patriots and his last three seasons with the Tampa Bay Buccaneers. Over his football career Tom Brady has been called “the best quarterback of all time.” He has contributed to the franchise’s dynasty from 2001 to 2019.

He released an emotional retirement video on a beach reaching the Hall of Fame. Tom Brady has been the star quarterback for 7 Super Bowls. He quotes that “he wouldn’t change a thing about his career.” Tom Brady ends his career with a 31-14 wild-card loss to the Cowboys football team. He hasn’t released any news for his future but he claims this retirement is for good.

The Little Mermaid Jr.

By Nadou L.D., Maddy S., Mary B., and Maria R.

We had the pleasure of seeing the progress of FLVT’s Little Mermaid Jr. production, and it was fantastic. The cast is working really hard to make this production come together and we got some sneak peaks. We all think this show will be an FLVT favourite and are really excited to see the whole come together in the end! We also had the privilege of interviewing cast members. We asked them if they liked their role and if they are excited to perform it. Their answers are as follows.

Ariel, who is being played by Anne

(grade 9) said, “It is amazing to play Ariel, and yes I am really excited to perform in front of a crowd.”

Prince Eric, who is being played by Braylon (grade 9) told us he is very excited to have a leading role and he assured us that this play is going to be a success.

Ursula, who is being played by Shaina (grade 9) told us that “it feels pretty awesome because I am the one who causes all the problems. I really love my costume and I can’t wait for everyone to see the play.”

We also interview people with

supporting roles in the play, like Harlow (grade 8) and Judah (grade 8), who are part of the ensemble.

Judah said that “so far I think things are going great. Most people have their lines memorized and the costumes look great.”

Harlow noted that their rehearsals are still underway. “We still have things to work on, but it is going really well. It’s still a little messy but it’s getting exciting.”

The show runs April 24th-27th. Come show your support by coming to see the production!



WHAT IS YOUR FAVOURITE ICE CREAM? VOTE BY SCANNING!



THE MOST POPULAR ICE CREAM

By Leland S.

There are many types and flavours of ice cream in the world, but only a few can be the most popular by flavour, price and how common it is. I've searched online and found a few ice cream flavours that rank the best in terms of taste, price and how common they are around the world. These are all the most common and simple flavours that I'm sure everyone knows about.

The third most popular flavour is strawberry ice cream, with 8% of adults having strawberry be their favourite flavour of all. Second place goes to vanilla flavoured ice cream with 15% of adults picking vanilla as their favourite flavour. That's almost double compared to strawberry ice cream. Then, chocolate took first place as the most popular ice cream flavour in adults, having 17% of adults picking it as their favourite flavour.

There are many other different tasting flavours like bubble gum, tiger, cookie dough, and many more, but these don't always appear in grocery stores around the world. These other flavours mostly are found in ice cream places on beaches, food trucks and other smaller, less common places usually during events or in the summer, and are usually more expensive than strawberry, vanilla and chocolate.

Apple or Android Phones?

By Leland S.

This is probably one of the most questionable things out there, but which device, Apple or Android *really* is better? There are many things that make them way different from one another like shape, size, build, quality, price, and operating system.

People would most likely pick an iPhone because everybody else takes one. The iPhone does have a better security system built in, and some basic things like Apps from the AppStore that are all safe to download and are made to run well on the device you own. Despite this, Android phones are getting better than most iPhones in areas such as price and operating system.

Let's take a Google Pixel. My mom used to have one from around 2018, and it runs better than my iPhone 13 *STILL*, after all those years. Also, the camera quality is amazing on the Google Pixel. Battery life, however, goes to Apple most of the time because iPhones last a long time and they have a system built in to prevent the battery from ageing too fast or charging for too long. The iPhone's screen is built really well and is smooth, but there are some Android phones that have a 120 hz refresh rate on their screen, which is smoother and better for certain games that require tracking on the target, but the trade off is it uses more battery power.

Despite the pros and cons of iPhone and Android, I still think that Android is still potentially better, Google Pixel to be specific, than most iPhones. Apple still wins in terms of popularity; everyone still gets iPhones to be able to play certain games, use iMessage, to just simply talk to people, or for the security features built into the phone. Whether you pick Apple or Android, they are both good brands of phones and have their advantages and disadvantages.



Images showing Apple vs. Android.

How Injuries Affect Hockey Players

By Brent C.

Injuries are a part of the NHL and hockey all together, but these injuries affect trades and drafts for hockey. There's lots of times in hockey where players are playing really well and having a great season, but then they get injured and have to reset their game and get their touch back. It could take a very long time or could be fast to get that magic touch back. Hockey players could get injured pretty much anywhere or pull or tear a part in their body. Some injuries can be very scary to their career and to their lives too. It could affect them in many devastating ways. This is why they have trainers and medics at games.



Image of hockey player.

Top 16 Fears in This School

By Riley L. and Lilly J.

We all have fears. Whether you like it or not, we will all get scared from time to time. But we don't all have the same fears do we? So to find out more about them, we interviewed many people in our school and compiled the most interesting or common ones into a list!

1. Having a toothpick up my nose then I breathe in really hard and get stabbed in the brain
2. Escalators
3. Paralyzed
4. Being alone
5. Losing people
6. Getting attacked in the dark
7. Being homeless
8. Wars
9. Clowns
10. Tornados
11. Diving boards
12. Deep waters
13. Airplanes
14. Snakes
15. Cliffs
16. Falling



Badminton

By Dave J., Alex D., and Brent C.

Over 2,000 years ago in Siam, China, the sport of badminton first emerged. Played somewhat like tennis, it was introduced to England in 1870. In 1929, badminton first made its way to America from Canada and quickly gained popularity. With shuttle speeds over 100 mph, badminton has been an Olympic sport since 1992. The sport has roots in ancient Greece, China, and India.

Father Leonard Van Tighem's badminton tryouts are underway. The City Championships tournament for our junior high teams will take place at the end of April.



Image of badminton racquet and shuttle.

Origins of Valentine's Day

Dave J., Mary B., and Nadou L.D.

Valentine's Day, sometimes referred to as St. Valentine's Day is a holiday observed on February 14th, where lovers express their affection with gifts and romantic gestures. Some believe that the holiday's origins lie in the middle-of-February because of a pagan Roman festival called Lupercalia, that took place on February 15th. Other people believe that Valentine's Day is observed on the 14th of February to commemorate St. Valentine's passing or burial, which most likely occurred around the year 270 AD. The exact origins of the holiday are not fully known, but likely is a mix of the two.

The name of Valentine's Day comes from St. Valentine. There are many stories and legends about what St. Valentine did and information about his life. In fact, there are over a dozen St. Valentine's that have lived. The St. Valentine that has been linked to Valentine's Day is likely from the third century, where Valentine worked as a priest in Rome. The leader at the time, Emperor Claudius II, forbade marriage for young men after concluding that lone men were better soldiers than those with wives and kids. In defiance of Claudius, Valentine continued to secretly marry young lovers after learning the unfairness of the law. Upon learning about Valentine's deeds, Claudius gave the order to have him executed. He was named a saint after his death.

Traditions for Valentine's Day have undergone significant changes over time. For instance, throughout the Middle Ages, which ran from the fifth to the fifteenth century, individuals started exchanging handwritten cards with love messages. Millions of dollars are spent globally on Valentine's Day cards and gifts each year.



Valentine's Day images.



Michael Jordan

By Leland S.

Michael Jordan is one of the most popular and well known basketball stars in all of history. He was out defeating almost every team he went up against in the NBA. Michael Jordan was the best at the time because of his shooting and dunks. Michael had a record of 10 scoring titles and averaged around 30 points per game. Jordan was among the greatest winners of all time. Sadly, Michael retired for good in 2003, at age 40 because he lost his interest in basketball. Michael Jordan is now 60 years old. Michael Jordan still holds records from when he used to play.

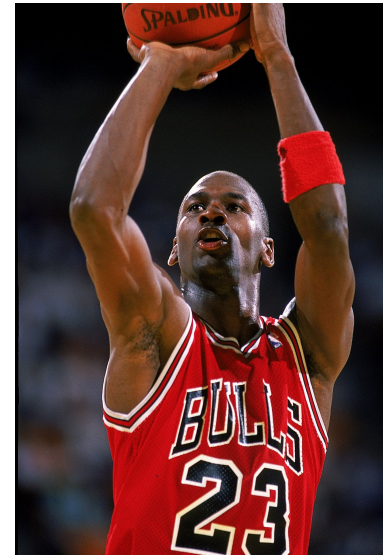


Image of Michael Jordan.

Basketball at Father Leonard Van Tighem School

By Stephen B., Gunner F., and Alejandro R.

We interviewed Sola P. and Juan M. from the Jr. Boys basketball team. The interview follows:

Interviewers: We are here with?

Sola: Sola.

Juan : Juan.

Interviewers: What positions do you play?

Sola: All positions.

Interviewers: So like every single position?

Sola: Yeah I just play wherever.

Juan: Center.

Interviewers: How do you feel about your win against Wilson, and what was the score?

Sola: One game was like...19-56. Yeah there was a lot of passing and all around scoring in the end. We were just the better team.

Juan: Yeah Wilson was talking a lot of trash before the game, so it felt good to put them in their place.

Sola: I dropped like 30 points.

Interviewers: How do you feel about the Fairbairn crowd?

Sola: The crowd was nice, it was really loud. They were saying some stuff to us like "you can't shoot, overrated, you're trash."

Juan: One of their parents called a player on our team a thug.

Interviewers: How did this trash talk make you feel?

Juan: I felt like it motivated me going into the game, and it didn't really affect me. It made me focussed and hungry for the win to prove them wrong.

Interviewers: That concludes our interview. Thank you for your time.



Image of Junior Boys winning silver at St. Catherine's grade 9 tournament. Sola P. is number 12 and Juan M. is number 5.

First Nations' Culture

By Kden T. and Ethen F.C.

First Nations culture is one of a kind. We celebrate in many ways, such as ceremonies, powwows, Sundance, eating traditional foods, singing and dancing. Every item/thing we get from an elder is very special especially if it's blessed.

What kinds of dances are there in First Nations' cultures?

Kden: There are many dances in First-Nations cultures. Some of them are Chicken, Jingle, Fancy, Traditional, and Grass.

What events/practices have you been a part of?

Kden: I've been a part of two ceremonies. I will explain how it works. So, you will get picked to either be a helper or a holy boy. I have been the holy boy both times. Everytime you go you will have to take your shirt off and the elder will bless you and paint you red. After that, you will have to cut a raw cow tongue and eat it. They say it's a really big privilege to cut cow tongue. And my dad has been the helper twice. As the helper you have to give the elders tobacco, knife, and hand the stuff the elder needs to him. It is a very big privilege.

Ethen: I've been to many ceremonies because of how I was raised at Sundance by my family. Unfortunately, I'm not allowed to talk about what we do in the Sundance, as you need to go there to experience it. My other family would always offer to take me and help them Sundance. My first time helping with Sundance was when I went to help cut teepee poles in the mountains. I learned how to cut, strip and set up teepees at Sundance. I'm really thankful I had this opportunity because in my First Nations culture there are young people that barely know anything or learn very little about our culture. I am very thankful for everything I learned about my culture.

I have also been a part of powwows. They are a traditional celebration of my Indian culture with people from other indigenous nations. We gather for the purpose of dancing, singing/drumming, and honouring the traditions of our Ancestors. For me I come from a Fancy Dance family. My dad danced men's Fancy with my uncle, where they would travel around to powwows just to dance. My siblings dance as well. My older sister dances Jingle, my older brother dances Fancy, and my other older sister also dances Fancy. I started to dance Fancy and me and my siblings were asked by multiple schools to dance and show other kids what we do and how we dance, but now I will be switching to men's Grass this summer.

What are some other important facts to know about First Nations' culture?

The First-Nation Culture is over 50,000 years old! And there are different Indigenous cultures, there is Ojibwe, Blackfoot, Cree and many more...

We're going to teach you a couple words before we end this off:

Oki (ook-key) is a Blackfoot greeting or saying hi/hello

Kitatama'sino (Key-tat-ah-mah-say-no) means bye



Images showing the beauty of First Nations culture.

Riddles

By Leila M., Paisley K. and Miley E.

- 1. He has married many women, but has never been married and is still single. Who is he?*
- 2. There are 2 houses on fire. A small house and a big one. Which one will the police save first?*
- 3. What grows when it eats, but dies when it drinks?*

Answers:

1. A Priest
2. Police don't save houses but firefighters do
3. Fire



Photography Corner

By Lennon N.



Images taken by Lennon N. to show the beauty in our school yard.

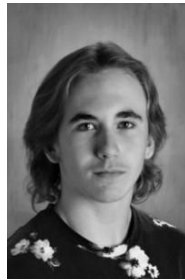
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