Dr. Dance’s Convocation Speech

By Madison Brumagin
News Staff Editor

On our convocation, we had the pleasure of having the new Superintendent, Dr. Dance, address the student body. What did people think of the speech? How did it make this convocation different from the previous ones? Let's see what the students thought!

Jyotsna J., a 7th grader, said, "Dr. Dance seemed very energetic and prepared for his convocation speech. I like that he is our new superintendent.

Another 7th grader, Jailen G. said, "He was encouraging us to do the right thing and reach our goals."

Sonia J. stated, "I appreciate how dedicated he sounded about working with this school, and he seemed eager to be part of the Sudbrook community."

All of the Sudbrook students seem happy and ready to start learning after listening to the new superintendent.

Terrapin Helpers

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Mrs. Baker, the 7th grade Environmental Science teacher, has a baby terrapin in her classroom, which has a completely weird name—Bon-qui-qui! The 3 classes voted on its name, and there was a one point difference between the name Elmo
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and the name Bon-qui-qui. In the end, the students chose Bon-qui-qui. The terrapin came from the Poplar Islands. It is Mrs. Baker's and her student's responsibilities to take care of the terrapin. For this reason, Mrs. Baker created the Terrapin Helpers Club.

In Terrapin Helpers, students must take care of the baby terrapin and collect data from it. Last week, the students fed it beef liver and pellets. They also measured the diameter of the terrapin shell. Terrapin helpers have also helped in school.

On October 2, Mrs. Beth came in to teach us about a terrapin's body and how to take certain measurements. Since the terrapin helpers already learned this, they breezed through it. But for the people just learning, there were a lot of tools to learn. For example, to measure the turtle's shell, we used a caliber. Since the terrapins were only born a month ago, they were still very small. Also, we weighed the terrapin using a weighing machine. Most terrapins weighed about 10 grams. Lastly, we figured out the names of the terrapin by counting its scutes (scales) on its carapace (shell).

"The terrapins were so cute, but they kept on scratching me with their cute little legs," says Anika, a talented 7th grader in the Environmental Science Magnet. Everyone is clearly excited to help our terrapin Bon-qui-qui.

The Amazing Book Fair

By Peter Mussie
News Staff Writer

Students came to the amazing book fair for books by New York Times Best-selling authors, thrilling adventure books, fact books, and more. Language art teachers took students to the library for the book fair on October 1-5 to get ready to buy amazing titles from the book fair. On October 4, 2012 between 6:00-8:00 pm. there was the evening book fair. Students brought
their families to the book fair. Also there was a mustache contest. Whoever made the most original mustache—of course, not a real mustache attached to your face—won, so a lot of students came to the event. All the books were cool and the mustache contest was funny.

The library teacher Mrs. Schilpp said, “It is so thrilling and it makes me so happy to know that Sudbrook students love to read.”

EES Overnight Field Trip

By: Sylvie L.
Science Staff Writer

A few weeks ago, 21 Environmental Science magnet students went on an amazing 3-day island adventure. The field trip took place on Port Isobel, in the middle of the Chesapeake Bay. On the island, students went canoeing, crab catching, marsh mucking, and even night hiking to the island’s bamboo forest. One highlight of the trip was green hour, a period of time before each meal when students got to explore the island and its wildlife. In addition, one student’s life was saved by the teachers on the trip, after he fell off of the dock! All in all, the trip was thrilling in every way, shape, and form.
First Day Horrors
Ricci Green and Christina Trice
News Staff Writers

First day horrors. Everyone can remember them. The first day you came to a new school not knowing where your classes are, how to open your locker, or even where your locker is. Even trying to stay alive with mobs of kids coming toward you. Many people would use the words "frightening" or "scary", but no one can describe the horror. It was like being a herd of sheep in a pack of wolves. As you can tell, this was written by sixth graders, and here is our story about the first day at Sudbrook Magnet Middle School.

Lost Locker Codes and Schedule

My name is Ricci Green. To me, the first day was like nothing I ever experienced. From wrong locker combinations to losing my schedule, I was a mess. Let me tell you how I lost my schedule AND locker combination. I was late to third period on an A-day, and it was only the first day of school. My friend Christina and I were rushing to 3A. So, with my schedule and locker combination in my hands, I ran like crazy and tripped. I stopped for a second to check which room it was and... it was gone.

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Frightening Classes

My name is Christina Trice and the first day to me was... it was... actually I can't put it into words. But I'll tell you what, first I had to help my friend, Ricci, figure out her schedule and mine. Well I'm kind of good at my schedule, but not that good. I had to learn quickly in order to get myself to class on time and to help my friend.

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P.T.S.A. Skate Night a Success

Rumbi Mangwende
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September 25th was the P.T.S.A.’s Skate Night. "Skate Night was awesome!” Sudbrook students who attended exclaimed. There were many people I recognized, but others I just couldn’t recognize without their uniforms.

One of the students that I interviewed was sixth grader Grace Brown. She said she loved skating and she loves the speed she gets in the skates. She wasn’t the only skate lover. Sixth grader Ryan Brown, who I personally think is the best Sudbrook skater I saw, knew how to skate, how to adjust his speed, and how not to fall. Another sixth grader Charnae Brown said, “Skate Night was great. It was a way for kids to cool off and take the pressure of school off their backs and relax and have fun.”

Unfortunately, not everyone was as talented and skilled as Ryan and Grace. One girl, who will remain nameless upon her request, was trying to get the hang of skating but fell a lot. Not everyone can be a skating pro. Even I, who can skate pretty well, STILL FALL! It’s all a part of the learning process.

The P.T.S.A. hosted a very successful night. They earned $300 in profit, and it cost them $0 because it was free to rent the space. Students had to pay $3 per person for skate rental. The president of the P.T.S.A said nearly 100 people attended! Based on the success of Skate Night and how the P.T.S.A. chose a place where we (the students) want to go, I will be willing to go to other P.T.S.A events, and so should you.
Two Ways to Get Involved at SMMS

Green Team
Paper, bottles, cans, plastic.... recycle them all! It's fantastic! Sudbrook's Green Team dedicates their mornings to recycling around the school. They also made the unique posters in the cafeteria. The best part.... you can get service learning hours by participating in Green Team! And an added bonus is that your helping our school become a better place.

Student Council Can Drive
The Sudbrook Student Council is an active organization here at Sudbrook. The Student Council meets every Wednesday after school. Student Council just completed a can drive to change people's lives. For many years, Sudbrook has been the school with the largest amount of food collected throughout the middle school level in Baltimore County.

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GO TO THE SUDBROOK SCHOOL WEBSITE TO VOTE!

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Sixth Graders Finding Lockers and Classes Easy to Locate Now

And... The Return of the Mystery Teacher Contest

Weird Facts

By: Madison Brumagin
News Staff Editor

I am going to list some VERY weird facts!

~Human teeth are almost as hard as rocks.

~Before her success as a comedian, Ellen DeGeneres considered becoming a pro golfer.

~Penguins possess very snugly packed feathers that keep them warm.

~About 70 million people suffer from food Poisoning every year, with about 7 million of these cases being fatal.

~Short-term memory allows recall for a period of several seconds to a minute with out rehearsal.

~Carrots are a very important for your eyesight, especially at night.
Sudbrook Comics

By Christina Trice
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Are you an artist?
Submit your cartoons and illustrations to
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