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What Do Castle Kids Want For Christmas?

By Welington Zoquier
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It's the holiday season at the Castle and everyone is eagerly awaiting Christmas break! To make the time pass faster, we, here at *The Castle Caller*, decided to find out what the seventh grade students at the Castle really hoped to find under their trees on Christmas morning. Here is what they had to say.

Audry Zapata wants a trip to Spain to visit her grandmother and her family.

Christopher Santiago wants a PS4 Pro with Call of Duty Black Ops 3. He also wants money and an iPhone 6S Plus.

Jayden Johnson wants shoes, a Samsung 7, a PS4 Pro and 2K17.

Dante Boyle wants an Xbox One and a computer.

Joshua Aponte wants money, a laptop, and a Husky.

Gia Analyn Torres wants Timberlands,

clothes, a laptop, and a new TV.

Jelali Pichardo wants a laptop and clothes.

Mia Rodriguez wants a MacBook Pro, a hover board, phone cases, clothes, and a \$100 gift card.

Arturo Sanchez wants a black, supreme stitched hoodie, shoes, new joggers, and a Ralph Lauren hat.

Ana Madera wants a pet sloth, an iPhone 7, a new hover board, and clothes.

Adrian Figueroa wants a PS4, clothes, and everyone not to hate him.

Jetly Gonzalez wants a new hover board, a MacBook Pro, a clown fish, Reece's chocolate, and a new pair of boots.

Francise Soto wants a blow dryer because she wants to be a hair stylist.



She also wants money!

Anthony Blanco wants an iPhone 7 and PS VR, plus new games for his PS4, and shoes.

Stephanie Rojano wants a computer and a printer because she needs it for school. She also wants money because she likes to shop online.

Ajaiyah Roman wants food and a MacBook Pro. She also wants an iPhone 7 and jellyfish.

Aaliyah Gwyn wants money, shoes, and clothes.

Some of the teachers also were asked what they would like this Christmas season.

Mrs. Dudeck, seventh grade reading, said she doesn't want anything this Christmas because she has everything she needs.

Mr. Wilner, seventh grade science, wants cash or a winning lottery ticket. He would also like a new boat!

Whether you find what you want under the tree or not, remember Christmas is about giving. Make sure you put a smile on someone's face this holiday season.

We, at *The Castle Caller*, hope everyone gets what they want this holiday season. Have a Merry Christmas and a safe and Happy New Year. See you in 2017!

Holiday Hunt: FIND the hidden Santa Claus head. It is hidden somewhere in this newspaper. When you find it, make a Christmas wish!

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SPORTS

Mountaineer Basketball



Lady Mounts Team

Coach: Miss Touch

Seventh grade

Catherine Cabral

Yaire Cabrera

Lisbeth Capellan

Tianna Contreras

Leslie Cruz

Davina Deluca

Gianna Miller

Nayeli Rodriguez

Ajaiyah Roman

Eighth grade

Raissa Bonifacio

Faviana Bautist

Lia Caridad

Olivia Harris

Mariel Lora

Esmeralda Lucca

Genesis Martinez

Cindy Paulino

Kaitlyn Roskos

Genesis Soto

Boys' and Girls' Basketball HOME Games

12/12 vs. MMI

12/14 vs. Holy Family

12/19 vs. Freeland

12/21 vs. W. Hazleton

1/5 vs. Heights

1/17 vs. Drums

1/31 vs. McAdoo

2/7 vs. Valley

2/9 vs. Maple Manor



*Playoff
games will
be played
at Hazle-
ton Area
High
School.



Mounts Team

Coach: Mr. Plesh

Assistant: Mr. Silva

Seventh Grade

Jayden Johnson

Brayan Martinez

Hunter Nye

Eighth Grade

Rikelvy Caraballo

Jensey Castro

Ignacio "Jr." Diaz

Luis Gonnell

Yoni Leon

Jerry Marcalle

Geomar Medina

Duly Morillo

Denilson Nina

Raider Pena

Jean Portes

Edwin Portorreal

Marcus Rodriguez

Austin Turner



CLUBS



Drama Club: Before the Show

By Nicholas Perez
Junior Reporter

We would like to congratulate all the members of the drama club on a great job in their performances on December 1. It takes a lot of courage to perform in front of a large group of people, especially your peers.

The Castle Caller had the opportunity to catch up with some drama members prior to the big day to find out what they liked about the club and if they were nervous about their upcoming performances.

Nayeli Rodriguez



said, "It's lots of fun and it's good to be part of your school."

Kiara Pizarro, seventh grade, said, "I love to dance. I want to become an actress and a dancer because I used to do it when I was a kid...and NO! I am not

nervous...I'm confident."

Izabella Ramirez, seventh grade, said, "I joined drama club because I always like to sing. I am a little nervous about performing in front of a crowd of people, but I will still do my best. I feel like singing is some-

thing to express my feelings with."

Drama club advisor Mrs. Dudeck said, "It's great to see the actors take part and make it their own. As they continued to practice they sparkled creativity among one another."

SADD Events for the Year



Thursday December 22nd
"UGLY WINTER/CHRISTMAS SWEATER DAY"
All students wear an ugly sweater to show bad decisions are ugly!!

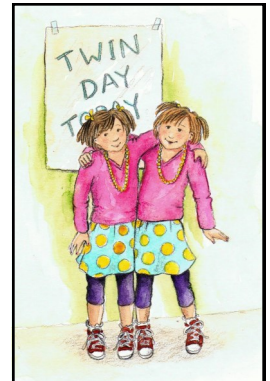
Thursday January 26th
"WHITE-OUT DAY"
Everyone is encouraged to wear winter white!

Thursday February 23rd
"TWIN DAY"
Be like me-Alcohol Free! Dress like a friend!

Friday March 31st
"WEAR GREEN" — We are green, not mean!

Friday April 21st
"EARTH DAY" — Wear green, blue, brown, or tie-dye!

Friday May 26th
"MILITARY APPRECIATION"
Wear red, white, or blue!





HOLIDAY POLL

Were you Naughty or Nice?

By Kaleigh Frederick*

Senior Reporter



MOUNTS' Holiday CHAT

By: Kaleigh Frederick

Senior Reporter

Are you on Santa's Naughty or Nice list?

50% Naughty
50% Nice

*Poll based on answers from approximately 50 students at HMS.

Christmas is here once again! Students and teachers at HEMS are very excited with Christmas spirit. We, at *The Castle Caller*, thought it would be fun to ask middle school students and teachers if they were on Santa's naughty or nice list this year. The results were surprisingly split right down the middle. Half of the students polled felt they were good enough all year to be listed on the nice list while the other half honestly admitted to being a member of the naughty list. We actually got a few of them to tell us what they did to make the naughty list. Here is what they had to say.

Eighth grader **Ivan Hernandez** said he will be on the naughty list because he liked to annoy people this year.

Ignacio Dias, eighth grade, was naughty as well, saying, "I disrespect."

Well, admitting your faults is a good thing!

Duly Morillo, eighth grade, was naughty for the same reason, too.

There are many students who wanted to

boast about why they will be on the nice list. **Karen Pujols**, eighth grade, said

she is nice because she helps people with their work.

Seventh graders **Ednmy Rodriguez**, **Heather Petrosky**, and **Bryan Martinez**,

along with eighth

graders **Arielys Sencion**, **Jose Alberto**, **Diana Hernandez**, and **Austin Turner** all agreed that they, too, are nice because they go out of their

way to help other students in school.

We also asked some teachers which list they would occupy. Of course, they all said the nice list.

Mrs. Bruno said she helps students every single day to make them better than they were the day before.

Mrs. Rimshaw, eighth grade English, said, "I am nice because the world needs nicer people."

In conclusion, those students who are on the naughty list will, hopefully, make changes in their lives and strive to be on the nice list next year. We need more nice in this world and less naughty.





HOLIDAY FEATURES



Stuff that Stocking

By **Jonanthony Sencion***
Junior Reporter

One tradition at Christmas time is hanging a stocking up for small presents from St. Nick and your parents. Just because a gift is small enough to fit into a stocking, doesn't mean it's not a good gift. An iPhone would fit nicely into a stocking!

What would YOU like to find stuffed in your stocking this Christmas? We asked some students at HEMS.

Audrey Zapata, seventh grade, would like to find a plane ticket to Paris inside her stocking! That's a great gift that would fit nicely.

Eighth grader **Genesis Martinez** wants to find money for a pair of Jordans, since the Jordans won't fit. She'd also like to find some Kit-Kats in there, too!

Seventh grader **Heather Petrosky** would like to find a coloring book and crayons.

Sixth grader **Josue Castro** is looking for a jet black iPhone 7.

Fifth graders **Micheal Kundrick** and **Raequan Williams** want to find an iPhone 7.

Nick Perez, seventh grade, also wants to find an iPhone, along with classmate **Isai Segura**.

Fifth grader **Josuany Rodriguez** hopes to find presents for the poor in her stocking.

Julio Taveras, fifth grade, wants a PSVR.

Ashley Ubiera, seventh grade, would like a teddy bear and a new iPhone in her stocking.

Albin Gonzalez, fifth grade, hopes to find a Samsung 7.

Fourth grader **Jaylece Lora** would like to find a stocking full of Hershey kisses and all kinds of chocolate.

Stockings may not be big, but remember good things come in small packages!

If I Could Give You Anything, It Would Be...

By **Maria Jimenez**
Senior Reporter

The eighth grade students of HEMS are getting ready for Christmas. We asked them if they could give a friend or a family member anything in the whole world this year for Christmas, what gift would they choose to give that person. Some of the gift choices are very interesting...

Juliana Bric said she would give **Kayleigh Correll** a zebra.

Kayleigh Correll, on the other hand, said she would give **Diana Hernandez** and infinite amount of tacos!

Amber Qui-noes said she would give **Diana Hernandez** a million dollars. Well, with that million, she could buy her infinite amount of tacos!

Jerry Marcalles would like to give **Xiomary Martinez** a dust pan.

Nayely Paulino would like to give **Bessi Lenger** a car!

Lea Caeda would like to give **Denilson Nina** a unicorn.

Esmeralda Lucca



would give **Kaitlyn Roskos** a dog.

Arielys Sencion would like to give **Junior** a book bag.

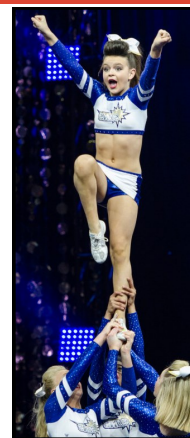
Carlos Torrez said he would give **Johanny Terrero** a cell phone.

Laisha Aponte would give her brother a book.

Some of the teachers even got into the action.

Eighth grade teacher **Mrs. Rimshaw** said she would like to give her grandson a pony.

Castle Caller advisor **Mrs. O'Donnell** said she would give the **HMS**



Mounts cheerleading squad 3 more months of practice so they could do 3 liberties and cradle down from each. Oh,

and new duffle bags, too!

Even though no one is really getting these gifts, although you never know, it does make you smile to know what your friends would like to gift you if they could.

Resolutions for a New You in 2017

By Brandy Rodriguez
Senior Reporter

Did you make your new year's resolution yet?

Do you ever wonder if people actually make resolutions and if so what they promise to do? Well, keep reading and you might find out what your friends are planning for the new year!

Amber Quinones, eighth grade, said she wants to be more involved in clubs next year.

Kayleigh Correll wants to improve her schoolwork.

Nayely Paulino, seventh grade, said she wants to eat healthier and hopes to begin a diet.

Sixth graders **Yuleisy Mendoza** and **Naraleyn Legura** both said they want to become cheerleaders in 2017.

Edwin Figueroa, sixth grade, said he wants to pass sixth grade and make it to seventh.

Finally, sixth grader

Iverson Martinez said he wants to behave better and get better grades.

Did you find out what your friends' resolutions

are? If not, ask them. You might find out something interesting.

Then you can make your own, too!



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