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Monthly Calendar	
Dec. 6	Minimum Day
Dec. 1	Dance Recital
Dec. 4	Piano Recital
Dec. 5	Band Concert
Dec. 6	Song Writing
	Strings Concert
Dec. 7	Choir & Vocal Tech Concert
Dec. 8	Actor's Studio
Dec. 12-15	Finals

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Every year at MCAA, the junior class has a unique opportunity to participate in the Ellis Island simulation. The project’s goal is to teach the students what it was like to come to America in the early 20th century. In class, students learn about the struggles of immigrants coming to the United States. A packet is assigned to each student, where you must talk about research you’ve done

and take notes on in class lectures. The other component of the project is creating a character, who immigrated to America. After creating this character, each student must do research specific to the country and time that character arrived in the United States. In a journal, students make up a story about this character’s life, why they came to America, and what it was like to arrive. The last

component of the project is the actual simulation that takes place in the ASYCC. Students dress up as the characters they created in clothing that fits the time period. All of the “immigrants” get a paper and move to different stations, in hopes of “becoming a citizen” otherwise the student is “deported”. In my opinion the simulation is very well set up to show what it was like to become a citizen.

Of course we will never truly know of the real hardships of immigrants. I enjoyed this project, and if you haven’t been a junior already, Ellis Island is something to look forward to.



VETERANS DAY

By: Ethan Bland

November 11th, 1918 the Armistice was signed. The signing of the Armistice ended World War 1. Veterans Day is a time when we can honor the services of the brave soldiers that fought for our country. On November 11th we think of the people that died so that we could live free. Plus as a bonus, we all had a day off school.



At our school’s spanish classes, Ms. Duckels made a festive and colorful celebration for the Day of the Dead on November 2nd. The Day Of the Dead is a Mexican holiday celebrated most commonly in Mexico. It is a celebration that is based on honoring Mexican Ancestry. As I first stepped into classroom, I was instantly in love with all of the vibrant colors



DAY OF THE DEAD: A COLORFUL CELEBRATION IN THE SPANISH CLASS

By: Ivette Barriga

from the paper flowers, and “papel picado” meaning cut paper in spanish. I enjoyed looking at the the student artwork on the wall, the vibrant shrines, the photography class’ candy skull photos and lastly the clay skulls with intricate designs. The spanish class captured the beautiful celebration of Day of the Dead exceptionally with their art and creativity.

Fun Facts about Day of the Dead:
Day of the dead dates back from 2,500 to 3,000 years ago, beginning on the ninth month of the Aztec calendar. Day of the Dead begins on November 1st but actually begins on the 2nd. The traditions of Day of the Dead are different depending on a region or village.



GETTING TO KNOW MR. HARMON

By: Lucey Magana

Q: Is this your first year teaching? if not, what schools did you previously teach at?
A: “This is my first year teaching”
Q: Why did you choose to become a band teacher?
A: “I chose to become a band teacher because when I was in 7th and 8th grade when I first had my first music courses, my teachers really inspired me to where I wanted to help others receive the same knowledge I received when I was younger.
Q: Where did you go to college
A: “ I when to college at Sacramento State University
Q: How are you liking MCAA so far?
A: “I’m loving it! Everything is great”
Q: What was the first Instrument(s) you learned to play?

A: “My first instrument I learned was a trumpet”
Q: Are you excited for Music week?
A: “Yes I’m very excited, looking forward to all the performances.”
Q: What is your favorite genre of music?
A: “My favorite genre would be classical music”



MUCH ADO REVIEW

TECH OF THE YEAR

ACTORS STUDIO

By: Anna Campos

I attended Much Ado About Nothing on its Saturday night showing. The language in the play was dated, but the actors used expressive body language to help convey the meaning well. Instances of audience interaction were a great choice, because they were engaging and humorous. I thought that the 70s style and theme was an interesting choice, as it contributed to the audience’s

collective interest and understanding, while maintaining the integrity of the actual story. One of my favorite parts about the play was the playful, old-fashioned dancing in between scenes. Overall, I thought the play was great, creative, and flawless from an audience member’s point of view. Much kudos is deserved to those involved in the production of this performance!

BRRRRRRRRREEEEEEEEEAaaaaaaak

By: Coconut Head (Anna Campos)

Hi, hello, and hewwo to all of the three people who read the newspaper! We’re still getting some scary Halloween vibes this late into the year because of finals, but that’s something we can agonize over in due time. Instead, let’s talk about the well-deserved-with-a-question-mark (?) Winter Break and list ways that students (“Hey, I’m a student! :)” <-that’s you) can stay within the optimum range of fun this break. Travelling, visiting family, or throwing parties are all cool ways to spend your break, but if you don’t have plans at all, then I would highly suggest taking notes from the following list of ways to spend time that don’t involve starting a garbage fire in your

empty pool: Make time for the things that matter. Some Animal Crossing villagers are waiting on a new couch, but it’s a mystery to all if they will ever actually get it. Learning how to skate so you can earn the right to wear Thrasher Upgrading your fursuit to FULL FUR and proudly wearing it at Studying for the S.A.T. (Haha! Just kidding) And finally... Adopt 20 different dogs and give them as a “gift” to your family. Congrats, you probably have 20 new dogs in your personal care. Have fun! Coconut Head, signing off.



7th Grade Halloween Dress Up Pole

By: Ben Hendrix

In a recent poll of the 7th grade class we determined that 81% of seventh graders participated in the Halloween spirit by dressing up in costume. While the other 19% preferred a more casual route, celebrating by not dressing up, but wearing normal clothes.

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By: Montia Green

So far, throughout the year of 2017, there have been many releases of new technology that were much anticipated. From cameras to Tesla cars, companies managed to put out some of the best things on the line. The most popular releases are:

- iPhone 8 by Apple (Release date: September 22, 2017)
- iPhone X by Apple (Release date: November 3, 2017)
- Galaxy Note 8 by Samsung (release date: September 15, 2017)
- Xbox One X by Microsoft (Release date: November 7, 2017)



A PREVIEW OF MUSIC WEEK

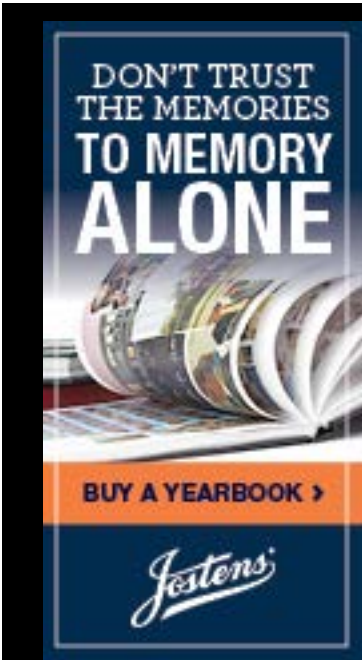
By: Grace Rose

Winter festivities are approaching and among these is MCAA’s Winter Music Week! This year the event will be held in the MHS South Auditorium beginning on Monday at 5:00 with a performance by piano 1 and 2. This will be followed on Tuesday by a Band performance, a songwriting and strings performance on

By: Kailee DeVaughn

I got the wonderful opportunity to talk with Amelia Marquez about actors studio and what it is to give you all a quick insight. Actor studio is a production time of any level of acting classes at the school to perform monologues, scenes, or a song. This year the intermediate class was doing the production of Midsummer Night’s Dream and have decided to put it in the actor studio. This production of Midsummer Night’s Dream is a 35-40 min-

ute production of the show, which is about 3-5 scenes of the production. “Marks and I have been working very hard on directing this production. We have decided to keep Midsummer as original as possible,” says Amelia. “These actors are very talented and very excited to perform this play.” Hopefully you look into Actors Studio and support these actors in what they do, they work really hard to put on amazing show for you guys.



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WINTER FASHION

By: Montia Green

For the Winter of 2017, many high-end designer brands such as Versace, Prada, and Louis Vuitton have chosen to mix things up for the season. Here is a list of the trends that are hoping to be set for this year’s season:

- Double denim
- Multicolored fur
- 80’s sportswear
- Turquoise
- Shoulder pads
- Padded jackets

