

Teachers on Homework

We asked a few teachers what they thought about homework and got some answers. Not just a few, every teacher from grades 1-5!

As we asked teachers what they thought about homework we got mostly good answers, but some were *pretty* weird. As we asked Mr. D, he answered, "It is good practice." Ms. Rogers said that it is important to practice. Mrs. Selbach said that she doesn't believe in too much, but she said it was good to practice.

Miss Ramadan said that it is very important and helps students. Miss Lipski said, "Super important!" We thought that was a good answer.

Mrs. Goodwin and Ms. Hood said, "Homework is good to review material taught from the day- it **should never be**

stressful." That one was awesome! But this one is good too from Mrs. Nickles. She said, homework is "helpful as a review from work done in the class and also helpful for what students don't understand, helpful for parents. Not a lot, but enough to practice good skills between home and school." Some of these answers surprised us and we had so much fun with this interview!!

We had a favorite opinion from a student. Emily Smith said, "It can sometimes be annoying to do it, but it is very good to do so you can do well on tests and quizzes." Tyler Christianson said, "Even though it stinks I have to say it can be fun sometimes." Ellie Smart said, "It can sometimes be hard, but it is a good learning experience." Joey Rihl also had an opinion on homework. He said, "Homework

is a very important skill and it helps you get ready for tests." I even asked four second graders and this is what they said, "It's okay. It's not awesome but it doesn't stink." – Jack Cutter, Jack Carson, Finn Morgan and Hudson Schwab.

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- Mrs. Badloss

Our overall favorite response was from Mrs. Badloss, also known as Mrs. Goodwin's evil twin, who said, "Kids should have homework for **hours, days** and should have no fun whatsoever." Even though some answers surprised us, it still was cool to see what teachers thought about homework!

Meg Cutter & Anna Swartley

Computer Time with Ms. Bucceri

Hey, do you like computer time? I hope you do, because I just interviewed Ms. Bucceri! She loves to be able to see every grade in elementary school and how different each class works.

In her free time she loves to draw and



read. She also loves working with the 2nd grades' "All About Me" PowerPoints. And don't you think it's so cool that she used to be a student teacher in Ohio??!! In 6th grade, she helped write a play with her classmates and everyone loved it! She has a favorite computer game, well maybe. She is still learning all of

them, but she thinks you should check out www.abcya.com!!!!!! The one extra thing she wants to say is, "I can't wait to spend the school year with all of the students at Central." The last obvious thing she wants to say is that she loves Central School!!!!!!

Emily Smith

Path to the Pennant: MLB Post Season

As told by our own Sports Fanatic, Andrew McGuinness

It's here at last! The postseason has arrived as October kicked off with some exciting postseason matchups and series rumors heated up.

Only one team has clinched in a non Game 5 situation, as the Texas Rangers knocked out the AL Wild Card winning Tampa Bay Rays in Game 4 of the American League Division Series. Even though the Rays won Game 1 with a stellar pitching performance by rookie starter Matt Moore (this is just his second big league start), Texas won Games 2, 3, and 4, to win the series.

As for the Tigers – Yankees, Cardinals – Phillies, and Diamondbacks – Brewers, they head into a do or die Game 5. The AL matchup between Detroit and the Bronx was played on October 6, 2011. The NL matchups, Cards – Phils and D-Backs – Brew Crew, Game 5s were both played on October 7. All games will be featured on TBS, and if they intersect, TNT will cover the action.

2011 World Series

It's the World Series at last. The Cardinals took Game 1 of this year's Fall Classic, 3 – 2 over the AL winners, the Texas Rangers.

Scoring plays included a two run single by Lance Berkman, a two run home run by Mike Napoli, and a RBI single by pinch hitter Allen Craig. It was a pitching

The NL matchups are even more surprising, which was completely unexpected. After taking a commanding 2 – 0 series lead over Arizona, the D-Backs roared back to stay alive by winning the next two games. Youngsters' first basemen, Paul Goldschmidt, and third basemen, Ryan Roberts, each hit a grand slam.

The winners of the next ALDS and NLDS games will determine who will play in the NLCS and ALCS. It will be a big Game 5 for every team that needs a win.

The Phillies, Diamondbacks, Yankees, Rays all lost in their Game 5 of the Division Series. A lot of action has happened in the post season battle, especially when the Cardinals knocked out the Phillies in the NLDS.

On October 12 in the ALCS, Texas edged out a victory in Game 4 to take a 3 – 1 series lead. Everything is on the line for the Tigers, who sent Justin Verlander in Game 5 to keep their season alive in what could

duel, but the Cardinals had just enough offense to come out victorious.

Allen Craig won the MVP in Game 1. The bench for Texas could've delivered, but Texas used the wrong pinch hitter in a key situation. That cost them the game.

be their final home game in 2011. This game was played on October 19, 2011.

For the NLCS, the Cardinals took Game 3 in St. Louis to take a 2 – 1 series lead. All the momentum has shifted in the Cards' favor. They also won Game 2 in Milwaukee against Brewers' ace Zack Greinke.

These next couple games will determine who will advance to the 2011 World Series. And don't forget; the NL won the All Star Game back in July, 5 – 1, over the American League. So that means the winner of the NLCS will have home field advantage in the World Series.

Read my next article to catch all the World Series action.

“The Phillies should have won!”

- Andrew McGuinness

Power hitting first basemen, Albert Pujols, and left fielder, Matt Holiday, got on base in the 4th inning, which lead to a couple of RBIs for right fielder Lance Berkman, another St. Louis slugger.

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World Series Cont'd

However, a quiet performance from red hot 3rd basemen David Freese was unexpected in Game 1.

Ron Washington said that he should have used Yorvit Torrelbala in a RBI pinch hit situation, but instead he used Esteban German, who hadn't played in 23 games before he failed to bring home a 3rd run for Texas. He plans to win Game 2 and even up the series.

The World Series has gone by quick! An exciting Game 6 will take place on October 27, 2011. After losing Game 3, 16 – 7, with Albert Pujols setting postseason records with most home runs in a game (T – 1, 3), RBI (1, 6) and total bases (1, 14), the Texas Rangers won games 4 and 5 to take a 3 – 2 series lead.

Catcher Mike Napoli could be this year's Fall Classic MVP. He

hit a two run homer in Game 1, the only runs for Texas in that game, a three run home run in Game 4 to comfort Texas in a 4 – 0 win, then delivered with a key go ahead two run double to seal a 4 – 2 win for the Rangers in Game 5.

Game 7, if the Cardinals can pull off a win in Game 6, would be played on Friday, October 28. Chris Carpenter will start on of these games. whether it is Game 6 or Game 7, which is still unknown.

The Cardinals have become World Champions for the 11th year in franchise history! Down to their final strike twice in Game 6, David Freese delivered both times. Freese also won the World Series MVP.

Also, Cardinals manager Tony La Russa retired. He won three World Series (1989 with Athlet-

ics, 2006 and 2011 with Cardinals). Ryne Sanberg, a former Phillie, was given permission by the Phillies to apply as the Cardinals new manager.

Baseball season will return next year, though. New superstars could be in different uniforms. Some players will stay, and some will be traded. We'll find that out it 2012.

Andrew McGuinness



Flyers on the Fly!

The leaves are changing, the cold air is blowing through, and so are the Flyers! You can visit the Flyers on: <http://flyers.nhl.com>. The Flyers have sadly traded Mike Richards, and Jeff Carter – some of my many favorite players!

The Flyers won their home opener, 5-4, against the Vancouver Canucks, a very tremendous game to watch! The Winter Classic will be hosted by Philadelphia. If you love or like hockey

you should definitely watch it!

Hockey is a very fun sport. Yes, you get lots of exercise. You can play street hockey or ice hockey; they're both really fun! My brother and I play street hockey all the time! It gets a little rough but we manage. It's really fun; I think you should try it for fun, too!

Here are the standings for the Eastern Conference:

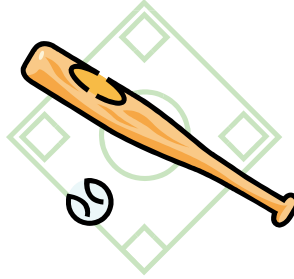
Atlantic	GP	W	L	OT	PTS
Pittsburg	18	11	4	3	25
NY Rangers	16	10	3	3	23
Philadelphia	17	10	4	3	23
New Jersey	17	9	7	1	19
NY Islanders	15	4	8	3	11

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Haddonfield Homerun Derby

On October 14, 2011 Haddonfield hosted a Home Run Derby at the Haddonfield Little League. The people who organized this event were Mrs. Christianson and her friend Mrs. Hurly. The point of this game is to hit as many home runs as you can and get the most points in your age group. And if you win, your prize is an autographed baseball signed by the Phillies

catcher Carlos Ruiz. This event is a fundraiser to help prevent Heart Disease. Just pay 20 bucks and step right up and try to hit as many as you can. There's not just one sweet prize; there's



way more than that! There's a DeSean Jackson signed football along with an Eagles cooler, a Chase Utley signed ball a Roy Halladay signed ball and many more!!!

Tyler Christianson

Owen Shelov

Inside Edition on the 5th Grade Harry Potter Challenge

When you're in 5th grade in library you'll do a Happy Potter Challenge. You'll get put into teams, just like the teams in Hogwarts, based on your class. You will read books and get points for all the books you read. So, say you read a 200 page book, you'll get 20 points! 10 per book, the book can be under 100 pages. You'll lose points

for not bringing all of your library materials, not pushing in chairs, and leaving the computer areas messy. You'll lose and get points for almost everything. If your teacher tells Mrs. Miller you have been good, that will add points to your team! No one will lose or gain points individually; points must be earned as a team! If you read any Harry Pot-

ter books you'll get 3 times the points! Start reading!

Wayden Ay

"My favorite thing about the Harry Potter Challenge is the points."

- Grace Polise

Flyers Cont'd

At the time of this article, the Flyers are in 2nd place in the conference. They have 10 wins and 4 losses. The 1st place team (Pittsburg) won 11 games and lost 4 games. Pittsburgh has 25 points, only 2 points more than the Flyers!

The Flyers have an upcoming game on Wednesday November 2, 2011 against the Sabers!

Danny Briere use to be on the Sabers! They're old friends!

When the cold winter air comes, the NHL 2012 Winter Classic will be held in Philadelphia! They Flyers are getting pumped about the classic, even though it's a long time away!



So for now the Flyers hope to see you at one of their games! I hope now you know about hockey and decide to get out, play, and watch some games! It's Flyers time!

Wayden Ay

Delish Dining; Sweet Surprise

We reviewed the restaurant Kaminski's in Cherry Hill. The price was very affordable and we had a great time. Kaminski's food was very good and the restaurant was clean. We asked the three waitresses a few questions about Kaminski's. First we asked them what their favorite food was at Kaminski's. Waitress #1 answered, "The chicken." Waitress #2 answered, "The pasta." Waitress #3 answered, "The cheeseburger." They had kids'

menus and great outdoor seating too. Overall, it was awesome.

We also reviewed the water ice place called Cherries in Haddonfield.

At Cherries the specials were frozen banana, hot cocoa (in season), eggnog (in season) and pumpkin pie (in season). The eggnog ice cream tasted very good. The root beer water ice was tasty too. The usual server is

VERY nice, but the other one was a little grumpy. There isn't indoor seating, but that's really the only problem.

Our day out was awesome, and the food was great. We recommend the food, water ice, and ice cream!

Meg Cutter & Anna Swartley

Movie Review: Dolphin Tale

I think you should go see the movie *Dolphin Tale* because it is sad and has a great ending. The movie is about a dolphin who has to get his tail cut off. The dolphin cannot swim without his tail. He has to get a prosthetic tail, but it took 15 tries before they found one that worked.

The movie teaches you a lesson too- never give up. I loved the movie and the cool thing is it's a true story!

I really think you should see the movie! Anna S. (in 4R) said, "*Dolphin Tale* was a great experience to do with friends. The inspiring story really captured your imagination." Also my friend Meg said, "She gives 10 out of 10!" This movie is great and I think you should see it too!

Ellie Smart

"The inspiring story really captured your imagination!"

- Anna Swartley

Fall Fashion with Chloe Carpenter and Tess Smith

Well, Chloe (9) our friends says feathers are so in. She loves to get them at any Hair Cuttery. She also says that her favorite store for fall fashions is 77Kids in the Cherry Hill Mall. Chloe loves the plaid at 77Kids—"It's totally rockin'," she says. "Sparkles are so in and sequins

are out," she says dramatically. One last thing Chloe wants to say is "always follow your sense of style and never let your fashion feelings down." On the other hand, Tess (5) has a whole different fashion story. Tess loves to wear the colors pink & purple. Yep, she is a girly girl! She says,

"I love to wear peace signs, princesses, hearts, and everything that sparkles!!" She also loves to rock the boots. Tess thinks puffy skirts are so in. Tess also thinks feathers are so fall fashion. Tess loves to shop at Gap Kids and she wishes she could fit into clothes at 77Kids.

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Fall Fashion Cont'd

There is one last thing Tess wants to say to her fans, "I love, love fall fashion and I absolutely love the color pink!"

Hope you enjoyed fall fashions with Chloe Carpenter and Tess Smith.

Ellie Smart and Emily Smith



Ghost Four: It Returns Again!

A Story Written & Told by our very own Creative Journalist Crew

It's the fourth edition of Central Ghosts! Here's some information we found out about the ghosts of Central School. We found out that all the recent scares haven't all been Thomas, Judy, and Chompers!

Judy has long blond hair, freckles, and green eyes. Thomas has blond hair in the same design, just like Tyler Christianson (see his & Owen's article *Haddonfield Home Run Derby* as well as



Andrew McGuinness' *Path to the Pennant* for more baseball details). And Chompers isn't a bull dog! He's just a labrador. Also, Bloody Mary is part of the trouble.

Another thing is the haunted staircase. If you look at the mir-

rors on those stair cases, you might perish! Or see a ghost. Now for Bloody Mary. Our ghost crew has been testing the Bloody Mary theory. I saw her, Seth saw her, Chloe saw her, but Matthew can't see ANY ghosts! Yeah I know right.

Did you know that the ghosts are coming into the Central All Purpose room? If you saw the light turn red that probably means a ghost went through that light while you were in the room! They used to come in from the hole in the wall, but now that the tennis ball blocks their way, they have to go through the light.

Also, two ghosts have been discovered, by us, right here in Central School! Their names are Betty and John, and they're the ghosts of the Middle School! Unlike Thomas and Judy, they're twins and they have a goldfish, Blub!

Betty has brown hair, which she usually wears in pigtails. She also wears a purple dress a lot of

the time. John looks almost the same. He looks just like Owen Shelov (again, see *Home Run Derby* article, by Owen and Tyler). He normally wears a sweat-shirt and pants.

There's even more! We heard weird noises in the staircase near the music room, from a hole above the haunted elevator on the first floor, and near an upside down table right in front of Seth!

That's all for this edition of Ghost! Thanks for reading, and remember: if you see anything, please tell the writers of the story!

Tyler Christianson, Seth Engle, Chloe Griffault, Andrew McGuinness, Matthew Moskovitz and Owen Shelov

With extra special help from the GHOSTS!!!

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Travel Girl

I have been to the Arizona, the Bahamas, California, Delaware, Florida, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New York, Nevada, Pennsylvania & Tennessee.

Arizona was filled with cacti surrounded by hot tan and soft sand.

The Bahamas was filled with palm trees surrounded by the warm blue and clear ocean.

California was filled with red wood trees surrounded by misty green and leafy bushes. Connecticut was filled with pine trees surrounded by cold white

and icy snow.

Delaware was filled with green meadows surrounded by salty, dark, and clear water.



Massachusetts was filled with history surrounded by old build-

ings and monuments.

New Hampshire was filled with mountains surrounded by fast black and yellow taxis.

Nevada was filled with lights surrounded by dark skies and colors.

Pennsylvania was filled with forests surrounded by freezing, brown, and tall mountains.

Tennessee was filled with shops surrounded by loud Rock and Roll music.

Morgan Heberley