# PANTHER PRINTS 

# How to Choose a High School; Tips from Dr. Holodick 

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If you're grader, you have it in back of head. If you're a grader, probably talking about it. And if you're an 8th grader, you're filling in applications. But where to go? AP Calculus or AP Biology? The best STEM team or the best swim team? You may have been given many choices. So, which high school is the best for you? I talked with Superintendent Dr. Holodick to find out more, then broke into 5 steps:

Step i: Have an idea of what career you want to pursue.

This can help you take classes more fit to your cup of tea. For example, if you want to be a doctor, you can look at a prerequisite, look at the classes required and make a more solid decision. And if you wish, you can even seek a vocational high school to get a head start. Just make sure you truly feel confident in your choice. There is no rush. After all, you're still growing up!

Step 2: Prepare for any tests and requirements.

If you want enter a special program, this is essential. Try practicing for tests by yourself, or with your friends and family. Also, make an effort to keep a high GPA, as this can be a tie breaker in the selection. Dr. Holodick also agrees with this. "Yes, GPA is very
important in high school," he replied.


Step 3: Take a day off to go "shadow" a student.

Open houses are great, but few tours can truly show you the school like a shadow day. Many of you already have tried this. But will you be noticed, therefore making everyone act perfect? Well, the answer is very likely not. Most students won't even pay attention to you, as they're so used to seeing shadows.

Step 4: See what extracurricular activities they have.

While this is never a reason to solely go to a high school, it can act as a tie breaker. When two school have a great graduation rate, excellent classes, and a diverse student body, it can be hard to choose. But if one has the ROTC (Reserve Officer's Training Corps), and you're into the military, that might just make it easier.

## Step 5: Relax!

Some students get stressed about school because the high school you go to will have an effect on your admission in college, although they're still kids. So, relax and enjoy middle school! And when the time comes, you'll have all the tools to choose a satisfying high school experience. Dr. Holodick certainly did. "I felt I was prepared for college," he said.

## Make a New Friend, Say Hello in Ten Languages

- Ni Hao (Chinese)
- Kunichiwa (Japanese)
- Hola (Spanish)
- Hallo (German)
- Ciao (Italian)
- Czesc (Polish)
- Shalom (Hebrew)
- Hej
(Sweedish)
- Hujambo (Swahili)
- Bon Jour (French)
-Brooke Hill, 6tb



## A MOMENTWITH MR. TAYLOR...

Mr. Scott Taylor is a dedicated and compassionate science teacher in PSD who is currently teaching 7th and 8th grade. He grew up in PA and graduated from Virginia
Commonwealth University with a B.S. in Biology. He lives in Wilmington with his wife. He has a son and a daughter who are both married. Mr. Taylor has been involved in many activities in school as well as outside activities such as Science Olympiad, volunteering at Common Fellowship church; home improvements projects and playing games with his family. He has also lived in Haiti for 5 years and educated people about Christianity. While in Haiti, there were several instances where there was no water or electricity forcing him to go to a stream to wash his clothes and fetch water for himself and his neighbors. He strongly feels from his personal experience that students should learn as much as possible in school because this will prepare them for life. When he was much

BY PRANAV CHAVALI, 6TH
younger he did not see clear purpose for learning math during his school days but later in life he discovered how wrong he was! Math is super important in everyday life, for example he had created a 2 -story renovation to his house


Dimensions, Area and Perimeter. He loves his job and enjoys teaching the $7^{\text {th }}$ and $8^{\text {th }}$ graders. Math is for everyone!

## GIRL SCOUTTLUNCHPROGRAM BYKERRIANNE DUNHAM, $6 T H$

What is all that "noise" you hear coming from room 170 during $C$ lunch on Tuesdays? Well first it is definitely not just "noise" it is simply the Girl Scouts of P.S.D. sharing stories, laughs, and fun at their weekly meeting run by Mrs. Crowley. The program includes

many 6th and 7 th grade girls. This year we are promoting our BFF program. BFF stands for Be a Friend First. Additionally, we are also selling Girl Scout Cookies. The types of cookies are Thin Mints, Tagalongs, Samoas, Savannah Smiles, Trefoils, Do-Si-Dos, the newest one is, Rah-RahRaisins. I personally really enjoy the program. I have been a Girl Scout for 6 years. This is a really nice group.
Together, we have made lots of friendships
and help each other out in times of need. I am lucky to of this group. Us really appreciate Mrs. Crowley for organizing our meetings over lunch. She is the best. So next time you hear "noise" coming from 170 , you will know what is really going on. Remember you don't need to be a Girl Scout to be a BFF. Some simple things you can today do to be a BFF are to smile and say hi to others in the hallway, ask a lonely student to eat lunch with you and your group, and most importantly stand up for others if you see or hear bullying taking place be sure to tell an adult immediately.

Q\&AWITH NURSE COLLINS


By Kerrianne Dunham, 6th
Many of us Panthers have had a visit to the school nurse for one reason or another. She is always ready to take care of us, our cuts, bruises, and pain, but how many of us really know who Nurse Collins is? I decided to find out more about her, she is more than a great nurse, she is also a very interesting person.

Kerrianne (K): When did you know that you wanted to become a school nurse?

Nurse Collins (NC): I wanted to become a school nurse in Middle School. I enjoyed helping people, so I became a volunteer in Middle and High School.

K: How many years of college are required for you to become a nurse?

NC: Becoming a nurse requires 4 years of college. If you want to be a nurse, you will need experience too.

K: What are some good tips for preventing others from getting sick?

NC: Some good tips for not getting others sick are, good hand washing, covering coughs and sneezes, eating 3 balanced meals a day, and getting enough sleep.

K: What happens if you feel sick during class?

NC: If you feel sick during class, you should ask your teacher to come to the nurse.

K : What is a typical starting nurse's salary in the State of Delaware?

NC: A typical starting nurse's salary in the State of Delaware is in the $\$ 30,000$.

K: What happens if you feel pain during class like an injury?

NC: If you feel pain during class like an injury, ask your teacher to come to the nurse if you are able. If you are not able to come to the nurse with an injury, the teacher that you are with will call me and I will come and get you.

K: What do you dislike about being a school nurse?

NC: I dislike having students using my office as an excuse to get out of class.

K: What do you like about being a school nurse?

NC: I like not having to work night shifts, weekends, holidays, or during the summer.

K: What happens if there are students in your office when there is a fire drill?

NC: If there are students in my office and there is a fire drill, I will take all the students that are in my office to where I usually stand.
.Here are some cool websites to learn more about becoming a nurse:
http://kidshealth.org/teen/ your_body/medical_care/ in_hospital.html\#
http://www.discovernursing.com/ explore-specialties\#no-filters
http://kidshealth.org/parent/ system/doctor/
nurse_practitioner.html\#cat2OI2O

## Laughs \& Jokes

By Sarthi Sheth, 6th

John, Fred, and Steven were all lost in the desert. They found a lamp and rubbed it. A genie popped out and granted them each one wish. John wished to be back at home. Poof! He was back at home. Fred wished to be home with his family. Poof! He was back home with his family. Steven said, "Awn, I wish my friends were here."


Two kids fell down a hole. One said, "it's dark in here isn't it?" The other replied, "I don't know; I cant see."

Q: Why cant you give Elsa a balloon?
A: Because she will
Let it go.


Q: Why cant someone living in Delaware be buried in California? $\mathcal{A}$ : Because he's still
living!

## THE P.S. PRINCE SS CLUB

## BY: KERRIANNE DUNHAM, 6TH GRADE

The P.S. Princess Club was started by Ms.Scanlan and Mrs. Lawrence. The club was developed to teach 7th and 8th grade girls how to become empowered and strong independent women. This club also gives the girls a chance to spend extra time together and make new friends. This is the club's first year at P.S. DuPont. The girls enjoy talking about important issues, learning skills for independence and providing support for each other. They talk about "Hot Topics." The girls also cook and bake. When they are finished baking and cooking, they get to eat the finished product and take the extras home to share with their families. The girls all clean up and help each other. The club meets on
 Thursday's in room 213. I had the opportunity to visit the club one Thursday afternoon and talk with some of the girls. When I visited, they were learning to cook and bake. The girls were very friendly and encouraging to each other. I asked the girls questions about the club, the following are their responses.

Question: What does the princess club do?

Answer: The club gives girls a chance to spend time together and empowers them to become independent.

Q: What do you do to encourage them?
A: We say nice things about each other and about ourselves.


Q: What is your most favorite thing to do?
A: We all love to bake and cook!
Q: What is your least favorite thing in the Princess Club?
A: Nothing, the group is great!
Q: Did you girls know each other before the

## Princess Club?

A: We did not really know each other before, but we know each other pretty well now.

Q: This seems like a very interesting club, is it?
A: This is a very interesting club and we enjoy it.

## WHO LOVES SCIENCE? FUN FACTS ABOUT SPACE BY KEERTHAN DURASALA, 6TH

The Sun is almost a perfect sphere and travels at 220 kilometers per second. Temperatures inside can reach 15 million degrees Celsius.


Venus is the hottest planet in our solar system.

A year in Mercury is just 88 days long.


The Great Red Spot is a huge storm on Jupiter. It has raged for at least 350 years. It is so large that three Earths could fit inside it.

## MATHCOUNTS BY MR. FITZHUGH

For the first time in school history, the PSD MATHCOUNTS team won the state competition! The team of Eli Gertler, Vasu Jayanthi, Jessica Pei, and Abhinav Ratnagiri won a very close competition against our yearly rivals, HB duPont and the Independence School. In addition to this honor, both Eli and Abhinav earned spots on the 2015 DE state team that will travel to Massachusetts compete in the National MATHCOUNTS Competition.


## CLEVERBOT.. A CLEVERWEBSITE?

By Nick White, 6th


Cleverbot.com is a website that is an AI, or Artificial Intelligence. It is a program that "thinks" about what you type to it, and then puts together the most logical, or least logical, response. Although it can be funny, it really isn't "Clever." For example,

User: What is your name? Cleverbot: Rick astley.

There are a few things Cleverbot is programmed to do, like sing songs, but it does not always do so successfully.

User: Twinkle twinkle little star.
Cleverbot: How I wonder what you are.
User: Up above the world so high.
Cleverbot: Like a diamond in the sky.
User: Twinkle twinkle little star. Cleverbot: Or else I'll eat with a rake.
User: You ruined it!
Cleverbot: Ruined what?
Cleverbot was able to give words that started with the letter I gave it, until...

User: D is for.
Cleverbot: E is for.
User: D is for.
Cleverbot: E is for.
User: That doesn't start with D. Cleverbot: I spy something starting with c .
User: What?
Cleverbot: I lost someone.
User: Who?
Cleverbot: My son.
User: I'm sorry.
Cleverbot: You should be.
User: Why?
Cleverbot: So I can leave.
User: What starts with D?
Cleverbot: My name starts with an L.
User: D is for:.
Cleverbot: E is for elegance.
I tried to tell Cleverbot that
I was doing a newspaper article on it...

User: You are going to be in the newspaper soon.
Cleverbot: I am feeding you right now. Cerebral cortex download $95 \%$ complete.

That makes absolutely no sense.

Overall, I would rate this website 4 out of 5 Panther Paws : I would give it five for awesome, funny nonsense, but I took I away for changing the subject too often. Check it out for yourself at Cleverbot.com

## Chunky Cheesecake

 Brownies!
## By Kerrianne Dunham, 6th

This recipe can be found on the website allrecipes.com. Allrecipes is also a free app for your phone or tablet. My family and I made these brownies together. While the recipe is easy to follow, there is some hard work involved. The brownies were delicious, however I would recommend eating the brownies with ice cream. If you are a chocolate lover, eat them with chocolate ice cream! While these brownies are super yummy, be sure not to consume them all in one day! Chose other healthy snacks and have your brownies as a special treat! Check out the recipe, maybe your family can bake them tonight!


-Black History Month began in 1926.
February was chosen in honor of Frederick Douglass \& Abraham Lincoln, who were both born in February.


- Owls are one of the only birds that can see the color blue!


## SPORTS \& ENTERTAINMENT

## Cross Country

Where: The side field exterior of PSD
When: Mondays and Tuesdays afterschool
We spoke to team members Stephen Salerni, Zoey Janusz, and Kelsey Mulrooney to learn a bit more about the ongoings in Cross Country.
Q. On a normal day how many laps do you run?

Kelsey-3 $1 / 2$ laps
Zoey-3 ${ }^{1 / 2}$
Stephen- 3 laps
Q. On a scale of $\mathrm{I}^{-10}$ how much do you like running?

Kelsey-ıо
Zoey-ıо
Stephen-8
Q. Would you join Cross Country next year?

Kelsey-Yes, definitely.

Zoey-Yes, it is fun and good exercise.


Stephen-No, it is fun, but it is not for me.
Q. What would you change about Cross Country to make it even better?
Kelsey-The field (woods), have tryouts and make it more competitive.

Zoey- Have tryouts and make

Stephen-The field where we run.
All three teammates agree that while it is fun and you get a ton of exercise, the best part of Cross Country is the RUNNING!

## PADDINGTON BY CHINASA EMERIBE, 8TH

Lovers of the encountering classic novel series Paddington and those who love a heart-lifting, comedic movie will love the live action film, Paddington. The story is about a young bear from Peru, who is sent to England by his Aunt Lucy to find the explorer she met years ago. He is lives with the Brown family, and they help him to find the lost explorer while
hilarious
situations. At the same time, a cold ${ }^{-}$ hearted taxidermist will stop at nothing to hunt him down. I personally loved
the movie best for its hilarious moments, such as

flooding the entire bathroom in the Brown's home, or stopping a pickpocketing thief. It also had a great theme, a satisfying end, and a lighthearted mood about a bear trying to find a new home. I give this Paddington

GUITAR HERO BY JOSÉ MARRERO, 7 TH Oh No! Guitar Hero 7 was cancelled by
 Activision. The new Guitar Hero game was in the works by Vicarious Visions. However when Activision went to Vicarious Visions to check on development, they were disappointed. They saw that there were no drums and no microphone. The new guitar prototype had the standard 5 buttons with a new button on the neck. There was no strum bar, in its place were 6 strings. The soundtrack list was said to have over 8 o songs. Activision later cancelled the game and unfortunately the whole series. They also took down the mobile games and on the Wii they took down the servers for online multilayer for the Guitar Hero Wii games. This is a sad day for guitar hero fans around the world. I think they shouldn't have cancelled it. The whole Guitar Hero series has made over $\$ 2$ billion in sales. Guitar Hero 3: Legends of Rock has made $\$ 830.9$ million in sales. I wonder what the finished game would have looked like. But I guess for now, we'll never know.

## ARTIST CORNER...



By Katie Kunz, 6th
This is an internet photo that I tried to recreate. It is a picture of a panther getting ready to sprint. I find that this a good way for students who believe that they are bad at art to practice and get more comfortable with creating. Most times students aren't good drawing because they don't know what exactly to draw. My advice is to search for things online that interest you so that you can get some new ideas. So don't be afraid, go get a paper and pencil and start creating a masterpiece.

"XSCAPE" AMUSIC REVIEW

By José Marrero, 7th
A new album featuring songs by the late Michael Jackson was released in 2014. This release has been surrounded by controversy. Michael Jackson fans are claiming that the record company has only released this album to make money, not to honor his career. These collections of Michael's songs were originally demos. The record company has made these demos "more modern" despite Michael Jackson's untimely death. In my opinion, the album is worth listening to, especially if you are a Michael Jackson fan. The song list contains tracks like "Love Never Felt So Good", "Chicago", "Loving You", "A Place With No Name", "Slave To The Rhythm", "Blue", and finally "Xscape". Although I think that some of the demos are better than the remixes, this album gets a 5 out of 5 paw prints.

## P.S.D.'s 22 IB

ADVICE FOR A MIDDLE SCHOOLER'S DILEMMAS

By Amritha Selvarajaguru, 6th
Dear P.S.D.,


I'm a seventh-grader at P.S. DuPont, and I'm a straight-A student in all my classes... That is, except for one. The truth is, I have a lot of trouble keeping up with the program in gym class. All the sports are kind of hard for me. What should I do to improve my grade and make sports easier for myself? I'm so slow, and l'm such a klutz!
$\sim$ Klutzy Kid

## Dear Klutzy Kid,

There's nothing wrong with being clumsy in gym! I'm like that too. But what do I do? I ask questions about the directions if l'm confused. You don't always need to be fast in gym, just follow the directions, exercise, and have fun! I f you really want to get faster or better in sports, maybe you want to practice outside of school more often! Go swimming, join a tennis club, or just sprint down the street. But most importantly, have fun! Game on! ~PSD News

## D.I.Y. Heart Clips <br> br divita taduvari, 6TH

This cute craft truly can make someone's day; all with these easy instructions and minimal time. Slip them onto a book as a sweet addition to brighten up the cover, add them to your notebooks as a useful tool and sweet memory, or just lace them through each other to create a pretty garland!

Step i. Acquire your materials; paper clips (I recommend the pink, white, red, and purple ones.)


Step 2. Bend the paperclip at midpoint Waa-la!!!!!
You are done!!! Time to impress your friends!!!!

THE HUNGER GAMES: MOCKINGJAY PART i

The Hunger Games: Mockingjay Part I is the third installment of the Hunger Games series following the shocking end to the 3rd Quarter Quell. Archer Katniss Everdeen, after being rescued and taken to District 13 , is now faced with the responsibility of being the face of the District rebellion, the Mockingjay.

This movie in particular pulls its


Mockingjay Part I a 4 out of 5 paw prints.
focus away from the Games itself and instead on Katniss's inner struggle to cope with her crushing new reality. Her home, District 12, has been destroyed, entire Districts are depending on her, and a person she loves dearly has been captured by the Capitol to be used against her.

With Panem hanging on its last strand, lives at stake, and Katniss struggling herself to decide whether she truly wants to put everything on the line and face the consequences of war, The Hunger Games: Mockingjay Part i delivers heart-stopping action with a roller coaster drop ending that will not disappoint. I would give

## BEHIND THE COOKIE, TROOP IIOI

Troop inoi of Wilmington, Delaware has wrapped up another successful cookie season! Girl scouts in Delaware were introduced to two new cookies this year. The first new cookie was called rah-rah raisins, which is an oatmeal raisin cookie with Greek yogurt chunks. Our second cookie was toffee-tastic, which was only available at cookie booths because it was a "trial run". Toffee-tastic was our first gluten-free cookie for sale and each troop received only twelve boxes! Troop mor is not only about cookie sales, our troop has participated in a ton of fun and interesting activities this year too. We went primitive camping for two days and spent one night at Trap Pond State Park. We created
jobs for each troop member for all the activities we needed to do, like chefs to cook food and prepare, a hostess to serve the food and set the table, and cleaners who checked the area to make sure we left the place better than we found it. Our troop also went canoeing. We did this at trap pond as well. We learned the basics of canoeing and then we explored the lake in canoes of two or three persons. Over the holidays we helped out with Stockings-ForSoldiers. We went to a building that was hosting this drive and we participated by filling handmade stockings with food, candy, socks, toiletries, and books. Additionally, we sorted socks and other donations into giant boxes to be sent overseas

## SCHOLASTIC GOLD KEY WINNERS

BY J.R. SQUIRE, 6TH

The Scholastic Art \& Writing Awards are the longest running, most prestigious competition and largest source of scholarships for creative teenagers in the United States. The Awards program was created in 1923 by Maurice R. Robinson, founder of Scholastic Corporation, and has been administered by the Alliance for Young Artists \& Writers since 1994. It has an impressive legacy and a noteworthy roster of past winners including Andy Warhol, Frances Farmer, Sylvia Plath, Truman Capote, Richard Avedon, and Joyce Carol Oates and many others. The Awards are on page io).
open to all students in grades 7 through 12 from public, private and home schools throughout the U.S. The program is structured to identify and recognize students through regional award designations, Gold Key, Silver Key, Honorable Mention, and American Visions and Voices Nominees. Congrats to our Scholastic GOLD Key Winners this year, Kyra Bostic, Jillian Burns, Emma Harkin, and Amber Wang. (continued

Sailing By Emma Harkin, 8th

The water is rippled by the heavy breeze,
Which dances joyously
As it rustles the trees.
The wind does not know,
But it's glad to be free.

A sailor is beckoned by the whispering breeze
And he latches his sailboat
To the back of his car,
Thinking to himself,
"The sea's not all that far..."

The sailor is welcomed by the blustering gales,
And he sings to himself
As he sets up the sails,
Then sits to eat lunch
While he watches the whales.

The sailboat is guided by the heavy breeze,
And it leaps along happily
As it tears through the seas.
The boat does not know,


BY KATIE KUNZ, 6TH


## DIRECTIONS

I. Melt butter in a large saucepan over a low heat burner. Add the mini marshmallows and mix until the butter is fully melted. Turn off burner. 2.Mix in the crispy rice cereal. Stir until it is well coated with butter. 3. Take a spatula and cover it with butter. 4. Spread the mixture using the spatula. Cut the treats into clovers, bunnies or whatever shape that you chose with a cookie cutter. 5. Melt the candy melts or whatever candy you chose according to the package directions. 6.Add in a few drops of food coloring, if you'd like. 7. Dip the rice crispy treats into the melted candy and wait for it to cool before serving. 8.It is best served the same day that is made.

## "THE BOXTROLLS" A MOVIE REVIEW

"The Boxtrolls," directed by Graham Annable and Anthony Stacchi, is a claymation movie about


## BY NICK WHITE, 6TH

He is alarmed when he realizes [SPOILER ALERT we have taken this part out for your safety. SPOILER ALERT]. He goes to the surface of the city and meets a girl named Winnie who tries to get him to behave like a gentleman.

The voice actors are Isaac Wright as Eggs, Elle Fanning as Winnie, Ben Kingsley as Snatcher, Jared Harris as Lord Portley-Rind, Tracy Morgan as Mr. Gristle, Richard Ayoade as Mr. Pickles, and Nick Frost as Mr. Trout. They all did a very convincing job of conveying their characters. The stop-motion claymation is smooth, and the special effects like fire, smoke, and lights are interesting too. This movie is exciting and suspenseful, and I give it a... (Drum roll please...) 4 out of 5 paw prints! This movie is rated PG.
a boy who grew up in a cave system under the city of Cheesebridge with inventive creatures called Boxtrolls. The boy, Eggs, thinks he is a Boxtroll.

## SCHOLASTIC KEY WINNERS POEMS

> I Thought I Saw Butterflies By Amber Wang, 8th
> I thought I saw butterflies Flying and flipping
Among the green trees Swooping and skating Through the bright sun rays Twinkling and twirling In the light blue sky Flashing gold and red Like pieces of soft silk

Isn't It Funny By Amber Wang, 8th
We don't appreciate what we have
And we appreciate what we don't have.
Isn't it funny.

We want what we can't have
And we can't have what we want. Isn't it funny.

We complain about not having enough
And when we have enough we complain. Isn't it funny.

People are dying and here we sit Worrying about ourselves. Isn't it funny.

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I thought I saw butterflies
But as I watched I saw

That they were only lifeless leaves

## PANTHER PRINTS

## Spring Calendar

April 2nd - Wear Blue!
April 14th -Earth Day Drive
April 15th -Report Cards
April 3rd-12th Spring Break
April 13th - National Library Week
May 25th -Memorial Day
June 1st-5th Final Exams

## Lady Panthers Volleyball

By Chianna Spencer ,7th
I wanted to get an insider's perspective, so l interviewed one of the varsity team Captains, Meghan Ryle.
Q. What is your team like?
A. They are like my best friends and I like being around them. They make me laugh all the time!
Q. Does your team work well together?
A. Yes, if we all stay positive.
Q. What are the warm-ups like?
A. They are intense. They leave you sore and tired, but your muscles get so strong.


## Panther Café

## By Shamem Begum, 6th

The Panther Café is a wonderful place to have lunch. The Panther café is located in room 213. Mrs. Bishop and Mrs. Cabrera work with their students to host and prepare various luncheons throughout the school year. They invite teachers, faculty, and families to the lunches. Each luncheon they serve a different menu. This year's menu has included lasagna and salad, turkey chili, veggie burgers, and baked chicken. The Panther café also serves dessert. All the teachers say that the dessert is the best part! The dessert along with the other menu items are all handmade by Mrs. Bishop and Mrs. Cabrera's students. The students involved with the Panther Café also host a weekly coffee cart for the teachers. They visit each classroom and offer coffee or tea and a sweet treat to their teachers at PSD. The teachers really appreciate the hard work of the students in the Panther Café, the lunches, coffee, and sweet treats are absolutely delicious.


## Puzzle Fun!

By Divita Taduvayi, 6th

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| Q | $E$ | $Z$ | $A$ | $T$ | $H$ | $M$ | $O$ | $H$ | $A$ | $A$ | $O$ | $E$ | $G$ | $C$ | $Q$ | $D$ | $A$ | $F$ | $H$ | $J$ | $B$ | $G$ | $Y$ | $I$ |
| K | $K$ | $B$ | $Q$ | $D$ | $W$ | $C$ | $C$ | $L$ | $Y$ | $V$ | $R$ | $A$ | $W$ | $I$ | $X$ | $S$ | $Z$ | $N$ | $Y$ | $Y$ | $L$ | $D$ | $I$ | $G$ |
| $G$ | $U$ | $M$ | $N$ | $Q$ | $O$ | $E$ | $V$ | $J$ | $Q$ | $Z$ | $J$ | $B$ | $F$ | $S$ | $B$ | $N$ | $I$ | $D$ | $Z$ | $T$ | $U$ | $F$ | $G$ | $K$ |
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| $V$ | $O$ | $R$ | $C$ | $M$ | $Z$ | $P$ | $L$ | $X$ | $Z$ | $X$ | $S$ | $T$ | $P$ | $V$ | $T$ | $N$ | $D$ | $B$ | $W$ | $D$ | $M$ | $K$ | $T$ | $S$ |
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Find these words in the puzzle above!

| ANGEL | PINK |
| :--- | :--- |
| BOOTS | PURPLE |
| CHILLY | RED |
| CHOCOLATE | SCARF |
| COAT | SNOWFLAKE |
| COCOA | SNOWMAN |
| COOKIES | VALENTINE |
| HAT | WINTER |
| HEART | LOVE |


[^0]:    "Leaves" By Emma Harkin, 8th
    Crooked branches silhouetted by the moonlight. Leaves are thin on the trees.
    A few brilliant crimson leaves are swept to the side of the path. Scattered among thousands of brittle brown afterthoughts.

