



# Classsonian

## The Opinion Edition



### Reading Builds Brains

To start with I feel that everyone should read a lot. Doesn't everyone think that a person should read every day? For the skeptics I have compiled three good reasons to why everyone should read daily.

In the first place, reading is educational. When we read, we expand our vocabulary, comprehension, and writing skills; and people use textbooks for school, right?

Furthermore it's a healthier and more reliable source of entertainment than T.V. It stretches your mind, and also risks no power failures or glitches.

Lastly, reading can be more entertaining than T.V. or videos. If you think about it, words can paint better pictures than just plain pictures, and more over these are uniquely your own.

Nothing has to be a way you don't want it.

Doesn't reading sound cooler now? It's more healthy, more educational, and more entertaining. And to conclude I believe that reading is completely quality.

Ambrose

#### Important Dates:

- **April 29**

Book Report Due

- **May 1**

Home & School Mtg.  
8:00am

- **May 6**

Swimming Lessons  
Begin

#### HOT LUNCH

- April 28: Haystacks
- April 29: Burritos
- April 30: Soup & Salad

### McDonalds—Not for Vegetarians

I believe that McDonalds is a bad restaurant because of these reasons. First of all the food they sell makes people overweight. Next, we have the way they make their food. They cook it in lard so vegetarians are not able to

"enjoy" their food. They also have meat in most of the food, so, once again, vegetarians cannot enjoy the food. Even the salads have some sort of meat, chicken, beef, or something else. McDonalds will also shut down smaller

companies if they have similarities in the name. For example, if a company was named, McBurrito, or something like that, they would probably shut it down or make it change it's name. Even if they just started it.

Mitchell

### Gymnastics Equals Confidence

All year round gymnastics is a great idea. Then the kids would get fit, strong and flexible. Plus, with the consistency they will be motivated to stay fit, which is a lot healthier than being lazy and out of shape.

With gymnastics, we could have performances. Performances would bring attention and money to our school. Performances would also increase their ability to not only work together, but to give them the independence they need to work together.

An idea leads to practice, practice leads to success and success leads to confidence. Having confidence in what they do now will increase having confidence in the future and a confident person feels good about themselves.

Sydnee

### Nap Time Reinstated

My goal for our class is to have nap time. I think we should have nap time because in my opinion, everyone could use more sleep.

The second reason we should have nap time is because it's good for our health. If we have nap time, we would have more energy. We could also burn off some of the junk food we've eaten. Moreover, it would keep us calm, but give us more energy.

My third reason for feeling this way is that it can refreshen us. It can refreshen our minds so we can think sharper. It can refreshen our bodies so we can do more. And finally, it can refreshen our souls.

In conclusion, we should have nap time because it will make us feel better.

Bethany



## Swimming Update

Just a reminder that swimming lessons will soon be here. I would like to apologize for a misprint in last weeks newsletter. The actual price for the lesson will be \$33.00 per student. I will be sending home a permission slip next week for you to sign and return.



## Fact:

According to the McDonald's website, they use only vegetable oil in their cooking. The use of Lard was done away with in the 1990's.

## Classonian

### The School Uniform Debate Continues

I think we should have the choice to wear what we want to school. Although I do believe there should be boundaries, but we kids should not have to put up with clothes that aren't made for heat, outside play, or running. I believe that the clothes we are forced to wear are not fit to be worn for normal school and P.E. activities.

One of the reasons that we shouldn't have to wear uniforms because people will feel more comfortable. Uniforms make people look and feel ugly. They get too hot in the summer. And, kids will feel more confident wearing clothes they have chosen themselves. Another reason I feel we should have no uniforms is

because then more kids will want to come to this school, which is what the school needs. Am I

right? It is a fact that it's never fun or interesting to look exactly like



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everyone else. We need to be able to make our own choices to get ready for the real world up ahead. We all know it's more comfortable, and looks better to wear jeans than slacks. I'm sure that the kids looking at this school

know that too, so uniforms drive them away.

The third reason I believe we should not wear school uniforms is because our parents then don't have to pay extra money for them. If it's free dress then we can just use everyday clothing. School uniforms wear out faster. And we already own normal clothes. You see, we could have ugly, old, uncomfortable uniforms, or we could just wear our normal every day clothes that everyone likes.

See, I took a poll of the 3-8 grade classes and the results are 4 for uniforms and 23 against. And that sums it up.

Ellen



### A Pool at SAS Means More Money in Our Pockets

Personally, I think this school needs a pool. To begin with, it's not safe driving the kids all the way to Eisenschmidt. There aren't that many parents that would want to drive a car packed with crazy little kids and not to mention it's not very safe. Also, the kids aren't always on their best behavior and they might run out in front of a car. If you don't have a lot of parents there to help then it's really hard to keep track of all of them.

The second reason a pool would be a good idea is you need to pay to use Eisenschmidt Pool. Not everyone can pay to get in, and if you can't then the money adds up and that could be really hard on people. Besides, some kids might have to pay for it themselves and that's hard if they don't get paid to do chores.

Furthermore, you have to pay for gas to drive all the way over there. First off, gas isn't cheap.

Second, you need a lot of cars to take all the kids. Third, some people just don't have the money to pay for extra gas.

In conclusion, I think this school need a pool because it would be safer, kids don't have to go off campus, and it would be nicer on all the parents wallets.

Noelani

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### iPods in the Classroom

I think that people should be able to bring their iPods and what not to school. The first reason is people could listen to their own music because they might not like the song on the radio, and people could also use them at break, but they would not be able to use them while the teacher is talking. Then, next it might help people to

focus and get distracted less, for example, their own music (with headphones) block out small and annoying sounds. It might also make them want to talk less. People couldn't have their music too loud. And finally, the radio may or may not annoy some people. There would also be a few more restrictions, like they

couldn't just use them while doing a group project and things like that.



Devon

### Do You Break a Horse or Befriend it?

I think that building a relationship with a horse rather than breaking it is better. Why? I have three main reasons. They are good ones.

Reason number one is, when you break a horse to train it, it doesn't always trust you. If a horse that was broken in is asked to stop and it doesn't want to it might refuse because there is no trust. Trust is something that is built up slowly, not forced upon someone for them to just accept. Horses respond better to someone they trust.

The second reason would be, when you break a young horse they don't like to respond and so they fight back. When you are breaking a horse you are fighting its spirit to be free, it feels trapped and will try and fight you back. A horse's instinct is to fly first, fight second. Meaning if they can run away they do, but if fight is necessary they fight strongly.

Breaking horses may seem faster than building relationships, but in the long run it doesn't stay. What happens if a horse is broken in, then sold to a novice rider who isn't able to stop the horse from doing what the horse wants? The horse finds out it can get away with more and more things until it's back to square one and needs to be re-trained. You shouldn't take short cuts! The horse will always fight a little unless you have a relationship.

Now, for my third reason, building relationships with horses results in your horse listening to your and wanting to please you. Horses love to be groomed. If you do a good job grooming the horse, the horse repays you by doing a good job in doing what you want from it. People who just ride their horse then hand it off to another person to care for it don't have the connection that others do to their horses. Your horse can become your friend if you let it.

Friends try to please each other and listen to each other. For example, if someone who you aren't friends with asks you to do something you don't like or don't want to do, you are more reluctant to follow what that person says. If one of your best friends asks you, than you'd probably do it. Same with horses. They are a lot like people. If you are their friend they are more likely to listen to you than if you were just another rider.

I can go on and on about treating horses fairly, but I won't. Horses respond to bad treatment with bad obedience just like a person would. Horses need friends too, just like people. And if you are friends with your horse, both you and the horse have a better ride. That's why relationships are better than breaking a horse until it has no spirit. Your horse will thank you.

Savannah

### Just a Reminder



Newbery book reports and projects are due next Wednesday. Please refer to the hand-out that you received giving you the guidelines of what I would like to see included in your report. Please come see me if you have any questions about your report or project. Have fun, be creative, we are all looking forward to seeing your creations and hearing about the book you read.