



# Bulldog Buzz



## The Dig: The Grammy Awards

By Elyna Villalba

This year, at the Grammys, you saw the fashion, performances, and nominees. The very first award was for Record of the Year. The nominees were Adele "Rolling In The Deep," Bon Iver "Holocene," Bruno Mars "Grenade," Mumford & Sons "The Cave," and Katy Perry "Firework." The Record of the Year was awarded to Adele. The second award was Best Album of the Year. The nominees were Adele 21, Foo Fighters Wasting Light, Lady Gaga Born This Way, Bruno Mars

Doo-Wops & Hooligans, and Rhianna Loud. The Grammy was awarded to Adele for her album 21. This year the artist who won the most Grammy awards was Adele with 6 Grammys.

There were many performances. The performances included Nicki Minaj, Chris Brown, Bruno Mars, Alicia Keys, Jennifer Hudson, Paul McCartney, The Beach Boys with Foster the People, and Coldplay with Rhianna. Nicki Minaj showed up with the Pope. Katy Perry wore a

blue Elie Saab Couture spring/summer 2012 dress. Her ensemble was complete with blue hair. Fergie wore an orange lace dress with black undergarments. Sophia Grace and Rosie were also at the Grammys, who became famous from singing their rendition of Nicki Minaj's "Super Bass," made famous on YouTube and the Ellen Degeneres show. In conclusion, that is what happened at the 54th Annual Grammy Awards.

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## The Dig: 8th Grade Semi-formal

By Mackenzie Jurchenko

The Semi-formal is like a prom for 8th graders. 8th graders can ask anyone they want to go to the Semi with them. They can even ask 6th and 7th graders, as well as students from other schools. Each year, the 8th grade students get to vote on what they want for the theme of the dance. This year, they chose a masquerade theme. The outfits are going to include masks, long dresses, and suits. The 8th grade students get to make their

own masks. Finger foods and drinks will be provided. There is going to be a lot of dancing, so be sure to wear good shoes and have FUN!



### Special points of interest:

- Get the inside scoop on the Grammy Awards on page 1.
- Check out the Topic Train for the latest opinions on hot topics on pages 2-3.
- Like a good laugh? Check out the Gigglin' Gals on page 3!
- Tease your brain in the Quizzy Corner on page 4.

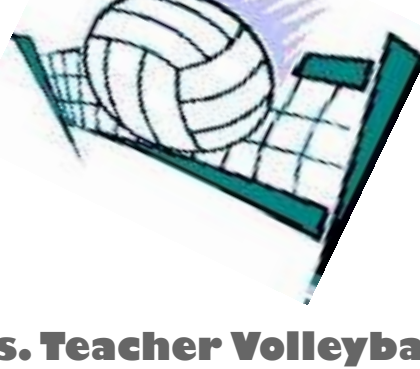
## Talking with the Stars: Student vs. Teacher Volleyball Game

By Julia Swayser

Mr. Hubbs, 7th grade teacher

about himself is that he is a slow pitch softball champion.

Mr. Hubbs is a seventh grade science teacher in pod 4. He has been participating in the student vs. teacher volleyball games for seven years. The 7th graders have never beaten the teachers, and Mr. Hubbs says that, "No, the 7th graders will absolutely never win because they are too weak and incompetent." Mr. Hubbs loves the volleyball game because he loves to pick on children. A fun fact



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By Danna Biello

Prescilla Chami

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Prescilla Chami is a fun and quirky girl in sixth grade. Prescilla was recently involved in the student versus faculty volleyball tournament on Tuesday, February 28. She was the captain of the Courageous Cougars a sixth grade volleyball team. They beat one team on their way to victory. This team was the Sugar Daddies. Prescilla felt that her team did well. When I asked if she had fun, her reply was, "YES!!!! It was crazy and we all had a great time!" Even though they did not get far in the

competition, she feels the teachers would have beat them anyway. But, as a note for anyone who plans to be in competitions next year, they'll be back, so be scared!



## Topic Train By Erminio Macchiogodena

**Text Talk:** Text talk is fine when texting. Now, when your typing a report and you use text talk, you will get points taken off. Text talk is actually a neat thing and it is a very unique way to communicate. It would be weird to start talking to a friend like "lol" and "rofl." That's what Erminio says.

**Expert opinion:** "It would make reports easier and less complex." (Dylan Martin, Fellow Texter, 7th grade)

**Gum in School:** Gum is good and everyone likes it. It is very distracting because it makes loud, annoying sounds and people will not

pay attention. They will just chew the gum and not care. Teachers can chew it since they are wiser and mature. That's what Erminio says.

**Expert opinion:** "It should be allowed." (David Jaskiewicz, Fellow Gum Chewer, 8th grade)

**Electronics in School:** Electronics are

## Topic Train Continued

very popular and most male students like to play them. The whole point of school is to learn, not to play a video game the entire time. Teachers are not even allowed to have electronics except for phones. Students should be able to have phones for emergency purposes only. That's what Erminio says.

Expert Opinion: "Only on special days." (Mrs. Stevens, Instructional Assistant)



## Ruff n tough (Eyer Sports) By Nicole Croy & McKenna Geroulo

Sign up for upcoming spring sports! If you didn't get to sign up for any sports in the winter, you now have a chance. If any 7th or 8th grade girls out there like softball, or never have tried softball, but might be interested, you should sign up.

Boys, don't feel left out! There are also sports for you, like boys' volleyball. You should try and get involved with clubs and sports. Even if aren't athletic or don't like sports, you

can go watch and support your friends.

# SPRING



## Giggin' Gals By Nicole Croy & McKenna Geroulo

### Why doesn't McDonald's sell hot dogs?

#### *Best Answer*

1. Kiyae White 7th grader- "The mac daddy of McDonald's doesn't like hot dogs."
2. Bella Vargas 7th grader- "Hot dogs are not attractive, and they wouldn't taste good."
3. Mrs. O'Connor 7th grade Science Teacher- "They can't compete with Yocco's."

**Newspaper Club Answer:** They already have a big enough menu.

### "P.U. that stinks!" What does P.U. stand for ?

#### *Best Answers:*

1. Ricky Milker 7th grader- "Poopy Underwear"
2. Mrs O' Connor's Homeroom- "Potty Urine."
3. Mrs. Paukovits 7th grade math teacher- " Pretty Unflattering."

**Newspaper Club's Answer:** Pittsburgh University- Pitts (under arms) stink and other colleges or universities can say P.U. they stink.

### What does flabbergasted means to you in a funny way?

#### *Best Answers:*

1. Ricky Milker 7th grader- "Flabbers are going pizazz"
2. Rachel Reed 7th grader- "Flabby ghosts"
3. Kate McPhillips 7th grade- "Chicken Flabby wings"
4. Luke Franco 7th grader- " Flabby Fart"

**Newspaper Club's Answer:** Whale's flapper-blubber

Actual Meaning-surprise, greatly astonish

**Newspaper Club**

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**The Dig: PSSA's**

By Diondre Powell

The PSSA's are a statewide test that every school district has to take in Pennsylvania. PSSA stand for Pennsylvania System State Assessments. The PSSA's are 5 tests in each of the major subjects. Teachers try to make it easier by giving rewards and doing fun activities. I asked a few teachers and students questions about the upcoming PSSA's. Mr. Domyan says that he does PSSA Practice Books with his class. He also says that he tries to incorporate knowledge we will know for the PSSA's through his class all year. I asked what teachers do to make the PSSA's easier and Mr. Kukitz says that he doesn't give any homework and he tries to teach students the things they need to know. I also asked if teachers and students think the PSSA's are difficult. Mr. Hubbs believes that some questions can be challenging. According to Bethany Goodge, "the PSSA's are as easy as taking candy from a baby." Newspaper Club member, Mackenzie Jurchenko, says that, "PSSA's are pointless." The truth is, some students and teachers think that PSSA's are useful and others dislike them. I personally think that the PSSA's are useful, but they can also be boring and hard.

**Quizy Corner:**

**Rebus Puzzles**

Can you figure out the answers to the picture puzzles below?

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