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Academic Corner

Do you sometimes feel that what you are learning in school may not be necessary for the career you want later in life? Ming's here to tell you that everything counts! A good education means a strong future.

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Scholastic Book Fair

This week, the parents of QSI helped to bring our first book fair to our students. Students spent the week purchasing books, diaries, pens, pencils, posters and much more.

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Super Bowl XLI

Mohammed our sports correspondent reports on this year's Super Bowl. Was it as exciting as everyone hoped? Did the rain make the game a wash-out? Are you happy the Colts pulled a victory this year?

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Television

Jason lets us know that TV can be fun to watch and you might learn something as you watch it. He's offering up one of our first television reviews of a favorite show among Tweens - Ned's Declassified.

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Movies

Abraham and Anthony are back this week with a review of Epic Movie. It is one in a growing genre of spoof movies that make fun of the year's top money makers. Will you think it's funny? Do you agree with them?

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Book Review

Bhargava continues his reviews of the current Harry Potter series with books four and five. I can't wait for book seven, but it looks like we've still got about six months before we'll be able to crack the binding on that one!

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Ambitions

by Ming W.

Everyone has their own ambitions. Some of us want to become scientists, some chemists, some pop stars, some designers, and some want to be lawyers and so on. But what can we do to make our ambitions a reality?

Many of our ambitions, as easy as it seems sometimes, require great effort and depth of knowledge in that field to succeed. An architect, for example, needs to be good in math (angles, proportion, equations/algebra/calculus), science, building, engineering and more. Their work needs to be unique and one of a kind and some of their work is literally worth a billion dollars. Every mark they make on their sketch pad is worth a fortune to them and everyone who sees it and enters it. But how do we turn a lifelong dream into reality?

Sometimes you may wonder, why would I need to take classes that have nothing to do with the job I am longing for? That's what I wonder about sometimes, too. At this stage of our lives, we learn and cover a lot of topics in the academic field, and sometimes we learn something different from what is required in our future work. But it all prepares you for that upcoming life of yours and the sometimes cruel society that we will meet with. You never know what life will bring you next, but with knowledge, you will always have a back-up.



Book Fair at QSI

by Tasnim A., Cheyanne A. and Tracy C.

The Book fair was held Monday the fifth through Thursday the eighth. A lot of people forgot their money on the first day of the book fair, but they were able to reserve the books they wanted and to bring money for the next time they went. "I'm happy that I won't have to worry about my books being taken," a sixth grader said to us.

The book fair had many books and gadgets, some of us wished that we could take them all. Not only were there books but there were stationary items and PC games and posters.

Cheyanne's mom was a volunteer for the book fair. She helped students pick out books and figure out prices for items. She said that she volunteers for certain impor-

tant things for Cheyanne and Cheyanne's brother and that it was for a good cause.

The book fair was interesting and had a lot of different things. We didn't think that they had a lot of interesting books, but other people thought there were many interesting books and we saw students buying bunches of them. We also liked that we could buy stationery items rather than books if we chose.



Super Bowl XLI

by Mohammed U.

The Super Bowl was February 4th. The Colts played the Bears. It was one of the biggest Super Bowl games ever - Super Bowl XLI (41).

During the first quarter the Colts kicked-off, but the Bears received it and made a 90 yard touchdown. The Colts evened the score with another turn-over when they made a 54-yard touchdown. Then in the 2nd quarter, the Bears got the ball and the Colts jumped all over them.

In the end, the Colts won 29–17. This was their second Super Bowl win. Abraham said, “There was a lot of fumbling by both teams because of the rain.” At this rate, the Colts are really proving themselves as one of the best teams in football.



TV Reviews: Ned Declassified

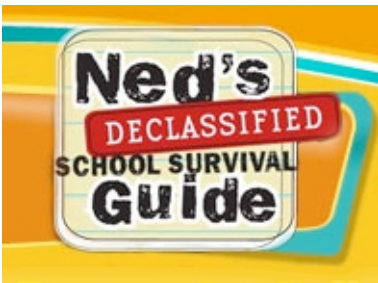
by Jason H.

Ned’s Declassified School Survival Guide is a show that can teach you something that you can use when you’re at school. It gives you tips that can help you with your problems. You can learn what to do when there’s a bully around, or you can learn how to get to school on time.

The characters are three kids: Ned, Cookie and Mose. Ned is the main character and he gives you all the tips. Cookie and Mose are his best friends and help him when he needs help. I enjoy the show because as you’re watching you can learn, as well as have fun.

Every episode shows the kids having a problem and Ned tries to fix it. His friends also have something to do, too. Some of the things that happen in here might not actually happen in reality, but much of it does and that’s what makes it interesting.

If you are interested in watching this show, go to channel 6, Nickelodeon. If it does not help you, just watch it for the joy in it.



Epic Movie: Is it an Epic?

by Abraham R. and Anthony T.

Other movies are okay and nice, but Epic Movie was hilarious. If you don’t know what I’m saying, I literally mean it was really funny and I laughed at least 48 times.

Nacho Libre, Snakes on a Plane, Charlie and the Chocolate Factory, The Chronicles of Narnia, X–Men: The Last Stand, Talladega Nights, Pirates of the Caribbean, The Da Vinci Code, all the Harry Potter movies and the Lord of the Rings trilogy, too were spoofed in this movie. They also throw in Borat, Lazy Sunday, Flava Flav, Geico insurance commercials and Cribs.

There is a scene from South Park where they explain how the show Family Guy works. It is really funny, but remember Q.S.I. students, please ask permission from a parent, relative or guardian. Check the clip and an extensive review of the movie out at <http://movies.go.com/epic-movie/r858546/comedy>.



Bhargava’s Ballistic Books

Harry Potter 4, The Goblet of Fire

This book is my favorite Harry Potter book, and there are many reasons for this. This book starts off with an incident leading to the death of a man. This happens in Harry’s dream, and his scar prickles. Eventually, the Weasley’s break in to the Dursley’s house, and carry Harry off, with Fred and George pulling a joke on Dudley.

Anyway, the dreams continue on, even when he reaches Hogwarts. But before that, at the Quidditch World Cup, Death Eaters, former followers of Lord Voldemort attacked, and one nearly got Harry.

Speaking of which, there’s no Quidditch this year in Hogwarts. There’s a replacement though. The one, the only Triwizard tournament. A tournament of three wizards. Also this year, the DADA teacher has a magical eye, and his name’s Mad–Eye Moody.

With all of these events going on, there must be a lot of mysteries. What joke was played on Dudley? What do Harry’s dreams mean? What is the Triwizard Tournament? What will, “Mad Eye,” teach?

Read to find out.



Harry Potter 5, The Order of the Phoenix

This book is the longest Harry Potter ever written, and will stay that way (the author said). Anyway, it starts out with Harry trying to find out news about Voldemort while at the Dursleys. His efforts are fruitless and Harry continues to have those dreams.

Eventually, Harry is humorously picked up by Lupin, Mad–Eye, and a bunch of others. Harry is then dropped off at his godfather’s home. There he finds Ron and Hermione, who fill him in about Voldemort, who’s trying to get some weapon.

Eventually they head to Hogwarts. In Hogwarts, Hagrid is missing. Also, the Sorting Hat sings a song to tell the school to unite, in the face of these perils. However, most students don’t know the truth and are against Harry.

What’s happening in Harry’s dreams? What’s happening to Voldemort? What’s the weapon? What’s going on in the wizard world?

Read to find out.

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