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Welcome to Daily Danebury Volume 2!

We hope you have had a lovely Christmas a new year. We sure had lots of fun celebrating before the end of term! LORIC groups have now changed, so this is the final episode by the last group, who were amazing! Congratulations to all of you for your excellent achievements.

The bit you've all been waiting for - the winner of the photograph competition!

The stunning picture on the front was taken by Charlee E in YR7.

Below we have a runner up image, taken by Lexi B in year 10. Well done to all of those that entered!



BLOCK BLAST

Is it worth the hype?

Written by McRyan K

Block Blast is a free and popular block puzzle game. Challenge your brain and place block to beat your highest score. The game is made up by placing



patterned blocks into a grid in an attempt to beat or challenge your friends and your brain! Those that tend to get the best scores have a high IQ, as this game really works your brain.

Block blast has over 100 million downloads since it came out, releasing earlier in the 'app store' than 'google play'. This game is an efficient use of your free time. It has been an addictive game for lots of people, mainly teenagers.

Overall I rate this game 4.5/5!

What's it all about?

Written by Saugat K

ROBLOX



ROBLOX is an online game platform that allows users to programme or play games created by others. For the older generation, its pretty similar to the app store or play store, but you don't have to download anything - it is just all there.

Once you are using ROBLOX you can create your own avatar for free, or you can by more advanced skins or costumes with ROBUX. ROBUX however must be bought, so there are in app purchases.

If your friends have an account on ROBLOX you can play virtually with them, once you have added them on the game. This allows you to play multiplayer games with your friends and family.

Overall, I would rate this 5/5!

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BLOCK BLAST
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GIRAFFES
DRAGON BALL Z
ANIMAL FARM
MINECRAFT
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The ins and outs of RELATIONSHIPS

Written by
Scarlett H and Angel W

We spoke to the members of our school community and asked many different questions about what relationships mean to them. To begin we discussed public opinions on cheating on your significant other when in a relationship, some people think cheating is not very nice because if you loved someone there wouldn't be or shouldn't be another person involved. Whereas others deemed 'cheating' as something that generally always happens during a relationship, this could come down to past experiences or those of their parents.

Following on from this, we also asked how people believe their friends should act around their partner. Some people suggested that they would like it if their friends would stay distant from their partners, because they don't trust their friend to be around them. Yet, the most common opinion was that friends should be friendly. Many believe this way because they trust both their friends and their partner, which we believe is the correct way to act. There were few that responded, suggesting that friends and partners should be civil with one another. Not develop their own friendship but just treat each other with respect. Overall, there is a big difference in opinions within this question.

Our final questions to students about relationships based upon attraction was about their opinions on relationships within school. A few claimed that they don't pay attention to them kinds of thing, but the majority believed that if the relationship was healthy, they tend to think that is really cute.

We found that not everyone within school experiences this kind of relationship, so adapted our questioning to talk about relationships from a broader spectrum – those with families and teachers. Nearly every student we questioned believed there was one specific teacher they could always trust to talk to about anything. Obviously, a lot of students said their relationships with staff were based around completing work in lessons. We chose to discuss how this differs from their relationship with their parents. Some students believed their relationships at home were difficult to discuss so therefore chose not to divulge in this information. Yet most students believe they have healthy and trusted relationships with those at home. It seems as if most people have extremely different relationships with their parents or carers – and this is okay! Not everyone can have the same thing!

Finally, we wanted to speak to people and come up with what was a 'healthy' relationship. Everyone believes that relationships are based upon trust, with the freedom to talk to whoever they choose. They thought that having an occasional argument with someone you trusted was okay, because it feeds into an ultimately healthy relationship!

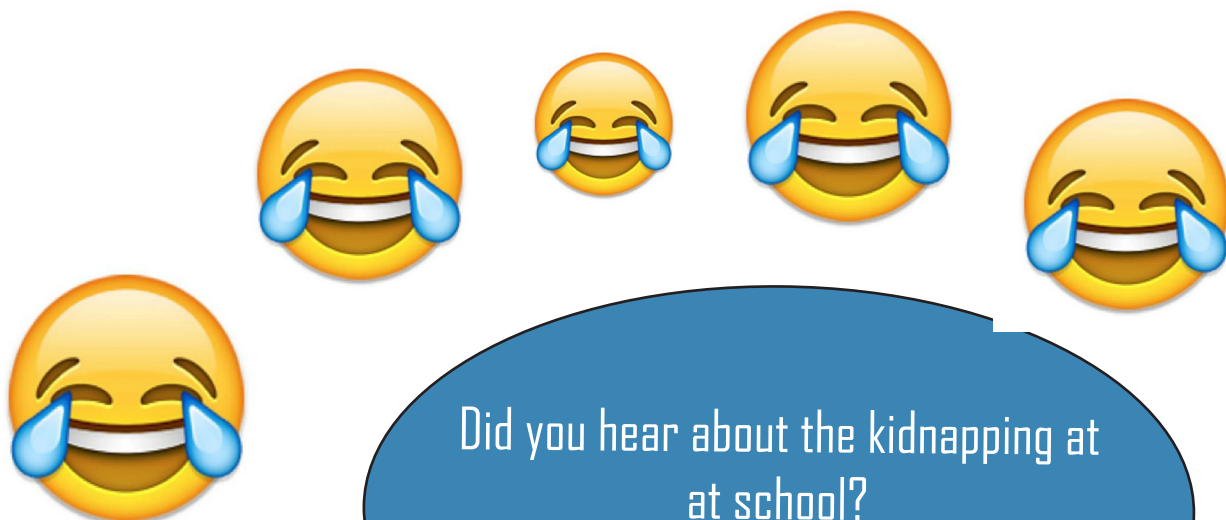
If you ever feel like you need to talk to someone about your relationship – please speak to a trusted person and get advice from others.

Signs you're in an unhealthy relationship - you are told what you can and can't do, manipulation, physical or mental abuse, you are not allowed out the house or possibly not allowed friends that are girls/boys.

If you are in this type of relationship, it may be difficult to get out. You need to leave or tell someone about it, because it not good for your wellbeing. What may seem like a red flag, could turn into something worse.

JOKES *The dad kind...*

Written by Michelle A

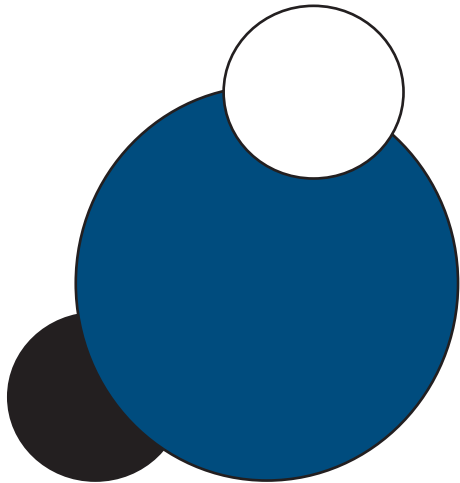


Did you hear about the kidnapping at school?
Don't worry, he's awake now!

What do you call a pile of cats?
A meowtain!

What wobbles in the sky?
A jelly-copter.

Who won the neck decorating concert?
It was a tie...



By Sophie R

WHY YOU SHOULD GET A DACHSHUND...

They are super LAZY! This means they sleep all the time...
They LOVE going out for walks and get zoomies!
They really enjoy playing and adore cuddles!

The importance of having a dog is fantastic to my mental health. Whenever I feel down, my dog makes me happy. Seeing it's cheerful face bring joy to my heart. He knows when I am sad or happy. Going out for walks is good for exercise and helps to clear my head. Before I had a dog, I didn't know what pure happiness was.



CANDY CANE CHRISTMAS

Livvy S

Red, green, and white had started to drown the shops, homes hung their tinsel and wreaths, fires were lit, and children behaved as they wrote their letters to Santa. The world was yet again peaceful with a jolly man on drink cans and bottles. Ice skating regained its popularity and so did gingerbread and peppermint.

Yet in these perfect times of joy and gifts, family, and friends. The candy canes started to appear all round the house, shops, and schools as well, as the treats like chocolate were eaten far and wide and candy canes second to all. After years of treatment such as this the candy canes grew spiteful, and peppermint turned to "spear" -mint. The days in the shadows were over.

Candy canes grew fierce and by next Christmas they evolved to being sharp. The world was against them and that they knew. How do you retaliate by the striped army became the bible, it just seemed to grow, each generation had their say and so was born a Christmas species. Their own laws and language which sounded like sugar snapping.

Though sweet and simple, you would not want to be on the wrong end of a candy canes stick. They had no enemies (but no one knew why) their one goal was to be liked and called a Christmas blessing just like truffles and all the best Christmas treats.

However, by the time the rest of the world realised their misdoings and were dreadfully ashamed. Our spiteful sweets had gone blind with rage. Slowly but surely the twelve days had come and book in hand the peppermint speech had begun. The inspiring moral boosting and perfectly planned.

Suddenly as far as the world was aware candy canes had replaced the ornaments on the trees and some places the grass on their lawn. The world was finally their but at the end of the day the only things that mattered was will the humans care?



MAZE RUNNER

Written by Sophia C

A Film Review



Why is Maze Runner the best film I have seen in 2024? Well, let me tell you!

The Main Cast -

Dylan O'Brien as Thomas

Kaya Scodeloria as Teresa

Will Pouter as Gally

Thomas Brodie-Sangster as Newt

Aml Ameen as Alby

Ki Hong Lee as Minho



The book and the film are very different from one another, when the film was pitched, they called it 'Lord of the Flies meets Lost'. When watching the film, the glade and maze looks like it could be escapable, but in the book it is way too far to climb and there are things in place to prevent it from happening.

The maze is contained within a dome, so escape is tricky. The gladders need to manage to work out the puzzle, riddle, trick or whatever you want to call it. This means that the weather and the sky are all artificial.

Frequently, Theresa repeats the phrase 'WCKD is good', this refers to all actions that WCKD complete. Therefore suggests that long term, putting the children in the glade is for a good cause!.



THE HISTORY OF CHRISTMAS *Livvy S*



Christmas is the Christian celebration of Jesus' birth. Christmas is derived from the English term "Mass on Christ Day" however this version is recent starting in 336AD. Yet, strangely the holiday most of us love and look forward too was not widely celebrated until the nineteenth century.

Before this Christmas was known as 'Yule' by the Pagans and may have been derived from Germanic winter festival - Yuletide or Yulefest. This started around the 5th or 6th century. Yule had originally started as a celebration of the winter solstice and would last for twelve days starting on the 21st December, this is also known as Mothers' Night.

But, why do we have Christmas trees?

According to the Britannica, the original sources of a Christmas tree is open to debate. In ancient Egypt & Romen it is believed that the people would use evergreens to symbolise eternal life & hope in the winter solstice. Many believe that Germany is where the Christmas tree originated as it is claimed that in 723AD the English missionary St. Boniface encountered the preparations of an oak tree being sacrificed to the God Thor (Donar) by Pagens. English missionaries took axes to the trees, if they had not already been struck down, their God Boniface told the pagans that these remaining evergreens were their holy trees.



Evergreen trees then became part of Christian faith in Germany and later in the Middle Ages (475-1520) "paradise trees" took their place. Paradise trees were then meant to represent the garden of Eden. They were displayed in homes on December 24th with apples covering them as a religious feast day of Adam and Eve. Later other decorations were hung (however fun fact Marrtin Luther was reportedly the first to have hung lighted candles on a tree in the sixteenth century) and from then on it evolved into the Christmas tree we know today. Yet it was only in nineteenth century Germany that Christmas trees were firmly established.

POEMS BY

POETS *Michelle Arthur*

Ice & Fire is a good poem, this is because it explains to you how ice and fire may be opposing elements but can bond together like good friends.

Ice And Fire

My love is like to ice, and I to fire:
How comes it then that this her cold so great
Is not dissolved through my so hot desire,
But harder grows the more I her entreat?
Or how comes it that my exceeding heat
Is not allayed by her heart-frozen cold,
But that I burn much more in boiling sweat,
And feel my flames augmented manifold?
What more miraculous thing may be told,

That fire, which all things melts, should harden ice,
And ice, which is congeal'd with senseless cold,
Should kindle fire by wonderful device?
Such is the power of love in gentle mind,
That it can alter all the course of kind.

Edmund Spenser

My Daddy

Why can't folks be honest?
Why do they have to lie?
By giving different reasons,
To why we have to die.

They told me that my Daddy
Would no longer be around,
As I watched through tears of anger,
While they lowered him in the ground.

Night-time is the hardest,
When I'm lying in my bed,
It is then I think about him,
And wish he was not dead.

Then suddenly, I see him,
As the darkness turned to light.
He begins to walk towards me,
To tell me he's alright.

I know that he is with me,
To help me ease the pain.
And if ever I should need him,
He will come back again.

John Griffiths

My Daddy is a good poem, this is because it explains to you that your dad could mean the world to you, without him you're almost on your own.

Both poems also explain the value of kindness.