

# Class: THE BEACON

## THE SOMEWHAT TRUE TALE ABSOLUTELY ENTERTAINS



By Violet Eshelbrenner and Hattie Dunstan

From October 17 to 21, the Middle School performed the play, *The Somewhat True Tale of Robin Hood*.

Many middle school students worked hard to get the play done, and many people enjoyed it. Audience member Ruby Gardner says "it was really good. The actors were pretty good." Myella Davis, who also watched the show, says "I thought it was really good, funny, and entertaining. I loved when they sang "Baby Shark" the whole intermission." Seventh grader Mia Shankle says, "It was pretty good. The mics had a bit of problems, but overall, it was good."

Many people watching the show enjoyed it, but what did the cast and crew members think? One member of the cast, Lydia Camboni, says "I thought it was very funny, and there were a lot of jokes

which was good. Overall, I think it was good, I think it would've been better if people reviewed their lines more but I think it went alright." An eighth grade crew member, Everest Bricker, said, "I think the cast did a nice job, some were just on the side on their Chromebooks." One sixth grade student in the cast, Frances Doolittle says "I really loved being a part of the play. I liked being able to meet new people and enjoyed the experience of being able to act and spend time with my friends." Stella Rogers, an eighth grader in the cast, says, "I think it was pretty good! I think we all tried our very best. I think we could've been a bit less loud backstage, but overall, I think it went great because we worked really hard."

Overall, the show was viewed as a good experience. Everybody involved worked hard to make the show as wonderful as it was, and it went great!

# SCHOOL LUNCH OFFERS HEALTHY CHOICES AND DIVERSITY

By Lucy Malphurs and Lydia Camboni

We're lucky we have school lunches here at Bexley. There are many different types of school lunches served here at BMS ranging from pizza to breakfast for lunch and many other snack options. But are they all healthy? And worth the price? Are they diverse? Our lunch staff is nice, and a typical school day offers many choices for picky eaters and for the more daring type who will eat anything. We also have food from many different cultures teaching you about what people around the world eat.

A sixth grade student said, "I think that they are healthy, and they teach you about the food in different cultures." As for as diverse dishes go, Ms. Carvi, the Food Services Director, said that "I take inspiration wherever I can find it. Suggestions from people at the school, School Food Service groups, and innovative items developed by food companies all show up on our menu." The lunches are connecting people, and maybe making new friends.

We interviewed over a dozen students on school lunches. Out of all the school lunches, which ones are the favorites and which are trending? Breakfast for lunch, either French toast or pancakes, seems to be the most popular with all the grades. A sixth grader had a very enthusiastic response, saying "I love

breakfast because they have things everyone likes, but pizza crunchers are really good and so is the mac and cheese." This person really likes school lunches and truly knows when to eat the good food.

There also is some "beef" with the walking nachos: some kids favor it, and others do not like it. Most lunches are well loved, and even for the ones that aren't, you always have other options to choose from.

Some school lunches are popular, but overall a connecting point is the price. The lunches are served for a price of \$3.95, and some think it's worth it, others have strong feelings against the \$4 price. Ms. Carvi says that "The prices are determined by a few factors. Our prices can not be higher than what the USDA pays for free meals which is \$4.54 a meal." She continues, "I also have to do calculations to make sure they are high enough to cover the cost of the food we buy and the wages and benefits of all of the Food Services employees." Some schools don't have school lunches and were lucky that Bexley serves school lunch and offers other resources. "New this school year we have our menus on line at My School Menus where people can see the nutritional information for nearly everything we have on the menu," says Ms. Carvi, "Please check it out."





# PROTESTER TRESPASSES ON SCHOOL PROPERTY



By Myella Davis

On October 7, Bexley Middle School and High School students witnessed a protester holding up a sign saying “Let Gaza Live.” Staff members quickly went outdoors to monitor the situation and keep him away from students. The Bexley Police were also called.

According to the official report obtained through public records, Bexley Police responded to the Cas-singham Complex on a call of a protester on the school grounds. Upon arrival, Bexley Police were met by Dr. Williams, the Bexley Schools Director of Facilities and Operations, who reported that the listed offender had entered onto the property and had refused to leave, having argued that it was public property. Dr. Williams reported that the offender had trespassed onto school property. The offender, who initially refused to provide his information to the police, provided his name and date of birth upon being informed that he would be detained in regards to the Criminal Trespass complaint. He remained on the sidewalk after being informed of the boundary between city and school property and was advised that the Bexley City

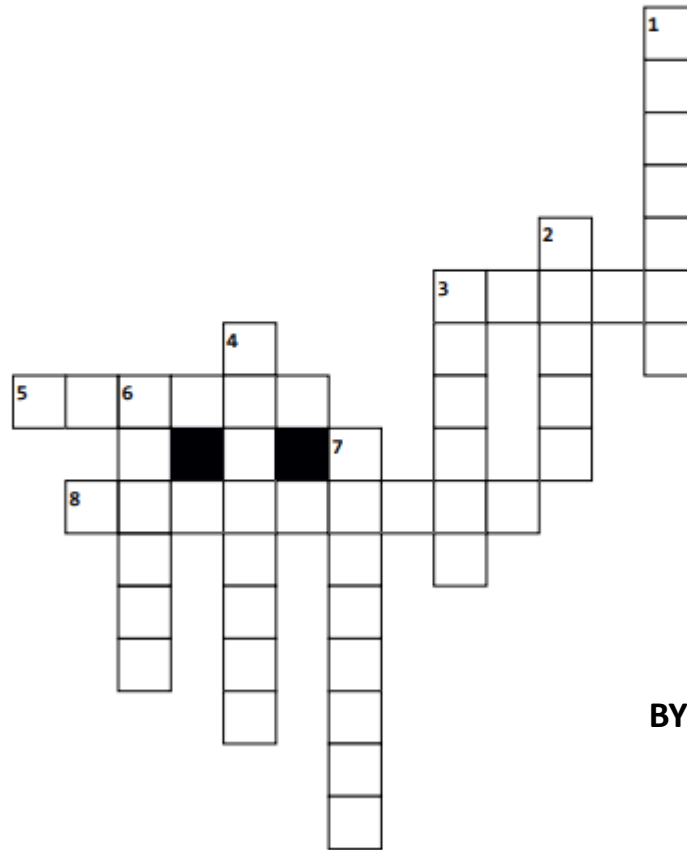
Schools would prosecute should he re-enter the grounds without authorization. He left the area when all students had arrived and were safely inside.

It was a hard day for a lot of people, not only for Jewish students. October 7 marks the anniversary of when a terrorist group called Hamas invaded a music festival in Israel and killed, kidnapped, and injured many people. The protester was trying to gain attention by holding up a sign with language that can be viewed as offensive to those affected by the October 7 attacks.

Considering the protester, one student at Bexley Middle School said “It made me feel upset.” Another student said, “It made me feel confused, and it made me wonder why he chose this school.”

Many teachers were at school when the situation began. Mr. Sidel, an eighth grade English teacher said, “I was really impressed with the administration's response. Mr. Caudill and Mr. Price handled this situation before students even realized what was happening. The police were here in no time. The students and staff were well protected.” So, despite the illegal actions of this protestor, the school community responded calmly and safely.

# THE BEACON CROSSWORD PUZZLE



BY JACKSON BARDEN

## Across

3. How long was the first thanksgiving \_\_\_\_ days
5. They get mashed
8. The ship the pilgrims took

## Down

1. The place the feast is made
2. It goes well with mashed potato
3. It's main dish at the Thanksgiving table
4. The filling in the turkey
6. Its \_\_\_\_\_ giving
7. It's \_\_\_\_\_ season

## ASK LUKE

## BY BECKETT BAUGH

