# Viking Voice May edition

Welcome to the last edition of Viking voice for this year! We will return next year and will be reopening application in the first or second month of school, we hope you have an amazing summer and we'll see you next year and good luck to the incoming freshman!

Word of the month:
Bamboozle - to deceive or trick someone
Ex: She was bamboozled into giving up her money.
Courtesy of Dictionary.com

Joke of the month:

What did the new flowers say to each other?

Find the answer on the last page!

## Show of the month: By Kennedy Corder

The show of the month this month is Adventure Time. Adventure Time is a show about a boy named Finn and a dog named Jake. Finn and Jake the dog go on adventures every day to save their world. The show was invented in 2007 by Cartoon Network, and the series unfortunately ended in 2018. There were a bunch of spin-offs to Adventure Time, but they aren't as good as the original show. Cartoon Network creates a bunch of good series, but the original creator of Adventure Time is Rebecca Sugar. She wrote the show, but she sold it to Cartoon Network. All in all I think that this is a great show and that everyone should watch this show.

#### All about Mr.Meinert: By McKaela Sohasky

Mr. Meinerts' favorite color is blue, and his favorite sport is football. his favorite season is fall. Why did he become a teacher? He became a teacher because he likes helping others. How long has he been a teacher? He is finishing year 23. His Favorite holiday is Christmas. If he could have any pet in the world, what would it be? He is a dog lover!!! Does he coach any sports? He coaches JV Football.

## Animal of the month: By Morgan Gosselin



Meet the Quokka, one of the HAPPIEST mammals on Earth. These cute creatures are related to wallabies and kangaroos but are smaller than both. Even though quokkas are small, they can climb trees, which is how they escape predators. It's also VERY uncommon to see a quokka without a giant smile on its face. Quokkas can also go for long periods without water OR food, and they can go up to a MONTH without water. Quokkas LOVE sharing spaces. They are not territorial, and they would share a space with you if they were on a train! Even though quokkas are cute, they are vulnerable. Due to habitat destruction, they are in danger. #SAVETHEQUOKKAS! :)

## Student in the spotlight By Payton Gustafson

This month, we are excited to highlight Jack Tumele in our 7th-grade spotlight. Jack is a multifaceted individual who enjoys a variety of activities, with basketball and video games being at the top of his list. When he's not shooting hoops or immersing himself in the latest gaming adventures, you can find him hanging out with friends or participating in school events.

Despite his outgoing nature, Jack has one quirky fear: clowns. It's a fun fact that often leads to lighthearted conversations among his friends, who appreciate his candidness about it.

Friends and classmates describe Jack as kind-hearted and always willing to lend a helping hand. These admirable qualities, along with his positive attitude, are why Jack Tumele was chosen as this month's 7th-grade student in the spotlight. His infectious enthusiasm and warm personality make him a wonderful addition to our school community!

# Extracurriculars in Whitehall schools:

By Hannah Noom

With the new school year coming up, new opportunities are coming up. These opportunities are school extracurriculars like clubs, sports, and arts. You could join a club like fishing club, Student Leadership, and much more. Upcoming 8th graders can apply to be apart of WEB and help incoming 6th graders learn about their new school, and help them adjust before the start of the school year. If clubs aren't much of an interest to you, maybe try something more athletic like a sport! Sports are a great way to exercise your mind and body. Whitehall offers many sports that you can sign up for on Final Forms. Most of the sports are for 7th and 8th graders, but some coaches still offer joining practices to 6th graders. Not interested in sports either? Whitehall also has arts like band and choir! Band with Ms.O'connell offers exciting opportunities like joining the marching band at homecoming for the 8th graders, festival, and much more. Choir with Mr. Garvey also offers exciting opportunities like conjoined choir events, festival, and lots of fun concerts. Another art that Whitehall offers is theatre! In theatre you get to sing, dance, and express yourself with fun colorful costumes. Though all these extracurriculars can be bunches of fun, be sure to remember school comes first! You can be removed if you're grades aren't doing to great. So, before spending your after school hours sitting on your phone or playing video game maybe sign up for one of the many fun extracurriculars Whitehall has to offer!

# Surprise interview with Mrs.Hershey

## By Avery Anderson, Amira Moore, and Addi Alvesteffer

For this month, we have decided to interview Mrs. Hershey. We asked her 12 questions, and here are her answers.

- •Years teaching: 3 yrs. in Whitehall schools
- •Favorite animal: Dobermans
- •Shrek, Fiona, or Donkey: Donkey
- •Favorite smell: lily of the valley
- •Favorite subject: math and chemistry
- •Childhood memory: sailing on a boat with her family
  - •Dumbest dare: ding dong ditching
- •Favorite book: The Lion, The Witch and The Wardrobe
  - •Biggest fear: the dark
- ullet Kids: 2, one a sophomore and the other an 8th grader
  - •Favorite color: yellow
- •Graduation: graduated from Ludington High School

## Surprise interview with Mrs.Spicer

#### By Amira Moore, Avery Anderson, Addi Alvesteffer

What is your favourite colour? She said Blue

Are you married? If you are married, do you have any kids? Her response: Yes, I have been married 20 years to my wonderful husband, Jim, and we have 3 children, Max, Finn, and Elsie

How long have you been teaching? Response: 16 years

What was your favourite subject when you were in school? Response: ART!! I took all the available art classes!

Would you be Shrek, donkey, or Phiona Response: Donkey

What is your favourite movie? Response: Wonder

Did you play sports when you were in school? Response: Yes, I played volleyball, track and field, basketball, tennis, and cheerleading.

Where did you graduate from college?
Response:Grand Valley State University

What is your favourite book? Response: My Friend
Isabelle

Favourite animal? Response: I love dogs!

## Poem of the month By Mathilda Morneau

At The End Of The Year

By: John O'Donohue

"As this year draws to its end, We give thanks for the gifts it brought And how they became inlaid within Where neither time nor tide can touch them.

The days when the veil lifted
And the soul could see delight;
When a quiver caressed the heart
In the sheer exuberance of being here.

Surprises that came awake
In forgotten corners of old fields
Where expectation seemed to have quenched.

The slow, brooding times
When all was awkward
And the wave in the mind
Pierced every sore with salt.

The darkened days that stopped The confidence of the dawn.

Days when beloved faces shone brighter With light from beyond themselves; And from the granite of some secret sorrow A stream of buried tears loosened.

We bless this year for all we learned, For all we loved and lost And for the quiet way it brought us Nearer to our invisible destination."

Courtesy of Godspacelight

Answer to the joke on page one!!

Hey Bud!