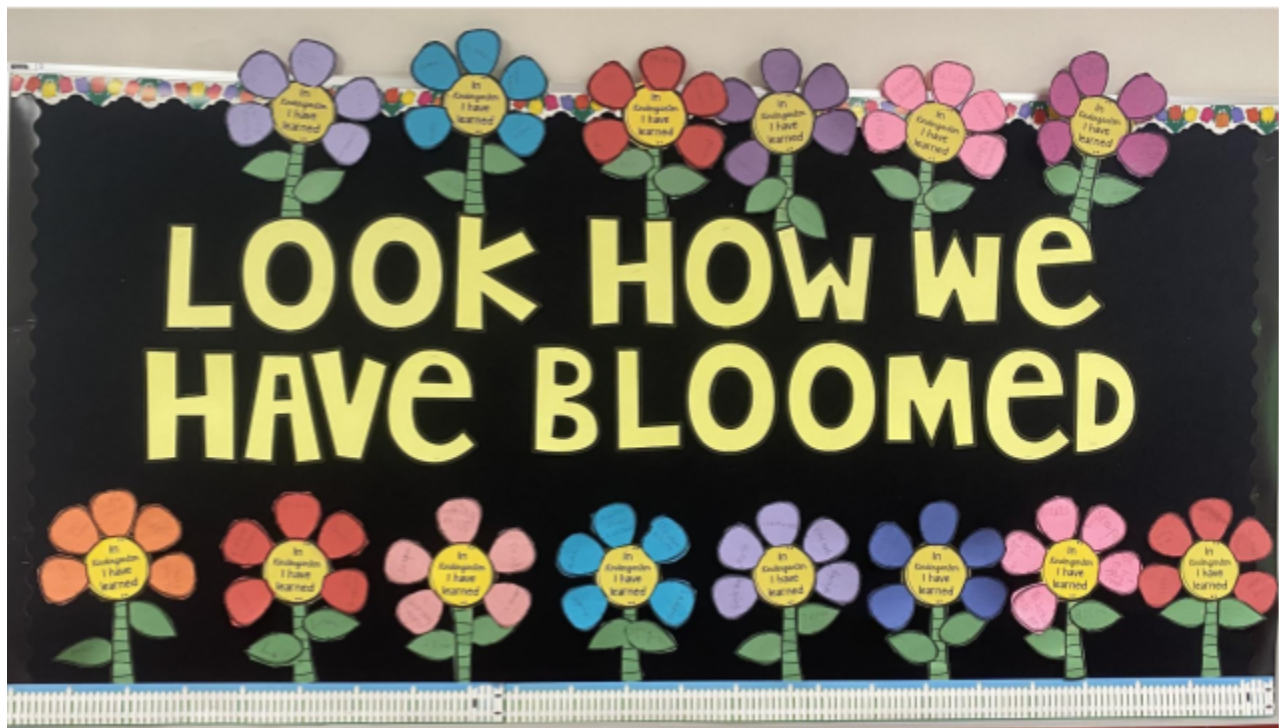


The Connection

Hamburg School's Social Connection

A literary magazine by US, for US, about US

Spotlight on: **CHANGE**



"Let us remember: One book, one child, and one teacher can change the world."-Malala Yousafzi

JOKE OF THE DAY:

What month always asks questions and permission?

...May

CHANGE: "KNOW WHO YOU ARE AND YOU WILL KNOW WHO YOU ARE NOT!"

POETRY by the CLASS of:
2024

*Tick tock,
Years pass and I'm still in a lock.
Drowned in anger and fear,
There is no one near.
Win or lose,
No other option to choose.
Joy is never,
But reality is forever.*
-Evonne Zhang

Smalley is
weird.
She has no
Beard.
In
SmalleyWorld.
You won't
find a guy
named Earl.
-Gabriel Urias

I can't wait for summer,
but I also feel like...
it's going to be a
Bummer!
So, I'm going to have
fun
and not sit on my buns.
-Zeek Frayko

Shattered Mirrors

Look into the mirror and tell me what you
see;
I see a disappointment staring back at me.
The expectations in my head,
Make me start to worry and dread.

I think of what I should be.
Then I wonder, is it really me?
Please don't let these efforts be in vain,
Instead, I beg you to end my pain.

They say when your tears start to dry;
Go out and live your life.
I know it's all a lie-
But I just want to be alive!
-Evangelina Leyson

Rain today,
Rain tomorrow,
Rain makes everything grow.
Rain is fast,
Rain is slow,
Rain makes the flowers glow.
Rain can make tornadoes.
Rain can make floods.
Rain can make the rainbows show!
Rain can make puddles,
Rain can make mud,
Rain today,
Rain tomorrow,
Rain makes everything grow.
-Michael Stickley

*As I try and try,
I will not die.
You may try,
but won't succeed.
it is the power you need.
You are power hungry,
not blood hungry.
You don't want death,
you are a peacemaker.*

Endure:
The perfect word;
To describe volleyball,
From the bump,
To the set,
To the spike,
Your arm burning,
From the ball,
Your legs giving out,
From the jumping,
Your lungs gasping for air,
From the running,
The score 25-24,
The opposing team serves,
Your team hesitates,
As you dive for the ball,
And as your whole body slides,
Now your whole body hurts.
-Damien Dimitui

*You carry guilt with you
from your troubled past.
something that you grieve
a burden in your soul.
Let go, let go
before it drags you under.
do it before it is too late!
-Dominic Costabile*

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**The run was full of color!
All very fun colors-
Distinct in their own way-
Thrown in the air full of life.**

**Reds and blues splashed in the
short term dash.**

**Through every corner colors
splashed;**

**The colors stuck to my shirt like
paint on a page.**

**The run was almost over after the
short term dash.**

**At the dash, I was free and won
with glee!**

**As I crossed the line everything
was fine-**

**The run was over but the colors
were not-**

**The colors stuck to me like my love
for running**

-Kiernan Stoneley

Sports are cool,
I like them better than
school.

In football, I like the hard
hits!
Wish the Eagles would call
it quits!

In basketball, You don't
have to be tall,
Helps though when tipping
the ball.

In baseball, when you hit a
homerun,
It's all the fun.

Sports are cool,
If you play them- you will
rule!

-Julian Holczer

- My grades aren't
right;
- My clothes aren't
tight;
-My skin is too light;
* Perfection
*Being good
-She knew she
should;
-He knew he could.
-Expectation
-She is in pain;
- He is in vain;
-This world is insane!
Society!

-Hope Del Guidice

How have you CHANGED this Year?

OR...

What would you like to CHANGE about yourself or Hamburg School next year?

RESPONSES...

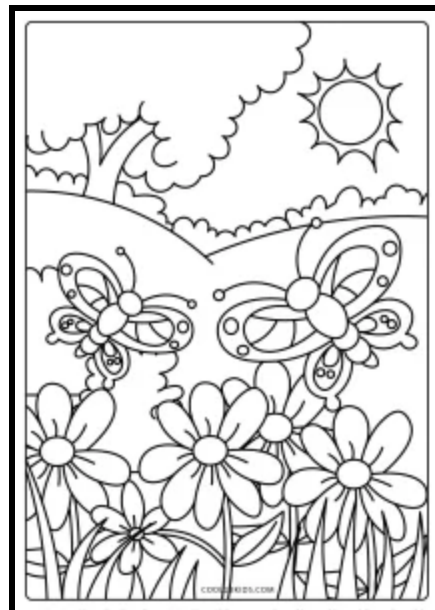
1. "Less work during Hanukkah and Passover because I want time to observe my holidays." Hope, 7th
2. "I learned how to not sweat the small stuff and to find humor in the day-to-day STUFF." Mr. Scott
3. "I think they should not let people have recess on the field." Rhyana, 3rd
4. "I want them to add swings and monkey bars on the playground." Michael, 3rd
5. "I changed because in the beginning of the year I didn't know how to multiply or divide but now I can do both." Enzo, 3rd
6. "I learned how to draw better." Colin, 1st
7. "I learned how to listen better." Selena, 3rd

8. "I wish our school would have some fun afternoons where different grades play games with each other like kickball or scooter races." Ms Kolb
9. "I want more days of school." Greyson, 2nd
10. "I learned how to recycle." Tristan, 2nd
11. "I learned how to use proper nouns." Ben K., 2nd
12. "I think we need longer specials and more recess." Jesse K., 2nd
13. "I think we need to upgrade the old building to use for indoor recess." Lincoln, 3rd
14. "I learned a lot of new things in math like fractions." Ronnie 3K
15. "A new playground for the older kids." Emily, 3K
16. "I'm a year older and a year smarter..." Mr. Douglass
17. "I want to bond better with my small friend group." Jillian, 8th

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- HUMOROUS
- APPEARANCE
- ACQUAINTANCE
- CONSTANCY
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