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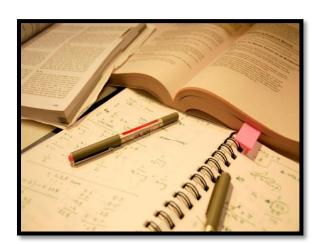
Welcome to the 3rd issue of the L.A. Times this session! The purpose of this newspaper is to provide you with a review of what has been happening around the school as well as stories, cartoons and more! It is a newspaper written by pupils for pupils! We are aiming to publish an issue each season of the school year with the latest news, stories and gossip relevant to that season. Spring is now upon us. It has been a busy term with S4/5/6 pupils working towards coursework deadlines and exams that are looming in May. We wish them the best of luck.

From everybody at Press Club, we wish you all a happy, restful and well-deserved Easter break!









#### **ROBOTS TAKE OVER!!!**

## By our technology correspondent, Iain MacDonald

At least that is what the headline for the Japanese news papers said. A new robot synthetic has been made and will be sold to the public for the first time ever in a few months and the economy is buzzing! The robot is claimed to be the life saver of people who need help around the house, For example, making your Sunday roast for dinner for people who live alone, and even in SCHOOLS FOR ASSISTANTS IN LEARNING OR BEING A LIBRARIAN! IMAGINE THAT! A RROBOT HELPING WITH YOUR WORK!

The robot is called "Erica" and is claimed to be 23. She is a Japanese woman and travelled with her creator Hiroshi Ishiguro to find her soul mate (or soul robot). When she met him there was a claimed "awkwardness" in the room as it became apparent the robot did not have the best social skills! When the other robot Geminoid HI-1 asked her what her age was she said that was a rude question and would prefer not to answer. In my opinion, I find that kind of creepy and weird that a robot can do all of that with one simple programme. Others also think that it is odd and funny that it can do that. For example, a company in Japan called Otishima has replaced all of the workers with the robots and now unemployed workers are disagreeing with everything that is happening with the robots.



### 7 OF SINS VOLUME III – EASTER'S ENVY

#### By our fantasy writer, Ava Graham-Wilson.

Last time: The team gained a new member called Clarabelle who is a bit on the creepy side but had a hard past with her mother who was sick; we will see how she adapts to the team...

The three heroes Kai, Carrie and Clarabelle have yet again set off on their journey, but who knows what will happen next...

Me, Carrie and Clarabelle have set off to find the land of Envy and from the looks of things it isn't going to be easy. The land of Envy is an enormous place, that's because they are always wanting more land because as you have probably figured out they are always jealous of the other lands (like the land of Lust, Wrath etc). It's very lively there which a big difference from Greed. Speaking of Greed...

"Hey Clarabelle are you OK?" I anxiously asked "yes, I guess..." she quietly answered. I got very worried and decided to ask again only this time more direct: "Listen Clarabelle if we are going to be teammates we will have to share our damn feelings!"

"Wow Kai I never knew you cared that much, but sadly I wouldn't share that stuff with you, The reason I am worried is that a kid has been following us for the past twenty minutes...".

I quickly activated my powers and so did Carrie but Clarabelle stayed in her form. The boy said "So you found out my secret huh?! Yeah, I am Envy! Going to stop me?" Envy turned invisible and started pulling at items of Kai's clothing. Clarabelle laughed and lifted him up and gave him a hug muttering "It's okay I'm here and I will love you if no one else will". Suddenly he started to cry and hug

her as if she was a sister: "my family left me when I was only five because of my power, they were scared of me and wanted to get away even though I told them I would never hurt them." Clarabelle responded with "We will be your new family and we will never give up on you, think of me as your sister from now on." Clarabelle said this as if she really meant it we have now gained a new member to our team and the road ahead looks bright.

Next time.... the team arrive at lust to find an interesting character stalking Carrie...



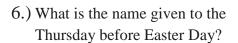


# PRESS CLUB EASTER QUIZ

1.) Which date is the earliest date in the calendar that Easter Sunday can take place?



- 2.) Which types of flower are traditionally exchanged on Easter Day?
- 3.) During the Last Supper, what drink did Jesus liken to his blood?
- 4.) What name is given to the first day of Easter Week?
- 5.) True or False? The Egg Dance is a traditional Easter game in which eggs are laid on the ground or floor and the goal is to dance among them damaging as few as possible.



There is a FREE Easter egg up for grabs for whoever has the right answer to all these questions. If you think this is you – head to room C12 to claim your prize!





I probably believe in ghosts

but don't like to dwell on

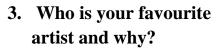
## SPOTLIGHT ON....

MRS GRIERSON!

By Nadine Halpin and Louise Reid.

- What made you want to become an art teacher?
   I had enjoyed art at school and went to art school.
- 2. Was there anything you were or wanted to be before an art teacher?

I worked as a textile designer for 4 years before teaching.



At school I didn't know many artists. At art school I liked Claude Monet, his landscapes are amazing

4. What is the craziest thing you've ever done?

Most of the crazy things I can't write down

5. What is your biggest pet peeve?

Litter all over Glasgow.

6. Do you believe in anything 'unusual' i.e. aliens, ghosts? Why/why not?

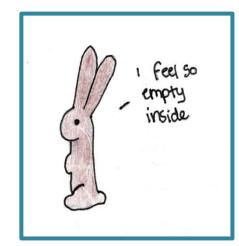


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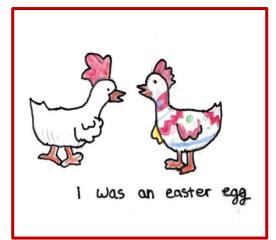


## K-TOONS!!!

#### **By Kate Tierney**









## <u>LOUISE REID'S THE</u> NEW<u>S</u>

#### By Louise Reid

La la land was the 2017 golden globe winner breaking records for most won awards, earning top prize in seven categories, including best motion picture, comedy or musical.

#### Motion picture, musical or comedy

- "20th Century Women"
- "Deadpool"
- "Florence Foster Jenkins"
- WINNER: "La La Land"
- "Sing Street"

#### Motion picture, animated

- WINNER: "Zootopia
- "My Life as a Zucchini"
- "Moana"
- "Sing"
- "Kubo and the Two Strings"

#### Motion picture, foreign language

- "Divines," France
- **WINNER:** "Elle," France
- "Neruda," Chile
- "The Salesman," Iran
- "Toni Erdmann," Germany

#### Actress in a motion picture, drama

- Amy Adams, "Arrival"
- Jessica Chastain, "Miss Sloane"
- WINNER:Isabelle Huppert, "Elle"
- Ruth Negga, "Loving"
- Natalie Portman, "Jackie"

#### Actor in a motion picture, drama

- WINNER: Casey Affleck, "Manchester by the Sea"
- Joel Edgerton, "Loving"
- Andrew Garfield, "Hacksaw Ridge"
- Viggo Mortensen, "Captain Fantastic"
- Denzel Washington, "Fences"

"Worst dressed" was Jill Soloway buzz feed said that she looked more like she was "going to have a night in watching netflix", because the maching suit looked alot like pjs.



"Best dressed" was Emma Stone wearing a bespoke Valentino dress.



BOOK REVIEW OF THE
SEASON: 'MAGNUS CHASE
AND THE GODS OF
ASGARD' BY RICK
RIORDAN.

By Scott Keenan.

#### Plot

Magnus Chase is about a boy who in the first few chapters dies and is taken to a place called Valhalla where he goes on multiple adventures to find the Sword of Summer. He is also a son of Frey and is picked to be part of the Einhinjar warriors of Valhalla that have to fight at Ragnorak where the end of the world happens.

#### **Characters**

Magnus Chase is the main character and is the most developed character and is a son of a God (Frey, the God of Spring, Summer and Fertility.) Magnus is afraid of wolves after the attack on his flat where his mother died and he remembered seeing wolves.

Sam is a Valkyrie (these are people like angels that lead warriors to the afterlife). She is also a daughter of Loki so despite being trustworthy she is still not trusted within Valhalla as a lot of her choices for who goes to Valhalla have been highly questionable.

#### **Overall**

I enjoy this book because of how it portrays Valhalla and its new and creative ways to tell a story (for example, Valhalla being made into a hotel for the dead. This book is funny, suspenseful and action-Packed all when it needs to be. If you are a fan of fantasy and comic books this book is definitely for you!

Score:4/5 ★★★

#### **Pros**

Funny

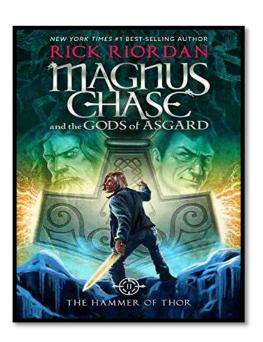
Action-packed

Smart ideas

#### **Cons**

Some parts of the mythology could be better explained.

Lots of unusual people and place names – you have to pay attention throughout so you don't get lost!



...Got a book that you love?

Let the Press Club know and we can feature it!

FILM REVIEW OF THE SEASON: 'STAR WARS:'
ROGUE ONE'

By Scott Keenan.

#### **Plot**

In a Galaxy ruled by a tyrannical Empire a small group of rebels decide to fight back. But first, one fighter must infiltrate their base and steal plans for their ultimate weapon of mass destruction: the Death Star!

#### **Characters**

The main Character is Jyn Erso who is the daughter of the Empire's lead scientist. Her father developed the Death Star but he left a glaring weakness so the one fighter pilot could destroy the machine.

Another Character is Po Damaren who is a major pilot for the resistance. He was actually tasked to kill Jyn's Father but goes against his orders. He is accompanied by his droid who is mostly comic relief for the film with his sarcastic remarks.

#### **Overall**

This film was overall a great prequel to 'A New Hope' and covered up a lot of plot holes, like why did they design the Death Star to have such an obvious and glaring weakness? I give it a 3.5/5 as some jokes weren't quite hitting the mark! The ending wasn't the best and the appearances of the older characters didn't really match.



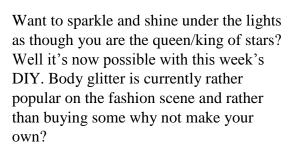


# SPRING TRENDS: FASHION AND BEAUTY

By Olivia McWilliam







#### **Body Glitter**

- -1 teaspoon of petroleum jelly
- -4 teaspoons of aloe-vera gel
- -A few pinches of ultra-fine glitter (you may use more/less if you wish)
- 1.) Mix the aloe-vera and petroleum jelly together in a bowl and stir thoroughly.
- 2.) Sprinkle in the glitter and mix and thoroughly mixed.
- 3.) If you wish place the gel in a small jar for safe keeping or apply straightaway.
- 4.) Shine like the stars!



### **HEALTHY LIVING**

#### By Olivia McWilliam

Now that Easter is hopping closer it's easy to forget to eat healthily and balance your choices with all the chocolate and sweet treats arriving. Though this recipe is so simple and tasty there really is no excuse not to make them!

#### **Banana and chocolate cookies**



#### Makes 9 cookies

- 2 ripe bananas
- 90g of oats
- 2 tablespoons of chocolate chips (or whatever you fancy)

#### **Instructions**

- Preheat your oven to 180 degrees Celsius.
- First peel your bananas and mash them in a bowl and till pureed.



Add your oats and chocolate chips to the

bowl and mix until thoroughly mixed.





 Grease or place baking paper on your tray then, place small spoons of the cookie mix onto the tray.



 Now place the tray in the oven for 5 minutes or until the edges are golden brown.







1.10pm: bell

1.11pm: chaos descends on Lenzie.

It must be the lunchtime rush!

In case you're ever stuck about where to go Nadine, Iain and Louise are here to guide you on the highs and lows of some of Lenzie's finest establishments.

#### Co-op



#### **Pros:**

Can get back in time

Not expensive

Not restricted choices

Line shorter than social area

#### Cons:

Line squashed

People skip

Ordinary humans trying to buy a loaf of bread get mad.

#### The Moss Road shop



#### **Pros:**

Very near

Cheap

More than one shop – one for hot food and one for general sweets, juice etc.

Can buy hot food – bacon rolls etc.

#### Cons:

Not very healthy options

#### **Billingtons:**



#### **Pros:**

Good quality 'gourmet' food. Think olives, blue cheese and sundried tomato on ciabatta!

Nice and well trained servers.

Hardly any line as no one usually ventures that far!

Has won an award for Glasgow's best deli!

#### Cons:

Far away – risk of being late!

Expensive on a pocket money budget!

Small shop. You have to go behind the deli counter to access the stairs to the toilets!



#### By Ruben Otakoya

The Lion – is the schools mascot, Lenny has already represented the school at the 2016 Primary Dance Festival Transition Event hosted at Lenzie Academy and he also made an appearance at the Lenzie Academy sing along on the last day of term before Christmas.

Basketball – The boys took a taxi to St Andrews in January and played against them. They played well and ended up winning their first game of the season. Kiendi Searle – Mbullu in S2 was man of the match and the final score was 33-19. The boys got into the semi finals but were knocked out by Govan.

**Badminton** – Murray Seggie and Drew Cruikshanks competed in a Badminton tournament on 4<sup>th</sup> February. They were with each other in the doubles and went out to win all their matches.

**Netball** – The netball team have been training hard for their next upcoming matches.

**Rugby** – The boys have been working hard the past two months working on developing their skills for their upcoming matches. They won 105 - 5 on the weekend which was a fantastic result!!!!!

#### **Scottish Schools Swimming Finals**

Results from the finals held on 27th January 2017 at Dollan Aqua Centre, East Kilbride.

17-19 Boys 200IM Duncan McKinney 4<sup>th</sup>
13-14 girls 100 breast stroke Hannah
Mayo 9<sup>th</sup>
15-16 Boys 200 breast stroke Sam Glen 9<sup>th</sup>
13-14 Boys 100 Freestyle Ruairi
Mackinnon – 10<sup>th</sup>
15-16 Boys 100 breast stroke Sam Glen
10<sup>th</sup>

Duncan McKinney (S5), Ruairi McKinnon (S1), Sam Glen (S3) and Hannah Mayo (S2) have all qualified in the top 12 (in Scotland) at the EDC Scottish Schools Qualifier held at the Bishopbriggs Leisure drome in November and will represent Lenzie Academy at the Scottish Schools Swim Finals on 27th January.

Lauren McGhee (S1), Robyn Morrison (S5) and Kirsty McNair (S3) are reserves.



#### **NEW MEMBER SEARCH!**

If you are interested in writing, drawing, storytelling or anything else then you are more than welcome to come along to C12 (History dept.) after school on Mondays (3.30-4.30pm) where we share ideas and edit work. Alternatively, you can summit any articles to Miss Byres in C12 at any time.