

# The Pennoyer Press

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# Meet the Crew

By: Newspaper Staff

Introducing the 2018-2019 Pennoyer Press Staff!

Hi, my name is Martyna and I am in 7th grade. I'm a competitive dancer and swimmer, cross country runner, and I love to paint and draw. I also have a younger sister that is in Kindergarten.

Hello, my name is Mateusz I love Minecraft, arcade games, and Lego I am also in 7th grade and I have worked in newspaper this year and last year.

Hi my name is Ivana. I am in 7th grade. I am on the Pennoyer volleyball team. I have a sister in 4th grade.

Hi, my name is Emily. I am in 7th grade and I play travel soccer. I like to draw and I have 2 older siblings in 8th grade. I worked in newspaper last year as well.

Hello my name is Ellie. I am in 7th grade I am an Irish dancer. I play volleyball, basketball, swim, and I like to ride my bike. I have a younger sister in 5th grade.

Hi, my name is Katelyn. I am in 7th grade, and I love to play video games, make crafts, and watch sci-fi shows. I also have a brother and sister in 4th grade.

Hi my name is Ceylan. I am in 7<sup>th</sup> grade and this is my second-year writing for the Pennoyer Press.

Hi, my name is Mia. I'm in 6th grade. I write Book Pick, comics and other articles. I like drawing, books, writing and theater.

Hey! My name is Elena. I'm in 6th grade I love tomatoes and scary roller coasters. My favorite color is Magenta and I love hanging out with friends and family. I'm Serbian and I love reading.

Hi, my name is Sofia and I am in 6th grade. I am on a swim team and play softball. I have three younger siblings in 5th, Kindergarten, and a preschooler. I enjoy riding my bike and running.



# Interviews with New Staff

By: Ceylan

Each staff member was asked the following questions:

- What is one of your favorite hobbies/interests?
- What is your goal at Pennoyer?
- Anything else you would like to share?



Here are their responses:

## Mr. Browder

"I love cooking, going to the movies and attending concerts. My goal is to help students be better prepared for their futures. I'd like to share how proud I am to be a new member of the Pennoyer team. I can already tell it is a special place!"

## Ms. Dudkiewicz

"I enjoy crafting and painting in my free time. I also like finding new do-it-yourself projects to keep me busy. My goal at Pennoyer is to see my students grow and reach their goals. I enjoy seeing my students apply the skills within their classrooms. It shows me they are generalizing their skills."

## Ms. Gaffney

"Her favorite hobby is to run and she enjoys shopping. Her biggest goal is to make an impact on the life of her students. She wants to make sure that to build good relationships with the students but still to learn. She is very friendly and loves talking to new people. She is really looking forward to meeting new students even the ones not in her class."

## Mrs. Goversten

"I have a lot! I sing professionally (more like a secondary job than a hobby), and I do aerial circus purely for the fun of it (and the impressive arm muscles). I also like reading, doing amateur genealogy, and playing video games. My goal at Pennoyer is to not have any students bite me? No, really, ultimately, I'd like every student to leave my classroom having achieved a few things. I'd like you all to be more musically literate. I'd like you to feel confident performing in front of an audience. And I'd like you to be able to make creative and analytical choices when it comes to the music in your life. No, but I'm pretty honest. Any appropriate-for-school question, I don't mind answering. I'm just thrilled to be at Pennoyer and working with such nifty students!"

## Ms. Kibbons

"My interests are spending time (and training) my puppy Gustavo, cooking, and relaxing when I have nowhere to be! I would say my goal at Pennoyer is to build relationships with as many students as possible. In addition, that students enjoy working with me and feel that their time with me is beneficial."

## Mrs. Loring

"I love spending time with my family, any outdoor activity, and reading. My goal at Pennoyer is to encourage my students to develop a passion for lifelong learning. I was a student teacher at Pennoyer back in 2015 in Mrs. Tronco's 2nd grade class. I'm so excited to be back teaching 3rd grade."

## Ms. Mangino

"My favorite hobbies are singing in my church choir, following the Chicago Bears, and spending time with my friends and family. My goal at Pennoyer is to do a good job. I have two sons and a large extended family."

## Mrs. Schmeisser

"I like to do a lot of things with my family anything. We often go to parks, to the zoo, and visiting the botanic gardens. My husband and I run together and I have ran a couples of marathons. I do like to read. My goal is to make sure every student feels successful and grows to the best of their ability. I think that the students here are really amazing and have so many talents. I'm always impressed of how many languages they know, what sports they play, what instruments they practice with, and our students are really talented and it is really fun to work with them."

## Ms. Sego

"I love spending time with my 2 daughters and my husband John. Being outdoors, reading books, cooking, listening to music, gardening, and working on DIY projects. My goal at Pennoyer is to grow as a person, to get accustomed to the culture of a public school, and to learn as much as I can about the business perspective of a school. This is my first year at Pennoyer and I am happy to be here. I am proud to be a part of this school. It truly brings me joy seeing all the students."

**We welcome the new staff to Pennoyer!**



# Pennoyer Annual Walk-a-thon

By: Sofia

The Walk-a-Thon took place on Friday September 21, 2018 at 1:00 p.m. The weather was lovely, somewhere in the mid-sixties. The grades were separated by 1st-4th and 5th-8th. The school was playing music-the biggest hits. After students walked many laps, they gathered in the gym. Students who brought the most money had a chance to pie a teacher face. The teachers that got pied in the face were Mr. Nelson, Mr. Browder, and Ms. Gaffney. Pennoyer was able to raise a lot of money, over \$4,000 to help get a new playground. Fun was had by all.



# Opinion Column

By: Ellie, Mateusz, Katelyn, Martyna, and Emily

Welcome to the opinion column! Here we have opinions of your fellow Pennoyer students. We may put links to surveys on this page to get your opinion on different issues regarding Pennoyer to let the school community know our opinions.

## New Fundraiser Ideas: Opinions from Grades 4th-8th

Many of you may remember this year's Pennoyer Walk-a-thon. While many students had a lot of fun at the outside, social portion, many students were questioning the choice of the item that we were raising money for (a new playground). A new playground does not benefit the entire student population of Pennoyer since the older students can't play on the playground. Because Pennoyer is in need of several repairs and upgrades, as outlined in the recent referendum campaign, it would be sensible to raise money for something that is of immediate concern and would benefit the entire school community. For that reason, we have this opinion poll for you.

### **Poll:**

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# OPINION



# Book Pick

By: Mia

## I Am Princess X



I AM  
PRINCESS X



CHERIE PRIEST

“I Am Princess X” is an amazing piece of work written by Cherie Priest and illustrated by Kali Ciesemier. This is a mix of a novel and graphic novel. The novel follows May on the summer before her 17th birthday spending it in Seattle with her father back when her parents weren't divorced. Her and her best friend, Libby would create adventures for the character “Princess X”. Like no ordinary princess, Princess X would fight monsters and hang out in her haunted house. Until one night, Libby died in a car crash and all of the stories would end. Now that May has returned to Seattle, she finds more signs than ever leading her to Princess X such as, a website full of comics of Princess X’s adventures. May thinks Libby might still be alive and sending clues through the comics.

The book may send messages of “girly princess adventure” from the outside. Don’t be fooled. It actually is a cyberthriller-mystery. Boys may find the cover unappealing. However, if you like mysteries, superheroes and comic books, this book is for you.

# Arts and Crafts

By: Martyna and Ivana

## **Awesome Popsicle Stick Scarecrow:**

Step 1. Get 8 popsicle sticks ready, hay, and orange, white, and black paint.

Step 2. Paint 1 FULLY orange, and the other 7 ½ of the way orange.

Step 3. Next, Glue 7 popsicle sticks together and the full orange one should be glued on top of the rest, in a tilted position.

Step 4. Once your popsicle sticks have dried, paint on a face like the one in the picture.

Step 5. Take about 20 pieces of hay, cut it to the proper length, and bundle it up to 10 pieces on one side of the hat and 10 on the other.

Step 6. Share with your friends!



## **Pumpkin Pots**

Things you need: Pots, black felt, orange paint, and green pipe cleaners.

First paint your pot orange, then when it is drying cut out pieces of felt for your eyes, mouth and nose. Then Make little stems out of the green pipe cleaners.





# Weird Days in November

By: Martyna

November 1: National Author Day

November 3: National Sandwich Day

November 4: National Zero Tasks Day

November 6: National Saxophone Day

November 8: National Tongue Twister Day

November 10: National Vanilla Cupcake Day

November 11: National Origami Day

November 12: National Happy Hour Day

November 13: National World Kindness Day

November 15: National Use Less Stuff Day

November 16: National Fast Food Day

November 17: National Take a Hike Day

November 21: World Hello Day

November 23: National Fibonacci Day

November 24: National Celebrate Your Unique Talent Day

November 25: National Shopping Reminder Day

November 26: National Cake Day

November 28: National Red Planet Day



# Weird Days in December

By: Martyna

- December 1: National Eat A Red Apple Day
- December 3: National Make A Gift Day
- December 4: National Wear Brown Shoes Day
- December 5: National Day of the Ninja
- December 7: National Letter Writing Day
- December 9: National Christmas Card Day
- December 10: National Jane Addams Day
- December 11: National Noodle Ring Day
- December 12: National Gingerbread House Day
- December 14: National Monkey Day
- December 16: National Chocolate Covered Everything Day
- December 17: National Wright Brothers Day
- December 21: National Ugly Sweater Day
- December 24: National Eggnog Day
- December 26: National Thank You Note Day
- December 27: National No Interruptions Day
- December 28: National Card Playing Day
- December 31: National Make Up Your Mind Day

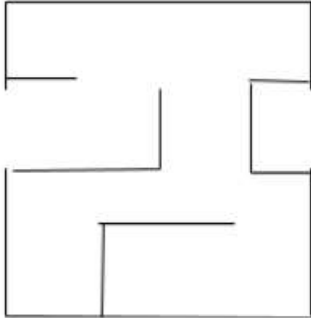


# Puzzles and Memes

By: Newspaper Staff

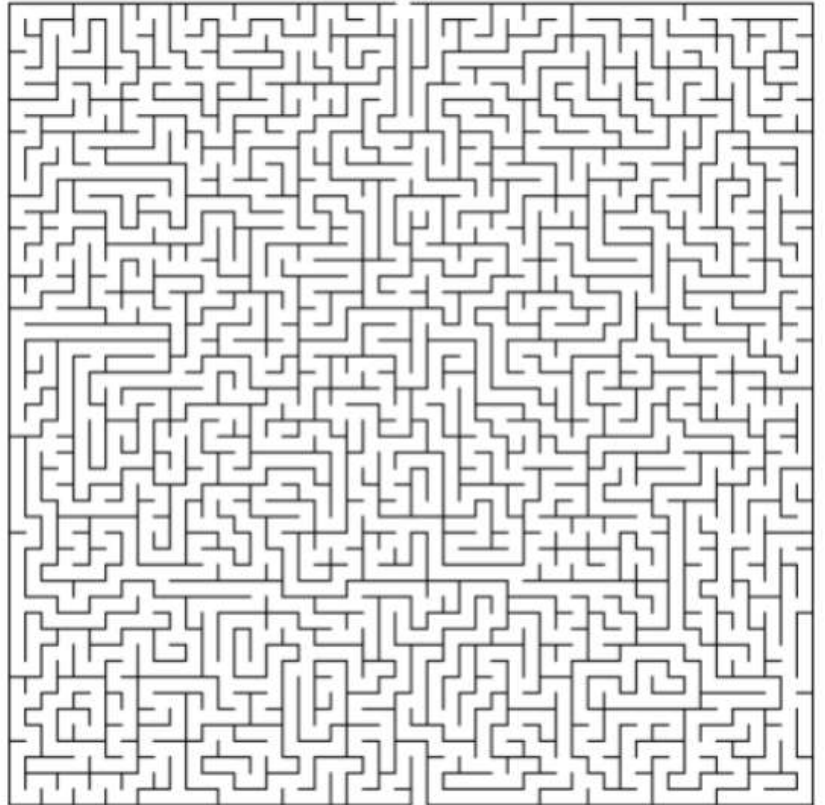
NO GOING  
THROUGH  
WALLS

Start



finish

Start



Finish



Start



End



**I WENT AHEAD AND CARVED  
THE PUMPKIN FOR YOU**



**NO NEED TO THANK ME**

**DID SOMEBODY  
ORDER**



**A PUGKIN SPICE  
LATTE?**

**FREE CANDY?**



**I HATE IT.**

## **Attention Students in Grades 6th-8th**

Are you interested in  
joining the Pennoyer  
Press Staff?

**Contact Ms. Hauer for more information.**

