

## Surveys

## News

### Typhoon in the Philippines

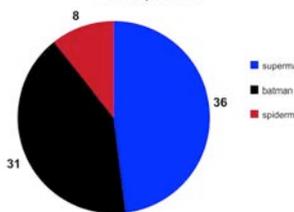
A category 5 super typhoon slammed into the Philippines November 2, 2013 through November 11, 2013 at a wind rate of 195 mph and affected more than 14.9 million people. This was the 4<sup>th</sup> typhoon to hit the Philippines this year. The official name of the typhoon is Typhoon Haiyan, but the local people call it, Typhoon Yolanda. Typhoon Haiyan is the strongest storm recorded on the face of the earth. It stretched 300 miles wide, which is equal to the length of Boston to Philadelphia. A high percentage of framed homes have been destroyed, with total roof failure and wall collapse. Fallen trees and power poles have isolated residential areas. Power outages will last for weeks and possibly months leaving most of the area uninhabitable.

The main difference between a typhoon and a hurricane is that hurricanes are in the Atlantic Ocean and East Pacific Ocean and typhoons are in the West Pacific Ocean. The name Haiyan comes from the Chinese word for petrel, a bird that lives over the sea and comes to land only to breed. One of our Adams teachers, Mrs. Cisneros, is Filipino. Fortunately, her family was in a different part of the country and was not greatly affected by Haiyan.

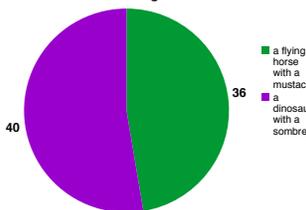
All around the world, people have been helping the Filipinos by sending food, clothes, and toiletries (shampoo, toothbrushes, toothpaste, etc.). American Red Cross and Philippine Red Cross are accepting money donations in order to purchase these items to give to the Philippines. In both the American and Philippine Red Cross, donations can be made in honor of someone. Another company accepting donations is the Salvation Army. There are currently many more organizations collecting donations to help the typhoon victims. To learn more about them go to Fox News "How you can help victims of the Philippines Typhoon."

Written by: Bryan Hwang

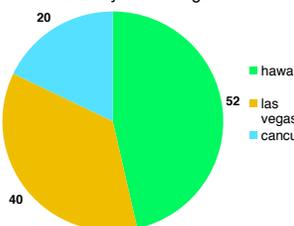
If you were a superhero who would you be?



who would you think would win a fight?



would you rather go to?



## Recipes

### Peppermint Bark



#### Ingredients:

1. 1 bag of chocolate chips (any kind you like)
2. 1 bag of white chocolate chips
3. 24 mini candy canes

#### Materials:

1. 9x13 inch baking pan
2. Parchment paper
3. Microwave-safe bowl
4. Spatula

#### Directions:

1. Line the bottom of a 9x13 inch baking pan with parchment paper.
2. Pour the chocolate chips in a bowl & microwave in increments of 30 seconds until smooth.
3. Spread chocolate mixture into baking pan.
4. Place pan in freezer for 20 minutes or until solid.
5. Repeat steps 2-3 with the white chocolate.
6. Place candy canes in sealed bag & crush into chunks
7. Sprinkle onto pan with white chocolate still wet.
8. Place pan into freezer for another 20 minutes.
9. Remove from freezer & gently lift bark out of pan.
10. Break bark into pieces & enjoy!

## Interview

### Mr. Morlock-

Q: How long have you taught here at Adams Middle School?

A: This is my first year here teaching.

Q: What subjects do you teach at Adams?

A: I teach physical education, the football team, the basketball team, and possibly the baseball team.

Q: How do you like Adams Middle School so far?

A: It's amazing! I love it because it's cool to see all of the elementary school students that I've taught before grow up.

Q: What other schools have you taught at other than Adams Middle School?

A: Other than Adams, I've taught at Lincoln, Jefferson, Madison, Birney, and Washington Elementary School.

Q: If you could teach any other subject, what would it be and why?

A: Honestly, I wouldn't want to teach any other subject because I don't have to grade any papers, it's super fun, and sometimes I get to play with the students!

By Erika Zlatkin and Rukhaa Kamran



## What's Hot! What's Not!

### Hot

1. Instagram
2. Vines
3. Minion Rush
4. Facetime
5. Pandora
6. Kik
7. Snapchat
8. Tumblr
9. Candy Crush
10. YouTube

### Not

1. Facebook
2. Instagram videos
3. Subway Surfers
4. Tango
5. I Heart Radio
6. Facebook Message
7. Instasnap
8. We Heart It
9. Bejeweled
10. Viddy

## Quotes of the Month

"Dream as if you'll live forever, live as if you'll die today."

-Anonymous

"Keep listening to music, cause it gets you through everything, I promise."

-Mitch Lucker

"Speak the truth even if your voice shakes."

-Anonymous

## Entertainment

### Gravity

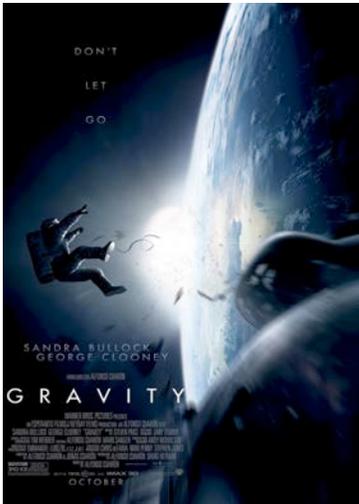
In the movie *Gravity*, three astronauts are stranded in space after an accident and have to find their way back to earth. In my opinion, this was one of the most suspenseful movies I have ever seen. It has moments that are very nerve racking that make you want to watch more. The movie is filled with amazing special effects that have you feeling like you're in space with them. The director (Alfonso Cuarón) chose an amazing cast for this movie.

I highly suggest that you watch it!

### Imagine Dragons: Night Visions

*Night Visions* was a great album in my opinion. It has of great songs like "Radioactive", "Bleeding Out", "Demons", and many more. The songs all contain a different theme and posses a strong meaning in their lyrics. Their best and most popular is "Radioactive". I think they did an amazing job with their music and I hope they continue the good work.

Written By: Julian Ramirez and Christian Gastaldo



## Tongue Twisters

A big black bug bit a big black dog on his big black butt.

Seven slick slimy snakes slowly sliding southward.

If you're keen on stunning kites and cunning stunts by a cunning stunning kite.

On a lazy laser raiser lies a laser ray eraser.

## Jokes

Q: Why don't the apes in the jungles play poker anymore?

A: There are just too many cheetahs.

Q: What do you get if you cross a leopard with a watchdog?

A: A terrified postman!

Q: Why did the dinosaur cross the road?

A: Because the chicken joke wasn't invented yet.

Q: What do you get if you cross a giraffe with a policeman?

A: long arm of the law

## Did You Know?

On your birthday you share it with 9 million others

The Atlantic Ocean is saltier than the Pacific

Human thigh bones are stronger than concrete

Freddie Mercury once cancelled a duet with Michael Jackson in 1980 because he insisted on bringing his llama to the studio

## Dear Adam

Dear Adam,

I had the same group of friends all through Elementary School and now we are growing apart. I'm afraid that I will be left with no friends. I don't want to be left alone since it is already half way through the school year and everybody already has friends now. What do I do?

Sincerely,

Frightened for the Future

Dear Frightened for the Future,

If you want to make things better with your friends, just talk to them about it. If they realize you're growing apart, try to go places with them and hang out, maybe you will become closer friends again. If you want to make new friends, join clubs or activities to meet new people with common interests.

Sincerely,

Adam

## Feature

This year, many students are unhappy with the dress code. New regulations were added at the beginning of the year. Some of the major additions or changes include: not being able to wear shorts over leggings or tights, having to cover shoulders at all times, and not wearing hats on campus other than the ones sold at school.

Not obeying the dress code can result in having to change into clothes provided by the office, and a notification on Infinite Campus. If you break the dress code multiple times, the punishments will be more severe such as detention, Saturday school, or even suspension. In our opinion the dress code is extremely strict. Most people at the school would agree in the fact that we need more freedom in the way we dress. For the eighth graders, it was a big shock going from being able to wear tank tops with the width of two fingers, to having to completely cover their shoulders.

The following are what some students have to say about the dress code:

### How do you feel about the dress code?

Cheyenne 7<sup>th</sup> Grade: "I think it's important to have a dress code but it is too strict."

Angelica 6<sup>th</sup> Grade: "I think its ok, but we should be allowed to wear shorter shorts."

Jonah 8<sup>th</sup> Grade: "I think that sometimes it's a little unfair but it can keep people from being inappropriate at times and I've been dress coded twice."

### Have you been dress coded this year, if so how many times?

Cheyenne 7<sup>th</sup> Grade: "I have not been dress coded this year, but I was dress coded three times last year."

Angelica 6<sup>th</sup> Grade: "I was dress coded twice for wearing short shorts and a tank top."

## **Birthdays/Horoscopes**

If I could rearrange the alphabet in any order I would put U and I together.

### January

Nicolas Cage- January 7  
Zayn Malik- January 12  
Naya Rivera- January 12  
Michelle Obama- January 17  
Ellen DeGeneres- January 26

### February

Harry Styles- February 1  
Darren Criss- February 5  
Emma Roberts- February 10  
Taylor Lautner- February 11  
John Travolta- February 18

Was your father an alien? Cause honey, on Planet earth there's nothing like you!

If you hold 8 roses in front of a mirror you'd see 9 of the most beautiful things in the world.

Your eyes are as blue as the ocean, and baby I'm lost at sea.

### Horoscopes

Capricorn: (December 22-January 19)

The first seven months of the year 2014 will be rather difficult for all the zodiac signs. A cardinal cross will form in the sky between Pluto, Uranus, Jupiter and Mars, a configuration which will keep until July 2014 and will generate tension. <http://www.eastrolog.com/2014-horoscopes/capricorn.php>

Aquarius: (January 20- February 18)

Traditionally, this astrological configuration speaks of loneliness, disappointment, betrayal, impossible, hidden, forbidden love, or about traumas, frustrations or sentimental addictions, or about the occurrence of some troubles that might affect your partner. <http://www.eastrolog.com/monthly-horoscopes/january-2014-horoscopes/aquarius.php>

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