EPGRTAN SPIRIT
by Katherine Boykin


Spartan Spirit Week was filled with anticipation, friendship, and exciting costumes. On day one of Spirit Week, students expressed great admiration for their teachers with ties, blazers, and oh-somany sweaters! Faculty showed their commitment to Spirit Week by dressing up like students. On Tuesday, scholars had fun representing their future careers and colleges. Luckily, our Spartan spirit overcame the Texas A\&M and UT rivalry.

Unfortunately, "DIY Day" did not contain as much excitement, but Mrs. Glowe took the spotlight with her duck tape accessories. "Dress Like a Hero Day" was filled with mice, lions, royalty, elves, and furry-footed hobbits.

Although Spirit Week was exciting allaround, there is no question about the mostanticipated event: Athletic Field Day. House Oakenshield took first place overall in the event, with House Baggins coming in with a close second. House Reepicheep won the "Thumos Award" once again.

Field Day was a competitive event, and our houses did not cease to show Thumos. 6thgrader Samantha Burns said, "I am going to put the spirit in Spirit Week by cheering for my house." Across the board, our school was able to stay true to our Spartan roots by demonstrating good sportsmanship. An anonymous scholar stated, "I am going to have fun on Field Day by cheering for my house and my friends in the other houses."


## STUIDENT SPOTLIGHT <br> by Tatum Underdown



Roslyn Aguilar is a 7th grade scholar in House Reepicheep. During her morning break, Roslyn took the time to chat about friendship here at school. Roslyn believes that to be an excellent friend, you should be there when your friend needs you. She appreciates it when her friends stay in touch with her even when they are apart.

Roslyn also knows that friendships impact your life here at school. For instance, a homework buddy is someone who goes out of their way to help you succeed in your classes, even when you are gone.
One way that Roslyn shows the virtue of friendship here at school is by picking up trash. While you may think that picking up trash only demonstrates the virtue of responsibility, Roslyn does this so her friends and classmates can enjoy a clean and beautiful campus.

## HTHLETICS

Congratualtions to Aaden Donato and Jorel Perez for placing 7th and 8th at the Cross Country State competition!

Lady Spartan Basketball
First Game: 11/10 vs IDEA Mays @ 7 pm

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First Game: $11 / 10$ vs IDEA Mays @ 6 pm

MS Boys Basketball
First Game: 11/16/22 vs FEAST @ 5:30 pm

HS Boys Basketball
First Game: 11/16/22 vs FEAST @ 6:30 pm

There will be $\$ 2$ admission charge to middle and high school athletics games. Great Hearts Western Hills students will not be charged admission.

## UIPCOMING EVENTS

11/21-25-Holiday Break 11/29-Giving Tuesday 12/3-Beowulfathon
12/8-Spelling Bee
12/9-9B Holiday
Chamber Music and
Dessert
12/10-6th Grade Drama
Performances

## ETAIF BIRTHIDGYE

Mr. Chisolm-11/1
Mr. Griffin-11/2
Ms. Gunter-11/10
Mrs. Herber-11/18
Mr. Allen-11/28

## GSK SPARTY

by Valerie Garcia, Vanessa Garcia, Lillian Gonzalez, $\mathcal{B}$ Tatum Underdown
Dear Sparty,
I don't get why we need to make flashcards. They take up too much time when I could just be studying from my notes.

Sincerely, Skeptical Spartan

Dear Skeptical Spartan,
I understand that you think that making flashcards is a waste of time, but let me introduce a new point of view. Ms. Masters, our college counselor, says that "when you do it (make flashcards) yourself, you already do the work of memorization." While it may be tempting to have your mom write the cards for you, making your own flashcards helps you to personalize them for your own understanding. Mr. McKee shares that when you make flashcards, "you are connecting the meaning with the term." He sees success in students who make flashcards in advance of each test. If you are still skeptical about using this tool, Mr. McKee recommends adding visuals (especially for science).

Sincerely,
Sparty

## Oakenshield

## HOUSE STANDING: IST PLACE

 Field Day Champion

## Baggins

HOUSE STANDING: 3RD PLACE Least Amount of Infractions in Quarter 1



HOUSE STANDING: 2ND PLACE Field Day Thumos Award Winner


HOUSE STANDING: 4TH PLACE Attendance Challenge Winner-10/17-21

