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Midlands Tech

by Ronan

In January, I am going to start taking classes at Midlands Tech. Yesterday, I went and got signed up for an English 101 and College Skills class. I will be taking English 101 on Tuesdays and Thursdays and College Skills on Monday and Wednesday. That means I will be spending some time at Midlands Tech and some time at The Barclay School. English 101 will be at the campus where our art teacher, Ms. Christy, teaches. I can't wait to start my classes.



Toby the Bunny

by Sara

We have a bunny named Toby. He is a sweet bunny. He likes to eat apples, carrots, and bunny pebbles. We have to clean his cage and give him new water. He is very soft and fluffy. He is warm. Toby gets scared easily. He plays with his toys.

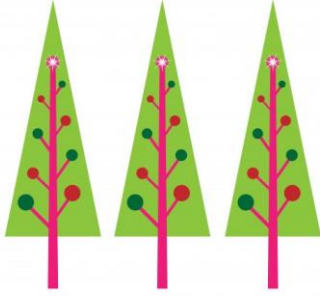
Christmas Party!!!!

by Alyx

On Tuesday, December 19th, the Silver Ladies are throwing the whole school a Christmas party. I'm so excited about it. They are going to bring lunch for us to eat, and they are also going to bring us Christmas presents as well. The last party the Silver Ladies threw us was a Thanksgiving party that was back in November before we went on Thanksgiving break.

The Silver Ladies always throw the whole school holiday parties. I can't wait to see what kind of presents and lunch they will have for us. The Silver Ladies are so nice and kind to us. We appreciate everything they have done to help our school. Stay tuned for more Chronicle stories all about The Barclay School's adventures and events.





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Secret Santa by Joe and Amy

This Friday, December 15th, our school is going to have a Secret Santa party. About two weeks ago, we picked a name out of a hat which was the name of one of our classmates or teachers, and that was who our Secret Santa was.

The rules for our Secret Santa: you can't tell ANYONE who you got, you can't buy your Secret Santa's present, you can only recycle and make them something, and you can't put your name on the card. You can only put your Secret Santa's name on the present.

Every year, we get three chances to guess who our Secret Santa was, but every year, I can't guess. I hope this year will be different.



Ernest Saves Christmas by Ethan

We watched a movie on Pajama Day. It was called *Ernest Saves Christmas*. It was a happy movie. My favorite part was when Ernest said, "Nobody moves, nobody dies." We ate popcorn while we watched the movie. Other classes watched other movies. I liked the movie because it was funny. I would recommend you see it.

The Museum by JJ

On Monday, Dr. G, Mr. C, Joe, Phillip, and I went to a museum in Fairfield County in Winnsboro. The museum had lots of interesting facts about World War I and World War II and lots of other things. After our tour, they told us some ghost stories around the museum like shoelaces coming apart and being tied together, orbs of lights coming up the stairs, and ghosts touching shoulders. You can also learn about your family history. Overall, the fieldtrip was a blast, and I can't wait to go back.

This Day in History by Mr. C's students

December 5th: Walt Disney's birthday

December 7th: Pearl Harbor

December 5th: George Custer's birthday



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Desmond Likes Ms. Lee by Desmond

Ms. Lee is a reading teacher. She comes every Tuesday. She works with me, Sara, and Nathan. I read some questions and respond back to her. We are reading *Family Under the Bridge*. I learned some French words from her. Some of the words I learned are “fastidiously,” “whirled,” and “hunch.” She is a nice lady. Ms. Lee teaches me to glide my words down in the book. I like to read and write. I like that Ms. Lee helps me learn how to concentrate. Ms. Lee helps me to be a better reader.

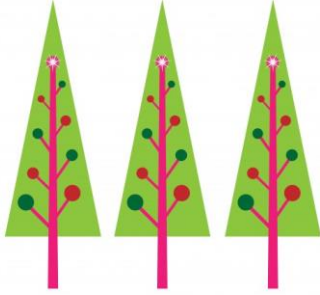
Secret Santa by Wil

We are doing Secret Santa at The Barclay School. I wrote a list. We have to make the presents. I want to be Santa. Santa comes to Nonni and Papa’s house. I want a ninja turtle. We have Secret Santa at The Barclay School. We picked names. We have to bring presents. We put presents under the tree.



Beattie the Dog by Dominic

Beattie is a dog. She is big. She is fluffy. She is white and brown. She is fun. I like to pet her. Beattie gets in the trash. She comes



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in people's classes. She likes to lay on the rug. She likes to walk.



Ingrid by Ethan

Ingrid is a cat. She is a nice cat. She does not like her belly rubbed. She likes to chase toys. She will attack if you touch her tummy. Sometimes, she rolls around like a psycho cat.

Lewis & Clark Expedition

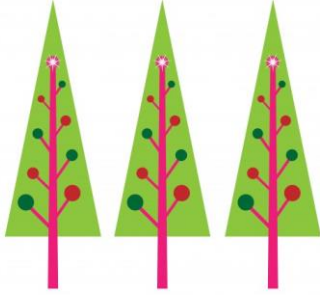
By Ronan, Joe, and JJ

A few months ago, we studied the Lewis and Clark Expedition in social studies class. First, we went on our own journey, which we have talked about in an earlier Chronicle. Then, each student had to choose a topic based on the Lewis and Clark Expedition such as the Native Americans' clothes, the different native tribes, Meriwether Lewis, and the maps they made of the west. We did a lot of research on the topic we chose and then wrote a paper on it.

Joe said his favorite part was learning about Pierre Cruzatte. He was famous for shooting Captain Lewis in the rear on their travels. JJ's favorite part was the clothing they wore. Ronan's favorite part was learning about what an interesting early life Meriwether Lewis led.

Amy's favorite thing was learning about William Clark. She did a project on him. Mr. C loved to learn that they had an air rifle. Piper's favorite thing about the project was learning all about York and Sacajawea. Trapping things and all the traveling they did were Gianni's favorite things.

Nate liked to learn all about the Native Americans.



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Secret Santa by Claire



Our school does something called Secret Santa. Secret Santa is where you pick a piece of folded paper out of a basket, and whoever you pick is your Secret Santa for the week. Before we did that, each and every one of us wrote down our name and three or more things we wanted. Since we are a green school, we cannot buy anything from a store. It has to be recycled or homemade. My old school never did Secret Santa before. So, this is very exciting for me! I cannot tell anyone who my Secret Santa is, so I have to be really careful.

Today is December the thirteenth, and by the time you read this, it might not be the thirteenth anymore. We all still have to bring our presents in by the fifteenth of December. I can't wait until I see who my Secret Santa is though! I am always very curious about lots of things. I love Christmas! It is so fun and exciting! I hope everyone is going to have a fun Christmas too.

Baking Sweet Treats! by Phillip

For Christmas, the school is doing Secret Santa, and the kids are baking cookies and bread. We are baking many different kinds of cookies like chocolate chunk, peanut butter, and sugar cookies.

The teacher that helped us bake was Mary. We mixed all the dough in separate bowls, and then put all of it in the fridge so it will be ready for the next day. After the cookies were baked, we shared them with all of the people that came to help with the school.

Wish List

- Most helpful and needed: contributions/donations for students' scholarship fund (to help families pay for tuition)
- Toilet paper
- Kleenex
- Gently-used books
- Kids' clothes



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- Towels, blankets, or dog/cat food for our friends at the Fairfield Animal Control and Adoption Center

*****School closes for Winter
Break on Wednesday, December
20, 2017 (this is a half-day).
School reopens on Wednesday,
January 3, 2018.**

