

# THE SUFFIELD SCOOP

## Suffield Kickball

By Makayla Loos & Jace Bachus

Students: "There were a lot of fights" One student said. "They got in fights almost everyday," another student said. They were not saying very kind things. They said "It's coming back in 2024." Or in the spring.

Recess monitors: Mrs. Kline said, "All grades were having a hard time and kept fighting and telling each other what to do." When recess aids tried to help, the kids would often fight with the recess aids. Then they would get upset. Some kids cried, yelled, and walked away. Recess aids can't stay at kickball the whole time. One week they fought almost everyday they just couldn't deal with it anymore so they had to stop. The recess aids want us to play but only if there's no fighting. Deputy Arica offered to be a full time pitcher when she's here. There are certain rules to kickball and when those rules are broken it makes it unfair. The recess aids hope in the spring that the kids can try kickball and they can work on playing as a team instead of fighting.



Here are some rules for kickball: There are 10 fielders on each team and there are two teams. Also there are three out and four balls. One pitcher, four basemen, and one or three outfielder's. NO head shots when throwing someone out.

## In This Edition of Suffield Fashion...

By: Ava Ondack

Did you know that if you are in need of a winter coat or warm clothes, Suffield can help you out? Suffield Elementary principal, Mrs. Bookman, was asked Is it true that Suffield will provide warm hats and coats to students who need it? and she said "Yes, absolutely" I also asked her where do they come from. (as in where do the donations come from) and she said "Sometimes teachers will bring in coats that their kids have outgrown." and the last question I asked her was "how do students get them?" and she said "All they have to do is ask!" So if you ever lose a coat or need to donate one you've outgrown or just don't have one you can go down into the office and grab one!

## Field U11 Indoor Back For 2nd Session?

By: Jake Bullard

After the success of the first team, the outdoor U11 Travel team, and the U13 Rec teams, Coach Pryor hinted at most of the team returning for the 2nd session. We know if this does happen star player Nick West will not be returning. Here is what teammate Jace Bachus has to say about it, "Personally, I don't really care because I'm leaving too."

If this is all nonsense to you, Field Youth soccer has an indoor soccer team at NC Soccer in Hudson. This session they were 5 and 2. The 2nd session will take place in 2024.

Do you know of any community or school events happening around Suffield? Share your tips and article ideas with your student newspaper LEAD group members. Adults can also email ideas to Mrs. Beech and Mrs. Casteel. Thanks for your help!

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# Suffield Winter Program

By: Cassidy Walker

2nd and 4th grade are both doing The Polar Express. Although the plays are the same, the songs are different. This is what second grader, Ruby, has to say, "I love doing this play! It's so fun!" Opinions from Milo, Jamison, and Aubrey, "We are having so much fun!" Some songs from this play include, Hip Hop Reindeer and Hot Chocolate.

When I interviewed Mrs. Estell, "Why did you pick this play?" I asked her, and she said, "Well I love this story, and I especially love this story told in music." She was thrilled to find out that the kids were having fun and said she was as well.

I interviewed 3 different kids, each from a different 4th grade class. I asked Addi B., from Mrs. Fuerst's class, a couple questions including what's your favorite song, are you having fun, do you have a speaking part? And she answered, "My favorite song we are doing is Here comes the Snow," "I'm having SO much fun," "We are quoting lines from the book." I asked her if she had any solos, and she said "There are no solos, but we have a couple songs." Next, I interviewed Olivia C. from Mrs. Schrank's homeroom. She said, "I love doing the Polar Express, it's so fun!!" "I'm one of the kids that has a speaking part." The third and final individual I interviewed was Savanna B. from Mrs. Bullock's homeroom, I asked would you do another play if you had too? She said, "I would definitely do another play, they are so fun!!" I asked Savanna what her favorite song was, and she replied, "My favorite song is called Hot Chocolate."

I went to Mrs. Fuerst's room and we took a poll on which songs were most liked. The songs that were voted on were, A million little snowflakes, Hot chocolate, Here comes the snow, Sleigh ride, and We wish you a merry christmas. The most popular song in Mrs. Fuerst's homeroom was Hot Chocolate with 8 votes, Here comes the snow with 5 votes, A million little snowflakes with 4 votes, and Sleigh ride and We wish you a merry christmas pulling in last with 0 votes. Next in Mrs. Schrank's class in the lead with 7 votes was Hot chocolate, Here comes the snow with 6 votes, 2 votes for A million little snowflakes, 1 vote for Sleigh ride, and once again in last, We wish you a merry christmas. Last but not least, Mrs. Bullock's, in the lead, was Hot chocolate with 6 votes, 5 with Here comes the snow, 4 votes that goes with A million little snowflakes, and a two-way tie for last is Sleigh ride and We wish you a merry christmas.

There is a poll on Google Forms, so you can vote on YOUR favorite song, too!!

The Staff Lounge may be a mysterious place for most students but not for long as we will tell you about it here in the newspaper. This will cover thoughts about the staff lounge and the items in it.

Mrs. Lawrence was interviewed on her opinion about the staff lounge. She says that the Staff's lounge is very comfortable and like a big dining room" but necessary items like pens, pencils, and their mail boxes are there. I know you're probably thinking why do teachers need a mailbox? They hold all of the papers that they will need that they can't print, they also have a fridge for their lunches and microwaves to warm up their lunches and a vending machine.

As for improvements, "A bigger staff Lounge would be good" says our interviewee also a bigger fridge, a vending machine that's filled more than 10% of the time that also has coke products and not pepsi products, free snacks from the snake drawer, and new microwaves. Some of these wants may be feasible. New microwaves may be able to happen in the future as well as more fridge space. I'm estimating that it could happen if they got approval, Now the things that can't happen, a bigger Staff Lounge couldn't happen because the school has two floors and the school would have to be shut down to do this. I know your thinking, why not do this in summer, well there would not be enough space to expand this area. The vending machine can't have Coke products because they are in a deal with PepsiCo to sell their product only and we get scoreboards in return. Free snacks cannot happen because someone would have to pay for that, and it is not in the schools budget.

## Staff Lounge

By: John Straub



# Heimlich Drills at Suffield

By: Madison Karg

Choking drills at schools are important nationwide. Why does Field not do all grade choking drills in the school? Here are some answers. Suffield and all the field schools stopped doing choking drills for all grades because of the lack of teachers to teach the classes. Another reason for the schools stopping choking classes or drills for the whole school is because the district nurse that covers the high school and also covers the rest of the field schools. One year there could be an emergency at one of the schools and then she won't have enough time to teach classes. If we were doing choking drills first we would have to check with a medical professional to make sure that the person that is teaching the classes has the knowledge. The schools don't already do this because if we did the teaching of the heimlich wrong it could cause potential injury. Mrs Hepler, Suffield's nurse says that "Choking drills for the school would be a great idea for students to have the knowledge in case of an emergency at the school." Mr. Lynch, both Brimfield and Suffield's assistant principal says that "I don't know if we should do this or not because if we do this and we did it wrong, injury could happen." Also Mrs. Wilson the schools P.E. Teacher said, "she has had to do the heimlich on two kids and one adult. She thinks that "the school should practice choking drills and it would be better to be prepared and have an idea on what to do before an emergency happens." She says to know if someone is choking "they will most likely do the universal sign for choking and in her experience one of the students grabbed and then grabbed his throat to signal he was choking".



In conclusion, everyday people at Field are eating breakfast, lunch, and snacks and at any second a kid can choke on their food so teachers and students have to be ready for a choking emergency in the school.

# Football Update

By: James Grevey-Chadwick

There is a lot of information about football I could cover. A lot of people watch football. Let's start at high school football, there overall is 4-7 there local teams. Some of the teams in our division are. Woodridge, Norton, Cloverleaf, Streetsboro and Coventry.

As for the National Football League, the NFL, there are different teams in the east, north, south and west. The top teams in each division are as follows. Representing the East is the Bills. The north is led by the Ravens. The Texans have the best record in the south. Lastly, the Chiefs have the best record in the West.

Some fun facts about football you may not know: players can pull hair in football to tackle them if they have long hair. The longest game ever was in 1971 that lasted 82 minutes and 40 seconds. NFL players weren't required to wear helmets until 1943. The Chicago Bears had 6 tie games in 1932. Lastly, a 30 second ad during the 2021 Super Bowl cost over 5 million dollars.



# 3-5 PE Sports

By: Tessa Coy

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Currently in PE class, 3-5th grades are doing Ultimate Football. According to PlayWorks.com, players have to make three passes, but, the “The offense tries to advance the ball down the field with passes, and they score a point if one of the team members catches the ball in the end zone. The defense tries to block the ball during a pass to gain possession. The defense must stay a step back. The defensive player must not touch that person.” In order to get a point, the team player has three seconds to make the pass. The game takes ten minutes or more, but it depends on how the score goes. The winner will get a certificate.



In this sport, you don't need a lot of athleticism. For it is teamwork you will need. Teamwork has a lot to do with playing the game. For example, without teamwork, you would never get a pass. And without a pass, you would never get a point.

And without a point, you will never win. Although winning isn't everything, it is still important to work together, and try hard.

Student teacher, Mr. Sako, was teaching this sport, but he has graduated from college, and Mrs. Wilson will continue his teaching. Everyone at Suffield is so proud of him.

# Effective Hand Washing

By: Calli Sweitzer

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About five percent of people wash their hands properly, according to researchers from Michigan State University from when they camped out in public restrooms. But what is “properly washing your hands?”

Most people, doctors, and nurses would say, “Properly washing your hands would be with warm water and soap then singing Happy Birthday twice or Twinkle Twinkle Little Star.” Some students from our school Suffield Elementary, mainly girls, have noticed that the downstairs sink by the cafeteria has uncomfortably cold water, while the boys have extremely warm, sometimes even hot. It has come to make some think if cold water is okay to use for washing our hands.

Mrs Hepler the school nurse commented, “It doesn't matter if you are using cold or warm water as long as you have soap and clean water.” Mr Sollers also noted, “You just need to have water and soap either warm or cold.” Again from Mrs Hepler, “Hot water is not the best to use especially in the winter when our hands are chapped because the hot will dry your hands out even more.”

Despite being proven that cold water is fine to use, we still want to find out why cold water is coming out of the girls sink because it should be warm. We have consulted Mr Sollers and he said he would look into it and what he supposes is that there is a mixing valve problem, or because the school is so big some areas might get more hot water than others.

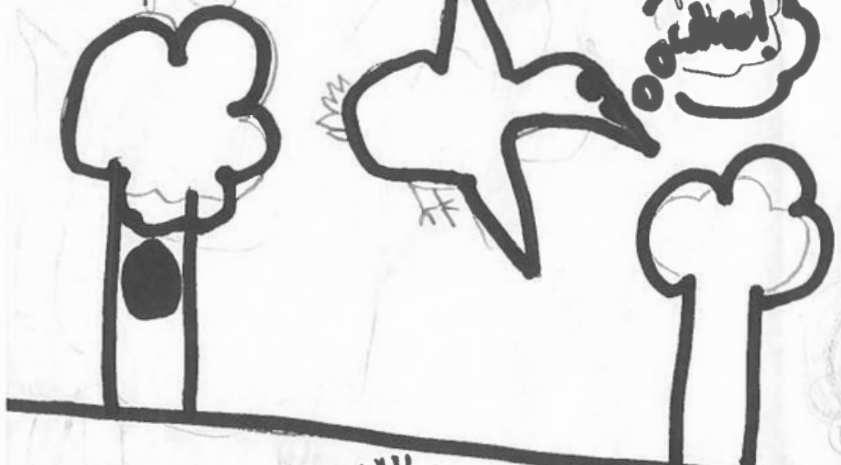
Even though we haven't fixed the sink just at this moment, we do have reassurance that it is okay to be using the cold water to wash our hands and we hope in the future that we can solve this problem and the water goes back to warm just like assumed!





# Barb and Ann

One day Ann was just flying down the road...



When suddenly. BAM! Ann ran into Barb (AKA. The Odd One). Barb was peculiar bird, well you can tell.



"Bu, Bu, BU, BUGOCK!" "Well I, best be going!" Said Ann.



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Later that evening:



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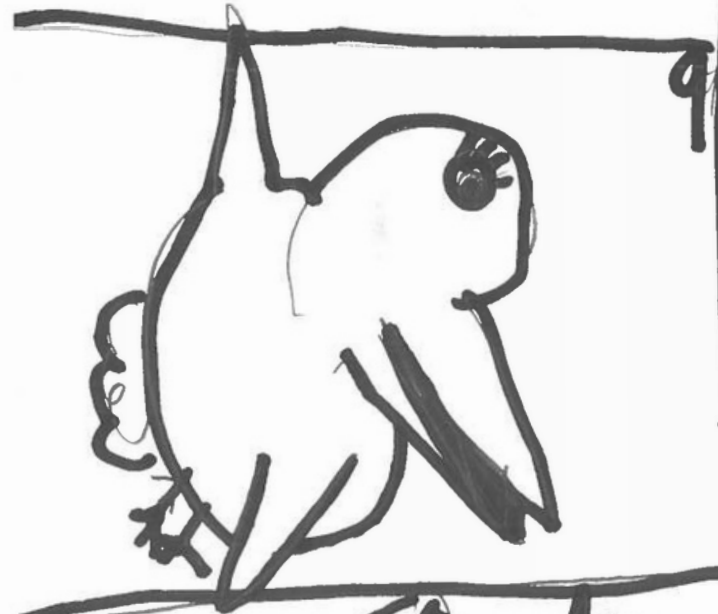
5 So she took it upon herself to be kind to Barb.



6 And as the days went by Ann found out she didn't mind Barb!



8 But one day Barb SPOKE!



10 So Ann and Barb are best friends!

