# THE GREEN SCENE

**MANCHESTER ACADEMY** 

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#### A Proper Cup Of English Tea





On Thursday, May 2, students in English II and Honors English II were treated to a proper cup of English tea. Steve and Christine Joel, relatives of Mr. McCloskey, recently visited from Rayleigh, England. Students could enjoy two different types of tea, including a variety of English breakfast and Earl Grey tea. Students also enjoyed samples of English biscuits and a slice of Battenburg cake. Chris demonstrated how to make a proper pot and cup of tea, while

Steve answered various cultural questions ranging from football (soccer) to wildlife. Everyone had a great time. Students have continued talking about their tea time and cannot wait for the next one. Thank you to Chris and Steve! Cheerio!

#### **Important Dates**

- May 7: 5K Graduation
- May 10: High School Graduation
- May 13: 6th Grade Graduation

#### The Final Countdown



It's the most wonderful time of the year. On various chalkboards throughout the school, you will find countdowns for the remaining school days. None are famous as the senior as countdown in Mrs. Perry's room. Seniors at Manchester Academy are released two weeks earlier than the rest of secondary students, and they love to show off their countdown. The "official" countdown has been visible on Mrs. Perry's the chalkboard since first day of the 2023

school year. While the countdown has appeared on Mrs. Perry's board throughout the years, this is the first year it has appeared on her board for the entirety of the school year. Mrs. Perry and her students calculated the number of days remaining very early in the year, and the countdown went on the chalkboard during the first week of school. The seniors all agree that it is nice and gives them something to look forward to. The countdown officially hit 0 on April 26.

## A Senior Quote With A Meaning





What if your senior quote had a meaning behind it? That is precisely why Mr. McCloskey designed the senior bookmark project. Seniors in English IV recently completed their final For their final project. assignment in English, seniors were to create a bookmark bearing their senior quote on the front. Students were then to respond to a writing prompt that reads, "Mr. McCloskey opens a book in 20 years and finds your bookmark. The name on the bookmark has faded long ago, but the quote remains clearly visible. Will he know who you are?" In other words" Mr.

McCloskey said, "Does your senior quote accurately represent your true character"? The senior project was bookmark designed to help seniors think about the quotes that would be used in the yearbook. It gives them the opportunity to accurately pick a quote that truly depicts them. Mr. McCloskey was so pleased with the outcome of this year's projects, and he plans to keep the tradition alive for many Seniors in years to come. English IV said that they enjoyed the project very much and how it made them think about their quotes.

## **Tears Shed On Class Day**



Class Day was held in the gym on May 6 at 10:00. The annual Class Day takes place each year and offers seniors a chance to dress up and reflect on their past with one another. During Class Day, the history of the class was read, starting from the beginning in 3K. Seniors have this time to laugh or cry as they reflect on their time spent with one another. They soon realize that it is all coming to an end very soon. After the reading of the class history, it is time to read class prophecies the

The class prophecies are always very entertaining to see where they predict their fellow classmates will end up in life. Some are always very farfetched and funny, while others can be shockingly true. Class Day ends with a memorable video presentation that displays pictures through the years. This year's video was created by Majeeda Sanad (12) and offered both photos and videos of the class of These seniors are 2024. officially ready for graduation night.



In the final edition of the Spring 2024 Green Scene, we would like to feature Mrs. Pam McLeod for our teacher spotlight. Mrs. McLeod began teaching at Manchester Academy in 1990 as a Resource teacher and has been teaching Jr. High and High School English on and off since 1992. She has taught 7th Grade Literature as well as 8th-12th English. Mrs. McLeod also served as the sponsor for the Maverettes dance team. Her year favorite times of the include teaching Shakespeare Prologue to The and Canterbury Tales. The

Throughout her teaching career, Mrs. McLeod was able take students to Shakespeare Theater in Montgomery, Alabama. She says, "These trips were SO awesome and memorable for the students. Mrs. Chaney and I were able to take a group! It was so much fun to see Shakespeare come to life in their eyes!" When asked what she will miss the most about teaching, she replied, "I know it's cliche, but I will greatly miss the students. I have loved them so much with all their different personalities. It's also exciting to watch them grow through the years." Mrs. McLeod's students definitely miss her. Her classroom has been described as a "calming environment" and a "fun place to learn English." She is unsure of her retirement plans at the moment but knows it will include time with two precious girls and working in the yard. We love you and will miss you, Mrs. McLeod!

### **Fun At Field Day**





The annual Field Day was held Thursday, May on Elementary Field Day consists of a variety of games and activities designed to give students one last in-school activity before dismissing for summer break. While there are many traditions at the Manchester Field Day to look forward to, there is always some sort of new and exciting twist to keep students engaged and ready for a new adventure. This year's Field Day consisted of a variety of games ranging from the traditional tug-o-war and flag football to races and

games of baseball. The traditional game of tug-o-war has been held at Manchester for many years now. Involves students pulling a tug-o-war rope over a a pile of shaving cream. The losing team is pulled into the pile of shaving cream. Eventually, everyone will end up in the shaving cream. This has been considered a rite of passage from 6th to 7th grade for many years now and has always been a big hit at Field Day. As one can tell from the evidence in the pictures, everyone at Field Day had a wonderful time!

# **SPORTS**

## **Elementary Track**



**Elementary Girls** 



**Elementary Boys** 



All Elementary

### **Secondary Track**



Ethan White & Hayden Austin



Sophia Jones



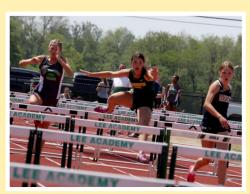
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# **ACTIVITIES**



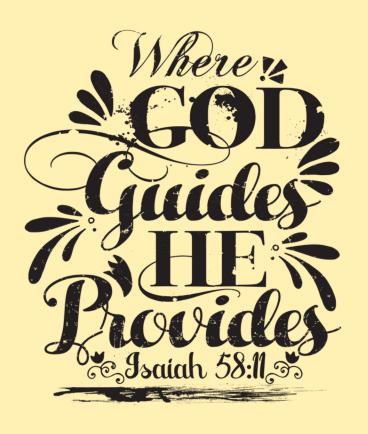
#### **DID YOU KNOW??**

Watermelon is a vegetable and not a fruit. It is summer's most popular vegetable.

The largest scoop of ice cream weighed over 3,000 pounds.

Can you find Waldo and Woof in this edition of the Green Scene?





# SUMMER WORD SEARCH

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# **SUMMER READING**

7th Literature – Same Kind of Different as Me by Ron Hall, Denver Moore, and Lynn Vincent

8th English - The Outsiders by S.E. Hinton

English I (9th Grade) - Fahrenheit 451 by Ray Bradbury

English II (10th grade non-advanced) – *The Pearl* by John Steinbeck

Honors English II (10th grade advanced) – *The Great Gatsby* by F. Scott Fitzgerald

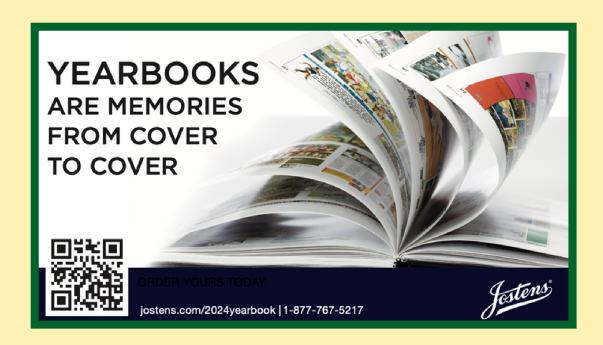
English III (11th grade non-advanced) – *The Great Gatsby* by F. Scott Fitzgerald

Honors English III (11th grade advanced) - 1984 by George Orwell

English IV (12th grade non- advanced) – *Frankenstein* by Mary Shelley

English Composition I & II – No Summer Reading! Comp students will be charged for an electronic edition of The Norton Field Guide to Writing, 6th edition, edited by Bullock, et al. If you would like a paper copy, you will need to order one before class starts.

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