

## Hallway Monitor Saves School From Chaos By Stopping Kids the Very Second Five Minutes Before the End of Class Starts



## Payback: Student Brings in Crumb Cake to Class Where Mean Teacher Doesn't Allow Food



## In Related News, Students Spotted Starving In Class Where Teacher Doesn't Allow Food Because He Is Afraid of Mice



## Candidates Move To Capture Critical Amish Swing Vote

With only days left until the election, Obama and McCain are scrambling to get the last minute independent voters. The large Amish vote has been a hard audience to pander to. Obama ran a great television ad about upholding family values and traditions, a message that resonates clearly with the Amish. Unfortunately, the Amish do not believe in television and the message was lost. McCain, who was alive before there was TV or even radio, has had more success connecting to the Amish folks. He has been seen sporting a bonnet and churning butter.

Real controversy has arisen over the porta potty versus outhouse debate. Both candidates are careful to pick a

side that appeals to both the modern Amish crowd and conservative Amish people. McCain reiterates that, "Having a usable toilet is convenient, but, my friends, it is a clear violation

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of tradition. I'm a maverick. I uphold traditions and forge new ones." Obama responded, "America is in need of change. Nobody understands this better than the Amish. Like the Amish people, I am change you can believe in."

McCain was quick to regain the momentum he captured during his horse drawn carriage campaign and log cabin hall meetings. He boldly declared, "I

believe in country first. This country was founded on the values Amish people uphold. Computers? Who needs them. Guns? A staple of every house. Abortion? What's that? The government? Keep it small, if not ignore it all together. These are my values. These are the Amish's values."

Alas, time is short and Obama has already moved on to the unemployed Hostess workers' votes and told these proud once working folks, "It's what is on the inside that counts. I am like a Hostess. At my core I am the creamy, fake filling: extremely fattening yet rewarding in the short-term. On the outside I am made up of stuff that could survive a nuclear war."

## Hogwarts Removes Early Decision: Students Up in Wands

Platform 9 and  $\frac{3}{4}$ , London— In the most controversial Wizard school decision since McGonagall V. Madison, Dumbledore has posthumously decided to remove Hogwarts Early Decision program. Some have used even harsher words than when Dumbledore came out of the wardrobe as a homosexual. Protests have been summoned across the globe, including a dramatic increase in Quaffle-based violence.

What makes matters even more controversial is that Hufflepuff is refusing to even settle for Early Action. Ravenclaw alum Stephanie Cauldron exclaims, "Since when has Hufflepuff mattered? They are the forgotten school and are undoubtedly trying to separate themselves from the competition, especially with Beauxbaton going coed. I mean, applications are getting more competitive and students are expected to do more muggle-

based charity work, but come on. I mean it's Hufflepuff, for Dumbledore's sake." In a much more brief response, Slytherin spokesperson Mr. I'mNotBadAfterAll said, "Stupid mudbloods."

The removal of Early Decision at a leading school like Hogwarts affected many other industries. Olivander's has seen a dramatic decrease in school-centric wands and the sorting hat is falling out of style faster than crazybones. The Owl Union is considering going on strike as they expect to lose many Galleons with the decreasing application mail traffic.

Additionally, sweeping changes are being made to the application process. Financial aid is becoming more need-based; that is, the wizards need to have enough money to pay for school on their own. Hogwarts is now also off the Common App and has created their own "uncommon app." Gone are the

essays describing how you bring magical diversity to the campus. They have been replaced by "If you could look into the Mirror of Erised, what would you see?" The controversy does not stop there. Quidditch scholarships



are down and all professor recommendations, whose total can no longer exceed one, must be written by quill. Moreover, legacies are being significantly devalued, leading many alumni to completely stop donating money. When asked how Hogwarts was going to address the shortage of funding, new headmaster Mrs. Trelawney (who would have guessed!) replied with only one word: "magic."

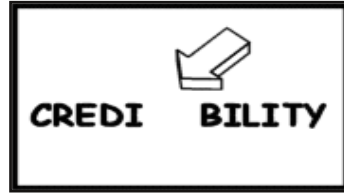
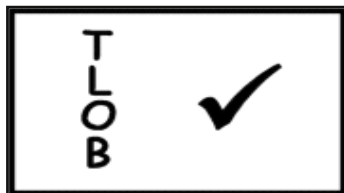
**All interested writers, including teachers, can feel free to submit Sam Block an article**

"I didn't read last week's article about irony. That's ironic"

## PICTURE THIS

### REBUS PUZZLE:

Can you guess the common word or phrase portrayed below?



Last week's answers: Over hill and down dale, Green fingers, Excellency, Heart two heart, look both ways before you cross the street

## NUMBERS: 12

The number of books checked out at the library this year for non-school related purposes. A total of five people are responsible for this number. I know it is hard to believe, but the library does have books in addition to computers (which there are not enough of) and comfy chairs.

### FACT:

A rival Flipside has been spotted at Stanford. We at Deerfield, the original home of the Flipside, are doing all we can to sue this copyright perpetrator, whose name will not be mentioned.

### LIE:

There's always next year. Note: This is less about mortality and more about the Cubs.

## CRYPTOGRAM CHALLENGE

DIRECTIONS: This is a simple substitution code, each letter is replaced by a different letter. The first person to solve the cryptogram correctly will win a Flipside t-shirt! (first means first to see Sam Block to redeem shirt)

HINT: R = Y

LAST WEEK'S WINNER: Emmie Schlessinger that means, that if there is any of the first letter, replace it with the second letter

"RPD'BK QPW WP GK BKTR INTKXDY VX RPD LPJ'W AJPE EFKTK RPD'TK

QPVJQ, GKINDOK RPD ZVQFW JPW QKW WFKTK. RPD EPDYLJ'W FNBK EPJ VX

EK'L GKNWKJ RPD. " RPQV GKTTN

Last week's answer: "By three methods we may learn wisdom: First, by reflection, which is the noblest; second, by imitation, which is the easiest; and third by experience, which is the bitterest." Confucius

## SUDOKU

Level: Blue

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DIRECTIONS: Unscramble these four ordinary jumbles, and use the letters in the circles to answer the final question.



What the doctor told the annoying toddler

You're really testing my



## JUMBLE

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