

# Viking Voice

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The Viking Voice staff wishes you a fun, safe, and relaxing summer! We'll see you next school year.. And remember: we're always looking for interested and motivated additions to our staff!

**What our teachers will miss most about this school year!**

**Mrs. Fuechslin- My 8th graders!!!**  
**Mr. Toporski-My 8th graders!!!**  
**Mrs. Kostial-My 5th graders!!!**  
**Mrs. Pollick-My newspaper club 8th graders!!!**  
**Mrs. Babish-My students being so open to taking risks!!!**  
**Mrs. Wallace-Some of my students!!!**  
**Mr. Fitz-All of the people I have had a chance to work with!!!**

## Weird Facts

By: Gregory Barlion Jr.

1. If you somehow found a way to extract all the gold from the core of the Earth, you would be able to cover the planet up to your knees.
2. McDonalds call their frequent buyers "heavy users"
3. The average person spend 6 months of their life waiting for a red light to turn green.
4. The largest recorded snowflake was in Montana in 1887, and it was 15 inches wide.
5. You burn more calories sleeping than you do watching TV.
6. In 1386, a pig was executed by public hanging for killing a child.
7. Cold cuts are safer to eat warm.
8. A cloud can weigh up to 1 million lbs.



## Upcoming Events

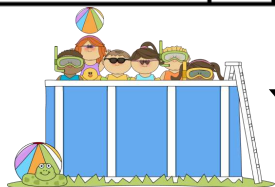
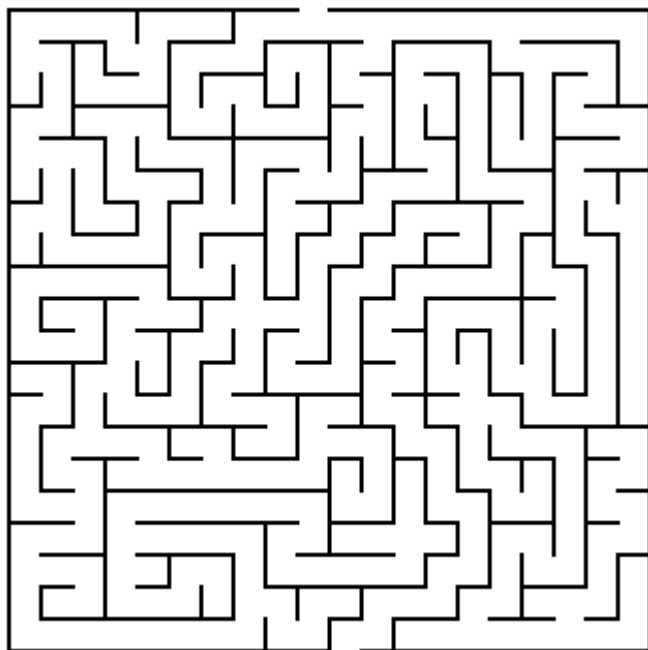
- Keystone exams (8th grade honors math) will take place on May 24th and 25th.
- The 8th grade walk for autism is on Thursday May 25th.
- 5th grade field trip (Paradise Bowl) is on Friday May 26th
- The 8th grade field trip (Gateway Clipper) is on May 30th.
- Also on the 30th is the 8th grade send-off (2-6 p.m)
- The 7th grade field trip (carpet skating) is on May 30th
- The 6th grade field trip (Skyzone) is May 31st
- 5th and 6th grade olympics are on May 30th
- 7th and 8th grade olympics are on June 2nd
- The last day of school is also June 2nd (early dismissal at 11:20 a.m)



# Summer Maze

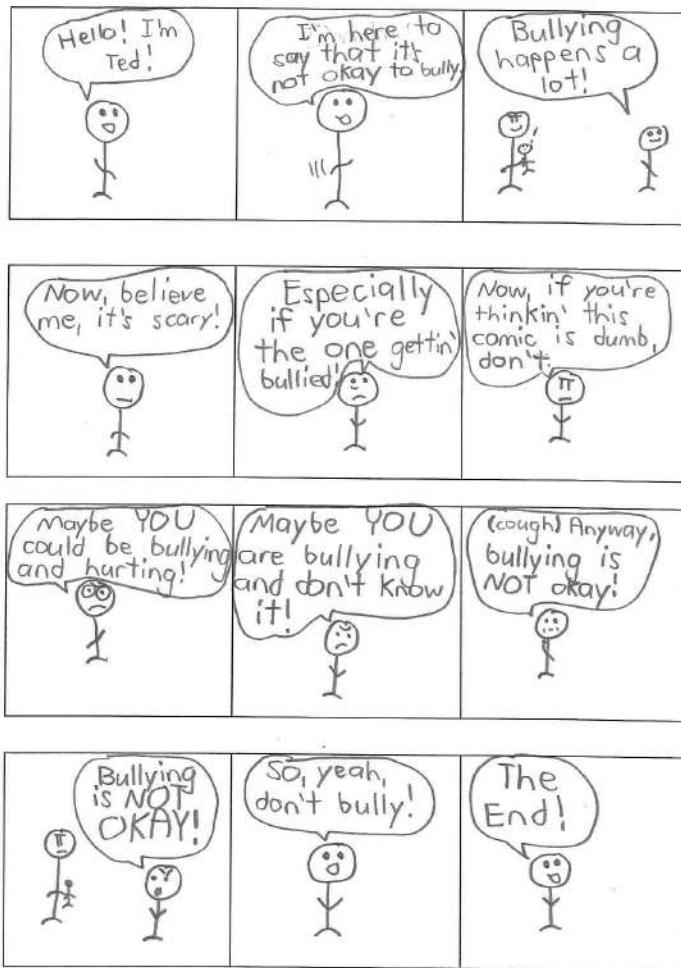
By: Anthony Mitchell

IN SCHOOL



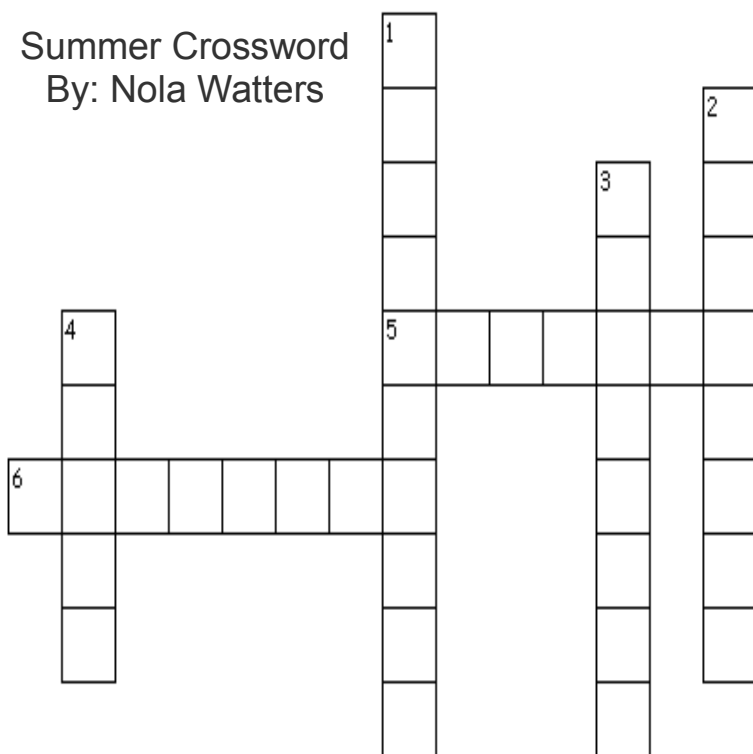
OUT OF SCHOOL!!!

Ted's Middle school  
Reality: Don't Bully!



# Summer Crossword

By: Nola Watters



Across  
5. having fun with friends  
6. Going different places

Down  
1. Not having to wake up early  
2. Frozen juice on a stick  
3. not drowning but...  
4. Sand and water

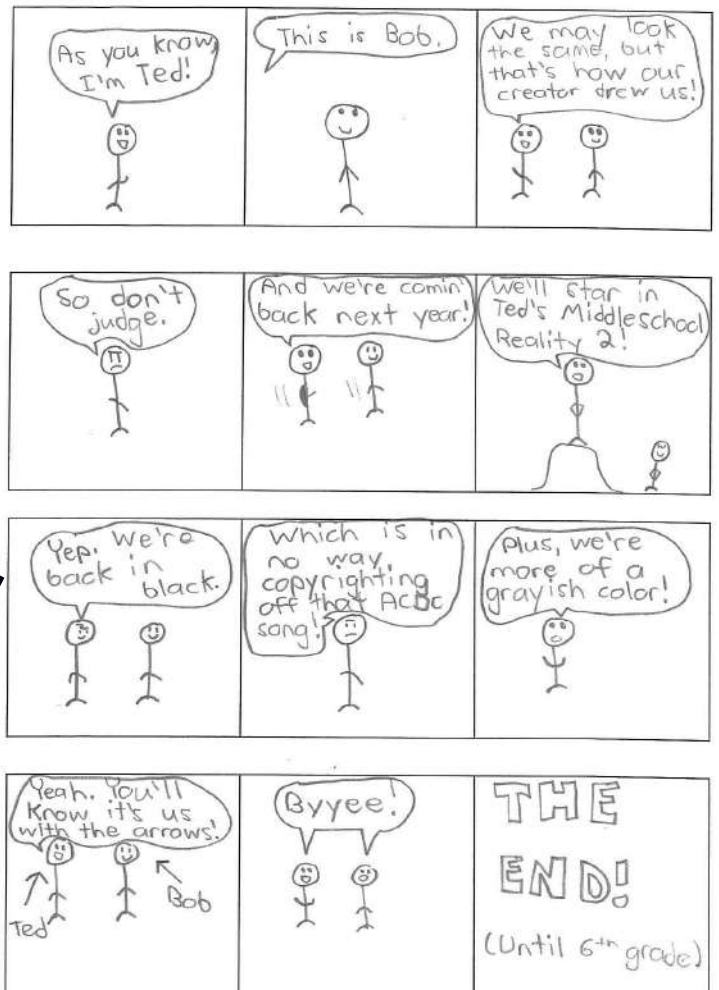


# Ted's Middleschool Reality: The Test



WE HOPE YOU'VE ENJOYED THE COMIC TALENTS OF SOON-TO-BE 6TH GRADER CODY GRUBER!

## Ted's Middleschool Reality: Back in Black



**Summer poem:**

**By: Kyla Long**



**When your cold outside and the snow is fallin',  
Christmas has passed and easter is borin',  
Take a walk outside in summer.  
And see all the cheer is callin.  
No reindeer just plain deer.  
There's a bunny outside, but no easter pride,  
and all the birds are singin'  
but no cardinals are jingle jinglin'.**

**Oodaloop awareness**

**By: Gregory Barlion Jr.**

Oodaloop means your mind or head. It is a noun and can be used anywhere. Hi, I am Gregory Barlion, and I am trying to get this in the Merriam-Webster Dictionary. I have been rejected once and I finally know why. It is not a well-known word. Myself and the rest of the Steel Town Maulers 12U baseball team have created this word and want it in the dictionary. So I have tried to submit it in the Urban and Merriam-Webster Dictionaries and both have rejected me. Please to help me and the rest of the STM 12U team: start saying it. Do NOT say this on a test because it is not backed at all, so it will not work. Thank you, and if you have a strong oodaloop, say oodaloop.

**Alaska Fun Facts**

**By: Gregory Barlion Jr.**



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Alaska, the US's most northern state. Even though people don't think much of it, it is actually pretty interesting. Here is why.  
Credit given to 50states.com

1. Outsiders first discovered Alaska in 1741 when Danish explorer Vitus Jonassen Bering sighted it on a voyage from Siberia
2. Russian whalers and fur traders on Kodiak Island established the first settlement in Alaska in 1784.
3. In 1867 United States Secretary of State William H. Seward offered Russia \$7,200,000, or 2 cents per acre.
4. On October 18, 1867 Alaska officially became property of the united States
5. Joe Juneau's 1880 discovery of gold ushered in the gold rush era.