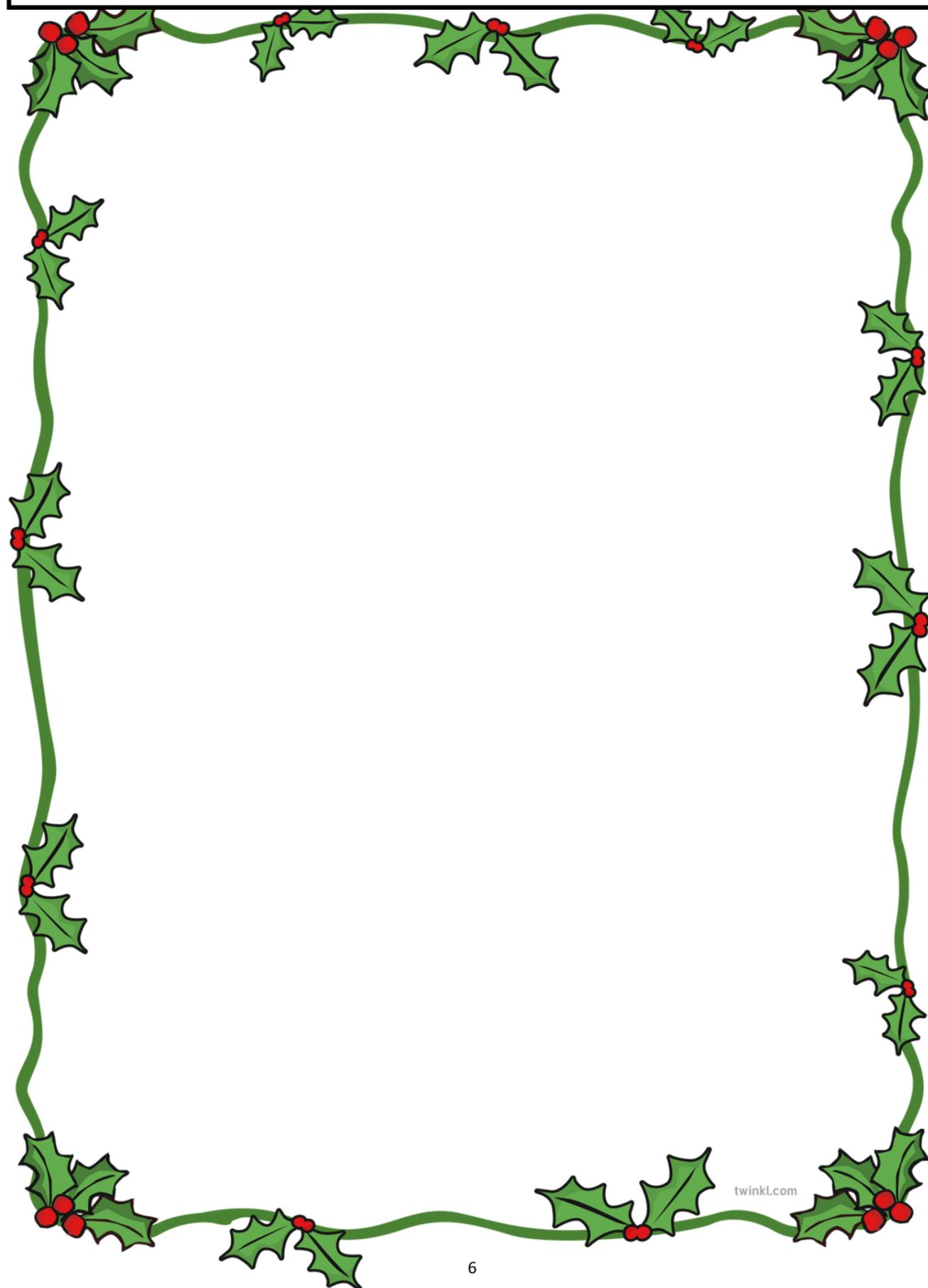


COMPETITION TIME

Draw a Christmas picture and hand it in to one of the Wellesley Voice team for a chance to win some tuck.



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FROM THE EDITOR

Merry Christmas, and welcome to the third issue of The Wellesley Voice, the newspaper run by pupils. In this edition, we have included the first chapter of a new story which you, the reader, are going to help us write. We also have Welleslian Christmas traditions, Steven's Solutions (a well known favourite) and a new addition to our paper, "A Spotlight On..." in which we'll dig for some interesting information about some of the staff at school. I hope that you enjoy this half term's Christmas edition of the Wellesley Voice.

If you have any queries, please contact me at wellesleyvoice@wellesleyhouse.net.
Barnaby Carter



THE BEST ICE CREAM SHOP IN TOWN?

Henry Barker has visited everyone's favourite ice cream parlour to find out a bit more about the place.

Morelli's, famed for its ice-cream across Broadstairs – but is it actually ice-cream? No, but I'll get to that. Let's start at the beginning. In 1907 great, great grandad Giuseppe Morelli came from Napoli in Italy to sell ice-cream from the back of his bike. In 1932 he moved to Broadstairs and started to sell ice-cream from a part of a shop. The shop was expanded in 1957. He left the shop to his son, Mario and Mario left the shop to his son, Marino. Marino then expanded the business and opened a total of 27 shops across the UK. In 2014 the granddaughter of Marino took over the business and has now opened 20 shops worldwide.

But enough of the history – you want to know the answer to my question. The ice cream that I have talked about is actually gelato. What's the difference you may ask? The difference is that gelato has no eggs or cream which makes it a healthier lighter option. The gelato is made fresh every morning. In the winter the gelaterien comes in at around 7 am and it takes four hours to make the days supply. In the summer they start at 1 am and a rota of gelaterien are constantly making gelato to fulfil the demand. The picture shows the wide range of flavours

available but they boast that they can make gelato in any flavour you want. For instance they have made a salmon sorbet and a pear and parmesan gelato!

I think that it would be a good idea for everybody to suggest a flavour they would like Morelli's to make for Wellesley and the most popular suggestion could be made for next year's Speech Day/Sports Day.

Henry Barker



If you'd like to suggest a new Morelli's flavour, please email your idea to wellesleyvoice@wellesley.co.uk



A SPOTLIGHT ON...



MR PARFITT

This is a new feature that we hope to include in future editions of the Wellesley Voice. We want to give an insight into the lives of our teachers and the wider staff at Wellesley. I hope that you enjoy it.

Where did you work before Wellesley?

A school, King Alfred's School, in two galleries. And of course being a professional artist.

How do you spend your spare time?

Making art work, writing and producing music for my band. I am also the head of a publishing company called: Be a Saint Press, or Beast press.

Can you mention your band? Or is it strictly classified?

The band is an art project really, and I don't take it under my own name. It's a bit like an alter ego.

Has your artwork been exhibited? And where?

Yes, lots of places. PS1 (Moma) New York, The Tate Britain, Victoria and Albert Museum, British Council in New Delhi and IC in London. I won't give my entire C.V.

What would you see as your proudest achievement?

I have lots of things that I am proud of, but I try to think about my future projects as an artist. Right now I am very proud of my all original songs album.

What did you enjoy most at school?

At school, I didn't do art but maths, chemistry and physics at A-level. It was a long time ago.

What was your most embarrassing moment as a teacher?

As a teacher, when I was training, I was observed by the head of the institute, and I knocked over his mug of coffee, which smashed and went all over him.



Julian Opie inspired portrait of Mr Parfitt created by Amelia Lawton

SHORTBREAD RECIPE

Max Miller went along to see what the cookery club were up to and they shared this recipe for Christmas shortbread.



Ingredients

125g butter
55g of caster sugar
180g of flour

Recipe

1. Heat the oven to 190 degrees
2. Beat the butter and sugar until smooth
3. Stir into flour to get a smooth paste. Turn it onto a work surface gently
4. Cut into Christmas shapes and place on a baking tray
5. Sprinkle with caster sugar and chill in the fridge for 20 minutes
6. Bake in the oven for 15-20 minutes
7. Leave to cool.

The Christmas Kaleidoscope

This is a story written by Grace and Lilia. It is full of decisions for you to make with adventures and magic at every corner. In each edition of the Wellesley Voice, we will add another chapter. You can decide what happens at the end of each chapter. At the final chapter you will decide the name of this surreal story.

Snow started falling outside the frosted window as Anna spotted her mum pulling up in Sarah's cobblestone drive. Anna gave Lily a hug, high fived Sarah, stuffed her sleepover bag into the boot and leapt into the seat and buckled up.

As they were driving back home, Anna's mother said, "How was the sleepover?"

"So fun," Anna excitedly replied "We watched tons of films!"

Slowly Anna's eyes fluttered shut and she drifted into a deep sleep. Misty colours drifted through her head. A sweet smelling Christmas tree formed in her head but there was something unusual about it... Something she couldn't quite place her finger on. One of the presents didn't seem right.

She felt a nudge and her eyes snapped open. "Christmas tree! Present! Strange!" she yelled

"I think you had too many sweets and too little sleep," her mum laughed, "Let's get you inside."

The next day was merry. Church bells tinkled whilst children frolicked in the streets. Jolly old men dressed up as Santa whilst people of all ages came out of the theatre laughing and gossiping.

It was a good thing that she had forgotten her dream or Christmas may've haunted her forever... wait, was the dream being forgotten a good thing??

As she helped her mum wash up, her dad told corny Christmas jokes making them laugh. "What did the sea say to Santa?" "Nothing! It just waved!" For her, this was Christmas: being with family.

After all the work was done, the happy family sat around the Christmas tree. "Can we open the presents now, please!!!" Anna exclaimed.

"Now that we've had lunch," Her parents replied, "Yes!"

First, the large presents were torn apart from their wrapping; this included a shiny black bike, a laptop and much more. Then the smaller gifts were prised open. Of these there were: red and green mittens, a binder and a notebook and finally something strange. It had wrapping like parchment and had curly, cursive writing on a cream white envelope. Anna asked her dad "Is this a joke because the paper is weird. But really cool!"

"No, honey, I didn't send it. I wonder how it got there?" he pondered. "But do say thank you to whoever did get it. Now open it up!"

Anna carefully peeled apart the crinkled paper and slid the rough parchment onto the table. She stared at the kaleidoscope. It looked like a flimsy, plastic telescope but as she held it there was a tingly rush through her body.

Feeling unsettled, she turned her gaze onto the envelope. Suddenly, she noticed the room was getting rather warm. "Mum, can I open the window, it's quite hot in here," Anna asked.

"Sure, I don't mind," replied her mother.

Anna lifted up the brass latch on the window. An oddly warm breeze slipped into the lounge and lifted the letter out the window. An oddly warm breeze slipped into the lounge, swept the letter out the window and into the cool winter air...

This is now your decision:

- A. Should she go out and find the letter?
- B. Should she ignore the letter but still use the kaleidoscope?

Send your vote to wellesleyvoice@wellesleyhouse.net.

PUZZLE AND JOKE CORNER

STEVEN'S MATHS CHALLENGE

This is suggested for year 8 but I will especially impressed if anyone else who is not in year 8 answers it and if they can do the question in front of me then they will receive a big reward.

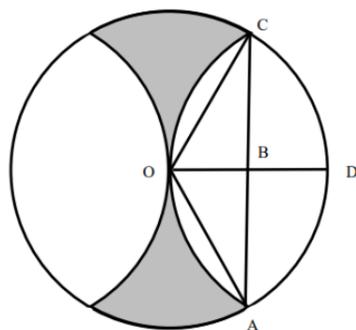
Calculators are PERMITTED.

MATHEMATICS B CANDIDATE NUMBER _____

7. Throughout this question, leave all answers as exact expressions in terms of π and square roots, for example $2(\pi + \sqrt{3})$ or $\frac{2\pi}{\sqrt{5}}$ etc.

In the diagram below, the circle centred at O has radius 3cm. The curved line AOC is part of a circle, also of radius 3cm, centred at D. OD is perpendicular to AC.

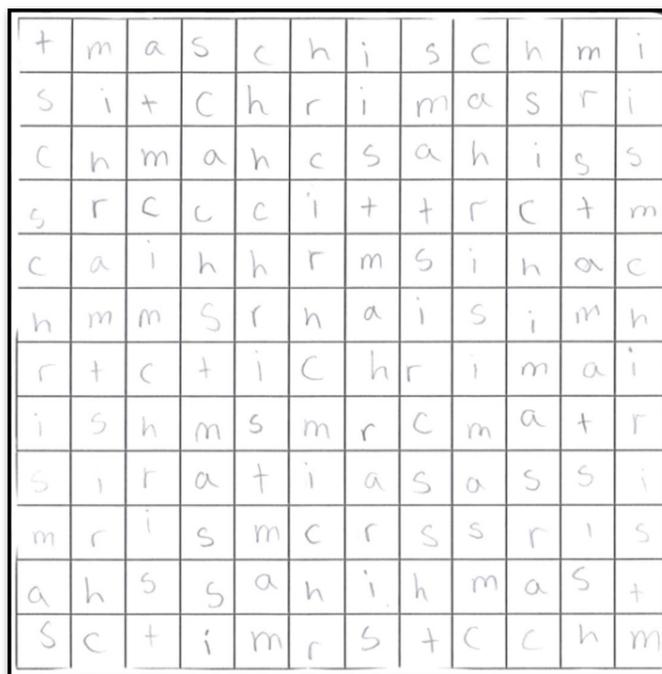
DIAGRAM 1



a) Calculate the length AB.

No help from teachers allowed!

WORD SEARCH



Can you find the word Christmas in Grace's tricky word search.

JOKES



What's green, covered in tinsel and goes ribbit ribbit?

Mistle-toad

What do you get if you cross Santa with a detective?
Santa Clues!

What's the name of the one horse in "Jingle Bells"?
Bob. (Bells on Bob's tail ring!)

Why does Santa go down the chimney on Christmas Eve?

Because it 'soots' him!

Which football team did the baby Jesus support?
Manger-ster United!

What did Santa ask Rudolph about the weather?
Is it going to rain, dear?!

Where does Mistletoe go to become famous?
"Holly" wood!

What athlete is warmest in winter?
A long jumper!



WELLESLIAN CHRISTMAS TRADITIONS

Lilia has been interviewing people around the school to find out about their family Christmas traditions.

I have a feast on Christmas Eve instead of Christmas Day.

Olympia Jokat, Block 2

My brother and sister come over for breakfast and I go to my sister's for lunch.

Mia Otley, Block 2

I only have my presents on Christmas Eve.

Georgie Carter, Block 4

Each year I go to alternate houses, my house then a friends, then mine etc.

Anaia Beckett, Block 4

My family's Dutch so we have Sinterklaas. He comes on the fifth of December.

Mrs McDermott

I watch 'Love Actually' every Christmas Eve.

Henry Barker, Block 2

On the 24th and the 25th of December is our family feast, but before, we go to the cinema then my Grandad goes out fishing.

Madame Laurans

On Christmas morning, I open one present and after lunch I open the rest.

Luna Sarafoglou, JL

In our house we have a visiting naughty elf, who gets up to all sorts of mischief every night of advent. My children, Ewan and Phoebe, love discovering what he's been up to in the morning.

Mr Martin

We don't celebrate Christmas, but New Year's Eve is a big celebration. We have a family feast, watch a programme called 'New Year Gala', and at midnight we have fireworks. Old people give small children a red bag with money inside.

Simon Ji, Block 2



The Pre-prep Nativity is a new Wellesley Christmas tradition.

STEVEN'S SOLUTIONS

Steven is our resident social problem solver here at *The Wellesley Voice*. Send your queries to wellesleyvoice@wellesleyhouse.net and Steven will be able to solve your problems - no problem too big or small!

Dear Steven,

What is the best way to talk to girls?

From Anonymous

Dear Anonymous,

I understand your predicament, I also feel nervous sometimes when trying to converse with members of the fairer sex. I can offer you one or two pointers.

1. Be yourself, people want to appreciate who you are.

2. Be interested in them, don't talk about yourself all the time, ask them how their day has been.

3. If all else fails, tell them a joke, but a mature one.

Hope this helps. Do let me know how it goes.

Good Luck!

Steven.

Dear Steven,

What should I wear for the Christmas feast which I am really excited about?

From Anonymous

Dear Anonymous,

If it is a feast with your family, then I don't think you have to be too formal. You could wear a Christmas jumper/T-shirt/hoodie with your favourite skirt (if you are a girl), or you could wear it with comfortable trousers.

If you want to impress someone (could be someone you love), you could wear a comfortable suit with a Churchill coat (if you are a boy), I am certain that you will impress her.

*Best wishes,
Steven*