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Project Cicero

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"A room without a book is like a body without a soul." - Marcus Tullius Cicero. That is a quote off of many posters you may have seen across the school. Those posters were advertising Project Cicero. Project Cicero has one goal, to supply as many books to as many public schools across New York as possible. Most people at this school see books wherever they go. But, barely any of the students in our school know that there are other schools across New York that do not have enough books to supply their needs. Books are a symbol of schools, and yet imagine a school that doesn't have enough books! That would definitely not be good!



The goal of Project Cicero is to collect and distribute donated books to these under-resourced schools. Since 2001, their annual drive has distributed at least 4,000,000 books to public schools across New York. At least 100 public schools have given books to more than 20,000 New York City classrooms, reaching over 1,000,000 students across New York; this has greatly benefited those students. The drive at ESMS was coordinated by 6th grader Cortez Pagan, pictured below. Our school collected 12 boxes of over a



International Night

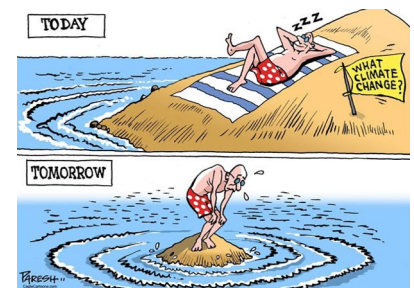
By: Rhone Galchen and Jacob Abroon

Monday, March 18, was ESMS International Night, a celebration of the ethnicities and cultures of the families at our school. On the way in, you got to see the wonderful agamographs made in STEAM by the sixth graders. Inside, you got a surprise of tables hosted by groups of ESMS families that held information about two dozen countries. What people probably focused on the most were the samples of culinary delights from around the world that these families brought in. From traditional clothing, to traditional food, every table gave exciting delights and scrumptious food, giving a little sneak peek of the culture that they value so much. If you didn't host a table, then you were able to walk around and experience cultures across the world. Whether it was Egypt or Greece, or Brazil or Israel, everyone that attended learned more about other people's cultures. Nobody left International Night wishing they had never come. This

Climate Change

By: Darragh Boyle

Climate Change has been an issue that scientists have been warning people about for decades. In the last couple of years, we have seen some disastrous effects. One example from last year you may remember was Hurricane Harvey. Scientists believe that the huge amount of rainfall was due to climate change. Many people still don't know about climate change and all of its possible effects. As you may know, a large amount of plants and animals could die from climate change; also, many trees and plants could - instead of *removing* carbon dioxide from the air - begin releasing it. In addition, due to the fact that Antarctica is melting, sea level will rise. In fact, in places like Iraq, Sweden, and Japan, we see that it already has.

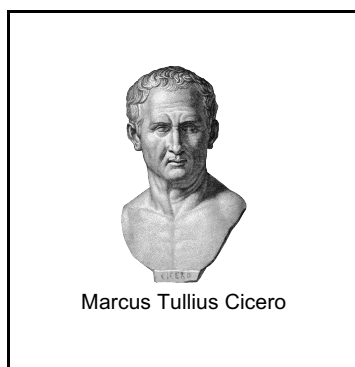


You may be wondering how is climate change happening? Well, many scientists believe that it is due to greenhouse gases. According to NASA, "warming results when the atmosphere

thousand gently used books for



Project Cicero this year, and we hope you will donate even more next year to keep on benefiting the thousands of students all across New York City.



Marcus Tullius Cicero

Quiz

What's your pet peeve? Respond to: esmsnewspaper@esmnyc.net

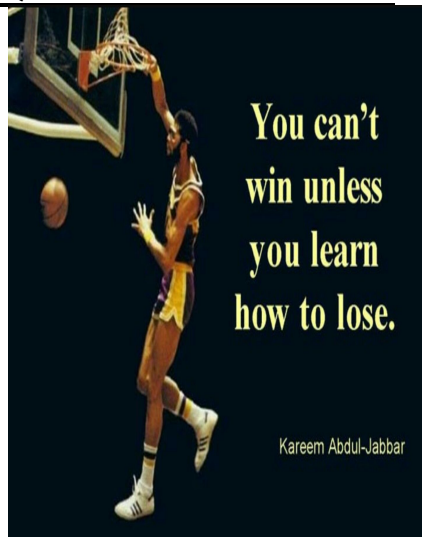
Daylight Savings Time: Myth vs Fact

By: Jared Meryn

Sunday, March 10 to Sunday, November 3, many states across the country do something named "Daylight Savings". Daylight Savings is the process of moving our clocks forward and making the best use of our daylight. You may think that Benjamin Franklin created daylight savings, but he was just a major promoter of it. In fact, daylight savings was

was our third International Night - hopefully we could do even better next year (that will probably be hard), and more cultures and countries will be represented. Maybe you might have your own table, and represent your culture, to help make another great International Night for East Side Middle.

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traps heat radiating from Earth toward space. Certain gases in the atmosphere block heat from escaping." Most technology is also affecting Earth. If your gadget needs to be charged or plugged in, and you don't have solar panels, you are using energy that creates greenhouse gases. Many people think the government has not done enough. Even with all this doom and gloom, kids have been speaking out. An example is the climate march where many kids and teens spoke out against the government in America doing nothing about climate change. Though scientists have been giving a great deal of evidence that climate change is real, some



people, including the US president, Mr. Trump, believe it is a hoax. Others believe that some proposed solutions are a tax scheme, as when people propose a carbon tax bill. One man even believes that the reason sea levels are rising is due to rocks tumbling into the ocean.

Do not be fooled! These ideas are false and just ridiculous. Please do not listen to these people. They aren't looking out for you or me - they just want to avoid the fear of climate change. Do not be worried, though; there are people in congress who are working for you, like New York Congresswoman Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez who is one of the

Backpack Buddies

By: Zachary Meryn

Child hunger is a growing crisis across the globe. In north California, 1 in 5 children suffer from child hunger. Without enough food, children's growth and health can be stunted. To combat this, the organization Feeding America created Backpack Buddies, an organization that fights child hunger across the U.S. Backpack Buddies provides around 2,900 weekend meals, comprising of 10-12 lb meals. Recently, ESMS raised money for Backpack Buddies by setting a jar outside every homeroom, and allowing students to donate coins or \$1 bills. The

originated in 1918 by Englishman William Willett, who led the first campaign to implement daylight savings time. Ever since that time more than 100 years ago, daylight savings has been in effect, and people have been losing 1 hour of sleep, or gaining 1 hour of sleep. People have also said that Daylight Savings was created strictly for farmers. WRONG! Actually, according to the Washington Post, many farmers opposed the Daylight Savings act. Daylight savings was really originated for World War I , the war that was just about ending at the same time the bill was passed. Lastly, some people have stated that daylight savings makes us healthier and happier. WRONG AGAIN! Experts have warned about spikes in workplace accidents, suicide and headaches — just to name a few health risks — when DST starts and ends. One 2009 study of mine workers found a 5.7 percent increase in injuries in the week after the start of DST, which researchers thought was most likely due to disruption in the workers' sleep cycle. Clearly, daylight savings is a very debatable topic.

drive ended on March 20. Through ESMS support, backpack buddies continues to fight child hunger.

leading advocates for stopping climate change with her proposal of a Green New Deal which would cut down greenhouse gases in 10 years.



Some of The Effects of Climate Change

