

# Gordon News

Wednesday, December 15th, 2021

## Winter joy

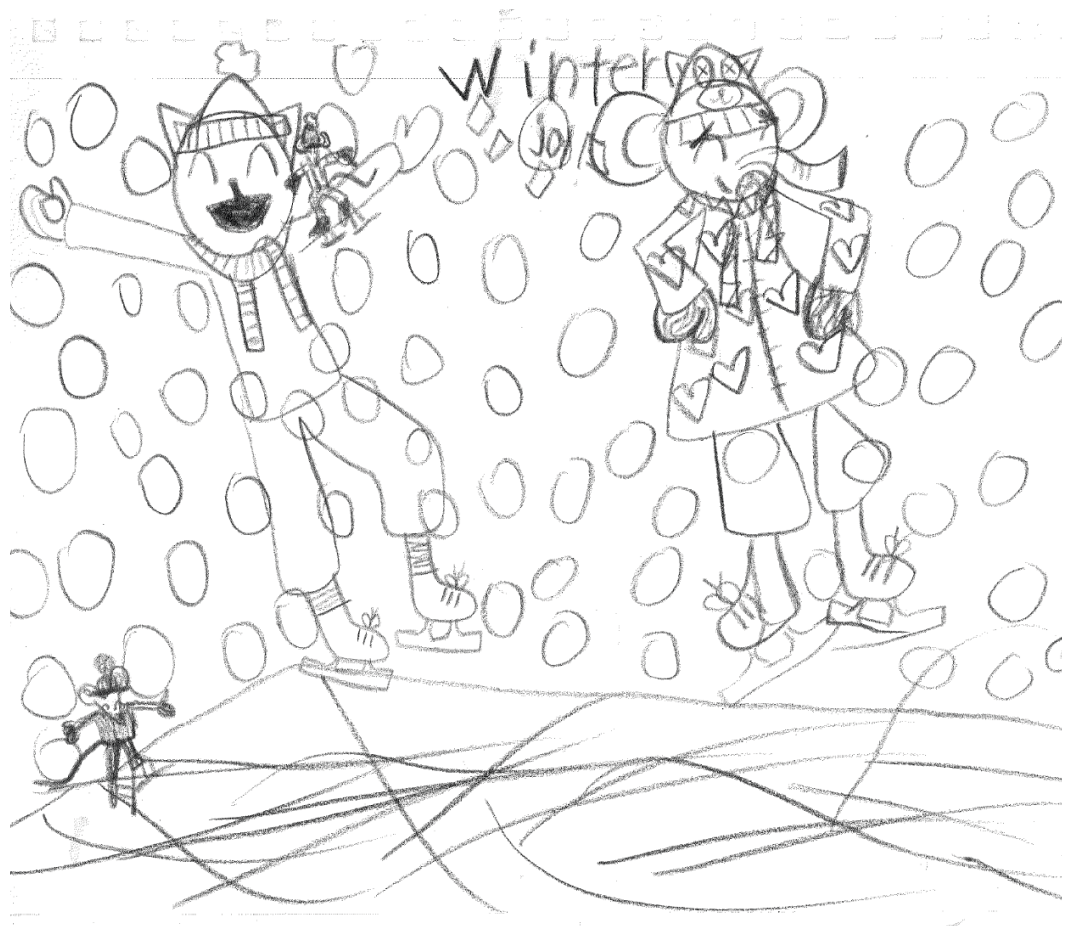
Thank you to the eighteen people who contributed to the final art competition of 2021! We had kids from second, third, fifth, and seventh grade. Everyone who entered art truly embodied winter joy for the newspaper team.

And a special thanks to the two seventh graders who entered. I'm sad to say it, but there won't be another contest before winter break. But we were very impressed with all of the art submitted. A total of sixty-one entries across all four contests.

There were winners from second grade (front cover), and third grade, fifth grade and seventh grade.

And again, great job to everyone for some amazing entries throughout the past few weeks. Yet again, it was so hard to pick winners. We even had to get Mr. Griffin and Mr. Carson's opinion on some of them.

I think from the number of entries across these contests, we've clearly determined that Gordon students like to make art.

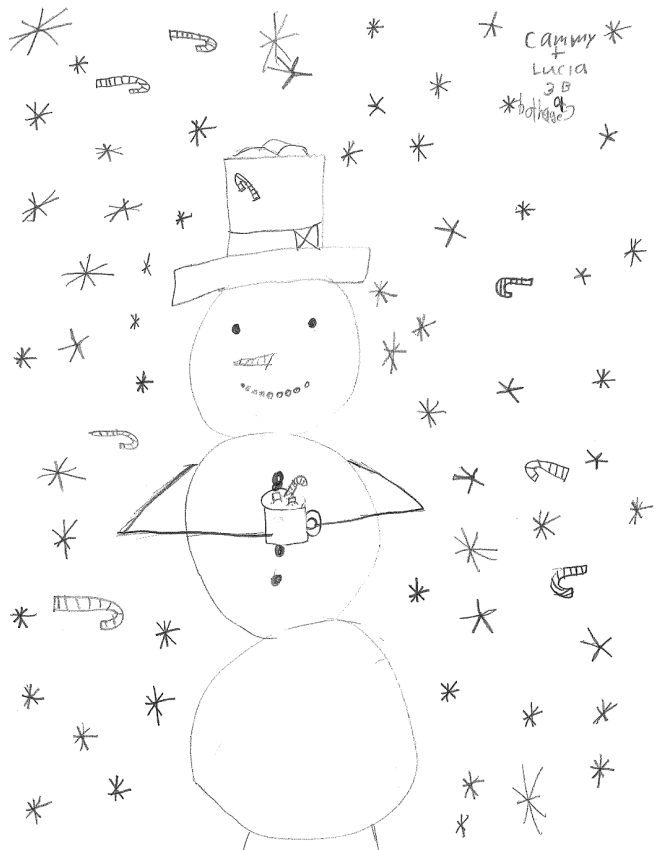


*above: The winner from second grade. The other winners are on the back page*

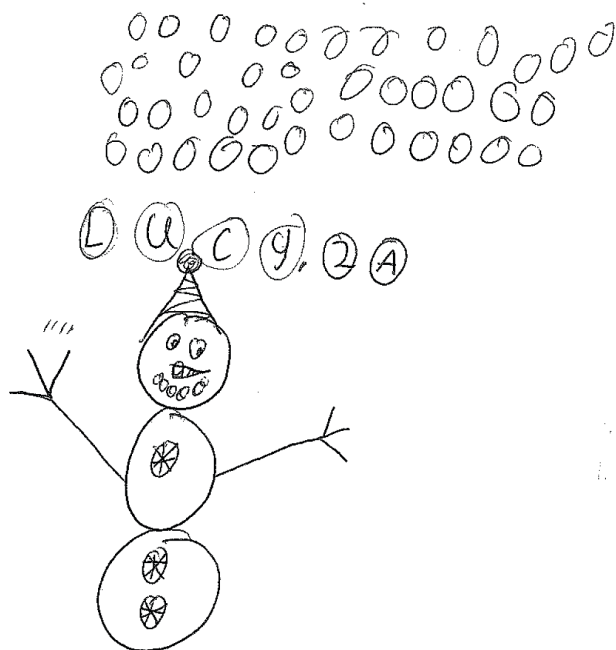
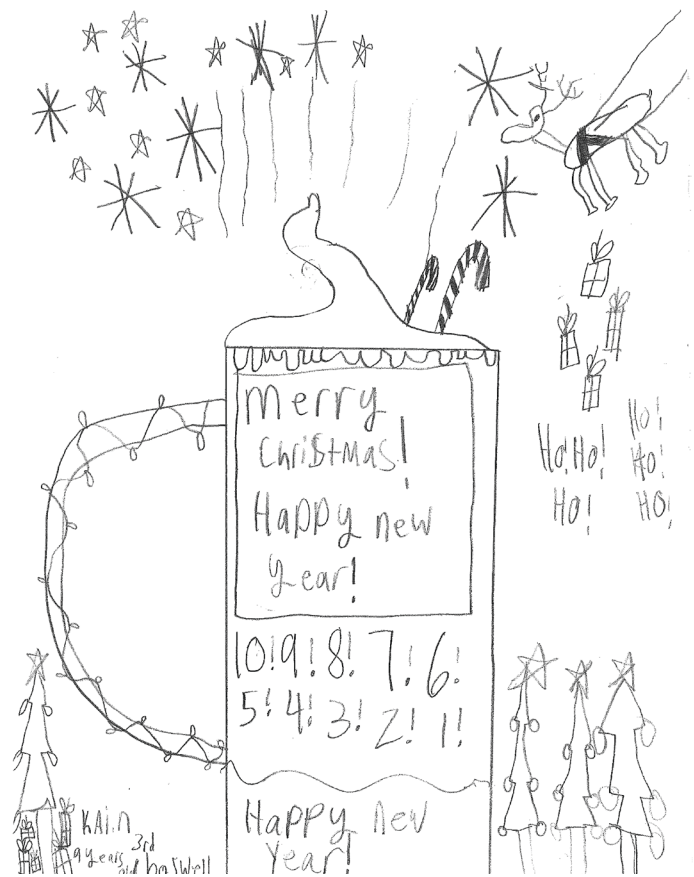
# Special year-end double issue!!!!

**81% reported and written by Gordon sixth graders**

# Art competition runners up



# The theme was: winter joy



# Art contest! Theme: winter joy



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Anna 3<sup>rd</sup> grad



zoe 3<sup>rd</sup>



Summer goldenberg 2w



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# Game time!

## Christmas Day Surprise

It was a cold December day, when you and \_\_\_\_\_ went downstairs to open  
Name

presents, but a \_\_\_\_\_ was in your \_\_\_\_\_. It was \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_, so  
Noun Room in house adjective adjective

you and \_\_\_\_\_ hid under the \_\_\_\_\_. Eventually, it found you, and it \_\_\_\_\_  
Name Noun Action

\_\_\_\_\_. You ended up spending the rest of the day \_\_\_\_\_ with it and had a  
Adverb Action

\_\_\_\_\_ time!  
Adjective

## Gordon-themed word search!

*find...*

Green  
Early Childhood  
Lower School  
Dr. Thomas López  
Commons  
Engle Field  
Gators  
Playgrounds  
Gym  
Middle School  
Theater  
Bell tower

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D	L	E	I	O	A	G	A	Y	E	O	O	R	E
S	M	L	M	R	E	Y	C	G	N	M	D	D	D



# Learning Walk

Today I took another learning walk. I saw:

*Library stewards*

*Puzzle drawings made by the fourth graders*

*I smell hot lunch and I don't know why*

*Messy cubbies*

*Kids having lunch*

*Slinky's dead*

*Walking through the old science room*

*The Commons*

*Gordon sweatshirts*

*Eighth grade handing out confidential things*

*Kindergarteners playing*

*Kindergarteners having snack and playing*

*A teacher trying to get in the door*

*Arts council making an art show for students who want to put up their art*

*Sixth grade chorus*

*Seventh grade having PE*

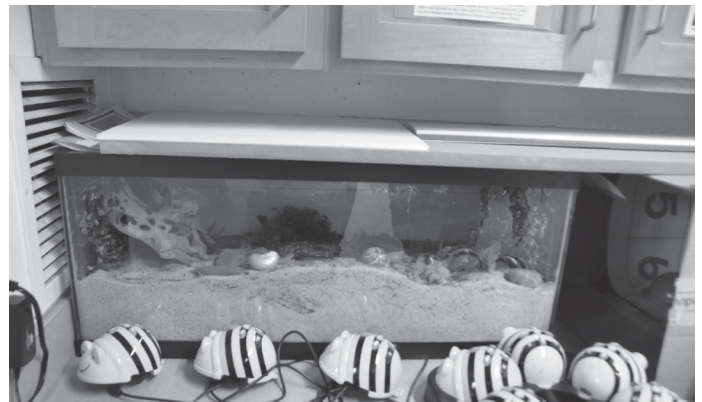
*Seventh graders twirling in the halls*

*Seventh graders quietly reading in the library*

*Second graders walking in from recess*

*Band playing some amazing music*

*The journalism group working their hardest*



*Slinky the snake passed away last year. He was Miss Ketner's pet snake. R.I.P*



*Fourth grade book work: these drawings represent pieces of their identities*



*Visiting old Kindergarten memories*

# ASK SHAKTI

Dear Readers, Hello again! This is our last issue until winter break, so I wish you all an amazing winter break no matter what you celebrate or do. I, personally, celebrate Christmas even though I'm not a Christian. Anyways, on to the questions!

*Dear Shakti,*

*I feel like some people are mean to me for no reason and I don't know why.*

*-Purple Penguin*

Dear Purple Penguin,

First of all, no matter what adults say about ignoring people who aren't nice, it isn't that easy. I sympathize with you, and I know what it feels like to have people be mean to you.

Second, some advice. Find someone you trust to share your feelings with. It can be a friend, a sibling, a teacher, parent, or someone else, so long as you trust them. It always helps just to let it out. If you don't feel comfortable talking to someone, then maybe try a diary. Talk with your advisor or dean, they know how to help. The adults in your life only want the best for you.

Lastly, try talking to the person or people being unkind. For all you know, they could be trying to make a joke and don't know that they're hurting your feelings. I genuinely hope this advice helps you.

Sincerely,  
Shakti

*Dear Shakti,*

*I love going to my friend's house for sleepovers. But I don't want to have them over to my house. My brother is annoying and it just feels weird to have people sleeping in my house. Is this rude to not invite them to my house?*

*-Shy Host*

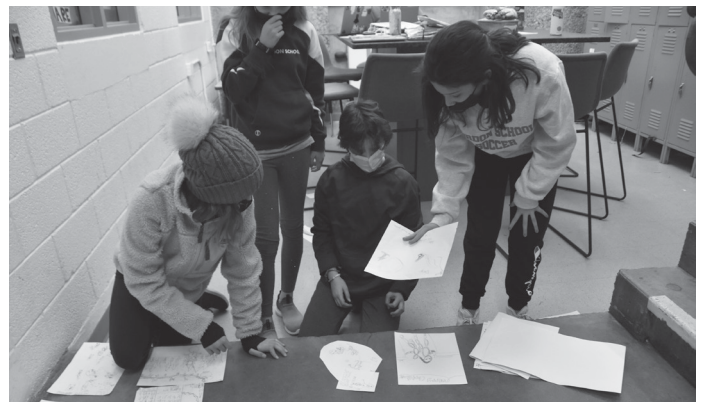
Dear Shy Host,

Try talking to your friends about this, and if you want to enjoy the experience without people sleeping at your house, try a Day Sleepover, where you invite your friends over, and do all of your favorite sleepover activities, but they go home at the end. No matter what you decide to do, your friends should understand.

Sincerely,  
Shakti



*Go Gordon!!*



*Behind the scenes trying to decide the winner for the art contest*

## Goodbye from the 2021 newspaper crew

This has been the last newspaper before winter break, and the sixth graders will be switching activities, so many of us might not be writing again.

We've managed to write and print twelve issues over thirteen weeks, and not thirteen because we watched the sixth grade play.

Still, we all feel that this was an amazing stunt to pull. The sixth grade newspaper team has worked incredibly hard to deliver this paper every week.

We want to thank all of our readers for being such wonderful supporters.

Some of our favorite parts of writing the paper have been...

*The creativity of it*

*Just writing and passing out the papers*

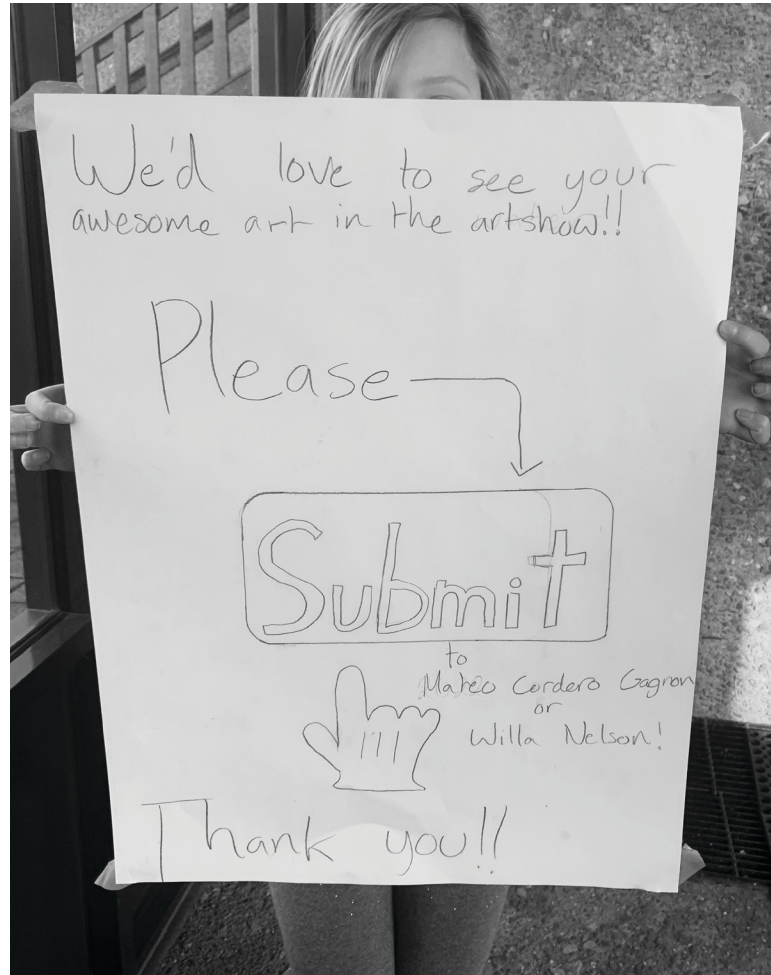
*Loved being able to see the younger audiences excited for the weekly newspaper deliverers*

*Working with everyone*

*Walking around the school and seeing what people are doing*

*The energy that we brought every single week and the way we turned everything around super quickly (that was from Mr. Griffin)*

Let us just say, that this has been an amazing experience. For all of us.



**CALLING ALL ARTISTS! SUBMIT YOUR VISUAL ART  
FOR THE UPCOMING STUDENT-RUN ART SHOW.**



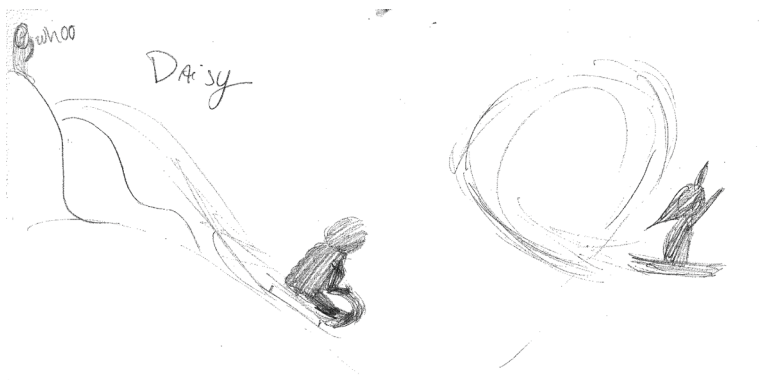




# Color the menorah!

Sorry it's a week late!  
And the sunset scene too!  
And have a wonderful winter break.

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## Art competition winners

The winner from second grade is on the front cover.

The winner from third grade is top left above.

The winner from fifth grade is the next two to the left.

And the winner from seventh grade is above right.