



Find out what Tiger likes to do in the summer time! Here are some hints:

- a spade
- a camping light
- a hatchet
- marshmallows and something else

Can you guess what he likes to do?



Last Tiger Talk

Dear Winterberry parents, students and faculty:

After a lot of effort, and time in front of a computer, the yearbook is ready! Below you will find a list of all of the information required for you to get your hands on one (or two or three...):

- **You can buy the yearbook from 8:00 - 8:30 in front of the school on:**

Monday the 17th

Tuesday the 18th

Wednesday the 19th

- **You can buy the yearbook from 2:00 - 2:15 in front of the school on:**

Monday the 17th

Tuesday the 18th

- **You can buy the yearbook from 12:00 - 2:00 in front of the school on:**

Wednesday the 19th

- **The yearbook will also be available for purchase in Ms. Colleens office all day on:**

Monday the 17th

Tuesday the 18th

Wednesday the 19th

- **The yearbooks unfortunately are not free, and will cost 25\$ Each. We regret this fee, but assure you that it is necessary for the 8th grade class to recoup the funds they spent on printing, and make their trip the best possible!**

- **Cash or check only (Checks or exact change are greatly appreciated!)**

We truly appreciate any purchase of the yearbook, and would like to thank everyone in advance for their support!

-North Crawford
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*Grades 6 and 7 will be holding a
PLANT SALE*

*Tuesday, May 18th
2-3:00 on the ice rink
They will be offering vegetable, flower
and berry starts.
If they have remaining inventory, they
will open again on Wednesday, May
19th*



DATES TO REMEMBER

Winterberry Charter Council
will meet
May 20th
**Time: 3rd Thursday of the month at
6pm**
Zoom Link to Meeting
<https://asdk12.zoom.us/j/519426010>
Meeting ID: 519 426 010

**New Family Welcome
Tomorrow**
Zoom at Noon

In-person 2:00pm

**Grade 8 Graduation
May 19th**
Goose Lake Pavilion
11am

**Grade 6 Plant Sale
May 18th**
2-3:00pm
On the ice rink (East Side of the
Play Yard)

When your student either completes the handwork project they are working on, or if they have not been doing handwork **please return your students handwork bag, knitting needles, any other tools or equipment and unused yarn to school. Put your student's name on the bag if it's not already there.** 8th graders who are using the bag they made in 4th grade, of course, should keep those. If they have a loaner bag from me, they should return that.



**Another items that need to be returned:
Ski Gear (to the front desk)
Chromebooks (to the front desk)
Classroom Materials (to Main Lesson classrooms)**

Introducing: Jayla Mike



Name: Jayla Mike

Nickname: don't have one

Statement/quote: "Don't cry because it's over, smile because it happened."

~Dr. Seuss

Q. How long have you been in Winterberry's, now, 8th grade class?

A. I came to Winterberry starting in the 6th Grade.

Q. What would you like to pass along to the upcoming 8th grade classes?

A. It will be hard.

Q. What do you hope to do after leaving Winterberry?

A. I want to spend the summer going on long walks. We are getting a new puppy in a few weeks and I'm looking forward to showing him around my neighborhood. I want to do some hikes too.

Q. Tell me one thing that you would like to remember about Winterberry

A. My friends and my teacher Ms. Cronick.

Q. Are there any people that you would like to remember at Winterberry?

A. I would like to remember Christy. She moved to Wasilla and so after this year she will be going to a school far away. And, Mrs. Colleen. Her spirit is so joyful and caring.

Q. Is there one person at Winterberry that you would like to try and stay close to at Winterberry?

A. I will try to stay in touch with Christy as much as possible. We get together despite the long drive. She is energetic and talkative.

Q. How would you wish to celebrate your graduation?

A. I'm not sure but I hope to have a close friend of mine come to the actual graduation ceremony. We may hang out afterward.

Q. Is there one sentence you can think of that describes your time at Winterberry?

A. Honestly, my time here has been stressful.

Q. Is there one thing you would like to say about your 8th grade year?

A. It was weird, but I did enjoy alone time because I didn't have to worry about all of the talking I need to do during a regular school day. I didn't enjoy doing the school work on my own. I feel like if I was in school with my teacher it might have been easier.

Q. Tell me a funny story/memory from your time at Winterberry.

A. I remember the bus ride back from Homer on our 6th grade field trip. We were laughing the whole time and being really silly.

Q. What are these times teaching you?

A. Condensation in your mask is not your friend.

Q. What is your advice to your future self?

A. I would advise myself to find ways to motivate myself or to find out what my interests are.

Q. How did you imagine you would be in 8th Grade in 1st Grade?

A. I honestly didn't think about that. I was enjoying first grade!

Q. Did you live up to your vision?

A. I didn't have a vision of my future self.

Q. What do you wish an 8th Grader had told you in 1st Grade?

A. I wish I had known that math would be this complicated.

Q. Is there any last thing that you would like to say to your class/teacher/friend?

A. Thank you Mrs. Cronick for the support and being there for me these last two years.

Introducing: Dersu Seater



Name: Dersu Lee Seater

Date: January 22, 2021

Nickname Derswa, Tofu, Derice

Statement/quote: "The strong ones live."

"FLARP!"

"It's for ✨effect✨"

Q. How long have you been in Winterberry's, now, 8th-grade class?

A. Ever since Kindergarten, and I know several classmates from preschool, and parent-tot before that.

Q. What would you like to pass along to the upcoming 8th grade classes?

A. When people think of an 8th grader, they conjure the mental image of a huge, burly teenager, who is either very impressive or very intimidating. In all honesty, however, 8th grade may be a transition point, but it has little variation to other years. The mere thought of 8th grade is enough to make a 7th grader tremble, (okay, maybe that's a bit dramatic, but whatever) but there really is, in the not-so-wise words of Alden Vacker, no reason to worry. Ages and grades are naught but labels, established for organizational purposes, but often they feel as though they were installed as a menacing means of discouragement. Just because you are entering (or exiting, for that matter) 8th grade does not mean you have to become all-knowing or grow a foot overnight. Change takes time, and it isn't always beneficial, so don't rush anything, and go with your gut. (I mean seriously, I could really get into some nachos right about now.)

Q. What do you hope to do after leaving Winterberry?

A. I want to excel in as many fields as possible. Knowing me, I can be relatively certain that I will look back on this, and think, "Yeah right. Easier said than done, past Dersu." This is a huge goal, but that's why I said, "As many fields as possible" rather than, "Every single area of expertise." Basically, I want to continue with one of the primary things Winterberry taught me; always do your best. This edict is one of the most difficult not to stray from, but it, without doubt, reaps the ripest rewards. When you know you couldn't have done better, there are few sensations that might possibly rival that feeling, and quite frankly, I struggle to recollect any. So even if my

future self loathes me, I vow right now to never give up, despite however exhausted I may feel, no matter how bleak prospects may seem, no matter how much I might rather be doing something else, and to always act with nothing less than my maximum capacity. To quote Laura Krip in Japanese, "Gambaré!" -we'll do our best.

Q. Tell me one thing that you would like to remember about Winterberry?

A. I want to remember all of the people, relationships, and experiences. Sure that *sounds* like three things, but they can really all be smushed into one singular box. I cannot imagine my life without each, and every friend I have ever made at Winterberry. (That includes those of you who left!) Well...I suppose I could *try* to imagine, but I think I'd rather hurl myself off a cliff, so I'll pass. You guys made me who I am, I guess if you don't particularly like me (for whatever reason) you can blame yourself because you made me like this. If the relationships we've created at Winterberry don't last I will likely drop dead. I am not just saying that. We are way more than friends, we are family, and families rely on each other, which means it is entirely justifiable that I *need* every one of you.

Q. Are there any people that you would like to remember at Winterberry?

A. One word. EVERYONE!!! My elaboration will doubtlessly be more than one word, but who cares about those little bits of precision? Each and every person at Winterberry, whether attending currently or in the past, has impacted me hugely. I could easily dedicate a not-so-miniature speech to all of my classmates and teachers, but that drastic of a measure seems wildly unnecessary. I will, nevertheless, express my adulation for one Ms. Pepe-Phelps, or as I knew her, Ms. Julie. Ms. Julie taught me the meaning of bravery as well as responsibility and empathy. I have a very... specific...memory I am recollecting, but to spare myself untold humiliation, I will neglect to embellish.

Q. Is there one person at Winterberry that you would like to try and stay close to at Winterberry?

A. Might, I just say that this question is framed strangely? Did anyone notice that? Anyway, I have managed to retain a very strong friendship with Ms. Willow Wielechowski, a member of my class until 6th-grade. I will be damned if you and I aren't best friends for life, Willow. Many of my closest friends from school I met before arriving at Winterberry. But there are several introduced to me at Winterberry, who are deserving of formal recognition. Adella Judge, for one, has been a constant confidant of mine, whom I met in 4th-grade. Miles Numme-Warrell is another with whom my relationship has recently evolved from enemies to allies. Zach, we somehow ended up as friends after the torment I put you through in the lower grades. Euchie and Andrew have become two trusted companions whom I never would have expected. And to all of you I knew before Winterberry, you know who you are. (That includes Nathan, Kestrel, and Kyle from parent-tot) I want desperately to keep in touch with all of you and you don't exactly have a choice, because I won't take no for an answer.

Q. How would you wish to celebrate your graduation?

A. I am surprisingly satisfied with the arrangement in place. As long as we are all together, I'm happy. (Music and food would be a nice touch though...)

Q. Is there one sentence you can think of that describes your time at Winterberry?

A. I went in with a frown, I came out with a glowing smile. Winterberry never ceases to surprise me, and I will always consider it my home, where I made the best memories and met the best people. If I'm feeling beat, I can count on Winterberry to pick me up off my sorry a\$\$, and push me back into the ring.

Q. Is there one thing you would like to say about your 8th grade year?

A. Virtual learning sucks, TV is awesome, I love my class, best teacher ever, nobody likes you PEAKS, thank god for Livi, didn't see that coming, I think I'm addicted to food. Again, that wasn't technically ONE thing, and if you want to be like that fine. It was eight. But hey, I'm doing my best here!

Q. Tell me a funny story/memory from your time at Winterberry.

A. When Mr. Dyer nearly set the school on fire, trying to make pancakes, When I got a toe infection partially due to a heated footsie match (so not funny in the moment), Miles' countless laughing outbursts in Spanish, Who could forget Grape Nation? The Halloween Dance, involving arm-wrestling, Kiss (the band), junk food, and a flying croc.

Q. What are these times teaching you?

A. Just how much I hate being alone. For the first few months of Covid, it was bearable, but then my mental health sorta declined, and it wasn't so much anymore. I say declined, but the word 'plummeted' is probably a more accurate description. Now that we're in-person, I don't think I could go back. Before last year, I had no idea of how much loneliness affected me, but now it is very apparent indeed. I guess this is something of a wake-up call to cherish the time you spend with the people you love, because it could be ripped away from you at any given moment.

Q. What is your advice to your future self?

A. Keep fighting, even when you think it's too late. Quitting never got anyone anywhere. Better late than never. Something will always be more than nothing.

Q. How did you imagine you would be in 8th Grade in 1st Grade?

A. I actually had an exact vision if you can believe. I thought I would turn out looking something like Hermione Granger in Goblet of Fire. Who knew I'd end up more like Harry Potter.

Q. Did you live up to your vision?

A. In some ways yes, others, no. I personally wouldn't change a thing, mind you. I look and act very different than I imagined, but the choices and friends I saw myself making are the same. There are so many things I didn't expect of myself that turned out to be a giant aspect of who I am. I think I would be severely skeptical of what I ended up as, but little me-you have no idea.

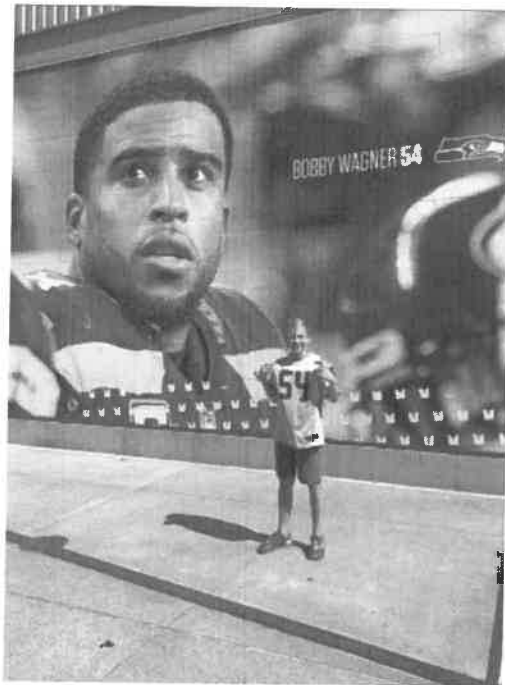
Q. What do you wish an 8th Grader had told you in 1st Grade?

A. It's not as hard as it looks. (Might not be true, but hey, nice confidence booster-am I right?)

Q. Is there any last thing that you would like to say to your class/teacher/friend?

A. "Happiness can be found even in the darkest of times, if only one remembers to turn on the light." -Albus Percival Wulfric Brian Dumbledore

Introducing:
Zach Elmore



Name: Zach

Date: 2/3/21

Nickname: I don't really have a nickname but when I play basketball with my friends they call me "the gnat" because I'm the smallest and am always hovering around that ball and always annoying the other team.

Statement/quote: "Go Hawks" & (due to popular request)
"I'm not saying, I'm just saying"

Q. How long have you been in Winterberry's, now, 8th grade class?

A. I started at Winterberry in 1st grade and I stayed here until 6th grade. My family moved before 6th grade started and now I'm back again for 8th grade.

Q. What would you like to pass along to the upcoming 8th grade classes?

A good reputation.

Q. What do you hope to do after leaving Winterberry

Play professional football.

Q. Tell me one thing that you would like to remember about Winterberry?

All the amazing people.

Q. Are there any people that you would like to remember at Winterberry?

All of the class.

Q. Is there one person at Winterberry that you would like to try and stay close to at Winterberry?

I would like to stay in touch with all the class.

Q. How would you wish to celebrate your graduation?

With a class game of football.

Q. Is there one sentence you can think of that describes your time at Winterberry?

Very fun and interesting.

Q. Is there one thing you would like to say about your 8th grade year?

It was very different.....

Q. Tell me a funny story/memory from your time at Winterberry.
Personally, I think some of my favorite moments were when Ms.Cronick and Ms.Kruger would start singing during zoom! Priceless!

Q. What are these times teaching you?
To be flexible and to stay upbeat.

Q. What is your advice to your future self?
Talk less, and be more humble.

Q. How did you imagine you would be in 8th Grade in 1st Grade?
A lot taller(the 8th graders look HUGE when you're in first grade), and I thought I would actually be doing in person school.

Q. Did you live up to your vision?
Yes and no. Yes, because I am actually as tall as most of the 8th graders were at that time, but they just looked taller in 1st grade. And no because I am not doing school in person.

Q. What do you wish an 8th Grader had told you in 1st Grade?
That the drawings in 8th grade are HARD.

Q. Is there any last thing that you would like to say to your class/teacher/friend?
I would like to stay in contact with my classmates and my amazing teacher, but if I had to say a last thing to them it would probably be "Go Hawks" because I would want to be remembered as a fun, kind and a BIG Seahawks fan. 🐉

Online registration for next year will open
April 26th for current ASD students.
All students must register online for the
2021-22 school year. There is no paper
registration.

Students new to the Anchorage School District or entering school for the first time will be invited to pre-enroll starting July 15th. To pre-enroll you will need to scan a copy of your student's birth certificate, immunization records or exemption form, proof of residency in the Anchorage Municipality and if pertinent any legal paperwork.



If you have any questions, please call Ms. Colleen 742-0139.

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