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“What you do makes a difference, and you have to decide what kind of difference you want to make.”
- Jane Goodall



Taking back our title(s)

By Hannah Brezynski

The annual East West basketball game took place this year on February 7th, 2024 at TD Station. As the games progressed, so did the suspense. The East West game is something that Vikings look forward to every year. It helps bring the school together and is a good cool down event after exams.

The first game of the night was played by our amazing Unified Team. Our Unified basketball team took home the win with a score of 37-28.. The teamwork they showed was impeccable, and positivity radiated during a game that was extremely close from start to finish.

Our senior girls basketball game was the most suspenseful of the night. Quarter to quarter they fought back and forth with the Simonds girls to win. The score was remarkably close, but in the end the Harbour View senior girls won their game.

“We put a lot of effort in,” Phoenix Whitepine commented. “The girls game was great, and the boys exceeded our expectations.”

The senior boys game started and stayed strong for the whole game. By the second quarter, our boys had more than double the number of points than Simonds. They cheered each other on and gave us an example of real school spirit. They helped hype the crowd up during the other games and were amazing teammates on and off the court. To say the least, the boys demolished Simonds with a final score of 105 to 31.

“It was blowout and there was no way Simonds could come back from our early lead,” said Gr 9 student Mack Anderson.

The East West game is an event you do not want to miss. If you were not there this time, think about going next year. The energy is high, and everyone is on the edge of their seats ready to cheer when the Vikings win. Congratulations to all the teams for playing amazing games that were so fun to watch.



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A Note From Your Editor

By Joanna Jackson

This is the time of year many students begin to experience how busy school life can get. If you're in grade 9 and experiencing it for the first time, hang in there. I promise it passes. By the time spring rolls around, your energy will be back up, you'll get to spend time outside, and the big worries of life will begin to feel smaller. Also, if this is your first spring at HVHS, buckle up for all the fun things that we do to end the school year. Maroon Mania and Spring Fling are just around the corner. Hang in there!

Approaching spring also means that we get to reflect on all that we've accomplished over the cold winter months. Although we tend to live in a blur as the busy winter months fly past, spring gives us the breath of fresh air (literally) that we all need. It also gives us a chance to take a look outside of our own life, and appreciate what others around us have accomplished.

For example, pictured below is Audrey Cho and Rebecca Williams-Simms who will be representing our province in the National Debate Championship. As you can see, their hard work this winter has paid off, and is allowing them to participate in the experience of a lifetime. As someone who has written a children's book currently awaiting publication, the opportunities you could be presented with when you put in the work in are genuinely so enriching and exciting. Our administration and teachers are so supportive of people accomplishing their dreams, and that is something you should most certainly take advantage of in your time left in the school.

Although March and April are often some of the hardest months of the school year, I encourage you to do your best to reflect on all the positives of the school year, as opposed to focussing on the burnout and fatigue that we are all facing now. As cheesy as it sounds, a little positivity will change the days of yourself and the people around you.

As Ms. Sanderson would say "Change your mindset, change your life."



Congratulations to Audrey Cho (left) and Rebecca Williams-Simms (right) who have been asked to represent New Brunswick (along with five other teams) at the Senior National Debate Championships taking place in May in Vancouver. The girls are excited to be representing Harbour View and looking forward to attending this prestigious event in the spring.

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A Little to the Left is a cozy puzzle game that has you sort, stack, and organize household items into pleasing arrangements while you keep an eye out for a mischievous cat with an inclination for chaos. Check out this playful

and intuitive puzzler with 100+ satisfying messes to tidy.” – Steam store page

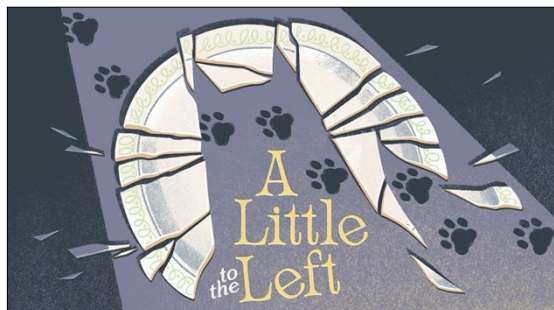
A Little to the Left is a very cozy organization game developed by Max Inferno. It’s available on almost all platforms. I played it on my Nintendo Switch. It features adorable artwork and many (many. Seriously, so many) challenges. Let’s get started with this month’s edition of Gamer Talk.

The Basics

A Little to the Left is a very simplistic game in premise. The only goal is to finish the puzzle and organize whatever needs to be organized. Although repetitive, that’s the point of the game. It’s a game focused on organizing and meant to be a stress reliever. It’s definitely a great way to relax after a stressful day. That being said, I do find that many of the puzzles are tedious and sometimes boring.

My Thoughts

I wanted to love this game. I really did. I enjoyed playing it, especially at the beginning, but as I continued, I found I was getting bored. It was mostly fun, but it really was tedious sometimes. Some levels of the puzzles were definitely clever, but others were just...okay. Some didn’t make any sense in my mind and I struggled to finish it. It cost me around \$14, which after finishing the game, feels like a bit too much for everything it had. There was no story or subtle environmental hints of a bigger scheme of things and that disappointed me. That’s not to say that all games need to have a story, but for a game that cost me \$14 dollars, I was expecting at least a little something. The art of the game is adorable; however, I had a fun time with some of the puzzles. The way you unlock hints in the game is something I haven’t seen before in a game. Does that make up for the game’s flaws, though? My answer is no. No, it does not. Overall, my feelings are very mixed on this game. Unless you really like organizing things, I don’t recommend this game. I don’t believe I’ll be playing this game again. I had some fun while I did, but *A Little to the Left* is one of those games I’m going to remember bittersweetly with mixed emotions.



Source: Nintendo Store page



By Ben Prowse

The war on terror is something that everyone in the west has heard of, and by extension how

everyone has heard of ISIS. This is especially interesting considering the fact they haven’t possessed any territory in five years. This leads me to ask, why have so many younger people heard of ISIS?

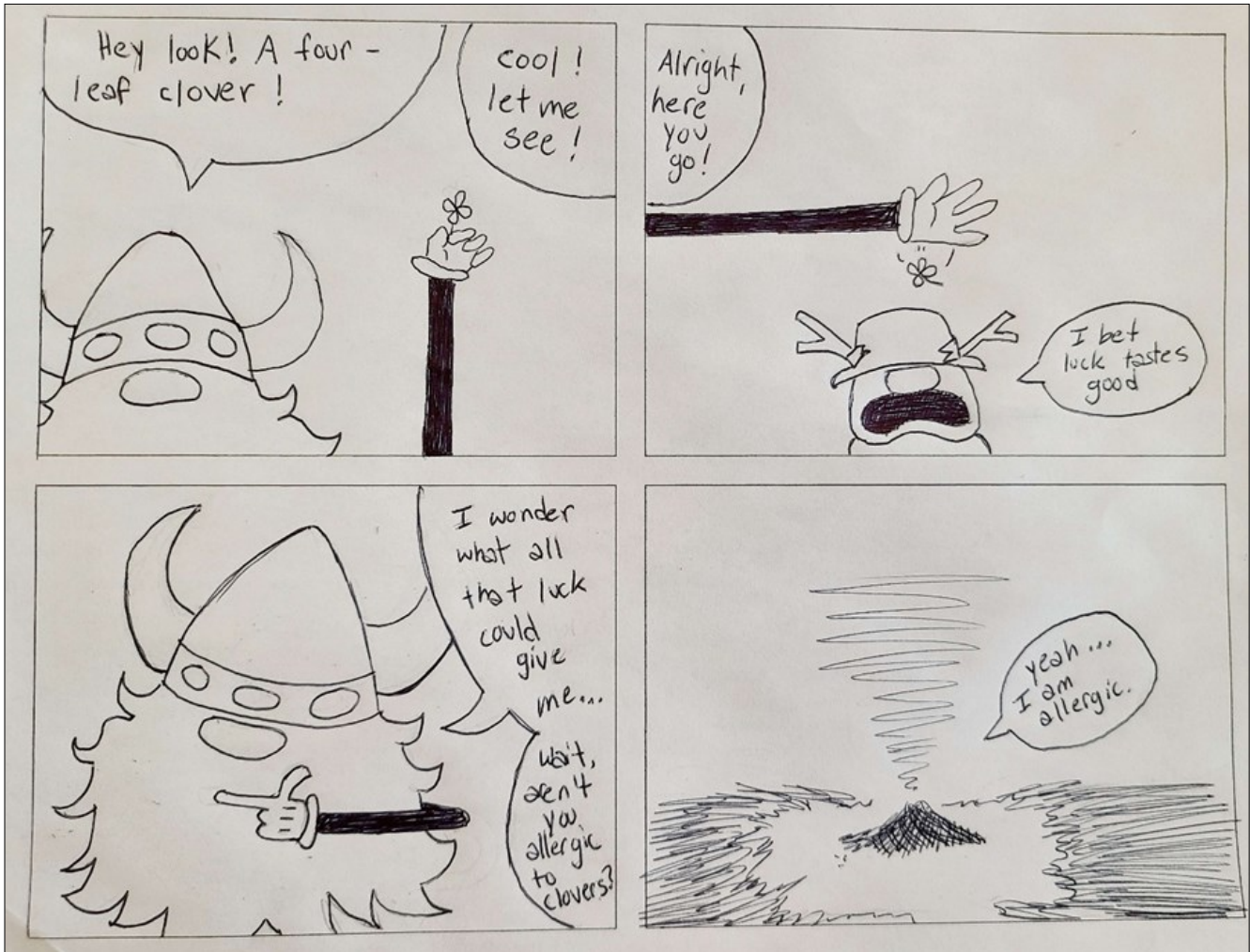
To start with some context, the Islamic State of Iraq and Syria (ISIS), sometimes referred to as ISIL, was a terrorist organization that was born from the ashes of an Al-Qaeda branch in Iraq in 2004. The group started to gain more fame around 2014 and 2015 when it amassed 90 000 square kilometers of land with around 12 million people. If ISIS were a real country, then it would be just behind Portugal in size. They had an army of 30 000 fighters, so around the same size as Belgium. According to CNN, they also pulled in more than 1 million dollars a DAY in revenue from, but not limited to, carjackings, bank robberies, extortion, kidnappings, ransom, and more.

The power of ISIS is very important when thinking about why people, in general, have heard of them. ISIS wasn’t just a band of guys with guns who liked terrorizing Europe. They were an organized terror operation which ran its own pseudo-country. They had land, training, and money, all of which they used to create a great amount of human suffering. The war crimes of ISIS combined with their power made them a force to remember in the Middle East. They carried out terror attacks all over the world including here in Canada. Whilst there were very few attempts in Canada, most (if not all) of the casualties were the terrorists themselves. However, it does show how ISIS became powerful enough to attempt terror operations on the other side of the earth. This very sudden rise with which they were so happy was the silver bullet that would actually cause their demise.

In September of 2014, a coalition of forces, mainly put together by the US under Obama, launched Operation Inherent Resolve. This was beginning of a long and bloody five-year campaign of slowly destroying every part of ISIS’ command structure until they were a skeleton force existing only on paper. The final straw was on March 23, 2019, when Baghouz fell, and ISIS had finally lost all its territory.

I think the reason so many people have heard of ISIS is because ISIS as a group was very well remembered by people who were around when they were dangerous. This impression on people was then naturally transferred to us, and so we have heard of ISIS but don’t really have much specific information about it. Most young people I asked about ISIS didn’t know what the acronym meant despite having heard of ISIS before.

A Comic by Tanor Gautreau



By Riley Cleveland

Aries (Mar. 21st – April 19th):

It's a lava lamp kind of night.

Taurus (Apr. 20th – May

20th): The wind has a message. Listen carefully.

Gemini (May 21st – Jun. 20th):

What's your favourite crayon flavour? I like the green ones :)

Cancer (Jun. 21st – Jul. 22nd):

I know you're really attached to your niche internet micro-celebrity, but I think it's time to focus on school now.

Leo (Jul. 23rd – Aug. 22nd):

The horror is unending but we stay silly.

Virgo (Aug. 23rd – Sept. 22nd):

Hey. I believe in you. It's going to be okay.

Libra (Sept. 23rd – Oct. 22nd):

Who needs a sweet treat when you already are one? You should still get a sweet treat though. Just in case.

Scorpio (Oct. 23rd – Nov. 21st):

Make sure to get your daily yapping in before you go to bed.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22nd – Dec. 21st):

Can I come over and stare at you like an ant?

Capricorn (Dec. 22nd – Jan. 19th):

Stealing your cats. They're mine now. Yes, you can visit them.

Aquarius (Jan. 20th – Feb 18th)

Beetroot soup.

Pisces (Feb. 19th – Mar. 20th):

It's time to lock in.

Step Up: A STEM Program for Teen Girls

By Iris Metcalfe

The Step Up Program is a series of online sessions where teenage girls can learn about anything involving STEM. The participants also gain access to high caliber mentorship and leadership opportunities. They get to speak with women in all kinds of fields, and some female students who teach them about scholarships.

Sophie Leonard led the program with compassion for each individual involved. Cathy Simpson, owner of Tech Impact, also runs this program. She was recently named one of Canada’s top 100 people in business. (Cathy is Sophie’s mom!) The two of them organize the program so every girl on every call gets heard and has a chance to experience mentorship with someone they aspire to be like.

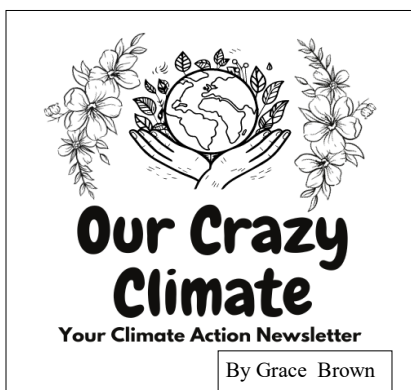
Through eight separate modules, the girls learn about a variety of topics including how to study more productively, how to develop good habits, how to enjoy independence without FOPO (Fear of Other

People’s Opinions). Participants learn about technological design and engineering throughout New Brunswick. They meet university students involved with medicine and life sciences. There is something in this program for every student, and each session- even though they were virtual- make young women feel empowered.

If any girl is interested in being mentored, learning about science and technology, or feeling welcomed and empowered, join the Step-Up program.

My personal experience:

I chose to participate in the Step-Up program because of my interest in sciences and medicine. I participated in online meetings once a week, and I *loved* them. I received mentorship with a PhD candidate at Sick-Kids in Toronto, and I still keep in touch with my mentor. I gained communication with scholarship winners, and entrepreneurship leaders across the country. The girls in my program were kind, and smart, and we showed up every week, ready to learn something new.



While the first month of second semester was a busy month for the school, it also was a busy month for Climate Action. There were a lot of exciting activities planned for just the group, and for a collaboration between clubs.

Earlier in the month the group made paper after

school. This was a fun way to let Climate Action members show their talents with crafts. The paper was then used during a lunch hour to make valentines. On Valentine’s Day, Climate Action then gave the Best Buddies club the valentines to fill in and give out.

About half-way through February, Harbour View hosted a guest speaker, Carl Divenverdeen. Carl talked to several classes about climate education, and our ability to change as a society. His presentation was incredibly interesting and informative for the attending classes. In the end, everyone walked out a little more informed about climate change, and a little more entertained due to Carl’s presentation.

Coming up after the March break, Climate Action will host their annual movie night. The group will watch *The Lorax* while enjoying a delicious popcorn bar. It will be an excellent group activity that will entertain all. Lastly, Climate Action hosted another one of their bi-monthly pop-up shops. It was very successful, and many students got the chance to take clothing for free. As usual, to keep running the pop-up shops Climate Action requires clothing donations. If you don’t like or want some of your clothes, feel free to bring them in so someone else can enjoy them.

That’s not all for Climate Action. Next month the group will be planting milkweed, hosting a clean-up, and hosting a Lights Out day. Anyone can participate, though feel free to join the club if you want a better heads-up on upcoming events.



By Ella Baxter

For March’s read, I decided to go with the science fiction classic *Ready Player One* by Ernest Cline. This best seller has become widely popular since its release in 2011 and has even had a movie adaptation produced in 2018.

Set in the year 2045, this novel depicts a hypothetical future for humanity where most of our lives take place in the virtual world, in

this case, called OASIS. It’s not much different than reality except that this technology is so far advanced that being online is an immersive experience. This virtual world was created by James Halliday, a brilliant but eccentric man who left the instructions to a game in his will. He created a contest and whoever wins it will earn his entire fortune.

The storyline follows the life of a 17-year-old boy named Wade Watts who is a dedicated “hunter” of this game. Picking up five years after Halliday announced this contest, Wade becomes the first person to show up on the leader board that has been empty since the start. What follows is a battle for the top spot and success.

This book is relatively slow-paced and contains lots of descriptions of old video games and movies. For anyone interested in 80’s culture, this book can be interesting to read to see all the allusions and references Cline makes throughout.

I wasn’t the biggest fan of this book. I found it wasn’t fast enough to keep my attention for long and often there were a lot of references that went over my head. However, I did find the portrayal of humanity fascinating to study. I would give this book a 2 out of 5 stars, and I would recommend giving this novel a try if you enjoy science fiction because it certainly falls under that category.





The Graduates of 2024 have been busy recently. Whether it's studying for final exams, selling fudge, or panicking about scholarship essays, this year's graduates are staying busy.

No matter how old you are or what grade you are in, final exams are stressful and difficult. However, in your fourth year of high school it is common to be taking several difficult classes. Performing well in all these classes as well as trying to enjoy your final year of high school

is a challenge. On top of managing school work is the daunting task of meeting the various university and scholarship application deadlines. All these factors make exam season a true nightmare for grads. That is why their Executive Committee tried to help them out. Before exams, a study night was held after school to promote studying and collaboration. A teacher in every subject was ready to help whoever needed it. This was a great way to ensure people could stay on top of their studying to get great marks and thus, pursue their dreams after high school.

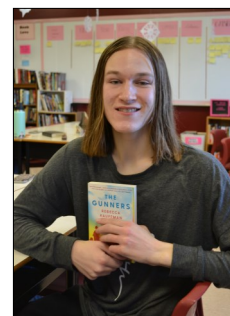
The grad class recently started a fundraiser that is a fan favourite at Harbour View: fudge. This new fundraiser is in partnership with The Fudgery Shoppe and boasts 12 different flavours. If this fudge fundraiser tickles your brain because it sounds familiar, that would be because it was also done by the school's cheerleading team. Additionally, graduates are encouraged to crank their entrepreneurship dial all the way up because of the great deal offered by the Grad Executive Committee. For every 20 pieces of fudge sold by each grad, they get \$10 off their prom ticket. Be sure to hunt down your nearest graduate to get some fantastic fudge.

Finally, grads must remember to stay on top of their schoolwork, and post-secondary work. A common deadline for many scholarships and universities is March 1st. These schools and awards do not tolerate late submissions, so it is important that all grads are aware of upcoming deadlines and are ready to submit all documentation on time. Preventing procrastination is vital for getting into your dream school or receiving free money.



Back L-R: EJ Kearney, Marlene Mayfarth, Julia Curry, Madison Cullinan, Hanna Schuegger, Frieda Gutzeit, Chloe Johnson

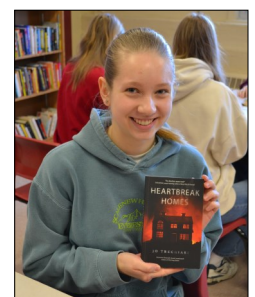
Front L-R: Simeon Carroll, Live Scheller, Sarah Andrelang, Emma Van Dyke



"I usually read classics, so it's good to mix things up every once in a while, so I enjoyed reading something a little lighter."
- EJ Kearney

"My blind book was different from the books I usually read, but I really enjoyed it."

- Marlene Mayfarth



Ms. McDonald's Young Adult Literature class recently had a blind date with a book exchange in their class. A blind date with a book means that students have to choose their book without benefit of its cover and just a few key words to describe it. Students chose a book based on the topics that would interest them, and then had the thrill of unwrapping a new book.



By Sophie Van Dyke and Enya Weil

January and February were calm, breezy months for your Viking Ambassador members. The group started the 2024 year by welcoming new international students to Canada and the Harbour View Viking family. Tours of the school, free lunch, school merch, and information about all the unique clubs and classes Harbour View offers were shared to allow these students the full Canadian high school

experience. These students are now settled in their new classes and the Canadian lifestyle with many inviting smiles and cultures being shared daily. Do not be afraid to reach out and say hello to these students and gain increased knowledge of their unique lifestyles; they will be more than happy to share some stories.

The Viking Ambassadors look forward to their upcoming plans and events for March. Would you like to be included in these upcoming events? This group is always looking for more members to expand, so if you would like to get more involved in our school and you think this club appeals to your interests, then this is a great club to do so with. Just see Ms. Oram in room 325 for more information.

Like Jazz? Then join Harbour View's new Jazz Ensemble



L-R: Jane Peters, Audrey Cho, Enya Weil, Gavin Steeves, Deved Blanchard, Emma Van Dyke, Max Doyle, Frieda Gutzeit, Brooke Masson, Tanor Gautreau, Ms. Sanderson, Kady Gatacre (Photo submitted by Mrs. Waldron)

Not Pictured: Jethro Wilson & Jared Palmer

By Riley Cleveland

The art of jazz has been around for many years. First started by African American communities in New Orleans, it has spread all around the world, created various subgenres and captivated the hearts of many, including Enya Weil, a student here at Harbour View.

Jazz as a genre, encompasses many things, but can often be characterized by its upbeat music, improvisation, brass instruments, as well as swing and blues notes. Popular jazz songs include "Fly Me to the Moon" by Frank Sinatra, "Take Five" by Dave Brubeck, "What a Wonderful World" by Louis Armstrong and "Moanin'" by Art Blakey, with many, many more. Jazz is one of the most influential genres there is, and now even has its own place within the walls of Harbour View.

Grade 10 student Enya Weil started the Jazz Ensemble. "I only recently became interested in jazz, but I thought that taking on my own band would be an interesting and exciting new thing at our school," she said. "Weil plays the baritone saxophone and has been a practicing musician for six years.

It started off as a simple idea on a bus ride, but now is something anyone can join if interested in a challenge. Weil describes the Jazz Ensemble as "a group of talented musicians at Harbour View that create music that you can't find in the regular music program." Students can expect to see the ensemble at upcoming concerts such as the school's spring concert.

"Having a jazz ensemble helps keen music students have new experiences and practice with like-minded people," said Weil.

Interested in joining? Then make sure to listen to the announcements for when to audition, or speak to Enya Weil.



Drink of the month

Peace (Iced) Tea is famous for the huge cans they come in. Peace Tea has recently started becoming popular because it offers longer lasting refreshment. It comes in seven different flavors, so you're sure to find the kind you like. The choices most people make are cherry or sno-berry.

Coming in hot

Formula One season starts back up this month on March 2nd at 11am for the Bahrain grand prix. Formula One is a motorsport in which different teams like Ferrari, Red Bull and Mercedes will compete to try and win the race itself and earn points for their team. Who will you be rooting for? This year, most of the teams have opted to choose black to accent their cars, especially McLaren who did a whole revamp of their brand. The sport started getting increased attention in 2022 and has been gaining more viewers every year.



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Blooming

As spring approaches, flowers are popping up in most social media posts. Whether it be in a vase or someone holding them, they are visible. If you want to post a few cute photos for spring, but don't know what poses to do, do not worry. The first pose is holding them in front of the lower half of your face, or to make it look like you are smelling them. Another pose is turning your back to the camera and holding the flowers like a baby. Have the flowers just poking out of your arms, so the camera can see them. There is also the classic mirror picture that you can incorporate your bouquet into. Just hold your bouquet of flowers over your chest area or waist in front of a mirror.

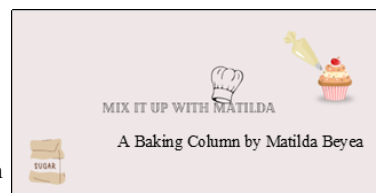


"Musta Been a Ghost" by Próxima Parada

"(Youe Cat) Don't Stand a Chance" by Mustard Service

"bloom" by Necry Talkie

With a little bit of luck and lots of effort you can make these Lucky Charms cookies for good old Saint Patrick's Day. Make 20 of these cookies for a party with your friends, or even a little get together, you will most likely find yourself at the end of a rainbow after the first bite. To spruce up the idea, add green food colouring to the batter and pick out the green marshmallows in the sugary cereal.



To start this, you'll need to line a baking sheet with parchment paper and preheat to 350 Fahrenheit.

Step 1: Combine the butter and both sugars until light and fluffy in a large bowl. A hand mixer or a standard mixer is recommended for this step but mixing regularly works fine.

Step 2: Add the egg and vanilla extract to the mixture and combine once more.

Step 3: Start to stir in the dry ingredients and mix until a dough begins to form. At this point add the green dye if you want. Now is also the time you should add in the marshmallows. Before you move on you could take an extra step and add white chocolate chips.

Step 4: You can choose how you want to shape your cookies, but it's recommended you take a spoon and make a ball of dough like that. Place the cookies on the baking sheet 3-4 inches apart. You will want to bake the cookies for 10 minutes to get that crispy edge. Let them sit out for a bit before trying but then enjoy!

Ingredients:

- ¾ cup butter, softened
- ½ cup granulated sugar
- ½ cup light brown sugar
- 1 egg
- 1 tablespoon vanilla extract
- ¾ teaspoon salt
- ¾ teaspoon baking soda
- 2 cup +2 tablespoon all-purpose flour
- 1 cup Lucky Charms marshmallows

- "Mammal Talk" by Prince of Eden
- "Sayonara Bye Bye" by Matsuko Mawatari
- "Right Side of My Neck" by Faye Webster
- "Call It Fate, Call It Karma" by The Strokes
- "Take Me by the Hand" by Flamingos in the Tree
- "Honey" by Vacations
- "Telescope" by Cage the Elephant
- "The Adults Are Talking" by The Strokes

Scan the code below or search "riley :)" on Spotify to listen to the playlist!



- "Cupid De Locke – Remastered 2012" by The Smashing Pumpkins
- "Lo on the Hi-Way" by Jordana, TV Girl
- "Me and Julio Down by the Schoolyard" by Paul Simon
- "Birds Don't Sing" by TV Girl
- "Harness Your Hopes – B side" by Pavement
- "End of Beginning" by Djo
- "Sunday" by The Cranberries
- "Late Night Drive" by Mustard Service
- "Possum Queen" by Rainbow Kitten Surprise