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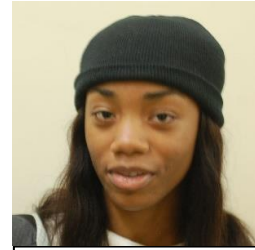
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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2 Hanukkah Begins	3 A-Day Breakfast: Cereal Lunch: Pizza Popcorn chicken School Activities: Basketball -G/JV Basketball-B/fres Bowling-V Basketball-G/V	4 B-Day Breakfast: Cereal Grape filled Crescent roll Lunch: Pizza Grilled Cheese School Activities: Basketball-B/JV Bowling-V Basketball-B/Varsity	5 C-Day Breakfast: Egg & Cheese Lunch: Pizza Southwest Salad School Activities: Basketball-G/JV Basketball-G/V	6 D-Day Breakfast: Pancakes Lunch: Beef Chill Chicken Wrap	7 A-Day Breakfast: French toast Lunch: Soy Butter & Jelly School Activities: Basketball-B/JV Basketball-B/V	8
9	10 B-Day Breakfast: Apple Bar Lunch: Cobb Salad Chicken Nuggets Hanukkah Ends School Activities: Basketball-G/V Bowling-V	11 C-Day Breakfast: Feudal cherry Lunch: Pizza Meatloaf Cheeseburger School Activities: Basketball-B/JV Bowling-V Basketball-B/Varsity	12 D-Day Breakfast: Beef Sausage Sandwich Lunch: Grilled Chicken Wrap Italian Chicken Salad School Activities: Basketball-G/JV Basketball-B/Fres Basketball-G/V	13 A-Day Breakfast: Cheese Stuffed Sandwich Lunch: Southwest Salad Pizza	14 B-Day Breakfast: Cinnamon Round Lunch: BBQ Chicken Salad Pizza School Activities: Basketball-G/JV Basketball-B/JV Basketball-G/V	15
16	17 C-Day Breakfast: Apple Benefit Bar Lunch: Buffalo Chicken Salad Popcorn Chicken School Activities: Basketball-G/JV Basketball-B/fres Bowling-V	18 D-Day Breakfast: Sausage & Cheese pita Lunch: Cobb Salad Hamburger Pizza School Activities: Basketball-B/JV Bowling-V Basketball-B/Varsity	19 A-Day Breakfast: Egg & Cheese Sandwich Lunch: Pizza American sub School Activities: Basketball-B/Fresh Basketball-G/JV Basketball-G/V	20 B-Day Breakfast: Southwest Breakfast Slider Lunch: BBQ Chicken Soft Tacos School Activities: Basketball-B/Fresh Basketball-B/JV Basketball-B/V	21 No School	22
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December Monthly Horoscope



Aries (March 21- April 19)

Learn how to control your anger and come together as one to have a peaceful time with others.

Taurus (April 20- May 20)

Someone new is about to enter your life. Don't push too hard or you may bring out their fierce side—take your time and get to know them.

Gemini (May 21- June 20)

Don't let others make you feel as if you're the bad guy and don't let those same people provoke you to make you upset. Stay true to yourself...you know what's right for you.

Cancer (June 21-July 22)

Don't have an outburst or tantrum if you get upset. Don't let anyone under your skin and ignore the bad situation when it happens.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22)

The holiday season is a crazy time so stay calm and collected, and have a whole lot of self-control, before you speak.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

Your calm and even-temper will make others feel that you don't enjoy their company. Go out of your way to show others how you feel about them.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

It's just not working out. Better to lose that certain someone before the gift-giving season to save money.

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

Try to let go of that grudge and have fun this holiday season.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

While they are correct, keep your thoughts and opinions to yourself this year to ensure a peaceful holiday gathering.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

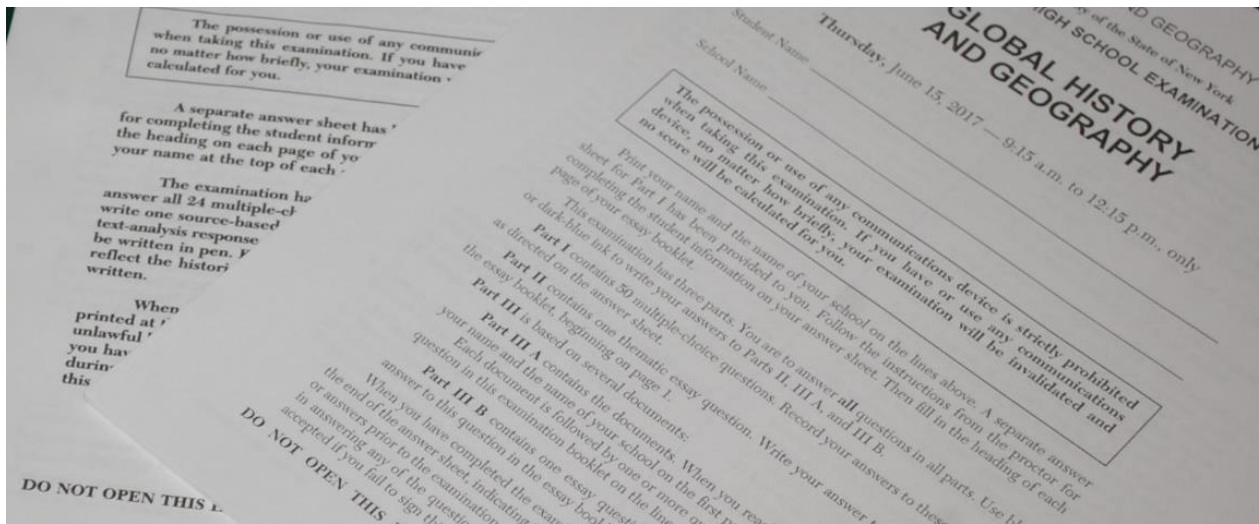
After letting your grades go, take time this break to catch-up on your missing assignments. The marking period will be here before you know it when you get back.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

It's time to forgive old grudges to start a fresh new year.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20)

You probably won't get what you wanted this year. Put on a brave face and act like you're not disappointed.



Getting Ahead of the Game



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Tutoring is available to students that are planning to take NYS Regents exams this January.

There will be regents make-ups for those who have previously failed a NYS Regents exam as well as for any students who are required by their class to take it.

Every Tuesday and Wednesday, from 2:30 to 3:30, there is tutoring in the subjects of Science, Math, Social Studies and English in room 24.

This December, the schedule is as follows:

- Tues Dec 4: Science, Math and Social Studies (Post, Shepard, Scott)
- Thurs. Dec 6: Science and English (Sicienski, Whelen, Monk-George)
- Tues Dec 11: Science and Social Studies (Schofield, Post, Rice)
- Thurs Dec 13: Science, English, and Math (Sicienski, Whelen, Shepard, Monk-George)
- Tues Dec 18: Social Studies and English (Schofield, Scott, Rice)

Right now here many tutoring slots open because the sessions are not widely attended.

This is a good opportunity to get one-on-one attention from teachers to get a better understanding of what is needed for each exam.

There are many different teachers so you can get different perspectives on the subject. If you don't get what one of the teachers is explaining, there is always at least two more to choose from.

Room 24 is also a chill spot for you to study if you are not in need of tutoring. It is a quiet place with computers available.

If you're planning to take a Regents in January, sign-up for tutoring. The extra help and preparation would be very beneficial to you in passing these tests and completing steps needed to graduate.



Winter Concert

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It's that special time of the year, when winter concerts bring cheer.

Mrs. Johnson, Music Teacher here at Wilson Magnet High School, is organizing a spectacular Winter Concert.

The concert is Thursday, December 13th, during third period and later that night after Parent/Teacher Conferences in the auditorium.

There will be traditional songs and fun songs for the concert. Johnson picked three songs: Grandma Got Ran Over

By a Reindeer, Chanel Noel and Canon in D.

Jason Cavo, James Robertson, Lal Sang, Hassan Abdi, Margret Kashindi and Diamond Robinson will be playing the violin.

Dwayne Holmes, Trinity Prince, and Kuah Sullivan will be playing the viola.

Last but not least, Karena Thomas will be playing the cello.

The students will be wearing formal clothes and will be dressed all in black.

The auditorium will be decorated with Christmas decorations.

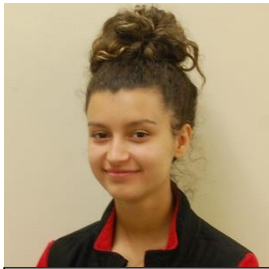
Johnson's favorite thing about the winter concert is working with the kids and making music.

The students worked really hard to put on the show so don't miss out on the winter concert and don't forget to bring your Christmas spirit.



An Instant Party

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Ms. Railey, English Teacher here at Joseph C. Wilson High School has a huge family.

She has a total of six kids, making one big family.

She loves her kids and they are a pretty tight and close happy family. Though they may be apart at times, it's always a party when they come together for birthdays and holidays.

Her kids, from oldest to youngest, are 27 year old Nadyne, that is married with two kids; 26-year-old Sophia; 23-year-old Pierson; 18-year-old Jameson; and the two 12-year-old identical twins Alina and Bella.

She did not expect to have so many kids—she thought she would have just four. The twins were a surprise that Railey did not know she was having until her doctor saw them in a sonogram.

She was shocked and screamed in excitement when she found out she was having twins instead of one baby. She says, “Having twins is special,” and that they’re, “surprisingly they are very similar.”

Railey states, “There is never a dull moment with all the kids.”

Her family is very close and, in fact, she isn't the only person in her family to have so many kids. Her mother also had eleven so her side of the family tree is larger than average.

Having such a big family kept her busy. All her girls did ballet, Jameson played soccer and Pierson did crew (also known as rowing.)

She enjoys watching her kids grow and the joy that comes with it for her passion and love for kids.

Since her oldest kids don't all live together in the same state, they go out of town to visit each other often. She loves having older kids that she can go on vacation with and go out with.

She also adds that when they get together, “we make our own party.” When they get together her kids bring their girlfriends and boyfriends and, since there are so many kids, there is no need to invite others.

She loves her big family, enjoys the company, and her passion is for the kids that she loves and adores.



I Got You All In Check



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Every Monday Wilson students are thinking hard and making moves as a part of the schools chess team.

The game of chess is challenging and thrilling, the objective is to check mate your opponent.

There are many advantages to playing chess. For players, this game has shown to enhance analytical and critical thinking.

Wilson's chess club meets every Monday afternoon at 3:30 in room 319. Mr. Mueller, Wilson High School science teacher and chess team coach, has supervised the team for the past eighteen years.

During this time, the chess team has had some major accomplishments including winning five championships.

Wilson's club was home to the second ranked player in all of New York State before graduating in 2017.

This season's chess team is very diverse including 14 boys and girls ranging from beginners to advanced.

You do not have to be experienced to join—any and all are welcomed to stop by and play, or learn to play, chess.

There are no try outs for Wilson's team and anyone and can join at any time.

Chess is a great way for students to improve their strategic skills and develop sportsmanship.

Results from Wilson's previous games and championships can be viewed at nychess.org.

Your move!



A Gift from the Heart

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Instead of rushing out, trying to time a Christmas sale, why not make a gift for that special someone that is less expensive but more personal? Do-It-Yourself Christmas presents are on the rise.

Investopedia.com says it is expected for the average American to spend about \$900 on Christmas this year. These expenses include gifts, decorations, food and maybe even flights.

Christmas is the most expensive American holiday, but it's as expensive as people make it. If no one really wanted to show appreciation, or love, for others then people wouldn't even care about Christmas. It definitely wouldn't run people up thousands of dollars a year.

So to reduce the costs, and up the quality, people have decided to make homemade gifts for loved ones during the holidays.

"It's like giving a piece of myself to others," says Mrs. Wilmarth, a speech therapist at Wilson High School. Wilmarth is forever crocheting gifts that she sells at holiday craft shows.

Homemade gifts are becoming more popular because it can be less expensive and it is more personalized for the gift recipient.

Websites like WeHeartIt and Pinterest are goldmines because they have thousands of ideas for DIYs for all the holidays.

Also, doing a DIY instead of buying a traditional gift shows more creativity and thoughtfulness to the gift recipient. Homemade gifts are more sentimental.

It can be hard and confusing to try to get all of your loved ones the "perfect gift." When people create their own gifts, it helps them show love, quality and appreciation without feeling like they have to spend excessive amounts of money. Homemade gifts tend to be more personal and, depending on what you make, it can show time and effort which ultimately gives the gift more value.

Some of the downsides of making a homemade gift is that some people might want something specific or want something from a certain store...so a homemade gift may not work for them.

Also, since Black Friday has been around, buying gifts at a lower price is more feasible. With that being said, not everything will go on sale during Black Friday and certain stores may have limited stock online or in store, putting pressure on some people.

Stores are estimated to earn more than 1 trillion dollars in holiday sales this year.

Let's not buy into the commercialism of Christmas. Why not go out and make your own gift!