



# Falcon Flyer

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## The Bates Experience is better with friends



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I've gone to Arasapha Farms in Glen Mills twice this season, and the lines have been reasonable, and I've really enjoyed myself. Both times, I've gone with friends, and I would highly recommend that. All of the scariest parts seem much less scary with a friend to face them with you. I'm going to

talk about those times, and recommend some things so that you get the best experience! Don't worry- I'll make sure not to spoil any spooky surprises!

On my first visit, I rode the Haunted Hayride, did the Field Of Screams, and went through the Bates Motel itself. First, we rode the hayride. It was my first time on it, and I loved it! You get to witness all of the scares while feeling like the actors can't *really* get to you, and it has the coolest effects of the three by far. Plus, being scared from behind, or having an actor jump on the side of the cart is so spooky and startling! The only thing is that the hay was a bit wet because it had just finished raining. Fair warning- the hay will stick to your pants! I do think that this is the most detailed and interesting visually, but the one that scares you the least.

Next up was the Field Of Screams, and that was so much fun! One of my friends clung onto my arm the whole way through, and I won't spoil it for anybody, but there were some really good jump scares! The actors are so professional, and the outfits/makeup are always on point. The structures you walk through are so well designed, and they contribute to the scare. I would advise wearing old shoes if it's at all wet out because the trail does get pretty muddy. Also, choose where you want to stand carefully. Depending on your place in your group, some actors can pop up!



Lastly, we went to the Bates Motel, which is my favorite. It was very creepy, but it was even more fun! I think that one is the scariest, because it's in an enclosed space, and you can't run away. It also makes for great jumpscars and some very cool rooms. The one note that I have is that if you dislike enclosed spaces, the Motel may not be for you. Also, there are some fog effects, so you should know that going in. If I had to pick the creepiest of the three, I would say that it would be the Motel. That's because it feels less like you can get away, and the actors are a lot closer.



I would absolutely recommend going to Arasapha Farms. Some tips I would give would be to wear older shoes and to get there earlier in the night. All of the attractions are great at any

time, but if you want the Arasapha Farms nighttime experience, go through the Motel first to avoid some of the worst of the lines. Also, if you're scared about going, recruit some friends for moral support! Plus, the first time you go is always the scariest, because the anticipation is usually worse than the scares themselves. If someone who hates all things horror (myself) can overcome their fear and want to go back to Bates Motel year after year, then you can too! Happy hayriding!



If you are looking for more Arasapha Farms adventures, check out the Escape Rooms in West Chester and the upcoming Arasapha Farms Holiday Hayrides and Tree Farm in Glen Mills. [Click here for the website!](#)



# GROUP costume Ideas

Written by Gabrielle Campbell & Alkistis Pistou, 7th grade

## Duos:

### Thing 1 & Thing 2

Materials: For Thing 1 and Thing 2 you will need -

2 red shirts

2 red pants

Get two blue wigs or hats to represent the blue hair

**DIY:** Get two pieces of paper and cut both into circles. In large print, write the number 1 on the first circle and the number two on the second. Get tape or fabric glue and apply to the back of the paper circles. Lastly, put one on each shirt and you are done!



## Trios:

### The chipmunks from Alvin and the Chipmunks

Materials:

For Alvin- Get a red sweater and a red baseball cap

**DIY:** This is the part where you will need two of the letter A to stick on the cap and sweatshirt. You could do this many different ways but we recommend the following:

You could print out the letter A and glue or tape it on to the sweatshirt and cap OR

You could find letter stickers of the letter A to stick on the clothing

For Simon- Get a blue sweatshirt and fake glasses ( or real ones if you already wear them )

For Theodore- All you need is a green sweatshirt

## Squad (4 people)

### Mean girls

Materials:

For Cady-

- Plaid, button-up, long sleeve shirt
- Long, dark-brown pants
- Black, ankle high boots

For Regina-

- White tank top
- Light pink skirt
- Light pink cardigan

For Karen-

- Pink long sleeved shirt
- Pink jean skirt

For Gretchen:

- Pink long sleeve shirt ( roll the sleeves to elbow length )
- Brown plaid skirt



## More than 4 people!

**M&Ms** Materials: You will need seven shirts in total for the different colored skittles. You will need a red, orange, yellow, green, blue, purple, and brown shirt (long or short sleeved ). Then you will need seven of the letter M ( white ) to put on each shirt.

# Stetson votes on favorite Halloween candy

*By Madelyn Crawford and Avery Debessay, Sixth Grade*

The Falcon Flyer conducted a short candy survey, and participants from all grades and staff filled it out. The final results are below:

The top types of candies were chocolate, sour, and gummy candies. Chocolate had an estimate of 106 votes, sour had about 59 votes, and gummy had 42 votes.

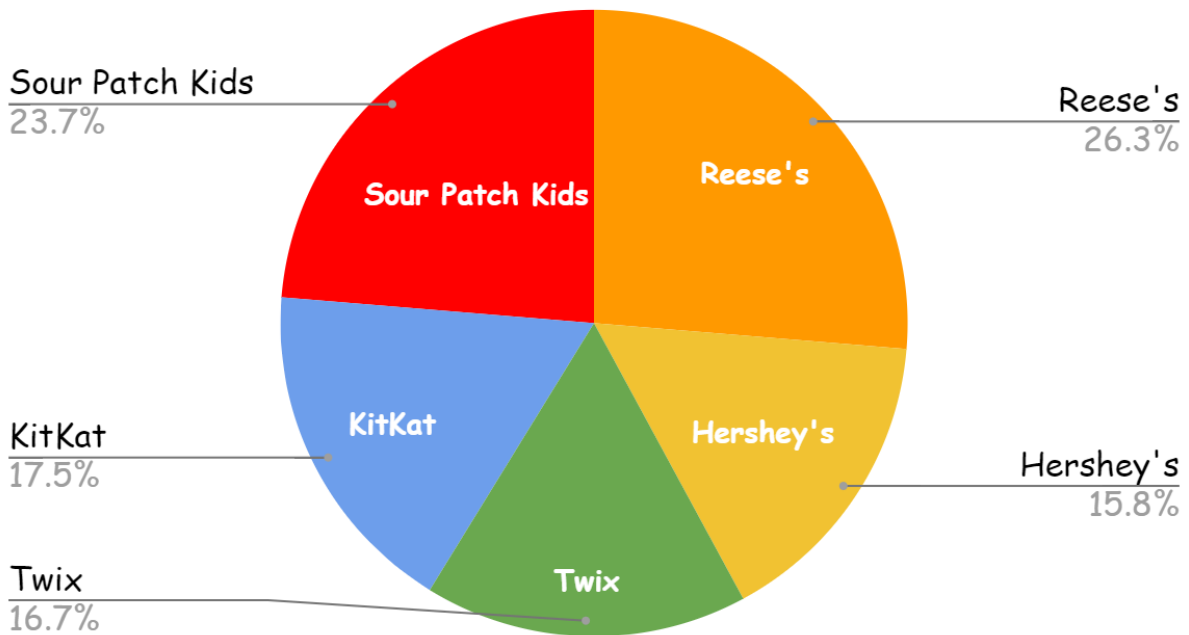
Overall we received over 240 votes!

- ❖ The top 5 specific types of candy are the following:
- ❖ In fifth place is Hershey's chocolate with 18 votes.
- ❖ In fourth place is Twix with 19 votes.
- ❖ The third place spot belongs to KitKats with 21 votes.
- ❖ The second place spot is for Sour Patch Kids with 27 votes.
- ❖ And now, the moment you've all been waiting for. **In first place is... Reese's with 30+ votes!**



A graph of the data is shown below.

Count



Thank you to all who voted. We really appreciate your time and opinions!

*Do you have a few extra minutes - print page 6 and do the MyPrintablePuzzles crossword puzzle!*

### Halloween

Across	Down
1 A bunch of bones	1 Frightening
3 Where vampires sleep	2 Marks a grave
4 Can be carved into a Jack-o-lantern	3 What children get on Halloween
6 Worm to cover your face	5 Drinks blood
8 Egyptian monster	7 Famous vampire from Transylvania
9 Comes out during a full moon	9 Woman with magic and a pointed hat
14 "Trick or _____"	10 _____ house: A spooky place
15 The last day of October	11 Halloween month
17 Place full of graves	12 Flying, nocturnal mammal
18 Makes cobwebs	13 Walking corpse
19 A spiff, back from the dead	16 A witch's ride

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# Halloween Movies for a Spooky Night

By Olivia Ward, Piper Goodwin, and Olivia Huang, Eighth Grade

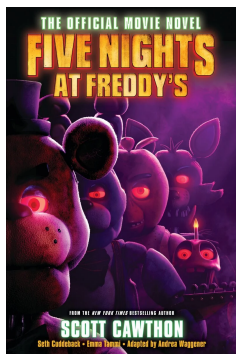
## Coming Soon:

- Monster High 2 (Live Action)
- Five Nights at Freddy's
- Hocus Pocus 3
  - Beetlejuice 2



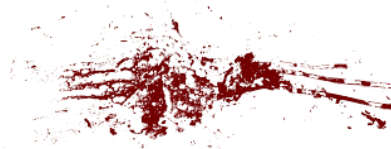
## Summary: *Five Nights at Freddy's*

*Five Nights at Freddy's* is a supernatural horror film based on the terrifying horror game series. This movie follows the story of Mike and his ten-year-old sister who are still puzzled and horrified over their youngest brother's sudden disappearance. When Mike was fired, he soon became desperate for a job, he took on the job of a night security at the abandoned restaurant Five Nights At Freddy's. He soon finds out that something abnormal happens at night. When he gets the help of Vanessa who is a police officer the abnormal things increase.



## New Movies:

- Insidious
- Haunted Mansion
- Hubie Halloween
- M3gan
- Smile
- Hocus Pocus 2



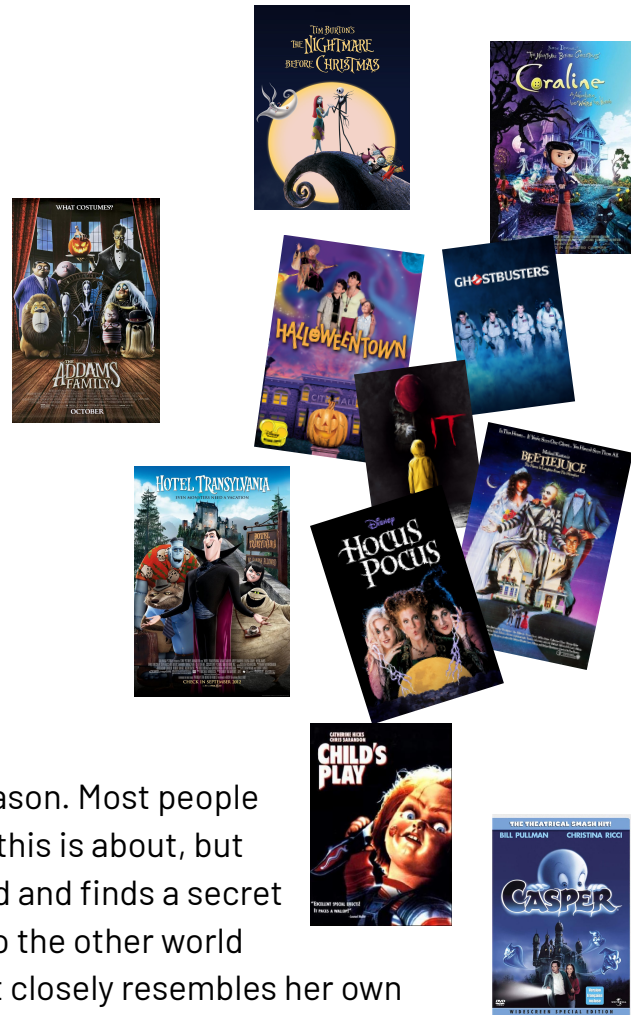
## Summary: *Hocus Pocus 2*

You should watch *Hocus Pocus 2* since it is an overall great movie to watch during Halloween. If you wanted a sneak peek of what it was about, then read more here. *Hocus Pocus 2* is about three young women who accidentally bring back the well-known Sanderson Sisters. They bring them back to modern day Salem. As the Sanderson Sisters are hungry for children, the three women must figure out a way to prevent the witches from wreaking havoc onto the world. If you hadn't watched *Hocus Pocus*, then you should start watching the first one, so it all makes sense. I hope you all watch this festive movie and enjoy it.



## Older Movies:

- Coraline
- Halloween Town
- The Nightmare Before Christmas
- Hocus Pocus
- The Addams Family 1 & 2
- Beetlejuice
- Ghostbusters
- Casper
- Hotel Transylvania
- Chucky
- It



## Summary: *Coraline*

*Coraline* is a classic movie to watch for Halloween season. Most people have already watched this movie, so they know what this is about, but it's okay if you hadn't. Coraline is a girl who just moved and finds a secret trap door. The movie mainly focuses on her journey to the other world behind it. Behind the door lies an alternate world that closely resembles her own world, but seems better in many ways. She favors this dimension until her other mother and the rest of her parallel family try to keep her there forever. Coraline must use all her resources and find the bravery and courage in her heart to escape that world. She needs to break free from her 'perfect' family behind the secret door to go back to her own family and life. I hope you decide to watch this classic movie.





## TV Shows:

- Wednesday
- I Woke Up a Vampire
- Dahmer
- The originals
- Vampire Diaries
- Twilight



### Summary: *Wednesday*

*Wednesday* is a fantastic TV series. You can watch *Wednesday* with a subscription to Netflix. This show is a spinoff of the famous *Addams Family* movies. But mainly focused on, well you can probably guess *Wednesday*! This show came out in November of 2022. This show tells us about the days of Wednesday going to school at Nevermore Academy. She ends up with a roommate with a complete opposite aesthetic compared to her, which adds some fun components to the show. We're not sure when the next season is going to come out, but it is confirmed! The writers of the show confirmed this back in January of this year.

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## Ultimately Rewatchable -

## Hidden details behind *Coraline* the movie

By Danielle Grisillo, Eighth Grade

While the *Coraline* movie from 2009, based on the 2002 book *Coraline* by Neil Gaimen, is now 14-years-old, there is still plenty of rewatchability. In fact, many people notice new things everytime they watch this movie. This isn't just because it's such a good story, even though it is.

The major reason why people rewatch it is because the film director and writer Henry Selick said that every small detail was done with intent. Not one thing was just random. So many fans have searched and found many hidden details, and this article has compiled a bundle of these hidden details.



- ★ Once Coraline has entered the Other World, she enjoys a meal with her Other Mother and Other Father. There she receives a cake with the words “Welcome Home” on it. But there is a double loop on the “O” home. This is symbolism for when something is false; so the cake was saying that she was welcome, but she was not home.
- ★ In the same scene, a flash of lighting strikes in the background. It creates a shape appearing as the hand of the Other Mother, also known as the Beldam, another term for witch.
- ★ In the dining room, there are three photos of children’s silhouettes. These silhouettes match up with the other three victims of the Other Mother.
- ★ In the room with the tiny door to the Other World, there are tiny bugs printed on the wallpaper. In the same room, the windows are reminiscent of bugs. The sewing machine at the start of the movie has beetles on it, and this is the same print as the wall paper.
- ★ On the back of the moving truck at the start of the movie, there is some graffiti that states “Stop Mo Rules” which is a reference to how the movie was created using stop motion.
- ★ On a dollar bill shown in a shot of the movie, rather than having George Washington on the bill, the face depicts the director of the movie Henry Selick.



★ The Other Father wears slippers that resemble the monkey from the 2001 film “Monkey Bone” which was another movie Henry Selick directed.

★ At the dinner table in the Other World, both Coraline and the Other Father were eating food, but the Other Mother’s plate was empty throughout the whole scene. This can be seen as foreshadowing for when we find the Other Mother is actually evil and traps the children to kill them.

★ By using color theory and psychology tricks, the Other World is designed to feel bigger, happier, and more comfortable than the real world. Following this, a lot of the

placement, positioning, and actions are parallel for the first time we see them in both worlds.

# The Scarecrow

*An original story by Madelyn Crawford, Sixth Grade*

A long time ago on Chestnut Lane there was a farm called Oak Creek Ranch. On that very Ranch there was a house. In that very house lived the Shepard's. Betty and John lived with their Grandchild Madison. They all lived a simple life, farming and tending to the animals.

Madison loved to explore the old Ranch, however her Grandparents told her never go into the cornfield, for she could not be seen or heard. One evening John put up a scarecrow in the center of the cornfield to scare away pests. Madison could see the scarecrow through her window as it gleamed at her with a mischievous grin through the dark shadows of the moon light night.



The next morning when Madison awoke she noticed that the scarecrow was now not in the same spot. Instead it was closer to the house. The next couple days

Madison noticed the scarecrow getting closer and closer to the house. She finally realized that it was now by the front door.

Finally she awoke to notice hay scattered along the house. That night she closed her curtain, locked her bedroom door and read her favorite book. Come dawn she was awoken frightfully, by a loud creak of her door. She slowly opened her eyes and saw a rotten and straw face staring back with a devilish grin. Now next time you see a scarecrow, look in its eyes, and you may see the sad, terrified face of Madison Shepard.

# ABC-SCREAMS!

*Poem and Photography by Madelyn Crawford, Sixth Grade*



**A** is for Apple!  
**B** is for Bats!  
**C** is for Caldron!  
**D** is for the Devil!  
**E** is for Eyeball!  
**F** is for Frankenstein!  
**G** is for Ghost!  
**H** Is for Haunted House!  
**I** is for Insects!  
**J** is for Jack-O-Lantern !  
**K** is for Kooky!

**L** is for Leaves Falling!  
**M** is for Monster!  
**N** is for Night!  
**O** is for October 31st!  
**P** is for Potion!  
**Q** is for Quiver!  
**R** is for Run!  
**S** is for Snakes!  
**T** is for Trick Or Treat!  
**U** is for UnDead!  
**V** is for Vampire!  
**W** is for Witch!  
**X** is for Excited!  
**Y** is for Yelling!  
**Z** is for "ZAP!"



Now you know your ABC-Screams . . . Next time won't you **SCREAM** with me!

*The Eagle's Top 10 Plays, Best Players,*



*and Scores! By Harrison Ko 6th Grade*

*The Eagles started out with some amazing plays this season. There were many great players and they received some amazing scores! So let's get into it!*

***Let's review the top 10 this season (as of October 22, 2023):***

- 1. Darius Slay Jr intercepted the ball from the New England Patriots and ran 70 yards to the endzone!*
- 2. Jake Elliot made a 61 yard field goal against the Minnesota Vikings!*
- 3. DeVonta Smith caught the ball from Jalen Hurts, 63 yards away while having a Viking player on him!*
- 4. Britain Covey got a return of 60 yards against the Tampa Bay Buccaneers!*
- 5. Olamide Zaccheaus caught the ball, 40 yards away scoring the touchdown!*
- 6. A.J Brown got a 59 yard touchdown during the 3rd quarter of the game against the Tampa Bay Buccaneers!*
- 7. Jake Elliot made a 54 yard field goal during overtime, bringing his team to victory against the Tampa Bay Buccaneers!*
- 8. A.J Brown made a 60 yard catch against the Miami Dolphins.*
- 9. Jalen Hurts and the rest of the team, did a lot of great plays during 4th down, such as the famous "brotherly shove."*
- 10. Dallas Goddert caught the ball and ran 30 yards vs the Miami Dolphins!*

***These are the top 10 plays of the season so far.***

*Here are some of the best players on the Eagles:*

- ★ ***Jalen Hurts:*** *Jalen Hurts has been with the Eagles as quarterback for three years. He made seven touchdowns and ran for 1821 yards!*
- ★ ***D'Andre Swift:*** *D'Andre Swift is a new player for the Eagles! He was traded to the Eagles back in April from the Lions. He has a total of two touchdowns this season and ran 514 yards.*
- ★ ***A.J Brown:*** *A.J Brown has been with the Eagles for two years. He has made three touchdowns and ran 809 yards this year.*
- ★ ***Jason Kelce:*** *Jason Kelce has been with the Eagles for twelve years. He ran the forty yard dash in record time for the offensive linebackers. He is the center for the Eagles.*
- ★ ***Jake Elliot:*** *Jake Elliot has been with the Eagles for seven years. He has made 17 field goals so far this season!*

***Scores:***

*Eagles 25 - Patriots 20*

*Eagles 34 - Vikings 28*

*Eagles 27 - Buccaneers 11*

*Eagles 34 - Commanders 31*

*Eagles 23- Rams 14*

*Eagles 14 - 20 Jets*

*Eagles 31- 17 Dolphins*

***Fun Fact:***

1. *Before the Philadelphia football team was called the Eagles, their name was the Frankford Yellow Jackets.*
2. *In the game vs the Miami Dolphins the Eagle were wearing the old kelly green colored jerseys.*

***Go Birds!!***

# Excellent performances show that Stetson's REALLY Got Talent

Article and photos by Jettison Flynn, Eighth Grade



The Stetson's Got Talent show on Oct. 18 was a great experience for performers and audience alike! The talent was extreme, and the judges brought a great touch of comedy to the show. There were also concessions offered right outside the Auditorium, and the stage production was flawless. The audience really got in on the action, too. In fact, multiple times the crowd started waving their hands or using their phone flashlights, just like a stadium concert.

## Acts of the Show

1. Timbre Moriarty - "Let It Go," piano. One of the best piano performances I have ever heard. Even though there were no lyrics, it was played so well I could hear it in my head.
2. Pavlo Vasiutin - Magic. Pavlo put on a magic show for the crowd. His coolest trick was definitely when he made a ball disappear right on stage. It was a true masterpiece of a performance.
3. Matilda Senn - "Cry Baby." Matilda sang "Cry Baby" by Melanie Martinez. After making a return to the stage I can personally say it was the best performance of the song I have ever seen. Great job, Matilda!
4. Olivia Ward - "Vampire" dance. Olivia danced to "Vampire" by Olivia Rodrigo. It was a breathtaking performance and one of the best dances I have ever seen. It was definitely a top performance of the night.
5. Mark Yarrison - "Fly Me to the Moon." Mark sang a rendition of "Fly Me To The Moon" by Frank Sinatra, a true classic by an iconically classic artist. Mark's performance was breathtaking, and he did a great job embodying the sound of Sinatra. Great job Mark!
6. Grant Scanlon - guitar. Grant played an electric guitar solo. You could definitely tell during this performance how much practice along with talent was involved in his performance. He showed an amazing demonstration of the power of this instrument, with an incredible ending, also.
7. Katerina Marcantonis - "My Grand Plan" from *Waitress*. Kat sang a true masterpiece of a song called "My Grand Plan." You could really tell the practice that went into this impressive performance. It was definitely in my Hall of Fame for the night.
8. Emma Rosenfield - Singing and piano, "Like My Father." Emma played "Like my Father" by Jax, a great song, but you know what was greater? Her performance of this song, from the piano to the vocals, was a home

run. Great job, Emma!

9. Ara and Zuri - Soulja Boy dance. Ara and Zuri performed a dance inspired by Soulja Boy. It was a great walkthrough of all of the moves and an excellent performance by the dancers. Way to go, Ara and Zuri!

10. Mia Farnese - "My Heart Will Go On." Mia sang "My Heart Will Go On," a breathtaking song about dealing with life even during your hardest moments. After her performance, there was a great crowd reaction with everyone swinging their arms and using phone flashlights. Great job, Mia!

11. Anika Kulkarni - "Daku." Anika sang Daku. This is a heartfelt song that covers many genres of music. It was a very good rendition and definitely introduced many to a new Punjabi song.

12. James Yoch - *Hamilton* opening. James sang the very popular opening song to the Hamilton musical conveniently also titled "Hamilton." It was a great performance of the song and really brought in the crowd's attention.

13. Malena Kamara - "Favorite Crime." Malena sang her rendition of Olivia Rodrigo's "Favorite Crime." It was a stand up performance of the song, and by the end the audience could not stop singing. Great job, Malena!

14. Eleni - "When He Sees Me." Eleni sang an emotional love song titled "When He Sees Me," from the musical *Waitress*. She did a great job captivating the emotion in this song.

15. Maggie Perritt - Original Song. Maggie did something breathtaking with this performance. She wrote her own song, which was impressive on its own. The lyrics of this masterpiece flew right off of the page, as Maggie tore through this song. Fantastic job, Maggie!

16. Ella Levasseur and Katerina Marcantonis - "I Guess I Miss You." Our first and only duo act of the night was with Kat and Ella, with Kat returning for the second time in the show. They sang "I Guess I Miss You" from the *SpongeBob Squarepants Musical*, and it was a home run performance. Great job to you both!

## Awards

1st place, Grant Scanlon



2nd place, Olivia Ward



3rd place, Maggie Perritt





# School Musical Reveal

*By Maiya Wilhelmson, Eighth Grade*

As extracurricular activities are announced, many students excitedly await the announcement of the Stetson Drama Club's yearly show. The show was revealed at approximately 8:25 PM, on Wednesday, the 18th of October during the Stetson's Got Talent showcase. After many anxious hours of awaiting this show, I am happy to announce that the yearly show will be...

## **Mary Poppins!**

Take a trip down memory lane with this old-timey classic show: Mary Poppins! It's sure to be quite a spoonful of sugar, with the audition date of December 14.

**More updates on this show are soon to be released.**



# Five Falcon Facts!

By Madelyn Crawford, Sixth Grade

1. The famous Mona Lisa has no eyebrows!
2. Halloween dates back to over 2,000 years ago! –
3. One of the most-played Halloween songs is: “Monster Mash”-Bobby Pickett
4. *Coraline*, a classic 2009 movie by Henry Selick, is actually a stop motion and took 18 months for the photography alone!
5. Apple, pumpkin, cinnamon, and maple are four of the many top fall flavors in drinks, food, candy and more!

**Thanks For Reading the Fall 2023 Falcon Flyer!**

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