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THE SMIC MIDDLESCHOOL NEWSLETTER



## INSIDE SCOOP

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Luna is a 7th grader at SMIC middle school who plays guitar and loves the art of music. She was asked a few questions and here's what she said: "My favorite thing about the winter holiday is that there's no school, and that there is no homework." If someone asked you what superpower you would want and why, Luna answered that she would like to have telekinesis. It means to be able to move things with her mind, kind of like Scarlet Witch. Over the New Year she made the resolution to keep her grades high, so that she can pass the SAT so she can get into a good school in the future. She celebrated the New Year by watching videos and movies while eating ice cream and staying up to 12:00. Remember if you want to be interview like Luna and give your input for all to see, just come and ask.

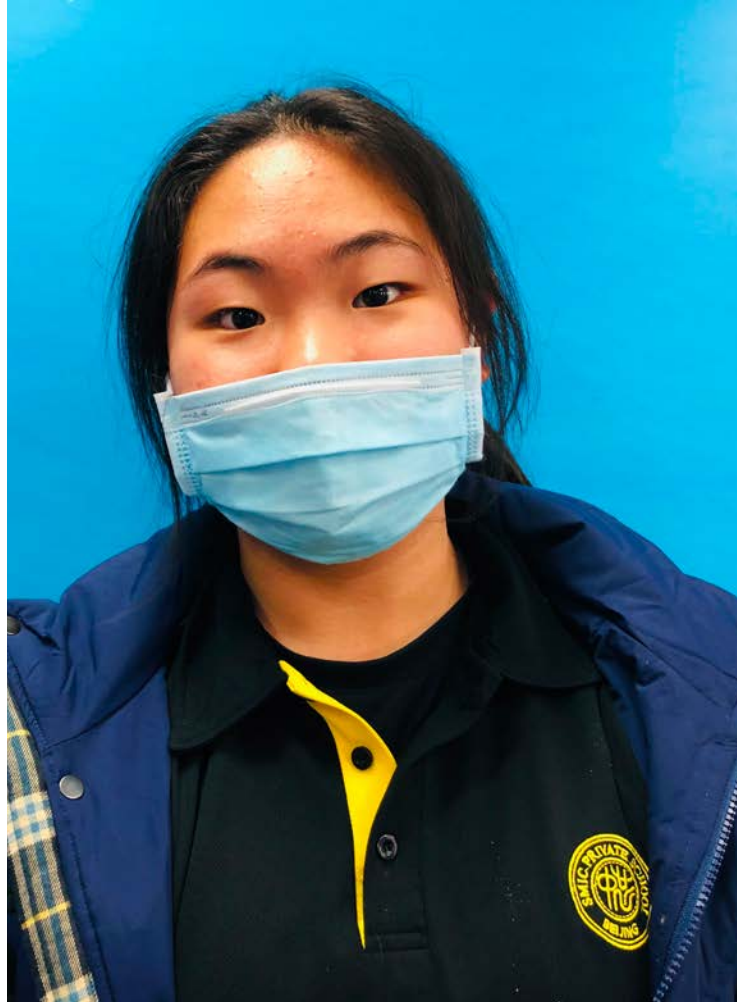




Elijah Yang is an 8th grader who loves photography, music, and debating. He was asked by a few questions. When asked about the winter holiday, he jump up and was really excited. "My favorite thing about the winter holiday is that there is no school, no school, and no homework. But it's likely that there is some homework, especially Chinese homework." Elijah then was asked, if, he could have any superpower, what would it be and why? He responded that he would like the power to learn anything very easily in only one second. This means that if he wants to play a new instrument or learn a new language, he would be a pro at it in a second. Elijah had some superb, shocking New Year resolutions. What were his plans? His plans were to stay single. He celebrated the New Year with an exciting event, sleeping.

Fairy, a helpful, 7th grade student was interviewed about some questions. When asked about the winter holiday, she turned a corner and flat out said that she didn't like the winter holiday and missed school. If Fairy could have any superpower, she would choose all superpowers ever. One superpower is called all superpowers and that way she would be able to do all things. For her New Year resolution, she will try to keep her grades up and to continue being a bright student. She celebrated the New Year by staying up till 12:00 and reading books!

New Year  
New Me!







## TEACHER MATTHEW - INSIDE SCOOP

**WRITTEN BY TIM WU**

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This week, we interviewed the beloved sage, the one and only, the handsome genius, Teacher Matthew. When asked some questions he answered with some interesting and some striking answers. "What's your favorite thing about the winter holidays?" and "If you could have any superpowers, what would it be and why?" Believe it or not, the answers were close to the same. Teacher Matthew loved being with Teacher Christina over the winter holiday. And if he could have any superpower, he would have the power to spend more time with Teacher Christina. Some other questions we asked were, "How did you celebrate the New Year?" and "Did you make any resolutions? If so, why?" We found it even more hilarious when he answered with a solemn tone, "I spent the New Year with Teacher Christina and my New Year resolution is to spend more time with Teacher Christina!" I think it's safe to say that Teacher Matthew and Teacher Christina will make a great and beautiful family with their soon to come child!

# CREATIVE WRITERS' CORNER

**WRITTEN BY TIM WU**

A magical place far, far away was called Barbie Dream Palace. There lived the two beautiful and beloved, sweet and respected princesses by the name of Michella and Linda. They were besties and were inseparable. They had a pet named Alalina. The pet was a hybrid between Keymon and Ducky. Michella has a house-sized closet full of dresses, accessories, crowns, and a lot of diamonds and jewelry. Linda on the other hand, was a princess from a poor country. How might she of got here, you may ask? The truth is, Linda's parents were Matea and Christopher. They sadly were in a different kingdom at the time ruling a different reality. Linda was too ashamed to go and ask her parents for stuff so she stayed with Michella. Michella and Linda both love and enjoy the art of racing. Together, they have gone to many bicycle races and have cheered each other on whole-heartedly. However, Linda feels distanced from Michella because of the invisible mug. The kingdom has a legend that there is an invisible mug that splits things apart. Linda believes that that's what happened to their friendship. To stop this calamity, she searched for the evil genius behind the whole operation.

First, Linda searched for signs of the mug in books and traced the line of the legendary mug back to a couple. The couple's names were Queen Chrystela and King Shayden. She researched some more and found out that these two individuals had magical powers that ruled the world before time. "What's 2 + 2?", someone asked from the town. Henrik the trusted advisor makes a sage remark with "5". After that remark, everyone left and went on with their business.

The next day, Linda and Michella went to the famous national 100th anniversary bicycle race. Even though their relationship was not on stable grounds, Linda tried her best to keep Michella safe. Suddenly, a dark cloud comes out of nowhere and it starts raining cats and dogs. Michella didn't bring the magical umbrella of Barbie Dream Palace and sadly suffered in the "meow meow meow" and the "bark bark bark". Linda threw her body over Michella in the hopes to block out some of the rain in order to make Michella get less cold. Michella walked out from the strong protection she was "oh so freely" being given. Linda felt depressed over the fact that Michella left her attempt to help her. The race was postponed for the following weekend. THE END

(Turns out that Michella wasn't cursed by anything. Linda actually had psychological issues. Michella was the psychiatrist. In the end, Linda was cured by her "issues". Alanlina had been a helpful dog the whole way along.)





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