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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
30	31				1 D-Day Breakfast: Ultimate Breakfast Round Lunch: Chicken Nuggets World Hijab Day School Activities: Boys F Basketball	2 School Activities: X-Cat Competition
3	4 A-Day Breakfast: Cinnabar Lunch: Popcorn Chicken Buffalo Chicken Wrap Black Lives Matter Week School Activities: X-Cat Work Day Boys & Girls JV & V Basketball V Bowling	5 B-Day Breakfast: Grape Filled Crescent Lunch: Turkey & Cheese Sandwich Black Lives Matter Week School Activities: Boys JV & V Basketball V Bowling	6 C-Day Breakfast: Egg & Cheese Sandwich Lunch: Chicken & Cheese Flatbread Chicken Nuggets Black Lives Matter Week School Activities: X-Cat Meeting Boys F Basketball	7 D-Day Breakfast: Pancakes Lunch: Chicken Chili Black Lives Matter Week School Activities: Girls JV & V Basketball	8 A-Day Breakfast: French Toast Crackers Lunch: Soft Tacos Buffalo Chicken Pizza Black Lives Matter Week School Activities: Boys JV & V Basketball	9 School Activities: X-Cat Team Meeting
10	11 B-Day Breakfast: Apple Benefit Bar Lunch: Chicken Nuggets School Activities: X-Cat Work Day Girls V Basketball	12 C-Day Breakfast: Assorted Whole Grain Cereal Lunch: Falafel Salad Italian Vegetable Salad School Activities: Bowling	13 D-Day Breakfast: Beef Sausage Sandwich Lunch: Grilled Chicken Wrap School Activities: X-Cat Meeting	14 A-Day Breakfast: Cheese Stuffed Sandwich Lunch: Southwest Chicken Salad, Chicken Sandwich School Activities: Boys JV & V Basketball V Bowling Sectionals	15 B-Day Breakfast: Cinnamon Breakfast Round Lunch: BBQ Chicken Salad Mexican Pizza	16 School Activities: X-Cat Team Meeting
17 School Activities: Robotics Rally	18 No School President's Day	19	20	21	22	23
<div style="border: 2px solid red; padding: 5px; display: inline-block;"> February Recess — No School </div>						
24	25 B-Day Breakfast: Apple Benefit Bar Lunch: Buffalo Chicken Salad	26 D-Day Breakfast: Ham & Cheese Sandwich Lunch: Stuffed Cheese Sticks Turkey & Cheese Sandwich	27 A-Day Breakfast: Egg & Cheese Sandwich Lunch: Gordita Wrap Chicken Salad School Activities: X-Cat Meeting	28 B-Day Breakfast: Southwest Breakfast Slider Lunch: Cheeseburger Blood Drive		

February Monthly Horoscope



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Aries (March 21- April 19)

Don't give up, your best day is soon to come and stay positive through everything.

Taurus (April 20- May 20)

Things are going to frustrate you, but try to keep your cool and focus on what's important. If things start to get out of control, try to handle things maturely in order to avoid exploding with anger.

Gemini (May 21- June 20)

Get out of your comfort zone and communicate with your classmates for success. Socializing is a great skill for the future.

Cancer (June 21-July 22)

At times you feel tense and can't relax because of the intense pressure in the atmosphere. Keep your head down and avoid losing your cool because it won't make things better. Stay away from conflict and focus on yourself.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22)

Don't jump to conclusions. Analyze carefully and learn from your mistakes to improve next time.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

You will have a clear mind and look towards the future with positivity. Don't let other people's negativity throw you off.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

Tension in the air and people are having trouble communicating with each other, if people come your way with negative energy, smile and move on.

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

If you have any ideas that you really believe in, pursue them until the end, don't give up on your intuition because won't ever let you down.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

Be loving and kind...it can bring you a long way. Treat others the way you want to be treated.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

Don't be so conceited—not everything is about you. Be slow to speak and quick to listen.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

Try not to gossip about others instead, calm down and listen to what others say, sit back and observe the conversation instead of fighting to get a word. Sit quietly and get rid of negative energy.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20)

Use your energy to focus on putting your opinion out there. Don't be afraid to express yourself and to speak your mind when something doesn't please you as much. Nothing wrong speaking your mind in public. This month work on shaking up your routine and putting your happiness first.



Now I'm Here

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All of us are worthy of being successful and making it out no matter our background or past experiences.

Arel Moodie proved this point—after having grown-up on welfare in the projects of Brooklyn, today he is the one of the greatest voices helping young students get into college and succeed.

He wanted to get out but there were many times Moodie just wanted to give it all up.

At one of his lowest points, he stood on the edge of his apartment building's roof and thought how, if he just jumped, that all his worrying would just be to rest.

But, instead of giving up, he realized that he wanted more.

Moodie looked at other successful people, paying attention to what they did to become successful, and decided to go to college.

He knew it can only get better and searched for opportunities to make it out and succeed.

Moodie believes that if students have someone to look up to or follow, like a mentor, it would give them the motivation or push to succeed.

Coming from a place where many kids are now, he understands the challenges they bear.

Instead of focusing on all the negative that's in your way, Moodie believes the best motivation is the one that pulls you out of bed without forcing yourself.

By focusing on the positive, he didn't become a reflection of what he experienced in his past. Moodie says, "Though it all can be difficult, you have to learn, be better, and improve."

Seeing successful people like Moodie, that came from the same neighborhoods that they live in now, students can see that they also have opportunities and ways to be successful too.

Here at Wilson, Moodie stated, "I started from the bottom now I'm here."

He came back to where he started to show that where you come from does not make the difference... it's the choices you make that decide whether or not you'll be successful.

Moodie chose to step back from all of the crime, violence and craziness that surrounded him and decided that he wanted more.

What choices are you ready to make?



Tear Down This Wall



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800,000 government jobs and many social programs were affected by the most recent and longest government shutdown that lasted from December 22nd, 2018 to January 25th, 2019.

This hold on government affairs was put in place by the President of the United States Donald Trump.

President Trump sees a need for a wall on the border between Mexico and the United States. He says that the wall is needed for “national security.”

The President’s opponents believe that the wall is not needed, too expensive, and is not a representation of our country.

After the month long government shut down, neither side was able to get what they wanted so the President announced that he will reopen the government.

The reopening does bring government employees back to work but it may only be for a short period of time.

A bill has been put into effect for a temporary opening of three weeks. In the end, the President hopes to get the funding for the wall.

During this reopening, all of the federal agents and government workers will receive the back pay for the time that they had been furloughed.

Most believe, after the failure of the first shut down, the President will not try another but he is insistent on building a wall. While some in the country see the wall as a necessity, most do not see its value.

The negative public opinion could hurt President Trump if he decides to run again in the 2020 election. Mr. Englert, World History Teacher here at Wilson, says, “His choices will affect him negatively in the polls.”

Englert adds that the President’s decisions seems, “childish and ridiculous,” ruining the public’s opinion of our government.

In the end, all agree that something has to be done at the border but, with both sides refusing to talk, the only thing being accomplished is ill will across the country.

With our government refusing to communicate or act civil, is there any hope for the rest of our country?



Friendly Fire

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In the summer of his ninth grade year, fourteen-year-old Mr. Sicienski went to a water war party with all intentions of standing out and having a good time.

He unknowingly caused a huge sticky mess with a floury slime mixture by adding a surprise to his dozens of water balloons

Usually, Mr. Sicienski was a shy and kind of nerdy kid. He was excited to finally be accepted by the cooler kids and attend a party.

Wanting to stand out and fit in with the cooler kids, Sicienski decided to fill up numerous water balloons with a slime mixture.

During the water war, he noticed that the balloons he had filled hardened and ended up becoming like glue. People everywhere had their shirts stuck to their bodies and their hair stuck to their necks with the sticky substance.

Sicienski's rivals were very upset.

During the water balloon war, Sicienski had gained a foe. His enemy continuously threw water balloons at him the whole night.

Mr. Sicienski was a little reluctant to retaliate because his rival was very popular and he didn't want to cause more negative attention to himself.

But Mr. Sicienski decided to use his very last water balloon and pelt him. He worked up the courage and hid out for a few minutes.

His rival was talking to another girl and Mr. Sicienski decided to make a move.

He tried his hardest to decide the best moment to throw the water balloon, but didn't quite choose correctly.

His target moved one small centimeter and he ended up hitting the girl he was talking to.

The force from the water balloon was so strong that her glasses broke.

Today Mr. Sicienski recalls the day with a laugh but is very remorseful for hitting the girl.

But he is happy that he chose that situation to stand out.

He treasures that memory also because it was one of the last moments he spent with his best friend before he died of leukemia a year and a half later.