



Adele Says Hello

Latest album takes media by storm after four year dry spell

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After four long and hard years without the release of a new album, Adele finally disclosed her third album, 25. Unlike her previous album, 21, that made any listener cry and question their life choices by just listening to one of her songs, Adele's new album has more of an empowering theme. According to an online letter, Adele stated, "My last record was a break-up record and if I had to label this one I would call it a make-up record. I'm making up with myself."

To start off 25, Adele opened with a soulful ballad, "Hello", which reminisces on a past relationship. After a nasty breakup, Adele tries to get this relationship back on good terms. When Adele first released this single to the world on October 23, she practically broke the internet. Within thirty minutes of this release, "Hello's" music video went viral on YouTube, and it currently has over 544,000,000 views. After "Hello" was released, the world patiently waited for November 20, so they could find out if the rest of her album held up to "Hello", and there was no disappointment. From

the rhythmic and upbeat, "Send My Love" (To Your New Lover) to the more Adelish slow and emotional, "When We Were Young", "River Lea", and "Remedy."

Unlike most of the popular singers of today, Adele doesn't need computers to create background music to enhance her vocals. Adele has natural and raw talent that is best accompanied by the simple sounds of a piano, rhythmic drum beats and a smooth guitar. If your looking to get assurance about past relationship choices or just jam to some overall good music, Adele's new album 25 is

A New Battle Awaits

Star Wars Battlefront Comes Out

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November 17 was a glorious day as the new Star Wars Battlefront video game came out nationwide. Of course Nike Simmons and I went to the midnight release the 16 to get our hands on the game expecting to wait in line, but turns out we got it an hour early (shoutout to gamestop for being cool). Coming back home was life changing, opening up the game and putting it into my PS4 was one of the happiest moments in my life. I can't even begin to describe the joy I had once I heard the Star Wars theme song come on as the game started up. One beautiful thing that was happening while the game downloaded to the PS4 was you were able

to play as Darth Vader until the game is ready, I know that's just breathtaking within itself. The gameplays are set similar to a Call of Duty game with the options of co-op missions and multiplayer (personally my favorite). In multiplayer there are different modes such as, blast which is like a team deathmatch in Call of Duty and droid run which is like capture the flag. You are able to customize your player and his weapons like Call of Duty through credits that you earn on the success you perform in a match. The game is kind of like a Halo, Battlefield, and Call of duty put together with the effects of Star Wars so you can bet it's pretty awesome.



For the first time since the 2005 Star Wars Battlefront Two game came out a new and improved game has come out ten years later. With new effects and a new cover Battlefront has approached a different style of play with your favorite jedi at your fingertips. "Battlefront was a really big game when I was little" senior Cade Palmer said. "It was definitely my favorite game. The new graphics take the new game to another level."

Deep Thoughts by Brandon

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The mysteries of life

What if... Oxygen is really poisonous? It just takes around 80 years to kill us.

Why is pressing lips against another person's lips a way of showing affection?

What if we see colors differently?
What if your blue is actually my green?

Why do our arms split at the end and turn into other little arms? Fingers.

When we're born our parents give us a sound that identifies us for the rest of our lives.

When we turn our backs do stuffed animals talk?

In the NFL... WHAT IS A CATCH? (Yes, Dez did catch the ball.)

I am convinced that volcanoes are the Earth's pimples.

Questioning the validity of the world around him, junior Brandon Cook jots down some random ideas about the questions he raises about the world. Cook is known for his unusual train of thoughts. "Thinking differently from everyone else makes the world a more interesting place," Cook said.

Restaurant Match-Up

BJ's and Copeland's services comparision

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My family and I went to BJ's on Sunday, November 22 located on the loop near Chuck E. Cheeses. Upon walking in, you are greeted by a friendly hostess who will take your party number and give you a wait time. We had a party of four waiting to be seated, and we had to wait for two minutes at the most even during the lunch rush. Immediately after being seated, our waiter took our drink orders and brought the drinks back in under three minutes. My grandmother asked if they had a BLT on the menu because she didn't have her glasses to read the menu. There wasn't a

BLT on the menu but the staff provided one for her anyway. With that being said, the food arrival time wasn't too quick but it wasn't quite too long. The environment was spacious and very open and the music that was played was mostly rock. However, at times it was hard to hear someone else talking so if you are planning to visit with friends or family, BJ's isn't the place. The bathrooms were in great condition and very clean, the tables weren't sticky or greasy and the floor was very clean. The lighting was slightly dim but the windows provided a sufficient amount lighting.

- BJ's**
- Food: 4.25
 - Service: 5
 - Speed: 4.5
 - Cleanliness: 4.5
 - Friendliness: 5
 - Environment: 4.5

- Copeland's**
- Food: 2.5
 - Service: 3
 - Speed: 3
 - Cleanliness: 5
 - Friendliness: 4
 - Environment: 5

My family and I attended Copeland's of New Orleans on Fourth Street in Longview. The parking lot was huge, but very crowded so it was hard to find a parking spot. When we walked in, we were immediately seated but it took a while for our waitress to ask for our drink order. When we finally received our drinks, it was time to order our food. We waited a good solid fifteen minutes before the salads were brought out. They were okay, but you could tell they had been sitting on the plate in the kitchen for a while. When our food was brought out, it was like it was from the center of the earth. At least it was hot and not cold though. My brother had a shrimp pasta that was

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very very spicy and had bad flavoring. My dad had seafood alfredo and he said it was pretty good. My mom had a chicken and rice dish that was really really good. I had a chicken pasta dish that was pretty good but was drowned in the saut(accent e)ed lemon sauce that went on top. For dessert, I ordered a cheesecake with strawberries on top. It obviously had been out of the fridge for a while because there were some parts that were cool and some that were warm. My brother had a chocolate brownie molten lava cake with vanilla ice cream and it was BOMB!!! Overall, it was an okay experience, but I'm not dying to go back.