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Matt Dagleish (7) has played soccer for 8 years.



Whitney Waldinger (7) lived in Dallas for 4 years.



David Williams (7) had \$6 in his pocket when photo was taken

Lydia Benson (6) was given a pen by her 2nd grade teacher.



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Jesus Rodriguez (6) has been meeting new people for 6 years.



Elizabeth Armstrong (6) has 4 bracelets.



Helen Jewart (6) has 3 mothers.

Caroline Myers (7) had the #3 for school.

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Carly Atwell (7) went on a big trip when she was 8.

Mandalyn Castleberry (6) was born on Oct. 3rd.



4 Student Life

irrational but well-rounded

16 Academics

constantly variable

38 People

non-repeating and distinct

74 Extracurricular

inFUNitely interesting

Christelle Chatelain (6) has parents from 2 different countries.



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Jack Rodriguez (8) wants 7 million dollars.



Sophia Arevalo (6) has 9 buttons on her sweater.



Elena Baldrige (6) has 5 pets.

Serena Castillo (6) has 0 ideas of what to say.



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Sydney Beeler (7) has 2 siblings.

Megan Deterling (7) is number 8 on her volleyball jersey.



Cora Tien (7) has 8 pairs of shoes.

Dodie Robison (8) has 4 kids in his family.

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Gabe Dancy (8) has 1 sibling.

Ryan Russo (8) had 9 pieces of pizza.



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7 is Lilly Ball's (8) lucky number.

Salma Bara (7) is in her 1st year at Kealing.



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1317 Enrollment
398 6th Grade
397 7th Grade
392 8th Grade
130 Faculty

Circles of Kealing - Photos by Vespa Staff 2015

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Ishaan Mehta's (6) favorite number is 9. **6**

Vishwa Aduru (7) went to DisneyWorld when he was 6. **9**

Gabriel Brandt (7) has 3 basketballs. **3**

Jaidyn Young (8) has 9 aunts. **9**

Paulo Zambarano (7) has a sister in ninth grade. **3**

Henry Stanford (8) has 3 pets. **3**

Amelia Roberts (6) has 5 cousins. **1**

Lamar Jordan (7) has one little sister. **5**

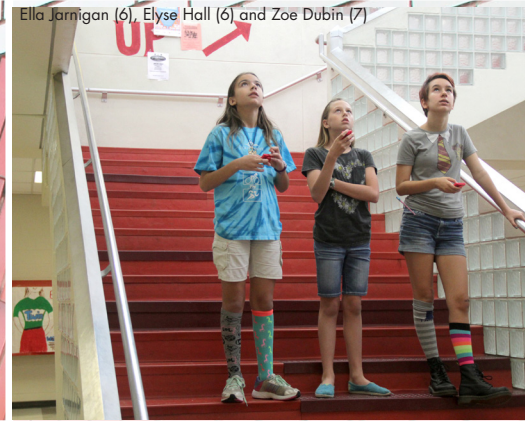
Tra'quan Jones (7) has 0 dollars in his pockets. **105**

Alex Lippman (6) broke his arm when he was 8. **2**

Angel Maddron-Casarez (6) has 2 dogs. **8**



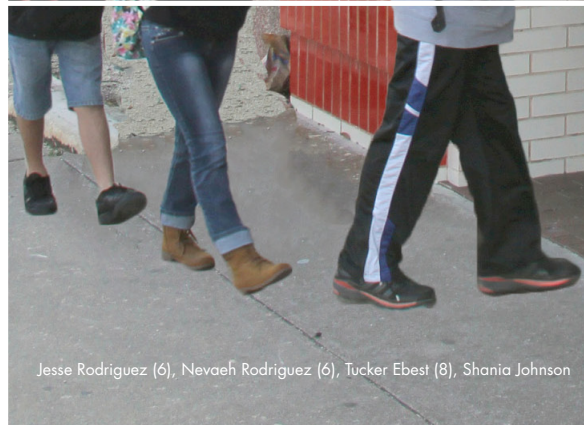
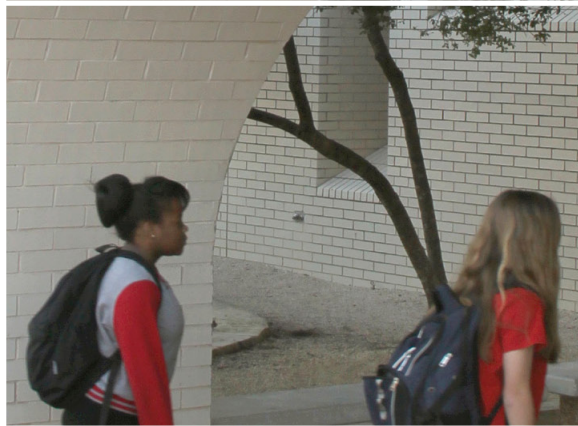
Grace Carven (7)



Ella Jarnigan (6), Elyse Hall (6) and Zoe Dubin (7)



Xavier Gordon (6)



Coach Rydolph

Jesse Rodriguez (6), Nevaeh Rodriguez (6), Tucker Ebest (8), Shania Johnson (8), Margaret Savage (8)



THE NEVERENDING STORY

Chapter One

It's the same thing each year—the building, the classrooms, the lessons, the rules. Tradition anchors our school; it is the bones of this story. The people, however, are what bring our story to life.

New students and teachers flow in and out of our building year after year. An eighth grader graduates, a teacher retires. This steady stream creates a neverending story of ups and downs and in-betweens. And within that story, we find the soul of our community—a community endlessly in flux.

Which is where our story begins. There is no, 'Once upon a time.' or 'It was a dark and stormy night.' Instead we start here, in this place, with classes, friends, day-to-day conversations and the tiny details that make up our middle school experience. This place is more than just brick and mortar—it is the sum of all of its parts, which starts with us.

So what are we waiting for? Let's get going.

Story By Matilda Krell and Lucia Melendez

Photo by Abigail Daly

We're all a little crazy, between getting up at the crack of dawn, extracurricular activities, and the mountains upon mountains of homework. By the end of the day, nothing can get between us and our beds. Our busy schedules are exhausting, but somehow, in the cracks, we manage to squeeze in some good times. The extent of the activities we're involved in may seem impossibly insane, but we keep things in balance by spending time with friends, shopping, going to games, and catching up on sleep. Seeing the quarterback make the winning point or hearing the Glee Club hit that high note gives us a rush of Hornet pride that we wouldn't trade for anything. So no matter how busy, we make time because we know the experience will make us more well rounded. The pay off is finally coming. Thanks for the head start Kealing! Story by Matilda Krell



Truman Matheny (8)

Photo by Lucia Melendez



Jasmine Dalvi (8)

Photo by Abigail Daly



Sarida Morejon (8) and Grace Garven (7)

Photo by Lisa Moornow



Nina Jones (6)

Photo by JK Smith



KMS Cheerleading Squad

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Leah Marsh (8) had her first dance recital when she was 9.

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Angelica Martinez (7) has 0 books



Aldo Ordonez (8) has played the piano for 7 years.

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Abigail Rodriguez (7) learned to ride a bike when she was 9.



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Morgan Simmons (6) has 4 other family members.



Carl Svahn (7) went to Boston for the first time when he was 5.

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Joshua Urrutia (6) likes Rubic Cubes (they have 9 cubes).

Natasha Zint (6) has 2 hands.

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Alex Clark (8) is the 3rd brother.

Amari Berry (6) has 0 pets.



Ella Jarrigan (6) was in a fashion show when she was 7.

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IRRATIONAL, BUT WELL- ROUNDED



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Henry Quill's (8) first year at Kealing is 8th.

Violet Koppenhaver (6) has 1 dog.



Champ Turner (7) has played soccer for 6 years.

Emmett Peters (6) has lost 4 things at school so far.



Garrett Urbach (7) has 0 brothers.

Sofia Pineda (8) has 6 pets.

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David Soucie (6) seen 2 of her pets die.

Gus Albach (8) is in 8th grade.



Alajah Hargrove (8) has sewn 6 things.

Ja'cayia Hampton (6) has 2 sisters.



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Alekhya Kuchimanchi (7) has 0 pets.

Francisca Li (8) has had 8 pets.

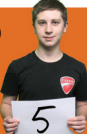






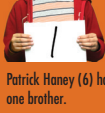


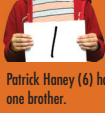



Max Moran (7) almost got 9 holes playing golf one time.

CONSTANTLY VARIABLE



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<p>Alexia Escobar's (8) lucky number is 7.</p> <p>7</p>  <p>Bryce Yeazzell (8) was 5 when he started to read.</p> 	<p>Alex Hochstein (6) is in sixth grade.</p> <p>6</p>  <p>Madelaine Eisenhower (8) met one of her best friends when she was 6.</p> 	<p>Bennett Mitchell (7) broke his arm when he was 5.</p> <p>9</p>  <p>Maria Rangel-Rangel (7) has 9 friends.</p> 	<p>Henry Parkman (6) has been to Santa Barbara 3 times.</p> <p>3</p>  <p>Jaden Santos-Levinson (8) learned to ride a bike when he was 3.</p> 	<p>Aremi Ruiz-Hernandez (7) has a four year old little brother.</p> <p>4 4</p>  <p>Juan Carlos Maradiga (7) has a dog who is 4.</p> 	<p>Lesli Franco-Alejo (7) once ate 6 cupcakes.</p> 	<p>Ashley Kim (8) has lived in 2 countries.</p> 
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We know the drill. For more than six years, we've been doing this academics thing. Science, social studies, English and math—essentially the Fantastic Four of education. It starts to feel like a different version of the same song. Yet just when we think we know it all, something changes. It's all part of the grand experiment. Each year our teachers test out new ways for reeling us in. Whether it's though hand-on activities like labs, or innovative concepts and techniques. Sometimes they even let us just play. But no matter what they do, they know they must change, because we change. And no matter how similar the story is from year to year, it's always changing. *Story by Matilda Krell*



Photo by Ana Alejo

San Juanita Martinez and Tania Sanchez (8)



Photo by Amanda Eller

Johnathon Castillo (6)



Photo by Emily Baker

Jose Valdez (6)



Photo by Megan Ramsey

Sofia Moore (7) and Tess Anclink (6)

Demetrius Wright (8) has 8 siblings.

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William Jones (7) has 4 game consoles.

Ava Motes (6) has 7 different favorite colors.

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Kayla Reyes (8) got her first dog when she was 5.

Ronan Ralston (7) has been to Germany 6 times.

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Mitchell Suswein (7) has been to 4 countries out of the US.

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Victor Yao (6) recently made \$800.

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Waseem Shakir (6) has 2 brothers.

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Perla Ellison was born in the 3rd month.

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Sophia Newmark (6) has 3 favorite book series.

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Michael Orta (8) learned how to walk on stilts when he was 7.

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Nicholas Humphreys Lucas (6) was 8 when his guinea pig died.

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Heidi Ellis (7) went to a fashion show when she was 6.



Martha Waring (8)

Photo by Savannah Riddles



Claire Rudy (8)

Photo by Mira Bella French



Ariel Saez (8)

Photo by Sylvia Reed



Shannon Jones (8)

Photo by Lucia Melendez



Photo by Kristen Scott

The cast of *Into the Woods*

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Joy Mathias (6) can play 1 instrument (bass).

All the digits in Lois Lee's (6) name add up to 9.

Christopher Gupton (6) came to Austin when he was 9.

Jean Lee (6) has 3 pairs of soccer cleats.

Diego Mejia (7) has been to 6 different schools.

Hannah Mabry (8) has 3 pairs of pants.

Margaret Clark (6) had 6 pets when she was a baby.

Omar Carrasco (8) traveled when he was 8.

Andre Gibson (7) has passed the TAKS test since 3rd grade.

Cara Lewis (6) has 7 windows in her room.

Georgia McLeod (6) has 3 dogs.

Caroline Greene (6) has been to Puerto Rico 2 times.

Maya Ravi (6) plays 2 instruments.

NON-REPEATING AND DISTINCT



Everyone knows the captain of the football team, the star of the musical, the student council president—these people are considered the stars. But concealed from the public eye are the kids behind the scenes—the mascot, who riles up the crowd at games, the stage crew who made *Into the Woods* possible, the school secretary, who keeps track of everything. It takes more than one player to make a team, and more than one student to make a school. Every person has a special talent. From being a black belt in martial arts to card throwing or scuba diving, our school has it all. Our personalities are what make us different from everyone else. Sure, there could be a baseball team with just pitchers, but they wouldn't get very far. We need to embrace everyone for who they are, because as much as fitting in is a part of middle school, standing out is just as important. *Story by Matilda Krell*

Ariel Saez (8) was in 4th place when she did track.

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Valentina Guzman (7) started gymnastics when she was 4.



Hannah Griesmer (6) has 0 brothers.

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Sarah Waggoner has directed 6 musicals at Kealing.

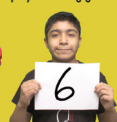


Javier Villa-Rangel (6) has 5 brothers.



Keanna Gross (7) has 6 cousins.

Luis Gutierrez (8) can play a 6 string guitar.



Calvin Williams (8) has 4 iPhones.

Tanner Hawkins (6) has 3 cats.

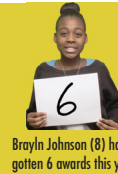


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Jeysi Morales Medina (6) has 0 brothers.



Ava Barrett (7) has 8 letters in her middle name.



Braylin Johnson (8) has gotten 6 awards this year

Juan Ceresa (7) has 0 siblings.



IN-FUN-ITELY INTERESTING

It's roughly six hours from the time school gets out and the time we go to sleep. Between homework, athletic practices and club meetings, those minutes escape pretty quickly. Some days, we leave before the sun rises and return after its set. All that time spent at school on extracurriculars, yet we find ourselves infinitely willing to we make it work because our sports and clubs are in-fun-itey interesting. Whether we walk away with a better understanding of successful teamwork, improved problem-solving skills, or increased physical fitness—our extracurriculars improve the health of our minds and bodies. So as we juggle our demanding schedules, when we reach that best part of our day—when our heads hit our pillows—it all feels worth it.

Story by Matilda Krell

Photo by Abigail Daly

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<p>1 Jhony Jimenez (8) has 1 sister</p>	<p>3 Spencer Wallace (7) went to Disney World when he was 3.</p>	<p>0 Jacob Rasmussen (7) has 0 cats.</p>	<p>1 Bryssa Rodriguez Muro (8) has 0 iPhones.</p>	<p>9 Junaid Rasool (7) has 9 socks.</p>	<p>2 Elinor Rivera (6) has 2 cats.</p>	<p>7 Andrew Rodriguez (8) was a better student in 7th grade.</p>	<p>8 Alexa Judd (6) was injured at a age of 8.</p>	<p>7 Kacey Robledo (7) her grandpa bought her a dog when she was 7.</p>	<p>6 Sam Richter (7) ate pancakes for the first time when he was 6.</p>	<p>6 Bridget Rhodes (7) is 6 years old in her mind.</p>	<p>1 Julie Carolan has 1 loud, clear voice.</p>
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Calvin Williams (8) and Peter Layne (8)



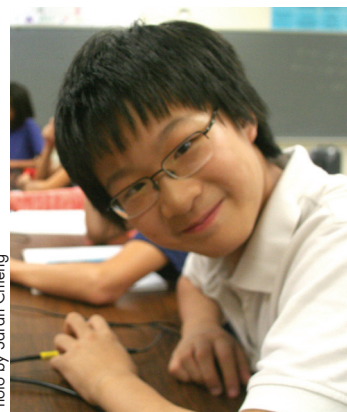
Madison Parks (8)

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Annabel Dwyer (7)

Photo by Savannah Riddles



Daniel Chan (8)

Photo by Sarah Chieng



Clara Gibbs (8)

Photo by Kimmy Wilson

Cole Kennedy (7) has 0 sisters.



Jack Wier (6) was born on October 5th.



Curtis Johnson (6) started playing football when he was 9.



Danielle Atwood (7) has 0 sisters.



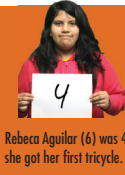
Selena Rayos-Duran (6) has been to San Antonio twice.



Parth Shroff (7) has favorite birthday party when he was 6.



Zigaboo Shin-Peterson (6) has been to Hawaii once.



Andrew Garcia (6) went to Corpus Christi when he was 2.



Adison Lampert (6) has 0 interest in food with meat.

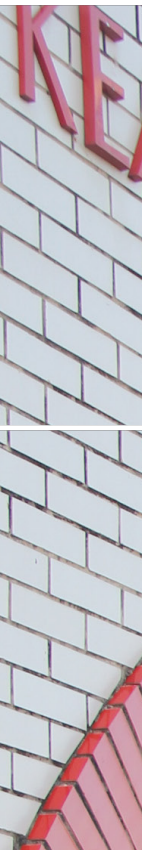
THE NEVERENDING STORY.

Epilogue

This may be the last page of this book, but the story doesn't end here. Like the digits of Pi, the possibilities for what's next are limitless. We share the same past, and the experiences we've had together will shape our futures. We came into this story as children and our teachers and classes have molded us into artists, and musicians, and writers, and athletes, and actors. We were given the same pen and paper, yet we've all managed to write a different story.

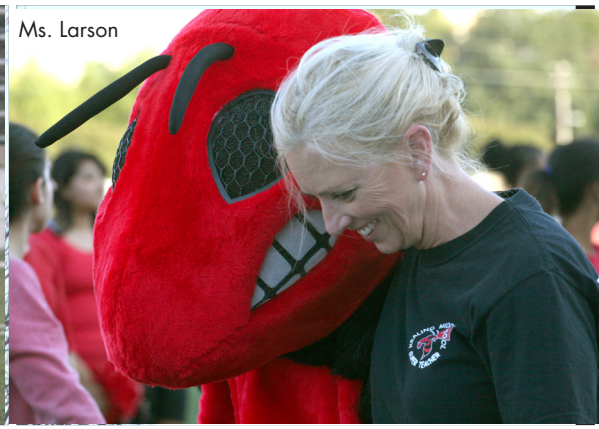
And just like the number of other stories we've read, we won't remember everything. We might forget some of the specifics like lectures, labs, writing assignments. But we'll hold onto the people we met, the nuances of their characters and our day-to-day interactions with them. We may not recall the various subtleties of place, but Kealing Middle School will forever be a part of our bigger picture. While we may only be one chapter in its story, the 2014-15 school year is just one brief chapter in each one of our own neverending stories.

So what are we waiting for? Let's get going. Story by Matilda Krell



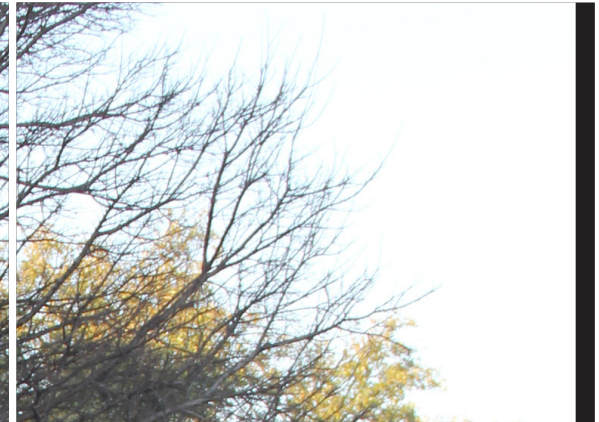
Milla Gary, Cora Tien, Audrey Jamison, Molly Broughton (7)

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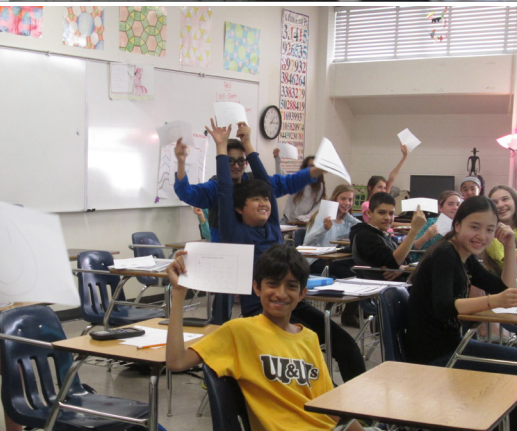
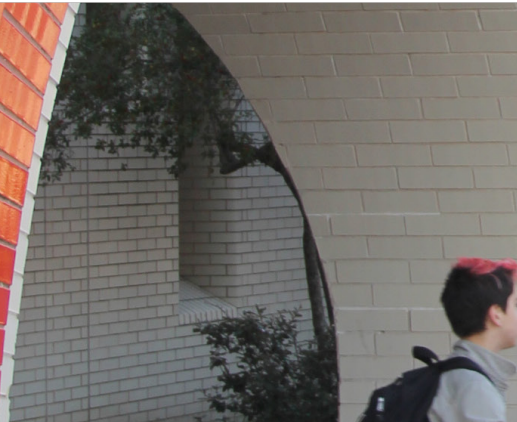


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Damion Bowles (7)

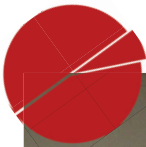


Rachel Winbiger (8)



Maggie Bishop,

(8), Graie Smith (8), Andrew Kim, Danisha July, and Iris Reuteria



The Golden Ticket(s)

With a hunger in their eyes, the 2015 Vespa staff elbowed and scrapped for one of 5 lucky tickets. Due to the massive amount of work of this yearbook's "Pi-Line," Ms. Scott motivated the team with prizes—the last of which was given by tossing out 1300+ tickets representing each person featured on the pi-line.

Dear Reader,

At the end of last year, the previous yearbook staff took on the looming challenge of finding the perfect theme for the 2015 Vespa. One idea that surfaced was Pi, the never-ending number, because of the dates 14-15 (the second through fifth digits of pi). In the beginning, just the thought of an infinite yearbook theme intimidated everyone in our class. But through countless brainstorming hours, hundreds of interviews, and lots of pizza, the Vespa Staff has finished and delivered the book.

At some point in the year, you, as a student, gave us a fact about a certain number that also had to do with your life. Many of you had no idea what this was for, but if you look at the bottom of each page in the book, you'll know. We assigned each of you a digit of pi, and slowly made each and every student a part of something limitless.

If you think about it, our school has a lot in common with the boundless number. Pi is constant, never-ending, variable, weird, irrational, and unknown. While Kealing always has groups of students passing through, each group is unique. And the truth is, you never really know what's going to happen next.

As a staff, we have tried our best to portray the ideas in our heads throughout this book, for you all to read and connect with. It was hard work, and without all the encouragement we got, it wouldn't have been possible. We would like to thank all the teachers, for letting us pull students out of their classes innumerable times, and the administrators, for providing us with all the information we needed. We would especially like to give credit to the best yearbook advisor possible, Ms. Scott, for cheering us on when we felt like quitting, and making a serious project fun. Last but not least, we need to thank you, the students, because without you, there would be no yearbook to write. With all your crazy facts, unique interests, and great quotes, we hope that we can repay you with this: The Neverending Story.

See you next year,
The 2014-2015 Vespa Staff

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Pi, How Are You?

The 2014-15 Vespa Staff - Front Row: Bridget Rhodes, Sarah Chieng, Julia Kay Smith, Abby Rindfuss, Kristen Scott, Adviser; Row 2: Mira MacLaurin, Allison Schafer, Kimmy Wilson, Claire Rudy, Lisa Moomaw, Camille Selis; Row 3: Sanjuanita Martinez, Tania Sanchez, Ana Alejo, Ornella Sikujuwa, Maddy Eisenhour, Business Manager Elena Venegoni, Photo Editor, Fedor Aglyamov, Design Editor; Back Row: Lucia Melendez, Ava Barrett, Managing Editor, Sylvia Reed, Matilda Krell, Copy Editor, Abigail Daly, Editor-in-Chief, Mira Bella French. Unpictured: Ella Jane Larrimer and Ella Plowman.

 Nathan Mangibin (7) has lived in 4 countries.	 Kai Pang-Whitsett (6) has been to Wyoming.	 When Chiara Torrini (8) was 6, she went to Italy.	 When David Corinbas (7) was 6, he moved houses.	 Allia Anaha Callente Perez (7)	 Jelani Martinez (7) has been to the beach 0 times.	 Richa Bopuri (8) has been doing Kung-Fu for 8 years.	 Ariana Ramirez (6) has 9 siblings.	 Ethan Marks (7) lost his first tooth when he was 6.	 Genevieve George (7) needs a fact.	 Aylen Vivar (8) is in 8th grade.	 Grace Bicknell (7) has 4 pets.	 In 2nd grade, Patrick Connor started reading novels.	 Truman Matheny (8) believes his maturity level is a 5.
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Andre Plackis (8) has been to New Orleans 2 times.



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Truman Matheney (8) believes his maturity level is 5.



The number 9 is odd, like Maximiliano Ledesma (7).

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Sam Gaynor (8) has 0 regrets.



TJ Arora (8) learned to ride a bike at age 6.

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Kolby Tate (8) has 9 letters in his name.



Katie Peele (7) sits with 4 people at lunch.

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Andres Andrew classes (including lunch)



Daniel Chan (8) has had one significant injury.

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Sophia Blaha (7) has broken 2 bones doing karate.



Chloe West (8) was 9 when she got her first pet.



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Kathryn Christian (8) has 3 cats.

Sergio Flores Osorio (8) has 3 pairs of glasses.



Ethan Gilbert



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Colophon

 Ethan Gilbert (7) has 1 younger sibling.	3  Noah Pastor (8) believes it will take him 3 years to go pro in a sport.	 Giselle Cristostomo (6) has 6 brothers.	 Ms. Girardeau took flute lessons for 7 years.	0  Ari Wagen (7) likes 0 sport games.	 Samuel Alvarez (7) is in his 2nd year at Kealing.	 Gwyneth Boyden (8) has 8 pairs of shoes.	9  Danika Luo (8) has been swimming for Nitro for 9 years.	 Esmerelda Bueno-Vanegas (6) has 8 dogs.	 Sarida Morejon (8) went to Cuba when she was 9.	 Margreta Quill (7) has 1 favorite color—blue.	5  Aleah Haight (8) was 5 when she got her first dog.	to be continued ...
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