



# Lilium Scribes

"CELEBRATING THE ARTISTIC TOUCH"

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# Acknowledgement of Country and Acceptance Statement

The Liliium Scribes team acknowledges the Traditional Custodians of the land on which our group gathers, the Yalukit-Willam people of the Kulin Nation. We pay our respects to their Elders past, present and emerging. We admire the traditional custodians' deep cultural ties to the land and wish them a prosperous future.

As part of an inclusive faith community, the Liliium team also acknowledges that we are all made in the image and likeness of God and we are created in love. All faiths, genders, sexualities and cultures are therefore respected, accepted and welcome in the MSJ community and its clubs.



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# Advice from the

Remember to always be yourself, have fun with your friends and take every opportunity in your stride!

**You are more than just a number!! Enjoy year 12, have fun with your friends, but try your absolute best (:**

It's easy to lose motivation but don't doubt yourself. You can do anything you set your mind to if you really want to ♥

**YOU'RE AMAZING BEFORE AND AFTER VCE, MAKE SURE YOU ENJOY YOUR FINAL YEAR AND MAKE AS MANY MEMORIES AS POSSIBLE!**

**Know that ATAR isn't the only path to your career, it is just one way to get there. Always do your research and find what best suits YOU for your career :)**

You will not see your whole year level cohort after the end of the year, so be kind! don't waste time on drama that will affect your overall wellbeing especially during year 12

**Be as weird as you like. In my experience being truly yourself and not being afraid of the parts of yourself that others might find "odd", helps you to find "your people".**

**Be kind. It will take you very far.**

**Never be afraid to ask for help from friends and teachers.**

# class of 2022

**Work smarter not harder! Collaborate with your peers to lighten the load and to stay on top of your studies**

IT WILL ALL BE OVER SO QUICK, DON'T WISH IT ALL AWAY AND STOP TO ENJOY THE LITTLE THINGS!

Make the most of the year, you will face challenges but you learn to overcome them.

As cliché as it sounds, everything happens for a reason!! Yes you will break down at times, just like everyone does, but in the long run, it makes you stronger and a more resilient person x

**Set goals that are realistic to YOU, not what other people expect of you. It's okay to choose an easier path than you planned if things aren't working out**

**you have the power to succeed!**

Be kind to yourself. Go to parties, go to the movies, go to the beach.

**YOUR TEACHERS ARE THERE FOR YOU.**

**IF YOU DO NOT GET THE ATAR YOU WANT, THAT DOES NOT MEAN YOU CAN'T DO WHAT YOU'D LOVE TO DO, THERE ARE ALWAYS OTHER PATHWAYS.**

# MSJ PHOTOGRAPHY



"I took a photo of the butterfly during one photography club session. The task was 'the colour green'. I like the photo because it has so much detail and the leaf draws your attention to the butterfly. I also like how the butterfly is a completely different colour to the background, which makes you draw your eye to the butterfly even more."

Alice Gill, Year 9

# MSJ PHOTOGRAPHY



"The theme of my photo was 'Reflection'.  
I have shown this theme by using a mirror as a  
symbol of this."

Amy White, Year 9

# MSJ PHOTOGRAPHY



"The genre of this photo could be thriller since the picture is cropped very tightly creating tension and it looks like the subject does not know what is going to happen next."

Kasandra Xavier, Year 9



# MSJ PHOTOGRAPHY



"The main theme of my photo aims to depict a delicate sense of wonder, or longing. Of course, it can be interpreted differently by various audiences, but the main notion of the image is that the subject is deep in thought."

Sophie Truong, Year 9

# Proud to run and



by **Samyukktha Pramodh Kutty**

I recently came across the 2014 ad Run Like a Girl, and was surprised by how much it annoyed me. The ad was created by the menstrual brand Always, and explores the concept of doing things "like a girl". There were two age groups in the ad, teenagers and pre-teens.

When requested to run like a girl, the teens (picture above, in a still from the ad) acted silly, while the pre-teens ran with enthusiasm and a desire to do their best. The subtext was that somewhere around puberty girls stop putting their best selves forward and put forward a

lesser version that they think society wants to see.

Procter & Gamble was inspired to make the ad after discovering the brand's objective of empowering girls via puberty wasn't clear to young customers. The campaign was based on a social experiment to demonstrate the effects of the term "like a girl" on females before and during puberty.

Speaking from a personal level, throughout my 14 years, I have spent at least a third of my life worrying about earning the respect of other people. Since entering adolescence, I have experienced

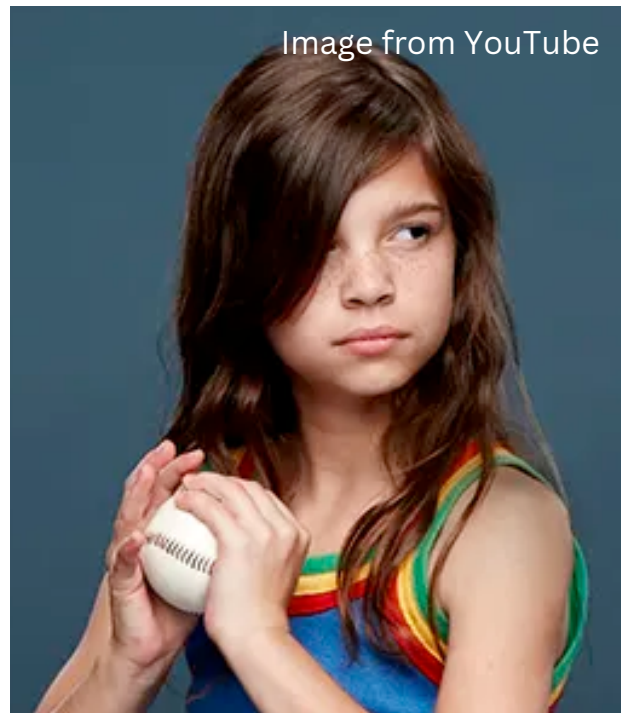
# throw like a girl

intense body angst and felt neither deserving of the title "girl" nor anywhere close to the identity of "woman". Everything I was and wasn't, was determined by people's opinions or preferences. I wasn't willowy, but I was tall. Tanned but not flawless. I wasn't slim, but I was strong. Biologically speaking, a human, not a woman.

I'm part of the 49.58% of people born female. I will in fact swim like a girl, fight like a girl and run like a girl because I am a girl. The "like a girl" concept infuriates me, but I refuse to be one of the teens who doesn't put the best version of myself forward.

One thing I want girls everywhere to know is that if someone tells you that you run like a girl, be proud of it. It means to run as fast as you can. To do something like a girl is to do it to the best of your ability. Have the mentality that it's normal to do things like a girl and show the world how great you can be.

You can see this ad on YouTube if



you search "Run like a girl ad Superbowl".

Female activists like Malala, Emma Watson, Rosa Parks, Julia Gillard and Clementine Ford are my role models and I hope they inspire you too. They speak out about negativity towards girls and women. Emma Watson's UN speech and Julia Guillard's misogyny speech are inspirational.

Clementine Ford also voices her displeasure about how women are depicted in her book *Fight Like a Girl*. Malala and Rosa Parks have helped us shape our world today.



# Astronomical news

2022 has been a year of exciting astronomical events, with the best coming last, writes **Arden Roche**

On the 8th of November, Australia witnessed a total lunar eclipse. People across the country stepped outside of their houses, and peaked through their windows to witness this breath-taking event. The eclipse had an overall duration of 5 hours and 54 minutes, making it the longest in 580 years!

The duration of totally of the eclipse, (when the moon

appeared to be fully red moving through the Earth's shadow) was 1 hour and 25 minutes.

Although a total eclipse was viewed from Australia last year, from now until 2025 there will not be a total lunar eclipse, only practical or penumbral. Other areas that could view this eclipse were Asia, North America, parts of northern and eastern Europe, and the majority of South America.

# 10 things you mightn't know about King Charles III



by Amelia Bui

- 1 He built a town called Poundbury in Dorchester.
- 2 He's the oldest person to ascend to the throne.
- 3 He was the first heir to the throne allowed to divorce.
- 4 He is an accomplished painter and is one of the best-selling living artists in the UK. He has made nearly \$3 million from watercolour landscapes.
- 5 King Charles loves gardening and farming and likes to talk to the plants on his farm.
- 6 He was the first British heir to the throne to get a university degree.
- 7 He can play the cello.
- 8 His US Secret Service nickname is "Unicorn", named after the national animal of Scotland.
- 9 He has a frog species named after him. In 2012, a species of Ecuadorian tree frog was discovered and named *Hyloscirtus princecharlesi*.
- 10 He doesn't like chocolate, coffee or garlic.

# 5 SUMMER TRENDS



**1** Bright colours are coming back. They were big from the 1960s-'80s but then fell out of fashion. Now bright colours are hitting stores again.



**2** Sporty 2000s glasses have been trending everywhere thanks to TikTok. There is no denying that the sleek quintessential y2k frame is back in style.

**3** Platform shoes: this style of footwear certainly grew bigger after Versace's platforms strolled down the catwalk. Watch out! They're taking over.





4

Newspaper print: you can read while looking stylish. This summer newspaper printed clothing is back! It's been popular before and we think it will be again!



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Long shorts - some people hate them, and some people love them, but I think it all comes down to how you style them.

**by Keighley Ferro**

# Friends in need



## Deanna Caputo

Volunteers are needed to join the Friends of Williamstown Library and help sell books.

At the moment, all volunteers are mature age, except me. I joined in May, after answering their last call for help. The Friends would love an extra - ideally younger - pair of helping hands!

Volunteers are needed 9am-12.30pm on the second Saturday of every month.

I absolutely love it. It's been a great way for me to hone my customer service skills. Jobs include shelf tidying, labelling, and selling books.

To volunteer, please contact Eva on 0458 196 024.

The Friends has been running for 30 years, selling retired library books and donated books for bargain prices. All profits go to charity.

The next book sale is on Saturday, December 10. Prices start from \$2, cash only.





# this or that

by Keighley Ferro

**Ice cream**

or

**Popsicle**

**Swim**

or

**Tan**

**Sunrise**

or

**Sunset**

**Iced-tea**

or

**Slushie**

**Skirts**

or

**Shorts**

**Watermelon**

or

**Pineapple**

**Go away**

or

**Stay home**



## *Bill to protect the intersex*

### **Zainab Ali**

According to the Australian Bureau of Statistics, about 3.2% of the Australian population is intersex.

Human Rights Australia defines intersex people as "having innate [genetic, hormonal or physical] sex characteristics that don't fit medical and social norms for female or male bodies, and that create risks or experiences of stigma, discrimination and harm."

Earlier this year, intersex advocates

and LGBTIQ+ groups welcomed the ACT government's introduction of draft legislation that aims to prevent harmful medical interventions on intersex people of all ages without their personal consent.

If passed, the bill would ban deferrable medical interventions on children with intersex traits until they're old enough to decide treatments for themselves. There will be exceptions for emergency and urgently necessary procedures.

# Cody shares their intersex story



Four days after the ACT government introduced draft legislation to prevent harmful medical interventions on intersex people, the ABC News spoke to Cody Smith [They/Them]. This is an excerpt from the ABC article.

"[When] I was born, I was almost immediately taken away [by] doctors - they pushed for surgery and my parents agreed to have some of those intersex traits surgically corrected with a number of [procedures] during the first two years of my life.

"When doctors have picked a gender for you, you're raised in that gender. There were decisions that were made for me that should have been my decisions. I think making hormonal changes to induce behaviours of growth, because it's seen as being normalising, doesn't help and makes things worse."

Read Cody's story: <https://www.abc.net.au/news/2022-05-31/act-drafts-australian-first-intersex-legislation/101107770>

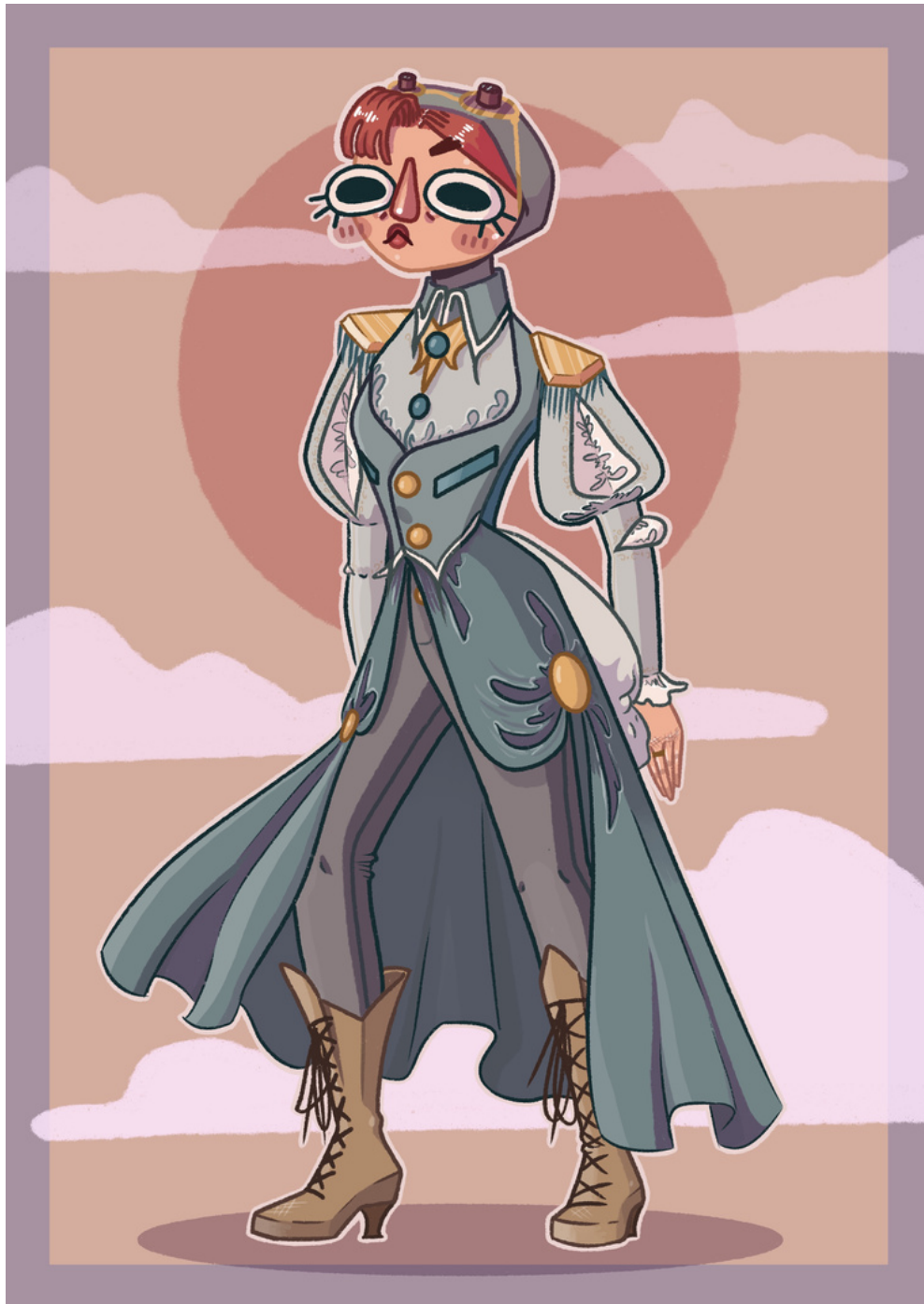
Read the draft law: <https://equalityaustralia.org.au/actintersex>



## Potted Dahlia

Deanna Caputo

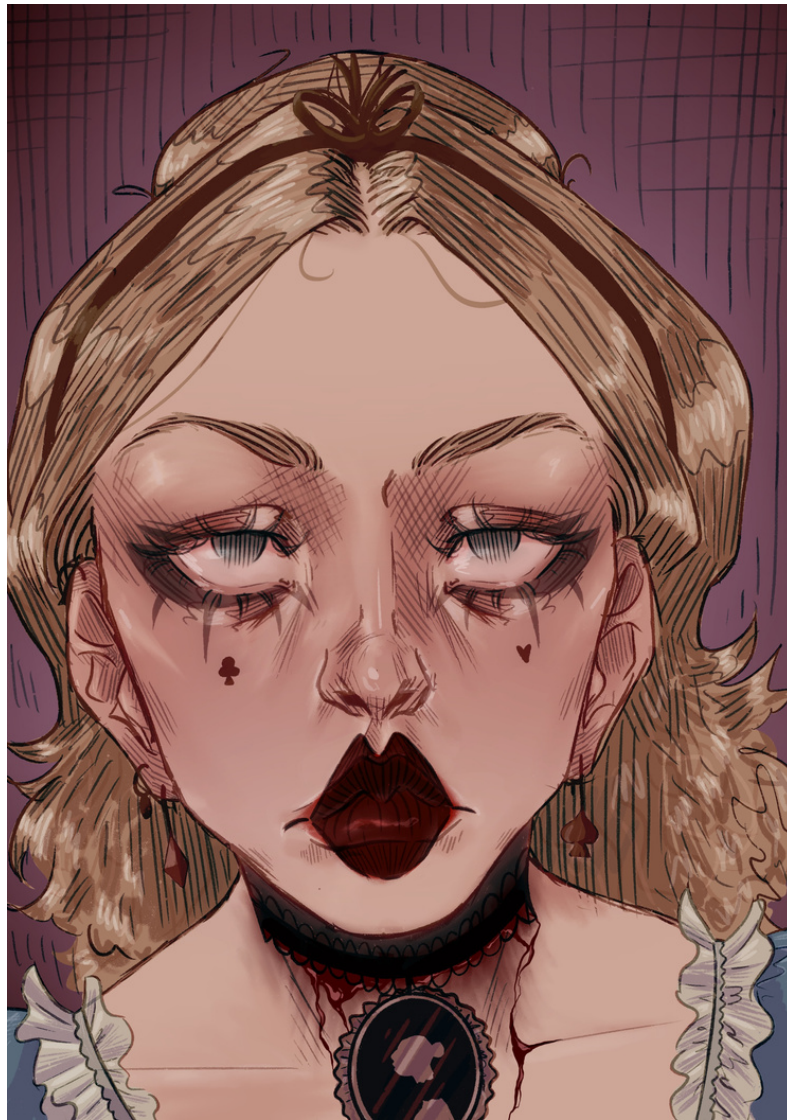
"Pointillism is a painting technique that uses small brush strokes to produce a larger image. This is my first piece in the style digitally. I used a photo of my own pot plant as a guide before 'cutting' squares of different colours, and then moulding them into a coloured picture. Overall, I'm quite pleased with the finished product and thoroughly loved immersing myself in this project."



## **Delaney-Cordelai, Admiral**

Etienne Green

"Delaney-Cordelai is the design for an original Dungeons and Dragons character. I had a lot of fun designing their costume and overall appearance."

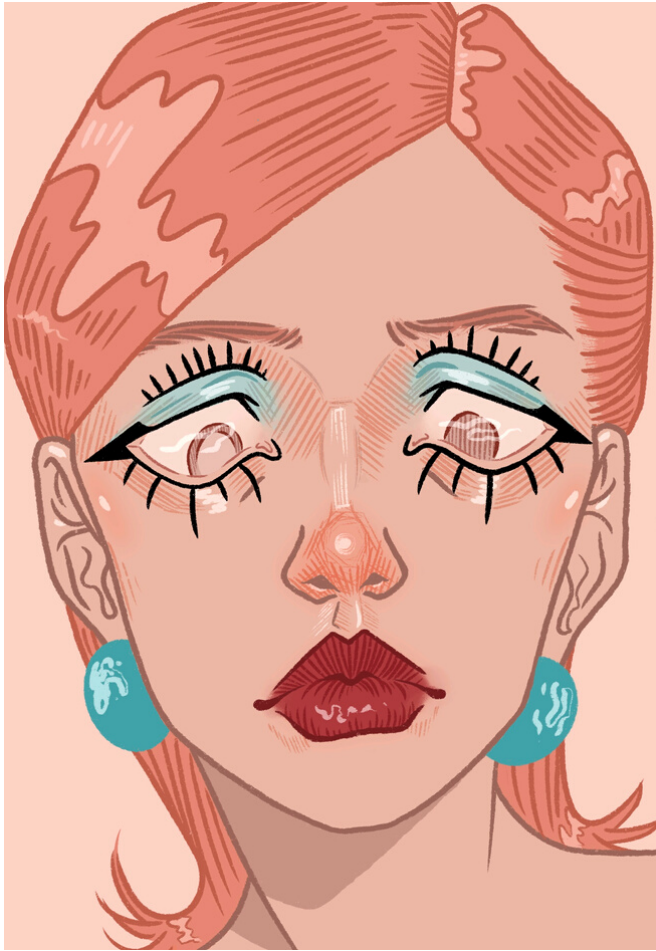


## Liddel

Etienne Green

"I'm really happy with 'Liddel', which is a gothic take on Alice from Alice in Wonderland. Throughout the portrait, I've included several motifs that link to certain aspects of the story, such as the small beheaded cameo on her choker, the earrings and markings on her face that resemble the different suits in a deck of cards and the blood trickling from beneath her necklace."

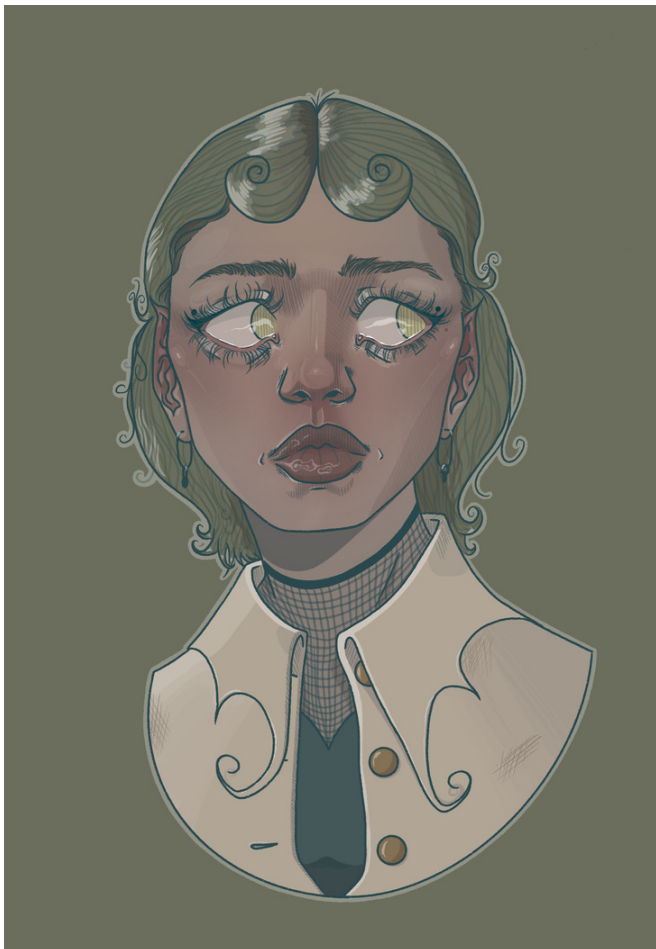
**MSJ ART**



## **Marticia**

Etienne Green

*Digital Art*



## **Vision from the moor**

Etienne Green

*Digital Art*

# Alike or the same?

*By Deanna Caputo*

I've never understood  
how love and war could be the same.  
They have always seemed incompatible to me.

War is brutal, it chafes away innocence  
and leaves bitterness in its wake.  
Some wear it as a festering wound that refuses to heal,  
as a symbol of their fortitude.  
However, in the middle of the odorous copper and the  
perfume of death,  
even triumph is poisoned.



Love, on the other hand, is true.  
It's intoxicating, like a spirit for the soul.  
There is no region of the world that is unaffected by it,  
whether it is tucked in the cradle of a mother's arms  
or uprooted from the earth to offer a petaled promise.

But what happens when this flower is placed on the casket of  
that mother's child?  
Because when that happens:

Love and war look oddly alike.



# Happy birthday *to you*

## DECEMBER:

- 1 Robert Irwin
- 2 Brittany Spears  
Juice WRLD
- 5 Walt Disney  
Conan Gray
- 8 Nicki Minaj
- 9 Kendall Vertes
- 13 Taylor Swift
- 14 Andrew Tate
- 17 Pope Francis
- 18 Billie Eilish  
Sia  
Brad Pitt  
Stone Cold Steve Austin
- 20 Kylian Mbappe
- 22 Meghan Trainor  
DaBaby
- 24 Louis Tomlinson
- 28 Stan Lee, John Legend
- 30 LeBron James



**Taylor Swift** turns 33 on  
**December 13. Let's hope  
she writes a song about it!**



**Billie Eilish** turns 21  
**on December 18.  
Happy 21st!!**

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11 Kincumber  
*Reporter*

**Etienne Green**

10 Providence  
*Artist*

**Sophia Truong**

9 Cameron  
*Photographer*

**Amelia Bui**

8 Kincumber  
*Reporter*

**Keighley Ferro**

8 Kincumber  
*Activity creator*

**Amy White**

9 McCormack  
*Photographer*

**Deanna Caputo**

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8 Penola  
*Reporter*

**Kasandra Xavier**

9 Cameron  
*Photographer*

**Alice Gill**

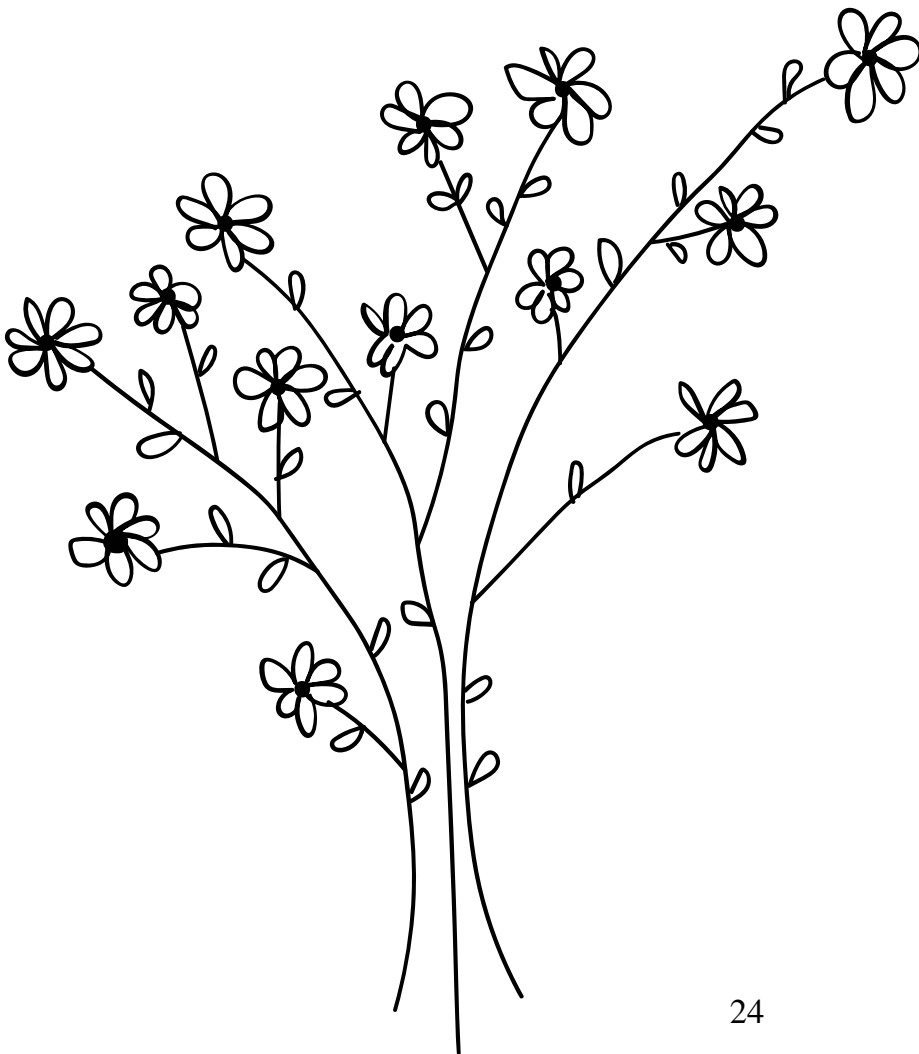
9 Penola  
*Photographer*

**Dheera Pahalage**

7 Providence  
*Researcher*

**Samyukktha**

**Pramodh Kutty**  
8 Penola  
*Reporter*





# LRC Clubs



# EVERYONE

*is welcome*

**Monday:** Tech/AV Club

**Tuesday:** Photography Club

**Thursday:** Writers Club

Gaming Club

**Friday:** Makerspace

**Every day:** After School Homework Club

Merry Christmas  
everyone.

Have a safe and happy holiday.

