

BOLD TIMES

BE BOLD-BE YOU-BE KIND



Mr. P Trattle. Principal of Simonds/U-Connect

Exclusive Interview with your new Principal: Mr. Trattle!

REMY HINZE

“The School chooses you, you don’t choose the school.” On Tuesday afternoon I had a pleasant visit with our Principle Professor Trattle, I mean Mr. Trattle. Mr. Trattle has been a part of our school community going on 5 months. Who is this man behind the suit? Look no further for I have an exclusive interview for you.

First off I have to say how fun it was to be able to interview Mr.Trattle. I think it is easy for the student body to forget that Mr.Trattle, although he is our Principal, he is a pretty cool guy! Hopefully this interview gives you some insight on the man we call our leader. Maybe share a few jokes with him too!

Mr.Trattle why did you choose to come to our school?

“I came here because #1 it was offered to me. #2 Because I really like the opportunities that it has. I like to work in a place where we can adapt and make learning personal. I really like that aspect of this school.”

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Most of U-Connect 5/6: the team who will be bringing you the newspaper during term 2. Back: Charlie, Sophie, Kiara, Kiana, Elias, Jude, Mrs. Layton. Front: Skylar, Cody, Remy, Briana, Payje.

Meet the BOLD TIMES staff

KIANA KNIGHT

We are the grade 5 and 6 class at U-Connect. There are 13 students in our class. Our mission statement is “BE BOLD”, because we are a unique group of kids that really stand out. Our class encourages ourselves and each other to go outside of our comfort zone. We are supportive and helpful to one and other. Our teachers’ name is Mrs. Layton and she is kind and friendly. We also had a bake sale to raise money for team trees.org and the BCSPCA. We are a great class! The students names are Kiana, Cody, Remy, Payje, Jada, Kiara, Sophie, Briana, Elias, Jude, Skyler, Charlie and Livia.



Play MEGA Challenge on ROBLOX!

MEGA challenge is a fun obstacle course with 12+ courses and one MEGA challenge. Will you be able to beat all courses and the MEGA challenge??

Check out more Roblox information and tricks on pg. 4

SIMONDS/U-CONNECT NEWS

MR. TRATTLE: THE MAN BEHIND THE SUIT...

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REMY HINZE

Do you like our school?

“I love this school! It provides fantastic opportunities for learners. The ability to do things you can’t necessarily do in traditional schools is (Continue on pg.2)awesome, you get so much more flexibility here which is great.”

Mr.Trattle Did you originally plan to come to this school to be the Principal?

“It was never part of my plan.....until it was a part of my plan. I was a vice-principal at R.E Mountain and I was asked to be principal here when Ms. Thomsen left.

Do you like all the people you work with? (Sorry this is a bit of a loaded question)

“Yes I do! I have been in the education system for a long time. I have never come across people I don’t get along with,

Did you ever teach at an Elementary school before?

“This is my first time working in an elementary school, I used to teach at middle schools and high schools working with computers, socials and history.”

Thank you for sharing with our readers your background in education. Now let’s look into the life of Mr.Trattle without the suit.

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“Orange you glad I didn’t day banana”

Well that was the Mr. Trattle’s funniest joke. It sure was a mega “Dad” joke. Thank you for the laugh! There is a great app you can get on your phone called “Dad Jokes” you should check it out! I do have a joke for you to add to your library Mr.Trattle.
“ What do you call someone with no nose?” “ Nobody Knows”

What is your favorite video game?

“I really like the LEGO games. They are really cool and I can play them with my kids. We can do stuff together in the game.” Mr. Trattle have you played the Harry Potter LEGO game yet? I highly recommend it.

What is your least favorite game?

“My least favorite game.....hmmmm....I am not really big into games that are really violent. I like games that are puzzles and make you think. I Think I am talking old people talk, but one of my favorite games is Crib. Also have you ever heard of Pong? That is one of my favorite games because it is so simple.”
To answer your question Mr.Trattle, I have

heard of the game Crib. I am currently learning how to play. I challenge you one day at lunch to a game!

Mr.Trattle do you like Code in your free time?

“ I do like to Code in my free time. I actually like to play video games. I do like the text based video games because then your imagination takes over more and you can create the game more in your brain. It allows a little more creativity.”

Do you have a favorite hobby outside of school?

“I like to play the guitar.”

Do you have any secret talents?

“Well I have already side that I like to play the guitar and I sing. I am in a musical group and we do different events and things. We do harmonies and stuff. Secret, I don’t know how secret it is, but if I touch things it normally starts working again. Especially with computers.”

What is your favorite book?

I got to be honest, I read a lot but my all -time favorite book that I have read more than a dozen times is the Harry Potter Series. I’m a bit of a “Potter Nerd.”
Mr. Trattle Harry Potter is the best! Ok readers what house do you think Mr.Trattle belongs in? Gryffindor, Hufflepuff, Ravenclaw or Slytherin? I personally think Mr.Trattle is either Gryffindor or Hufflepuff.

Mr. Trattle thank you for your time. I have one more question before you go.

What do you aspire to do here at U-Connect?

“Transform Learning.”
Side note: A little birdie also told me to keep your eyes open for a kitchen and a VR set coming to the U-Connect side. Finally, a place to heat up a good old Cup Of Noodles!

Entrepreneur Fair Soon!

SKYLAR PROSSER

On the third of March this year, an enjoyable event will take place. We will be holding The PowerPlay Young Entrepreneurs® fair. Several classes throughout the school will be manufacturing and selling products at this fair. They will be educated in manufacturing, marketing, controlling money, etc. Your class might be one of them! If not, you can still drop-in to look at and buy student merchandise!
The students who are making the merchandise will have the ability to choose from an array of products, colors, and scents as they go along their process. The young entrepreneurs may be interviewing other students to see their likes/dislikes on their product and preferences. So, expect them sometime soon!
We hope to see you there!

Upcoming OWLS	
January 15 ^{th,2020}	Law field trip and mock trial 9:00-2:00 (approx) Surrey provincial Courthouse.
January 29 ^{th,2020}	1 day tutorial invited students only grade 8-12 9:00-12:00 in the Hub.
February 12 ^{th,2020}	CBC News room tour for grades 5 to 7

OUTSIDE OF THE SCHOOL

Donald Trump Impeachment Trial

BY: SOPHIE SAVINO

What’s an Impeachment Trial?
In the USA, an impeachment is the process of legislature bringing charges against a civil officer of government. The charges must be proven before a grand jury.

What can you be charged for?
If you’re a civil officer of government and someone suspects/knows that your committing treason, bribery, betraying your oath of office, or any abuse of power, they can charge you and investigate.

Why is Donald Trump being investigated? Donald Trump is being accused of pressuring the Ukraine Government to try to find damaging information on one of his main Democratic challengers for being elected for president in 2020, being Joe Biden, and his son (Hunter).

Is Donald Trump guilty? As far as we know, Donald Trump is not Guilty of the charges. There is no Evidence (or concrete evidence) for Donald trump to be removed from office.

What will happen if Donald trump is found guilty? If Donald Trump is found guilty, he will be removed from office, meaning he won’t be president anymore, and he can’t be elected for presidency again. It’s possible that if he’s found guilty, he may face prison time.



Climatic Issues Down on Earth

BY KIARA JOHNSON

Our Earth is falling apart. Climate change, fossil fuels, forest fires, bad Presidents, icebergs melting, coral reefs dying, and many more things are causing this. Many young people are stepping up, unlike adults. Like, Greta Thunberg, Allison Boyer, and many others. Teenagers have given up education to try and help the Earth. Now, you kids should and shouldn’t do the same for many reasons. For example, Greta Thunberg is only 17 but she has held many protests and is trying to stop climate change.

Not many people believe in climate change being real. But for everybody that IS reading this, Climate Change is real and is something we should try to stop. For those of you who don’t know, Climate Change is a change in

the usual weather found in a place. This could be change in temperature for a month or season. This is bad because it affects something that we need above all else- water. Water is extremely important to us. So, if Climate Change doesn’t stop, in time we will have no water left on Earth. Therefore, the Youth are stepping up to try and stop these things from happening. The cause of all this is when Climate Change and other things like Global warming started. This is a horrible fact, but humans are the cause of climate change.

In conclusion, no you should not drop out of school like Greta, but you can do everything you can to stop Climate Change. Things like, turning off your heat, trying not to use too much energy at home or when traveling, eat LESS meat, compost and recycle, greenify your home and try to get involved in protests.



Australia Bush Fires

BY LIV MESZAROS

Since September, 15.6 million acres of Australian land has burned in one of the country's worst fire seasons on record. So far, more than 10 million hectares of Australian land has been burned.

Are the fires in Australia still burning?

About 15 million acres have been blackened over the past four months, and more than 100 wildfires are still burning.

Australia has awful bushfires, and the super cute koalas and kangaroos are dying. More than 480 million animals have been killed in New South Wales alone. Koalas are one of the most hit of them all, up to 8,000 are feared to be dead which is one third of the whole species.

Experts say that maybe entire species of various animals have been wiped out because of the fires. The unique glossy black cockatoo may be one of them, we don’t know how many of the 400 escaped the flames though. How you can help the koalas and other animals in Australia get away from the flames?

You can donate money to help people make more and better homes for the animals

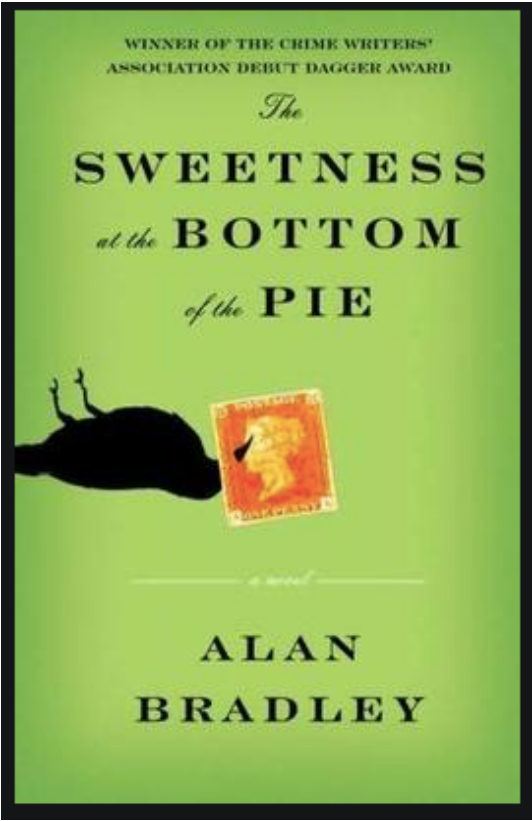
FOR YOUR INFORMATION...

Sweetness at the End of this Book!

SKYLAR PROSSER

Do you like a good mystery novel? I know I do. I recently finished reading the novel *The Sweetness at the Bottom of the Pie*, by Alan Bradley. The book is about an eleven-year-old girl named Flavia Deluce. She’s got a knack for chemistry and, more notably, poisons. The story takes place in the 1950s, in a mansion named Buckshaw. She follows the clues, and manages to get to the bottom of a perplexing murder before the police do. Flavia persuades people to speak, to listen, and then she watches them become astounded. Like me.

The book was incredible. Possibly one of the best books I’ve ever read. And it isn’t like most other mystery novels where they just barely manage to get by. Flavia is always about three steps ahead, and always moving forward. You don’t know what’s going to happen until it hits. An extremely well written story. Speaking of writing, lets move on to the author. Alan Bradley has written a number of books, the originally six book series of Flavia Deluce having been extended to ten. *The Sweetness at the Bottom of the Pie*, being the first in the series, was published in 2009. The rest of them have been published ever since. Alan Bradley has won a number of awards, most of which were pointed at *The Sweetness at the Bottom of the Pie*. Anyway, it was a wonderful book! I would recommend this book to eager readers, lovers of mysteries, and those who want to try something new and different!



Benjamin using his wheelchair. Benjamin passed away on January 13, 2020.

ANIMAL RESCUES

SAINTS remembers a friend.
Ben was a dog with spunk.

JADA CAYER

Benjamin (left) came to SAINTS (Senior Animal in Need Today Society) in 2018 surrendered by his owner because of not being able to afford his vet costs. Ben loved his time at SAINTS. And he loved his toys, blankets and especially his treats. SAINTS provided him a wheelchair so he could get around for exercise because he had a muscle disability that made him unable to walk on his back legs. I met him the day before he passed away at SAINTS. He was very happy to meet me and my family. He wasn’t in his wheelchair so he drug himself around which made me feel sad for him but happy to see him mobile without his wheelchair. He passed away January 13th at 11:00pm, he had had a heart attack. It was good to see he had lived a better life at SAINTS.

GAMES, FUN AND WEATHER

Is Roblox shutting down?

BRIAUNA BAILEY

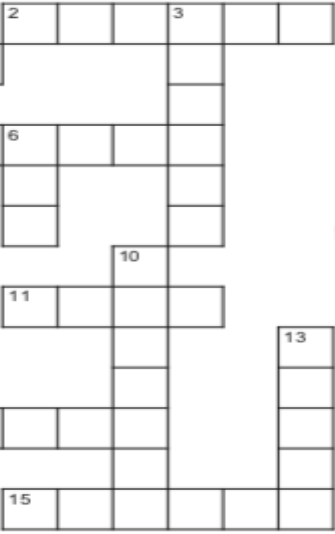
So will Roblox ever shut down? It has to shut down some day. But probably not for a long time. It should last to at least 2035 but who knows? There has been rumours that Roblox is shutting down in 2020 in March. But Roblox has clarified that the popular online game will not be shutting down anytime soon. Lots of online websites said Roblox, Minecraft, Fortnite are shutting down but they are not. Most websites that have that news are as fake as fake can get. There has been lots of rumours of all kind of games shutting down. But don't worry none are going to shut down anytime soon. So do not trust any website they are fake . The only thing you trust is the official Roblox twitter feed .

Chinese New Year CROSSWORD



ACROSS

- 2. He is credited with naming the years of the Chinese after animals.
- 4. Plant that brings happiness, wealth and longevity.
- 5. Chinese New Year is known as the _____ Festival.
- 7. Number of animals in the Chinese calendar.
- 11. If you find this in your dumpling, you will have a year of good luck.
- 12. What children receive in red envelopes if they have been good.
- 14. Fruit said to represent luck and prosperity.
- 15. Season in which Chinese New Year takes place.



DOWN

- 1. What must you clean to be ready for Chinese New Year?
- 3. Animal traditionally represented in the Chinese New Year's Day parade.
- 6. Color that is believed to drive away bad luck.
- 8. These are decorated, hung in temples, and carried during a parade.
- 9. Animal for the year 2017 in the Chinese calendar.
- 10. Number of days in the Chinese New Year celebration.
- 13. Type of calendar that the Chinese New Year is based on.

Classic Sudoku

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	2			8			7	
5			7		2			4
3			6		7			2
	5			3			1	
		9				7		
1			4		9			6
9				7				1
6	8	2				4	9	7

YOUR 7 DAY FORECAST

Next 7 Days

Tue
01/21
Rain

8°

5

Wed
01/22
Rain

7°

5

Thu
01/23
Rain

9°

7

Fri
01/24
Rain

10°

8

Sat
01/25
Rain

9°

9

Sun
01/26
Cloudy with showers

8°

7

Mon
01/27
Light rain

7°

5