

# the Harrold



Weeks of February 22-27, 2021

## Interesting Facts for the Week

France was defeated quickly by Germany in 1940. However, the fact that Germany did in six weeks during WWII what they couldn't do in four years in WWI has been oversimplified. While it's true that France surrendered quickly to Germany, French soldiers fought hard in the Battle of France, taking down over 150,000 people and destroying over 800 German tanks. The French army was let down by indecisive leadership, poor tactics, bad logistics, and commanders trying to fight a defensive conflict and avoid the high casualties of WWI. In July 1940, a week after the French government signed an armistice with Germany and Italy, the British Royal Navy feared the loss of its domination in the Mediterranean Sea. If Germany seized the French fleet, the British worried that the Germans would be that much closer to invading Britain. The French government promised its former ally that it would not turn its ships over to Germany. Winston Churchill, however, had to decide whether he believed the French, and decided the risk was too big. When France refused his diplomatic request to sail to British ports, he ordered an attack on French ships at Mers-el-Kébir in French Algeria off the African coast. The French fleet was immobilized, and 1,300 French sailors died in an incident the French call "our Pearl Harbor." France's Vichy government broke off ties with Britain after the incident.

## this week

### After School Detention

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- ⊙ The end of the 4<sup>th</sup> Six Weeks is Friday (26<sup>th</sup>) and grades will be due on Tuesday (2<sup>nd</sup>).
- ⊙ **Notice:** We need to have a quick teacher's meeting on Tuesday (23<sup>rd</sup>) after school to take care of miscellaneous issues.

## next week

- ⊙ As of the time of my writing this (Friday 19<sup>th</sup>) TEA has indicated we will might be able to get Waivers for the missed days this past week. Even though I would never wish the cold weather and loss of power on anyone in the state, I believe that TEA's empathy meter for our combined misery has been increased due to the fact that central Texas (along with Austin) were affected the same as we were. I'll keep you posted...

## the future

### March 1-6

### After School Detention

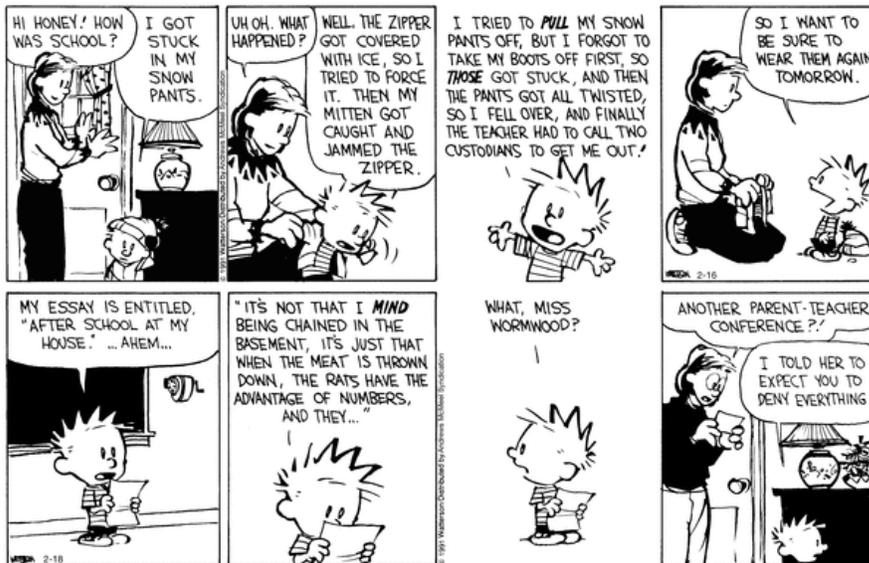
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- ⊙ March 12-21—Spring Break
- ⊙ Thursday, March 25<sup>th</sup>—Board Meeting @ 6:30
- ⊙ April 2 & 5—Easter Snow/Day Holidays



"Clamp!"

## two week overview



22 Teachers' Holiday— No Classes	23	24	25 Spring Pictures	26 End of 4 <sup>th</sup> Six Weeks OAP Clinic in Olney	27 UIL HS Solo and Ensemble Contest- Seymour
1 Beginning of 5 <sup>th</sup> Six Weeks	2 8:30--ACT for Jr's and Sr's. In the Library	3 Senior Cap/Gown Pictures	4 FFA Contest @ Jacksboro	5	6