

# And In With The New

What was different about 1988? We were one grade older and one year closer to reaching the end of high school; but what was really changed when we returned to the hallowed halls of John C. for the new year?

Well, the floors were mopped and desks stuck to the ground a day or two. Everyone wore new clothes for a week and discussed what they did over the holidays. Girls were convinced they had gained weight from Christmas candy; boys were convinced they could never again get used to waking up at seven o'clock. All students returned with a fresh attitude, however, and decided to excel in '88.

The new year brought with it some new faces and experiences. Ted and Neal Persky joined the students of John C. in January. Seniors who were taking composition with Mrs. Linder switched to speech

with Mrs. Goehring, and vice versa. Juniors began thinking about the SAT, and planning Jr-Sr.

The end of the school year was clearly in view — but would it ever arrive? Students are always looking forward to something, be it the weekend or summer, and before Christmas the holiday season was anxiously awaited. After returning, however, everyone could only think of one thing: how many days until Spring Break??

The new year heralded more than new resolutions and new expectations. It was the beginning of new academic challenges. The JCCA spelling bee was held January 20th. Winners included Michael Stone and Tony Stone, 4th; Leigh Ann Bennett and Wanda Herndon, 5th; Amy Carter and Jason Strickland, 6th; Cope Johnston and Craig White, 7th; Melissa Hinton and Robbie Padgett, 8th.

1988 brought a new birthday to Mrs. Beth Warren, but how many will that make? She'll never tell!



## HEARD IT THROUGH THE GRAPEVINE

*My new year's resolution last year was to score a touchdown in this football season. This year it was to make straight A's ...*

— Griffin Warren

*(Last year) I didn't know the reasons of New Year's resolutions. To be what I want to be means I have to make changes so I can be happy. I came to realize how valuable my friends are ...*

— Virginia Greenwell

Kimberly Smith practices her spell-ability on the microphone to prepare for the school's spelling bee. Mrs. Speaks spent much spare time drilling the young students before they competed.

Another year, another viewpoint — Griffin Warren and Virginia Greenwell, both eighth graders, compare the differences in their New Year's resolutions this year and last year.