In this issue we are learning about two major drug companies who are in a global race for a COVID-19 vaccine, which would help to stop the spread of the virus. Readers will also debate the issues of whether or not headphones should be banned for children. Finally, learn about Kim Ng and why she is making sports history.

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What you need to know?

- The first modern headphones were invented in the kitchen. Nathaniel Baldwin made them (two ear pieces with a headband) by hand and sold them to the Navy as radio equipment.
- Some research suggest that hearing loss in kids is on the rise. In one study, 13% of children showed hearing loss by age 18 that could affect the ability to understand sounds and speech.
- In one 2016 analysis of children’s headphones, half did not restrict volume to the limit promised.

Have your students visit theweekjunior.com/polls to vote. We’ll publish the results next week.
This week’s big news

COVID-19 Vaccines Prove Effective

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**Lets Discuss**

1. Pfizer and Moderna are in a global race for a drug that prevents people from getting sick. Explain the research and results of each company’s vaccine. Be sure to use evidence from the text to support your response.
2. What are antibodies and how are they beneficial to people? Be sure to use evidence from the text to support your response.
3. What evidence from the text proves that COVID-19 is on the rise? What are some ways people can stop the spread of the virus? Be sure to use evidence from the text to support your response.

**Vocabulary**

- Vaccine
- Antibodies
- Herd Immunity

**TWJ Kids take action**

*In school or remote*

Design a new cover for this week’s issue.

Americans Prepare for A Different Thanksgiving

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**Lets Discuss**

1. What restrictions have Government officials set for the Thanksgiving holiday? Be sure to use evidence from the text to support your response.
2. What do you think Mike Gibson of West LaFayette, Indiana means when he says “Thanksgiving will be smaller, but more meaningful”?
3. What evidence from the text supports the idea that families are finding creative ways to celebrate Thanksgiving?

**Vocabulary**

- Social Distance
- Government official
- Ban

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Thanksgiving Instagram Page: Draw on picture that represents how your family will celebrate Thanksgiving this year. Be sure to write a description under the picture explaining how this year’s Thanksgiving celebration is different. Create 1-2 hashtags for your photo.

**Last Week’s Poll:**

Last week, we asked you if people should always forgive one another. Most of you said yes, but some of you said not all things can be forgiven.

**Virtual Activity**

Share your screen and take a virtual tour of the First Thanksgiving. Students can watch short videos and take a slideshow tour of the Pilgrim Village and the Wampanoag Homestead. Have students share out facts that they learned.

**Brain Booster**

1. Research and choose a local organization that gives back to the community.
2. Write a 3-5 paragraph essay that details and explains each of the following topics (about the organization, mission of the organization, programs or services that the organization provides, and how people can get involved.)