



Webberville Middle School Weekly Newsletter

3/15/2024

DO WHAT'S RIGHT - DO YOUR BEST - HONOR THE TEAM

LIGHT UP THE HALLS

In their unit on the Electromagnetic Spectrum, 7th and 8th-grade students learned about different types of electromagnetic waves and how they form part of the spectrum; visible light. Through a creative project, they applied this knowledge by making faux stained glass artwork using various colors representing components of the light spectrum. This activity allowed them to explore the connection between science and art, as they translated their understanding of wavelengths and colors into visually appealing designs. Working together, students not only deepened their comprehension of scientific concepts but also honed their teamwork and collaboration skills. Overall, the project provided an engaging and hands-on way for students to integrate scientific learning with artistic expression.



Technology Policy

A reminder that Middle School students are not permitted to bring electronic devices, other than the school issued Chromebook into class. All other devices need to be stored in lockers. Please revisit this policy with your student.

MRS. MAYES...

6-8TH GRADE ELA

6th grade: This week, students delved further into our class novel, "Freak the Mighty" by Rodman Philbrick. Our focus was on strengthening comprehension skills, particularly cause and effect — understanding not just what happened, but why it happened. Next week, we'll dive deeper into our literature study of "Freak the Mighty," building upon the insights gained so far.

7th grade: We are making steady progress in our reading of "The Giver" by Lois Lowry. The book offers rich content for us to understand and explore, so it's taking us some time to delve into it thoroughly. Our recent focus has been on grasping the concept of a utopian society and its impact on the characters' daily lives and decisions. It's a fascinating exploration that prompts deep discussions and critical thinking.

8th grade: This week in "The Outsiders," we're examining the similarities and differences between 'the Socs' and 'the Greasers' more closely. Our class has engaged in in-depth discussions about how individuals' social status, whether they have or lack privilege, impacts their stress levels. It's been a thought-provoking exploration of societal dynamics and personal experiences within the novel.



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7TH GRADE BROUGHT HOME A PERMISSION SLIP FRIDAY FOR OUR FIELD TRIP TO THE SLOAN MUSEUM. PLEASE SIGN AND RETURN IMMEDIATELY.



MRS. CLOUDMAN...

6-8TH GRADE MATH

6th grade: Students have one lesson to finish on Monday for the Unit Conversions chapter. They are applying unit conversions to real world situations. We will go over the answers to the review on Tuesday and have our test on Wednesday.

7th grade: Students are midway through the Plane Geometry and Similarity module. They can find the circumference/area of a circle, and the area of a triangle, rectangle and parallelogram. We are now using that knowledge to find the area of a shape composed of those shapes. We will take a quiz over these skills on Wednesday.

8th grade: Students have completed our Pythagorean Theorem module. We discussed and learned about the 3D applications of the Pythagorean theorem. This would be something like packing a candle diagonally in a box and the side length of a pyramid or cone. We are reviewing on Tuesday and the test will be on Wednesday.

The Third Quarter has ended. Next week we will be purging our math folders, so that we have only the materials needed to wrap up the year in the fourth quarter.

MS JOURNALISM/YEARBOOK

The Middle school yearbook has been submitted to the plant for publishing. We will now focus our attention on a spring insert and what that includes.

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MR. FOLDENAUER **6-8TH GRADE SOCIAL STUDIES**

6th Grade World Geography: This week students looked at the different ways culture can be organized and the different aspects of American Culture. Next week, we'll look at a different culture and find similarities & differences to ours.

7th-8th Grade U.S. History: This week students learned about the War of 1812 and what was accomplished from the war. Next week, students will have a group project about Manifest Destiny.

6-8th Grade Current Events: This week students learned about the history of the Russia/Ukraine Conflict and began working on an essay. Next week, students will conclude their essay and study Haiti's current crisis.

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MS. PETTY

6-8TH GRADE SCIENCE & KITCHEN CHEMISTRY

- **6th Grade Science** - This week students worked on a mini project illustrating the various atmospheric layers and information about each one. These will be displayed in the hallway before sending them home after break. Next week classes will begin discussing how land masses affect climate.
- **7th/8th Grade Science** - Classes have spent the week learning the difference between planetary rotation and revolution as it pertains to the Earth, Moon and Sun. Next week students will dive deeper into this knowledge and learn about phases of the Moon.
 - When we return from Spring Break, students will need an empty intact cereal box to make their own solar eclipse-safe viewing box. Please start saving and sending them in next week.
 - We will also need 4 rolls of aluminum foil. If you are able and willing to donate a roll we will be very grateful for the help.
- **Kitchen Chemistry** - Students learned about the differences in mixtures, solutions and emulsions this week. They even tried their hand at making mayonnaise from scratch.
 - Next Wednesday students will participate in a "Spring Feast." If your student volunteered to bring something in, they should have already spoken with you about it for permission. If you are donating to the feast, please drop it off no later than 11am on Wednesday 3/20.



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MR. FRANKS ...

6-8TH GRADE INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC & TECHNOLOGY

Beginning Band students received concert music this week, so they should be practicing Dragon Dance and Furioso at home in addition to their Essential Elements exercises. You can get additional news about beginning band with [this link](#).

Intermediate band students have new music to be practicing as well. They will be performing Royal Road, Spring, and Night Fury. You can get additional news about Intermediate Band by using [this link](#).

US Music History students started their unit on the music of Johnny Cash and Elvis Presley. They will finish those lessons next week



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Important Dates

3/22	First Day of Spring Break
4/1	School Resumes
4/5	7th grade field trip
4/9	8th grade PSAT