

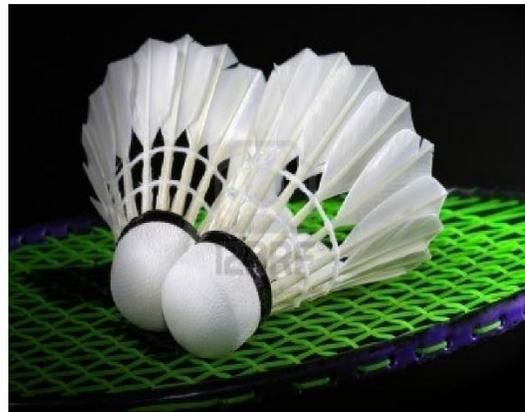
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## 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Computer

In Computer Applications 6th grade students are beginning a semester filled with learning about becoming more proficient users of Computer related technology. Students will start off by reviewing internet safety and then diving in to take a closer look at some themes that will challenge their preconceived ideas of what it takes to stay safe online. In addition, students will be practicing their keyboarding skills throughout the semester.

Mr. Cook (ext. 2326)



## **Physical Education** **5th and 6th grade P.E.**

**In February, Mapleview PE students will participate in the badminton unit. During the unit students will work on the fundamentals of serving, underhand, forehand, backhand, and overhead striking techniques. Students will work individually and with small groups before participating in modified games to finish the unit.**

**Mr. Heisler (ext. 2322)**



## 5<sup>th</sup> Grade World Studies

In World Studies, 5th grade students are beginning their adventure in learning about several different languages and cultures from around the world. The students will have an opportunity to explore many different countries, including the traditions, language, and the way of life of the people that live there. We are beginning with a brief review of world geography.

Mr. Cook (ext. 2326)

### Talent Show Important Dates:

Tryouts: February 3rd-7th

Results Posted: February 10th (Monday)

Teacher Guided Recess Practice: February 17th-March 12th (During recess. One day a week determined by your coach)

After School REQUIRED DRESS REHEARSAL: 3:00-4:15: March 11th (Wednesday) OR March 12th (Thursday)

You will attend ONE (TBD): First ½ of show on March 11, Second ½ of show on March 12

Talent Show: March 13th (Friday)



## Band

Congratulations to all band students on a fabulous concert! We worked hard on those concert songs and did a great job performing them for an audience.

We will now be working through the Essential Elements book and learning more notes, articulations, and styles of playing! In addition to this, each grade will receive four new concert songs that they will perform in April for their spring concert! February is the month of learning new things in band!

Ms. Schultz (ext. 2319)  
Mrs. Carpenter (ext. 2654)

## Healthy Living

### Healthy Living-6

How great it is to see the 6th graders again. You may not see it because you look at them every day, but what a change I have seen since May when I had them in Healthy Living 5. Many are taller than me, so I did have to remind them that height does not equal power. :) Not only do I see the changes in their height, but I have also noticed personality changes that most certainly put them in the category of adolescence. (Really, this is positive!)

After reviewing the Wellness Triangle, we will spend time learning about the Developmental Assets. These are "traits" that researchers have found will help kids to be "happy, healthy and successful". I feel very strongly that these assets lay a solid foundation for young people to become physically, mentally and socially healthy. We will discuss all 40 internal and external traits in the upcoming weeks, one of which is self-esteem. I feel this is a great way to begin the semester as many decisions your sons and daughters will make will be better if they feel good about themselves. A high self-esteem will enable your child to try new things, stand up for themselves and accept their shortcomings.

If you have any questions as the semester goes forward, please contact me.

Mrs. Curtis (ext. 2864)

## Music:

**5th grade-** With the new quarter, we will be starting a new instrument in music class- piano! Students will discover playing technique and learn how to play many songs on the piano!

**6th grade-** Soon, the 6th graders will be continuing their skills for our piano unit. After a review, the 6th graders will be picking up where they left off last year. I can't wait to see how far we get this year!

### Choir- WINTER CHOIR

Members- Thank you for your dedication as we have been practicing for the District Choral Festival on February 17th. Please return your permission slips and t-shirt money by February 10th! If your student is interested in SPRING CHOIR, look for sign-ups in February! Students did NOT have to be in Winter Choir to be in Spring Choir. Come sing with us!

Mrs. Pohlman (ext. 2320)

## ART



### 5th Grade Art

The 5th grade students are creating a watercolor painting inspired by an image they have chosen. The image they selected has a personal meaning to them. The 5th graders will learn how to free draw their picture onto watercolor paper using a few techniques that help them place their image on the paper correctly. The students have learned different watercolor techniques: wet on dry, dry on dry, wet on wet, wash, value scale, crayons, colored pencils, sharpie markers, salt, masking tape, sponge and rubber cement. The 5th graders will use these techniques to help them paint a realistic watercolor painting.

Once the students have finished their painting they will select a frame color for behind their painting and fill out a name tag. The students will autograph their painting and will fill out their check-off sheet (self-assessment) on our Google classroom. The paintings will be displayed in the hallways.

The Elements of art we have covered are:  
Color, Line, Form, Shape, Space, Texture and Value.

Mr. Calmes (ext. 2321)