



Computer

5th Grade Computer Applications

Students have completed their digital citizenship unit, and are well on their way to understanding how to do effective research online using the techniques we've been practicing in class. We learn to use the strategy FSE- finding a specific focus about a topic to research, developing a strategy (deciding what tools and where to search), and evaluating the website first before trusting the information. These are practical techniques that will be helpful with future research as well. Our next project is to research an environmental issue that your student is concerned about. We will be using that information to create a collaborative presentation using Google Slides.

Mrs. Berndt (ext. 2625)

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

The students are continuing to work on volleyball and starting to play games in class. We first worked on our skills of the game which included: passing/bumping, setting, and serving. We also talked about the rules of the game. Our focus when playing the games will be moving and talking.

The 6th graders are up to 40 sec. on the Pacer run, we will be adding 10 sec. to the time every two weeks. The students are working to improve their Pacer by the work they are putting in.

Mr. Weyers (ext. 2660)

World Studies

6th Grade World Studies

At the start of second quarter, sixth graders in World Studies said "Au revoir" to our French unit, and "Bienvenidos" to our final unit this year... Spanish! Students are discovering how much fun the Spanish language and culture are, as we learn greetings, numbers 1-31 and calendar vocabulary. We've also spend a good amount of time learning about Mexico. Students are looking forward to our upcoming research project, which is to create a Google Site about a Spanish-speaking country. Be sure to ask them to share it with you! They are excited to be publishing their work to the internet for others to view!

As always, we love having guest speakers come in to visit our classes. If you or someone you know has a connection to the Spanish language or culture and is interested in coming in, please let us know. ¡Feliz Año Nuevo!

Mrs. Berndt (ext. 2625)

Choir information:

The after school choir performance was terrific! Any student who is interested in joining choir at this time is welcome. It is assumed that students who were in choir for first semester will continue into the spring concert, which will be held April 17th, unless a parent note is sent regarding a drop request. Our next performance is February 9th, with the Mapleview, JRG, and KHS choirs at Lawrence Memorial Chapel. This will be an exciting event! If students new to choir are able to learn our music quickly, they are welcome to join us on that event. Rehearsals for the February 9th performance are extremely important, mandatory for new choir enrollees. Boys will have rehearsals Jan 4, 18, 23, February 1, 6, and 8. Girls will be on Jan 9, 18, 23, 30, February 6, and 8.

There will be a rehearsal with the other choirs prior to the concert (TBD) on Feb 9th at the Lawrence Chapel. We will be placing a Choir T-Shirt order soon. Please know this is optional. Look for a form soon. Congratulations go to seven students who have been selected to attend the Wisconsin Choral Director's Association All State Choir on January 13th. Sianna Bruce, Madelyn Dillenburg, Joseph Mancheski, Rowan McClure, Joy Peterson, Madelyn Strelbel and Bridgette Zietlow are all hard at work learning several new pieces in this short amount of time! They will work with a prestigious conductor throughout the day of the 13th and perform in Wausau in the evening.



Healthy Living 5th Grade

We have recently finished our nutrition unit. I'd love to think this has resulted in positive changes in your child's eating behaviors. Our focus during the unit was on the "Healthy Plate." They learned the food groups, the primary nutrients those foods contain and what those nutrients do for their bodies. Eating balanced meals and following the "tips" for the food groups will give growing bodies what they need to help them grow, think and learn. I've told the students that even though our nutrition unit has ended, our goals of choosing what we eat based on the "Choose Myplate" criteria will never end! :) Thanks for your support at home with their choices.

We will end the year discussing another important health issues- tobacco. As "invincible" 5th graders, it is often difficult for students to grasp the idea that the choices they make now will have immediate and long term effects on their health. Knowing the effects tobacco has on their physical, mental and social health will help them with the decision to not smoke cigarettes.

We will be watching the 5th grade human growth and development video on December 19th and 20th.

As always, if you have any questions or concerns, please contact me.

Mrs. Curtis (ext. 2864)



Band

Concert Dates for Band:
Please mark your calendar!!!!

January 16, 2018-6:30 pm - 5th grade band and 5th grade music classes

April 17, 2018-6:30 pm - 5th and 6th grade band/choir, and Art show.

Woodland Wolves Band Students and Parents,

Congratulations!!!

Congratulations to all our performers on the Holiday Concert. Your dedication and hard work was evident in the wonderful performance for the community. You warmed the hearts of many with your talents. We hope you continue to share your great talents with family and friends during the holidays. We are proud of you.

A special thank you to our Woodland parents and staff for your continued support in helping students develop their abilities in the arts. It truly is a life-long investment.

We are happy to report that our hot cocoa and candy cane fundraiser collect \$607.27. This money will be split equally between Puerto Rico and Juvenile Arthritis. We thank you for remembering others that are less fortunate.

Ms. Shimek (ext. 2621)
Mrs. Carpenter (ext. 2654)

MUSIC

The 5th grade students are busy preparing for our January 16th performance. We are excited to share our music with an audience! The band and all music students are performing. All 5th grade students are expected to be in attendance. Please dress nicely, dress pants, skirts, or dresses, with a nice top, without prominent logos or sayings. Also, dress shoes with little or no heel are preferred.

The 6th grade students performed very well on our performance and many students are considering what courses to take at JRG. Hopefully many students will join the band and or choir. These ensembles meet during the school day and are the only offerings in music. With such a successful performance this year, sixth grade students know how good it feels to sing well. It would be great to see them continue. For the rest of the quarter we will playing tone chimes and reading chords.

Mrs. Been (ext. 2647)

ART

6th Grade Art

The 6th grade students have created a three dimensional object out of different size wire. The students used many different techniques of wrapping wire with pliers and their hands to create their wire sculpture. The 6th grade student's sculptures need to be 3-D (three dimensional) and can have no large areas of open space. Students also were able to use colored wire to add areas of color to their sculpture. Before the students turned in their wire sculpture they used their chrome book to fill out their Google form "check-off sheet" (self-assessment) for their wire and filled out a name tag for their wire sculpture. The wire sculptures will be displayed in the display cases and in the hallways when they are finished.

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

Mr. Calmes (ext. 2321)

