



Minutes from the Middle



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5th Grade News

Q: What's going on in your class?

Mary:In reading they are reading The Plant that ate the Dirty Sock.In science they are talking about matter, elements and atoms and how the periodic table is organised.In math Multiplying and dividing large numbers and decimals.

Q: Is your class doing any big projects?

Stubbers:In science her two classes are working on classifying changes as either physical or chemical. They made pancakes to observe what happens when they cook. The classes are also making cup holders for airplane seats.

Ogden: In social studies they will be learning about taxes. There will be 1 king, 2 parliament or (british government), 2 tax collectors and the rest of the students colonists. In math they are learning how to multiply decimals and in reading they are finishing up the Titanic.

George: In reading they are learning how to write poetry so they can make a poetry book.

6th Grade News

Math

Q. What are you doing in math?
A: All 6th grade is solving equations using the distributive property.

~ **Science**

Q. What is going on in science?
A: All of the 6th grade is studying scientists. They are making posters and a replica of their scientist with pop bottles. ***Both Mr. Parmerlee and Ms. Smith are doing the same thing in Math and Science.

~ **Language Literacy**

Q. What is the main topic you are teaching?

A:In Ms. Brown class they are reading myths and themes, then finding the morals of the stories.
A: In Ms. Reid is working on different types of poems.

~ **Social Studies**

Q. What are you learning in class?

A: Mr. Parmerlee is working on researching " Our big adventure" and planning their own trips

A: U.S and Canada regions and climate change zones.

7th Grade News

Q:What are you doing in math?

A: They just finished learning about probability of experimental and theoretical events. They just started chapter 10 which is angle relationships.

Q: What's going on in science?

A: The students will be making a PowerPoint or video of them dissecting their frog.

Q:What's happening in geography?

A:We are talking about the Soviet Union and how it divided into countries. We will also be starting a Europe project.

Q: What're you doing in language literacy?

A:The students are reading Ender's Game and will be doing activities along with each chapter.

Q: What events are going on?

A: The students have just finished doing MAP Testing.

8th Grade News

Q: What will you be working on this week with your 8th grade students in history?

A: "Continue the civil war and more about Abraham Lincoln. We will also be learning about the reconstruction of the south."

Q: What will be your main focus this week in math?

A: "We will work with probability and stats. We will also try to incorporate group projects."

Q: "Is there anything in particular that you want to focus on with your math students within the next few weeks in language?"

A: "We will start to work on figurative and literacy devices."

Q: What will be the main focus in science?"

A: "Analyze probability in genetic crosses using Punnett Squares. DNA will be the last concept of the year."

Student of the Month Nominations:

5th Grade: Gavin Godwin, Christine DeLaCruz, Samantha Way, Emma Vanzandt, Jason Nuckolls, Trevor Lause

6th Grade: Taylor Clark, Jorge Lopez, Cavin Sanders, Emily Love, Emily Riley, Alejandro Pulido, Cavin Sanders

7th Grade: Ronald Kouski, Jalyynn Wood, Morgan Uhl, Casey Campbell, Skyler England-Spicer, Seth Placencia

8th Grade: Kenzie Tharp, Maxx Stanton, Trevor Stammer, Kyle Johnson, Gracie Bear, Tyler Timmons, Cash Lee

Staff Spotlight with Mrs. Heintz see back page for more



Woodside Middle School
Band Director

Members of Journalism Club:

Teacher sponsors: Ms. Portz and Mrs. Zeutenhorst

Raegan Fitch, Cash Lee, Gracie Bear, Caleb McCoy, Katherine Tylavsky, Kylie Rink, Gabby Neddermeyer, Devin Redner, Taylor Perry, Emma Harkness, Taylor Conley, Alyssa Monroe, Roland Kouski, and Katie Plascencia



Here are the Student of the Month winners for April. All eight students enjoyed their ride in the limo to Applebee's for lunch. Thanks again to Doug Sassman for the limo ride!!

~ Thank you all for your hard work!~

Woodside Staff Spotlight: Christine Heintz

Q:What has been your favorite part about working at Saydel?

A:I have really enjoyed working with and getting to know the students and staff at Woodside.

Q:What was your most fun moment at Saydel?

A:It has been fun joining forces with Mr. Layden during 7/8 band rehearsals. Then again getting into a song so much that my baton broke will always be a fond memory.

Q:How are you feeling about leaving after 2 years?

A:It was not my plan to leave after just two years, but another opportunity came up very close to home that I could not pass up. I will really miss the students whom I have gotten to know well, but I know they have a bright musical future ahead of them!

Q:Do you have any words of wisdom for the next band teacher?

A:Get to know students, push them beyond where they think they can go, and make band a class where great musical moments come alive.

Related arts and Extracurricular Activities::

Technology

Q: What is your favorite section that you teach?

A: Cool Tools for School, because during the application, the students can try on their own.

PE:

Q:What do you want the parents to know?

A: The American Heart Association recommends that children get at least 60 minutes of daily physical activity.

Family Consumer Science:

Q: Are you excited about this school coming to an end?

A: Yes, because I have had everybody, its time for a break so we can start again in August and learn new things.

Band: Q: What is coming up in band?

A: Our final concert will be **Thursday, May 7 at 6:30pm** in the **Saydel High School Auditorium**. It will feature the 6th, 7th and 8th grade choirs, show choir, 6th grade band, and the 7th and 8th grade band.

Track: May 5th- Co-ed meet in Bondurant

May 8th- Boys have a home meet and girls will be at PCM

Boys Spring Ball: 7th grade vs. 8th grade~ May 7th

Student Council: .Q: What things are happening in Student Council?f

A:We are planning for Teacher Appreciation Week.

Upcoming Dates:

- Teacher Appreciation Week, May 4-8th.

- 8th Grade Formal is May 16th from 7-9 pm.

- 8th Grade Graduation Ceremony is May 26th at 8:30 am.



5th Graders in Mrs. Stubbers's classroom made pancakes during their Picture Perfect Science lesson.



Counselor's Corner with Mrs. Erickson:

There are summer program opportunities available through the Young Women's Resource Center for middle school girls. If girls are interested, see me in the office as soon as possible.