

NEWS FROM THE 3K CLASSROOM



November 2025

Look What We Learned

November flew by, and we are officially in the swing of the holiday season. But let's not forget all the fun we had! The children did great at the Veterans Day program! We are now working hard on our Christmas concert songs. Please remember, the concert will be held in the church on December 14th at 12 pm. We moved it up from 1 pm due to the Edgar Holiday Parade. The children were super excited to meet our class mascot, Huxley the Hippo! And it's always a good day when we get to feed the letter monster!



Look what we did!



Reminders

The Wisconsin Winter Weather has OFFICIALLY arrived! Please be sure to send appropriate clothing and outside gear during this time. If you need it sent home, please let me know. Extra mittens are always helpful since they don't always dry before the second recess.

If you haven't already had a chance to contribute a classroom community snack, please keep it in mind for the near future. We ask that you avoid sending fruit snacks and any items containing peanuts or peanut butter due to allergies.

Thank you for your support!

Classroom Newsletter

NOV. 2025

4K AND KINDERGARTEN
MRS. FARBER

What We Learned

4K:

In November, 4K students learned many new things! Our focus letters this month were "li", "ll", "Jj" and "Gg". Students have also been practicing the sounds that correspond with each letter. It is fun to watch as they start to understand that each letter in a word makes it's own sound! Journal writing was introduced at the end of the month, and we will continue to practice writing words to match the things we draw. Their handwriting has come so far in just a few short months! In math, 4K students have been working with 5 frames and 10 frames. 4K also continues to practice matching numbers to quantities. November was filled with special projects along with learning about being thankful, grateful, and feeling blessed.

Kindergarten:

November brought lots of learning for Kindergarten, as well! In ELA, 5K students met two new Superkids - Doc and Sal! They are beginning to segment the sounds in basic CVC words, and connect labels to drawings and everyday things. In math, 5K centered on simple addition and subtraction problems using fun math manipulatives. We are continuing to focus on addition and subtraction by introducing story problems. Kids read the story problem and decide which math operation they need to use (plus or minus). They have also been making their own math stories and writing math sentences to match!

Both 4K and 5K students (as well as the 3K class) have been working hard practicing their Christmas Concert songs! They are very excited to show off their talents at the concert on December, 14th.

Students in both 4K and Kindergarten continue to enjoy lessons in Science, Social Studies, Phys. Ed, art, music and religion classes, as well!

Reminders

Please send 26 individually wrapped snacks within the first week of each month. Each student is responsible for 2 snack days per month (I will provide snacks for the remaining days).

Make sure your child has snow pants, a warm jacket, winter boots, a hat, and mittens! We will be going outside for recess when the temperature is anything above zero degrees. Students are allowed to keep their snow gear at school to make traveling back and forth easier. It gets pretty cold, but these kids are loving the snow!

Upcoming Events

- Holiday Concert on 12/14 @ 12:00
- NO SCHOOL 12/24 - 1/2
- Gala Benefit 1/17, purchase tickets using the QR code here:



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I am always available via Class Dojo!
Please don't hesitate to reach out with any questions, comments or concerns!

Grades One/Two

November News



VIRTUAL LEARNING In November!

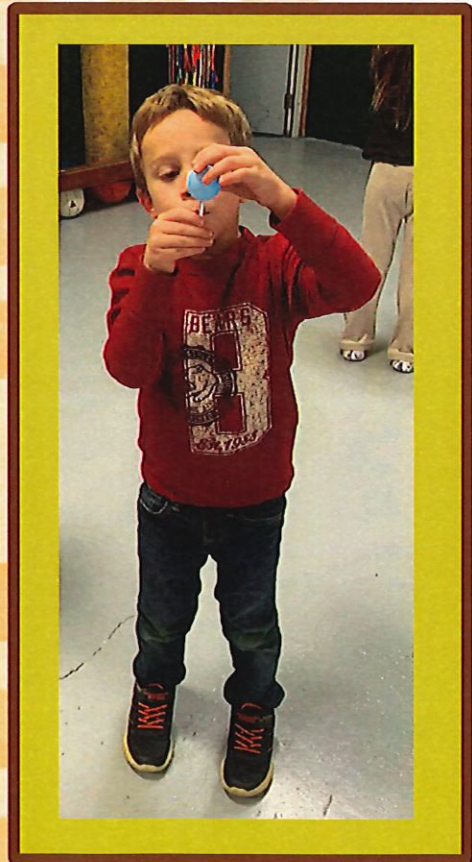
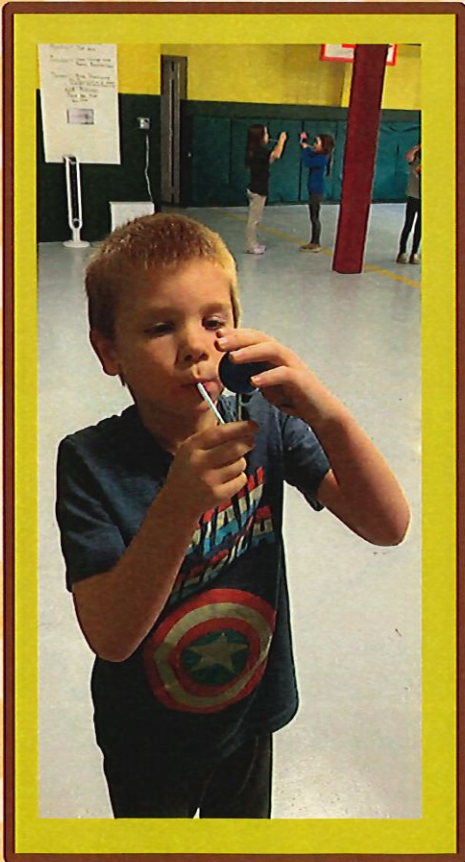
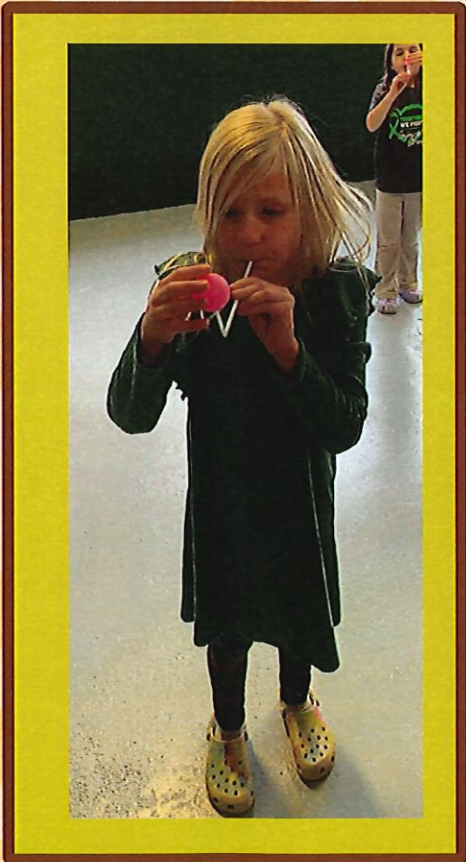
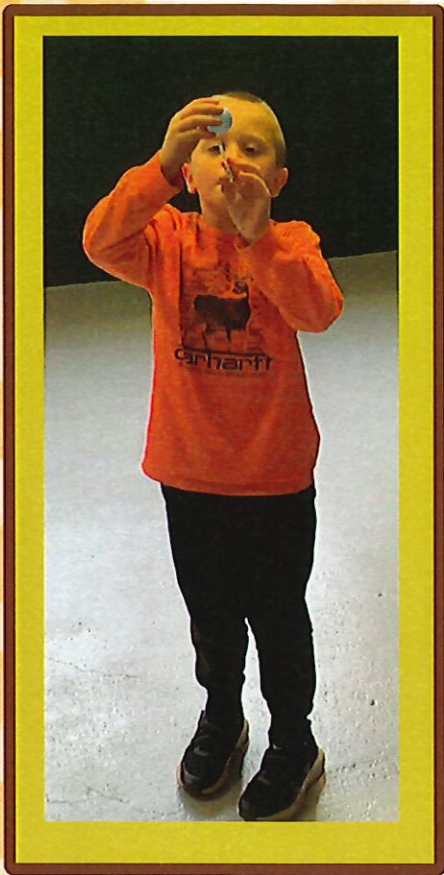
November brought us two virtual visits with an author. The first was a visit with Maynard Okereke a.k.a Hip Hop Science. In the visit, Mr. Okereke talked about his upcoming book, Zombie Spiders and Asteroid Blasters: 16 Incredible Ways That Scientists Are Changing the World. From the talk, and the title of the book, we can't wait for its release in March~Mrs. Werner already preordered one! After talking about the book, he showed us several science explorations involving air. Check out the photos of us on pages two and three trying to keep a ping pong ball floating over a straw.

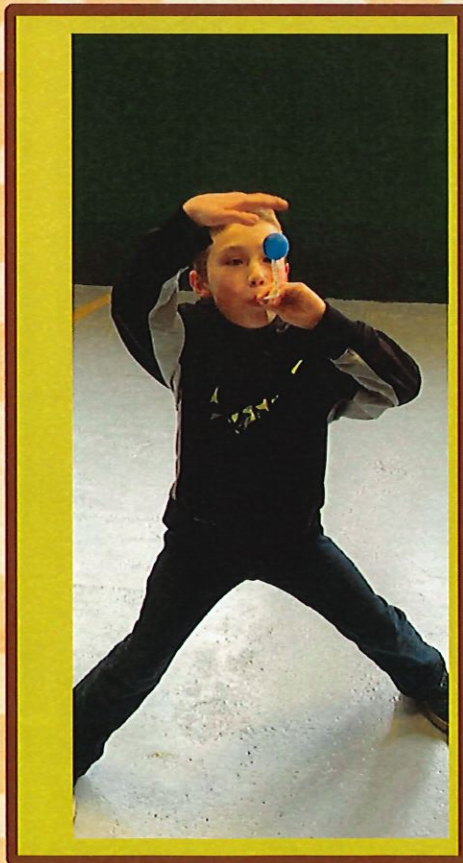
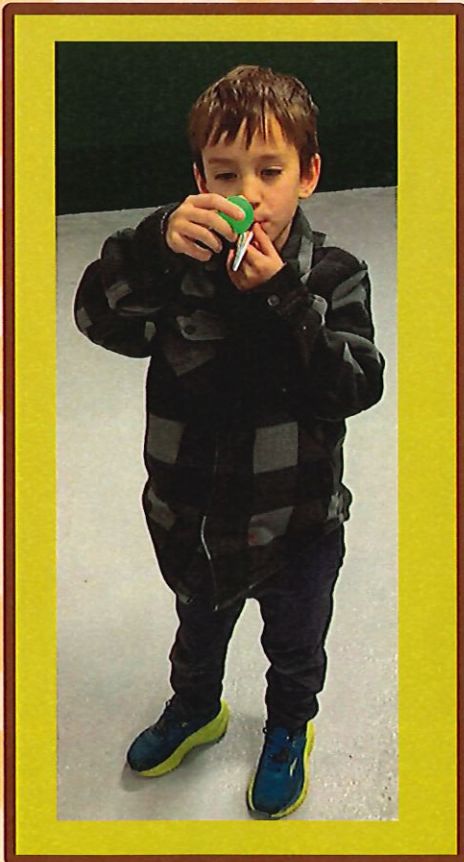
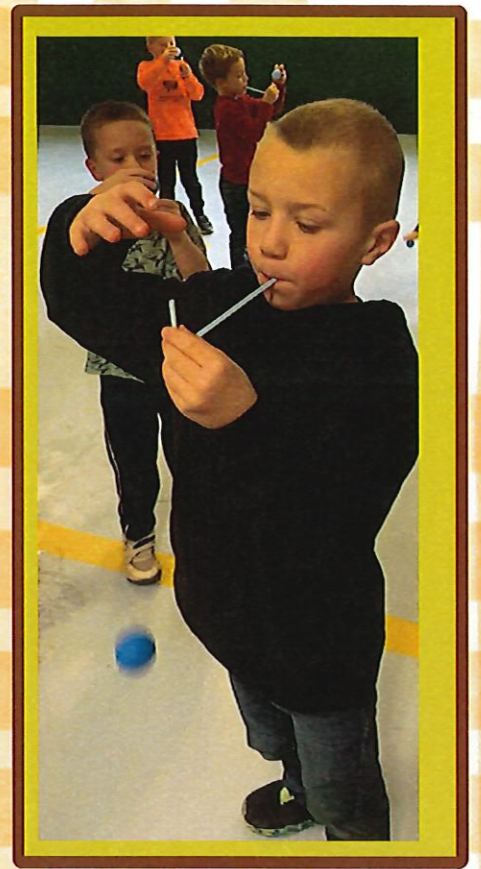
The second author visit was with Mary Pope Osborne, author of many books including the Magic Treehouse series. First, she read an excerpt from her book, Windy Night with Wild Horses. Then she answered questions to inspire us to be writers. For participating in the virtual visit, we each got a copy of her book, Memories and Life Lessons from the Magic Treehouse.

Adding to the virtual fun, we took a virtual fieldtrip to the Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade. After watching a video of the book Balloons over Broadway, we took the fieldtrip to learn about the history of the parade, how the balloons are made, and what some of the balloons have been. Snoopy seems to be the most popular one. Then we made our own "Balloons over Broadway" and pretended to sail them in the air.



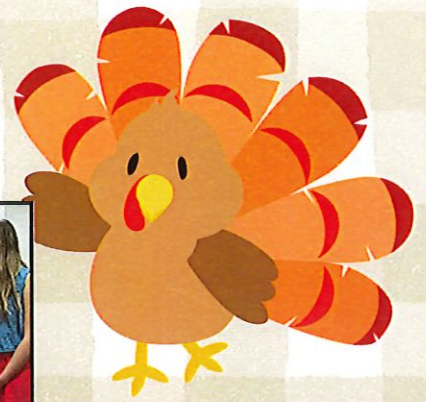
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MS. WOZNY'S NEWSLETTER

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What We Learned

Science 7th and 8th

This month, the class has been learning about rock formation, types of rocks, and the rock cycle. They will complete a final project by creating a virtual poster about how the Great Plains formed.

Science 5th and 6th

The class has been learning about salad dressing! Strange topic, right? They have been learning how molecules interact, how emulsifiers work, and how liquids mix. Their goal: create a salad dressing that does not separate and does not have sediments at the bottom.

Science 3rd and 4th

The students have been learning about inherited traits. Using clay, the students created the siblings in a family with particular parents. They will continue to learn about genes and DNA.



What We Learned

Social Studies 7th and 8th

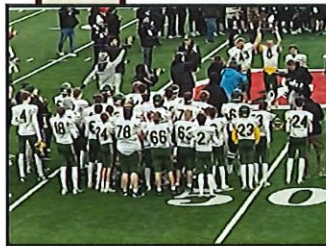
A brief overview of American and Canadian history and geography are the focus in social studies.

Social Studies 5th and 6th

After learning about the earliest civilizations, the class will be now learning about Ancient Egypt.

Social Studies 3rd and 4th

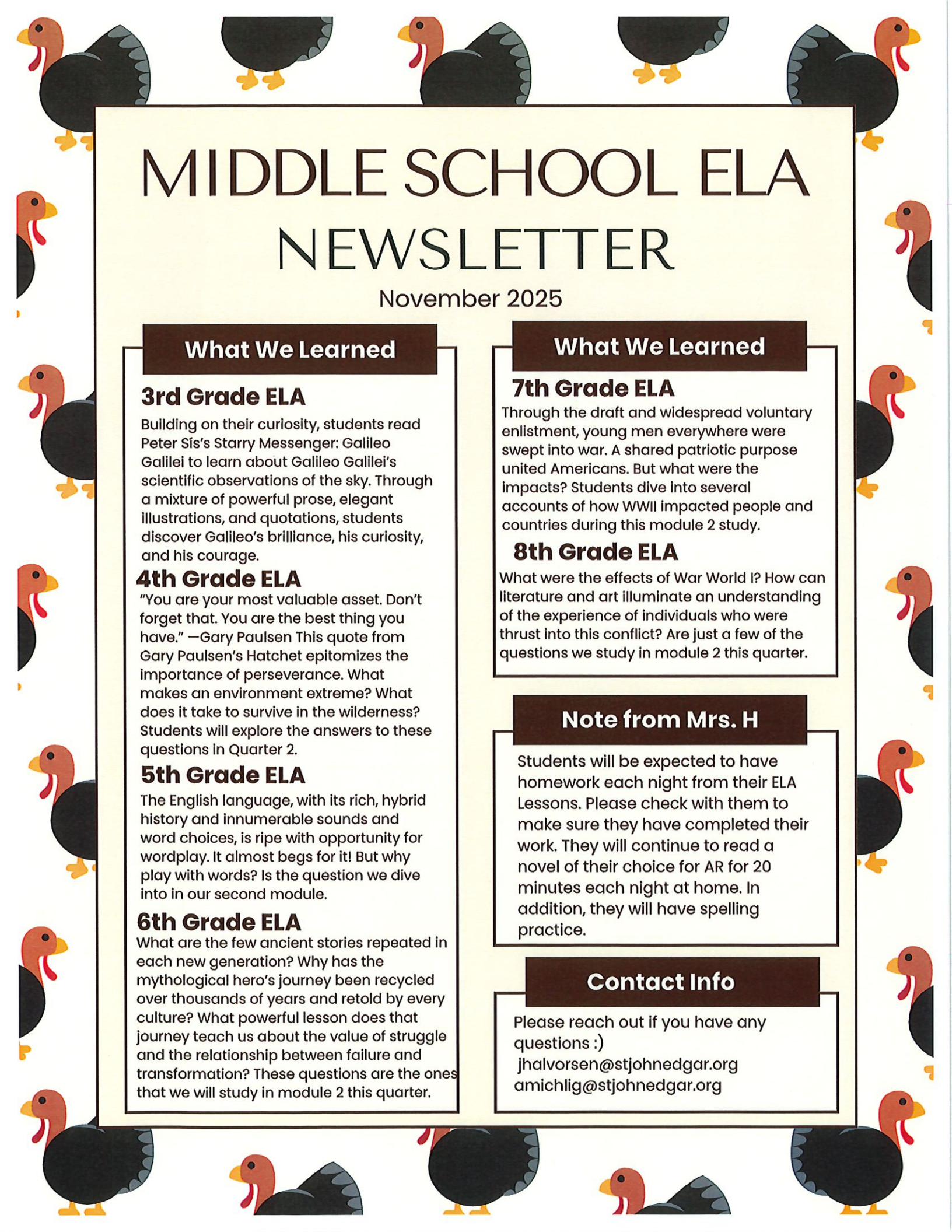
The students continue to learn about United States history, Wisconsin history, and Native American history.



Upcoming Events

- St. Nick's Day - December 6
- Christmas Program - Dec. 14
- St. Lucia's Day - December 16
- Christmas Break - Dec. 24



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MIDDLE SCHOOL ELA NEWSLETTER

November 2025

What We Learned

3rd Grade ELA

Building on their curiosity, students read Peter Sis's *Starry Messenger: Galileo Galilei* to learn about Galileo Galilei's scientific observations of the sky. Through a mixture of powerful prose, elegant illustrations, and quotations, students discover Galileo's brilliance, his curiosity, and his courage.

4th Grade ELA

"You are your most valuable asset. Don't forget that. You are the best thing you have." —Gary Paulsen This quote from Gary Paulsen's *Hatchet* epitomizes the importance of perseverance. What makes an environment extreme? What does it take to survive in the wilderness? Students will explore the answers to these questions in Quarter 2.

5th Grade ELA

The English language, with its rich, hybrid history and innumerable sounds and word choices, is ripe with opportunity for wordplay. It almost begs for it! But why play with words? Is the question we dive into in our second module.

6th Grade ELA

What are the few ancient stories repeated in each new generation? Why has the mythological hero's journey been recycled over thousands of years and retold by every culture? What powerful lesson does that journey teach us about the value of struggle and the relationship between failure and transformation? These questions are the ones that we will study in module 2 this quarter.

What We Learned

7th Grade ELA

Through the draft and widespread voluntary enlistment, young men everywhere were swept into war. A shared patriotic purpose united Americans. But what were the impacts? Students dive into several accounts of how WWII impacted people and countries during this module 2 study.

8th Grade ELA

What were the effects of War World I? How can literature and art illuminate an understanding of the experience of individuals who were thrust into this conflict? Are just a few of the questions we study in module 2 this quarter.

Note from Mrs. H

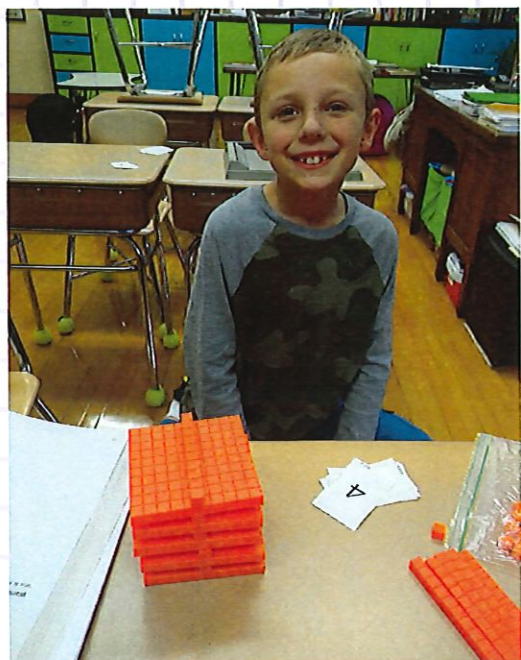
Students will be expected to have homework each night from their ELA Lessons. Please check with them to make sure they have completed their work. They will continue to read a novel of their choice for AR for 20 minutes each night at home. In addition, they will have spelling practice.

Contact Info

Please reach out if you have any questions :)

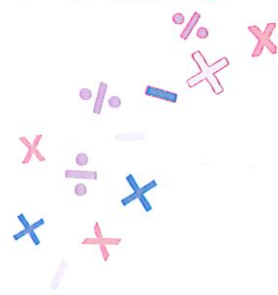
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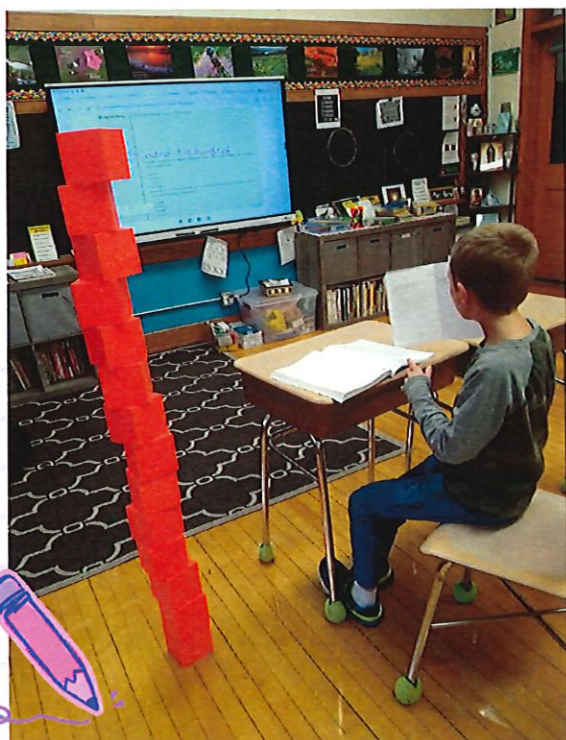
Grade Three students have been adding and subtracting within 1,000. Aside from mental math strategies, they have been practicing with a few algorithms that are based on place value. Coming up, we will practice rounding which can then be used to estimate answers to two-step problems and determine if answers are reasonable.

3 thru 6
MATH



For Grade Four Math, we're extending practice with numbers to include numbers from those that are quite small in the hundredths to those that are quite large in the hundred-thousands. Drew enjoyed representing numbers beyond 1,000 using base-ten blocks. If adjusting the ones block so that it represents 10, then what number is being represented by Drew's tower?

Grade Five found the product of fractions, divided whole numbers by unit fractions, and vice versa. Previously, students made sense of multiplication of a whole number and a fraction in terms of the side lengths and area of a rectangle. Again, they can make sense of multiplication of two fractions the same way. Now we're off to Unit 4 to multiply and divide multi-digit whole numbers.



Grade Six progressed through Unit 3 noting that in a table of equivalent ratios, the entries in one column are produced by multiplying a unit rate by the corresponding entries in the other column. It's interesting to note that "percent" means "per 100" and indicates a rate.



MATH 7 & 8



Grade Seven is in the midst of Unit 4 on Proportional Relationships & Percentages. We are considering situations for which percentages can be used to describe a percent increase or decrease to solve problems that involve sales tax, tip, discount, markup, markdown, and commission.

How about a cryptarithmic puzzle challenge?

The digits 0-9 are represented with letters of the alphabet.

Use your understanding of addition to find which digits go with the letters A, B, E, G, H, L, N, and R.

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A proportion problem involving the Mona Lisa prompted a drawing of a blank frame on our board to the actual size, 2.5ft X 1.75ft. Ruthie quickly volunteered to fill it in with her interpretation.

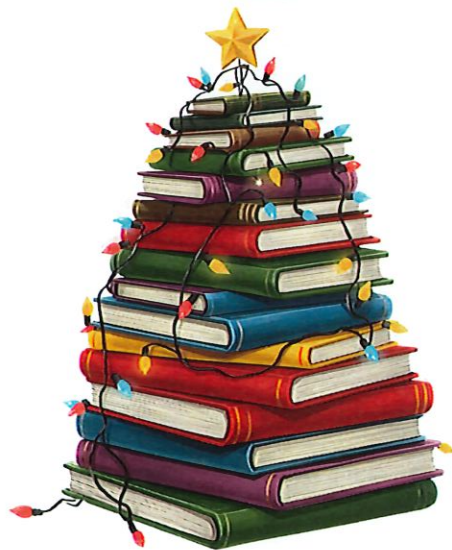
Eighth Grade's third unit, Linear Relationships continued to build on past units. We are becoming more comfortable with a variety of vocabulary such as constant of proportionality, rate of change, linear relationship, slope, vertical or horizontal intercepts, and intersection point.



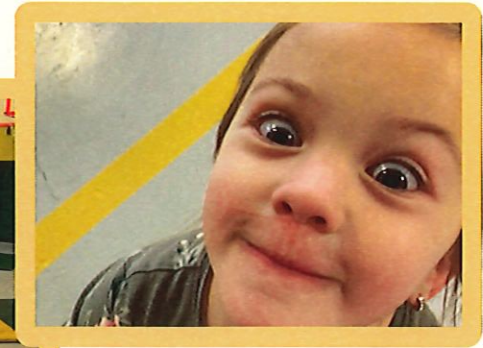
🎵 We hope the Veterans enjoyed our program to honor them. Now as we prepare to honor the birth of Our Dear Lord, our cast is doing a fantastic job memorizing their lines while our music classes are working hard on our songs. We look forward to sharing "A Rockin' Royal Christmas" at noon on December 14. 🎵



Thanks to
AliMae &
Ruthie for
sharing their
choreography
ideas!



St. John's School
P.E. Newsletter
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November Classes:

3K – 1st : Variety of tag games.

2nd – 4th : GaGa Ball, tag games,
Floor is Lava

5th – 8th : Basketball Unit with fun
drill games on Mondays and
Tuesdays. Game on Thursdays.
Fitness challenge to break school
records on PE Record Board.

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